



# CVO East Ayrshire Newsletter

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### CVO East Ayrshire East Ayrshire

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#### Special points of interest:

- **Make a splash in Killie**
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- **Latest Funding**
- **Social Enterprise Scheme**
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### Learning Disability Week Events

The first of the learning disability week events is traditionally the **Practitioners Event** which is held in May about a month prior to LDW proper. This year the event was held at St Kentigern Church which proved to be an excellent venue which we would highly recommend for groups looking to host a conference or large event.

Minister for children and early years Adam Ingram was one of the dignitaries in attendance and the event was as usual a resounding success.

The rest of LDW begins on Sunday the 20th of June with a football fun day down at the football cages at Cumnock Academy from 12-4pm and everyone is hoping that

the weather is better than last year when the event was brought to a premature halt by a torrential thunder and lightning rain storm.

This year there will be a bouncy castle, face painting, beat the goalie, the keepy up king, and a whole host of other entertainment to keep everyone amused.

On Monday 21st June from 10-3 there is an information drop in day at the North West Area Centre in Kilmarnock with info stalls and funky bikes.

On Tuesday evening in New Cumnock Community Centre there is the first of our 2 showcase events. Featuring the talents of Independence, Irky Pirky the River-

side Centre and the superb Beats of Brazil. Tickets are like gold dust for this event as it really is a fabulous night out. Wednesday the 23rd from 10-2 has an information day and coffee morning at Hansel village.

On Thursday evening for the second year running at Stewarston Area Centre, you can catch the final Showcase event featuring some of the acts who have performed on the Tuesday at New Cumnock, along with local talent.

So please make a point of attending as many of these events as you can in order to enhance your knowledge of learning disability or simply to have a good time, believe me you won't be disappointed.

### Latest Funding News

#### People's Postcode Trust Funding :[www.postcodetrust.org.uk](http://www.postcodetrust.org.uk)

- Reopens on 7th June and funding is available for 3 month projects targeting:
1. Poverty Prevention
  2. Advancement of Health (not research)
  3. Community Development
  4. Public Sports
  5. Human Rights and
  6. Environmental Protection.

#### Cash back for Communities

#### Calling all BB, Guides and Scout Leaders

Grants of up to £2,000 are available for Scouting groups, Guides, Boys Brigade Girls Brigade. The application form and further information can be found on the Youth Scotland website.

This scheme is funded through the proceeds of crime, and can be used for equipment and such like.

#### Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland

Have renamed their main grants awards scheme the Henry Duncan Awards in memory of the Reverent Henry Duncan who funded the original Trustee Savings Bank (from which the foundation came into being) 200 years ago this year.

Further information on eligibility and such like can be located at: <http://www.ltsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk>

## CVO EA offers Committee Skills Training.

East Ayrshire CVO can offer a service called Committee Skills Training. We provide a short training course about committee skills training which is both informative and very useful for management committee personnel who are new to the position of trustee or just wish to brush up on the various roles and duties involved in running a voluntary group.

The course includes a series of different topics. The topics it includes are:

### Ice Breaker Quiz

### OSCR Requirements

**An overview of Management Committee roles.**

**Committee Skills Training—It's a jungle out there. A light hearted look at types of people who make a good committee.**

### Case Study

### Feedback

If you feel this could be of benefit to you please get in touch with the CVO East Ayrshire or email our Admin at:

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**TEL: 01563 574 000**

We can come and deliver the training at your own premises or providing no one has a difficulty climbing stairs the session can be held at our second floor office at 5 St Marnock Street

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## Independent Examination

CVO East Ayrshire can now offer organisations an independent examination of their annual accounts service. There are a few qualification rules to allow organisations to qualify for an independent examination a summary of which is as follows:

1. Voluntary groups must be registered charities.
2. However they must not be a company limited by guarantee.
3. Should have an income of less than £100,000 p/a.
4. Their constitutions do not specifically state the have to have fully audited accounts.

If a voluntary or community group can satisfy these conditions East Ayrshire CVO will be able to offer an Independent Examination (IE) of their accounts service.

In such cases an Independent examination will satisfy the OSCR monitoring requirements, and we are sure you will find a significant cost reduction for your organisation in comparison with your current accounting arrangements.

CVO now have ACIE trained staff who can provide this service. IE is an alternative to full financial audit for smaller organisations/charities.

The cost of an IE by CVO East Ayrshire will be negotiated on a case

to case basis. The advantages for small charities is that an IE is cheaper than a full audit, and this will allow groups to save money.

We feel this is huge step forward particularly for smaller groups in the current financial climate and CVO East Ayrshire will be rolling this service out over the coming months.

If you want to know more please don't hesitate to call our office or email or admin at:

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**Make a splash in Kilmarnock 7th June at St Josephs**

**Want More People to take part in your Arts or Crafts Activity?**

**Then dive into Voluntary Arts Scotland's Make a Splash! programme**

Voluntary Arts Scotland are holding a free event on Monday 7th of June 2010 at the Drama Studio, St Josephs Academy Grassyards Road, New Farm Loch,

Kilmarnock from 7.15–9.15 with food from 6.45.

Voluntary Arts Scotland is running a series of **free events for voluntary cultural groups** to help you attract new and diverse people to participate in your activities. Or, if there's a gap in your area you'd like to fill, we can help you set up a group specialising in the art or craft form you love. We're visiting all 32 Local Authority areas across Scotland, so there's bound to be one near you.

And once you've got some great ideas, we can support your group further with a **small grants scheme** in conjunction with the Scottish

Community Foundation. Then you can **Make a Splash!** with some cash and try something new, to help even more people discover how good it feels to take part in arts and crafts activity. At the end of your project, we'll ask you to collect real-life stories about how it went – and about your hopes and plans for the future.

But it doesn't stop there! We are also looking for groups to take part in ways that will connect to the big screen '**Live Sites**' being set up for the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2012 and to join us at a **final celebration event** for the whole programme. **Interested?**

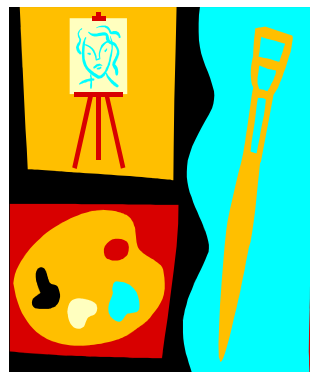
Then visit [www.peoplemakingwaves.org.uk/makeasplash](http://www.peoplemakingwaves.org.uk/makeasplash) to: Find details on where and when the free events will take place and to book a place

- Learn how to apply for the small grants scheme
  - Read how other people have been making a splash in their area
- Add your own stories about taking part

Or if you'd like to chat to us about the programme, call the Voluntary Arts Scotland office on tel: **0131 225 7355** or email: [makesplash@vascotland.org.uk](mailto:makesplash@vascotland.org.uk)

**Come on in – the water's lovely!**

Co-ordinated by Volunteer Development Scotland, over the next four years People Making Waves will connect the people of Scotland with the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympics Games and the Olympic Movement. It will give everyone a chance to share their stories and experiences of 2012, particularly through volunteering and other activities.



**Make a Splash Event on the evening of Monday 7th of June at St Josephs Academy in Kilmarnock for those with an interest in the arts, from 6.46 to 9.15.**



**In conjunction with :**



**CVO East Ayrshire Volunteer Centre East Ayrshire**



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The **CVO (E.A.) Ltd** exists to represent the voluntary sector, to assist organisations in East Ayrshire to come together for common purposes and to enable local people to gain access to the decision making processes which affect their community



**Check out our website  
at: [www.cvoea.co.uk](http://www.cvoea.co.uk)**

## Coalfields to Encourage Social Enterprise

The Coalfields Regeneration Trust is putting in £75,000 to develop Social Enterprise in the Cumnock & Doon Valley area.

The target is to set up 10 new social enterprise businesses in collaboration with the Scottish School of Social Entrepreneurs.

Having already run a successful pilot scheme in Fife the Trust is hoping to roll the scheme out across other mining areas.

One of the key early successes in Fife was the establishment of Recycle Fife which now employs 38 local people and has an annual turnover of

over £600,000 a year.

The idea behind this initiative is to encourage individuals who have a good business idea to have a go at developing this into a real business.

The format will be a course based programme in partnership with YIP World in Cumnock. Comprising a dozen formal sessions complemented by intensive one to one sessions with professional business advisors.

The initiative is open for applications from anyone

over 18 years of age who feels they have a really good idea for a social enterprise business which could be established within the former mining areas within East Ayrshire.

The first point of contact for anyone wishing to find out more or to take part in the programme is the Scottish School for Entrepreneurs and their contact number is 01592-780-568.

Places are going to be limited so anyone who is interested will have to be fast if they wish to avoid being disappointed.