

Cove and Altens Community Council Annual Christmas Concert 2015

The Christmas Concert was held on Sunday 6th December at a new time of 2.00 in the afternoon. This was due to an evening booking in the Thistle Altens Hotel.

The afternoon slot appeared to please some of the groups taking part and we had a good mix of dance and song and general entertainment. The families and friends that came to watch had an enjoyable time.

We would like to thank the Thistle Altens Hotel for sponsoring the venue and their help in preparing the room for the concert and allowing us to use their facilities.

We would not be able to run the concert without the volunteers who help us each year. Neil set up the IT equipment, Joyce



was great on the piano and Elizabeth was a brilliant MC keeping things moving along and leading the singing. A big thanks to members of the Community Council who came along to help on the door and the raffle.

We raised over a hundred pounds on the raffle with some very generous donations from the many businesses and friends in the community – **A BIG THANK YOU!**

Sue Porter



The Community Christmas Tree 2015

The 22ft Douglas fir tree was erected on Saturday, 5th December, a dry and mild day for the time of year.

Thanks go to Community Councillors, local helpers and the NRS Group, Building and Civil Engineers Ltd. who lent a Terex machine and driver which enabled the tree to go up with less effort than usual.

The tree lights were officially switched on after the Concert on Sunday. Thanks go to the two children from Loirston and Charleston Primary Schools, Hazel and Natalie along with Burgess Margaret Vieira. Grateful thanks too to John Ingram and Santa and to Murray Wilson for the loan of a generator to enable the switch-on to happen at its earlier time and to Jayne Thomson and friends for serving the hot mulled wine and eats on a cold afternoon.



The festive lamp-post lights were erected by Scotia Illuminations and thanks are due to them for replacing/repairing some damaged during the season.

Sadly the tree had to come down on Saturday, 9th January 2016. Thanks are due to Community Councillors and a number of local volunteers who took everything down in double quick time.

Raymond Clark

