

# Newsletter

October 2021

**Come and join us for the 50<sup>th</sup> (plus one) anniversary of the opening of Knightswood Community Centre.**

You may have been aware, last December was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Centre. It was hoped to celebrate this occasion, however due to the pandemic all plans were cancelled.



This year we are planning a half century (plus one) celebration in the Centre. The date for this event is **Saturday 4th December 2021**. There will be no Centre lets on that date, however all groups will be invited to participate through workshops, performing, demonstrations and “come and try sessions”. A staff member will be in contact with all organisations to discuss ways in which your group can join the fun. It will be a chance to promote the activities that you offer and attract new members. We are at the early stages of planning so if you have an idea for the day let us hear about it.

We hope to have something for everyone, face paints, games, Christmas raffle, tombola, stalls, drinks, food, live music, drama and dance etc.

It will be a Great Day so come and join the Fun.

For further information about KCSCIO and how to become a member please contact the Centre’s Development Officer Gordon Giles who will be happy to advise you.



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## **Knightswood Community SCIO Needs You**

Over the last six years the Centre has been community managed by Knightswood Community SCIO (KCSCIO). The main object of KCSCIO (Charity Number SC044148) is to advance citizenship and community development and provide social, cultural, recreational and educational facilities that will improve the conditions of life for people in the Knightswood community. KCSCIO is governed by a board consisting of up to 12 charity trustees elected by full members of the organisation attending the AGM. **You can join KCSCIO for an annual membership of only £3.00** and get involved with the running of the Centre. Full membership of KCSCIO is open to any individual aged 16 and over who supports the broad purposes of the organisation. Members are invited to KCSCIO’s members’ meetings including the AGM where they can exercise full voting rights.

## Knightswood Local History Group



*Hugh Docherty giving a talk about Glasgow Transport*

The group is open to all interested adults and have over twenty members who meet in Knightswood Community Centre from 10.30am to 12.00 noon on Tuesdays every second week. This local history group was first started through the University of Strathclyde's outreach Life Long Learning Programme.

Topics in the past have included: Glasgow Transport, Lime Kilns, the history of Knightswood, Glasgow in the ice-age, the Argyll Gunpower Industry and many many more. So if you have an enthusiasm for history and other areas of human interest why not join this interesting and friendly group.

Membership is open to all interested adults and currently the annual membership fee has been waived for this session 2021 - 2022. Visitors may also attend individual meetings for £1.00. For further information, contact Anne Nicholl on 0141 563 7217.



### **SYLLABUS SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2021**

September 21	Professor Paul Bishop	The Scottish Linen Industry
October 5	Dr Ivan Ruddock	Memories of the Glasgow Garden Festival
October 19	Bruce Keith	Bridgescapes - a journey through Scotland's bridge-building Grave Robbers
November 2	Keith Stirling	
November 16	Dr Cheryl McGeachan	Scottish Police Surgeons in the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century
November 30	Don Martin	The Coming of the Railway to Anniesland
December 14	James Kennedy	The Story of Forest Hills...Gentry, Ghost and Genuine Good Eggs!

## Hollywood comes to Knightswood

During the lockdown Knightswood Community Centre was used by a film company as a base to shoot to a new international movie called [Man & Witch](#): The Dance of A Thousand Steps.

This fantasy and romance film will feature a star-studded array of famous faces and voices such as: Sean Astin (The Goonies and Lord of the Rings), Christopher Lloyd (The Doc from Back to the Future), Tami Stronach (The NeverEnding Story) and Rhea Perlman (Cheers). Jim Henson's puppets will also feature in the film as animal characters. Still Game director and producer Michael Hines has also been involved as director. The Company also used other Scottish locations including Mugdock Country Park and Castle as well as Stirling Castle.



It has been over 35 years since Tami Stronach played 'The Childlike Empress' in The NeverEnding Story and she hopes to summon up and evoke the magic of that period with her film Man and Witch. Her husband Greg Steinbruner is the film's writer and co-star. Knightswood Community Centre was also utilised to make sets for the film. Angela Murray the Producer of Man & Witch stated that:

"We've really enjoyed working in Knightswood Community Centre. The staff team have been wonderfully kind and helpful, making it a pleasure to come to work"

The film is due for release in 2022, watch this newsletter!



*Mugdock Castle Location for Man & Witch*

**Yes I Can**  
**at**  
**Aye Can Dae Activities**  
(For Adults with Additional Support Needs.)

The world can be a beautiful garden where every person is a different kind of flower.



So come along and have some exciting times and spend time with friends. An inclusive and holistic programme of Wellbeing Workshops, where we create a world of happiness. The workshops are all about having fun, spending time with friends, increasing fitness levels, learning new skills, building confidence and feeling good about yourself.

Experienced and professional workshop leaders offer, Exercise in Disguise, Wee Tea Dance, Making Music and Aye Can Dance, affiliated with Paradance UK. Get involved in whatever way you feel comfortable, moving around the room, laughing out loud and people-watching. Participation is actively encouraged to let your personality shine through. Why don't you take part with a family member, carer or befriender.

Eilidh Swatton who runs the organisation states that "at Aye Can Dae Activities our ethos is Yes, I Can! Whether it is something you are experienced in, or trying something new, all barriers are removed and you can achieve your outcomes. Covid-19 has been challenging, but it is great getting back to our socially dis-danced activities, reconnecting with old friends and making new friends too".

So please join the adventure of Aye Can Dae Activities with exciting workshops, get something nice to eat, make new friends and have a fun-filled day.

The sessions in Knightswood Community Centre are on Monday 11.15pm – 2.00pm and Friday 11.00am – 2.00pm

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