



FRIENDS OF FORGUE KIRK

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Keith McGlone took this picture showing the expanse of water after the Forgue Burn flooded



The Kirk continues to be a place of memory for many people. In January 2022 Lorna Forbes died in Ballater.

She was a generous donor to the Friends. She grew up in the Manse (below) as Lorna Montieth daughter of the Minister and remembered her happy childhood there.

In July Robert Stuart and his family will visit from Boston USA. Their forbear was married in the Kirk in 1790s. There are several memorials to members of their family in the Kirkyard.



Dear Friends,

We hope the very wet winter is now past!

We look forward to the Spring Music on Saturday 13th May which is to be a recital on Piano and Organ by Gordon Cooper from Aberdeen.

In November we will remember Forgue people who died in the two World Wars. We will have the memorial (above) from the closed Auchaber church hanging in the Kirk.

Best wishes for the Spring !

Cryle Shand, Chairman

New Committee Members needed...

If you want to become a committee member please let us know.

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FORGUE OLD KIRK DIARY OF EVENTS 2023

SAT 13 May	7:00pm	Spring Music – Gordon Cooper Piano and Organ recital
SAT 27/ SUN 28 May	11- 4:00pm	Book Sale
SAT 3/ SUN 4 June	11- 4:00pm	Plant Sale/Teas at the Old Manse
SAT 8 July	7.00pm	Summer Music – Aurora Choir
FRI 28 July	7:30pm	Committee Meeting Drinks and nibbles in the Session House Work in Community Woodland
SAT 26th Aug	10:00pm	Heritage day TBA
SAT 19 Sept		Doors Open Days
SAT 16/ SUN 17 Sept	11-5pm	
SAT 14 Oct	7:30pm	Autumn Music
FRI 3 Nov	7:30pm	Committee Meeting AGM in the Session House
SAT 4 Nov	10 - 4:00pm	Heritage Day - Display of Old Kirk History
SAT 4 Nov	7:00pm	Albert Shand Memorial Lecture Cryle Shand on subject TBA
SAT 31 Dec	12.00 Midnight	Bell Ringing and NY drinks



Keith's son Darren is an expert at drone photography and took these aerial shots of Forgue and the Kirk.



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