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US TODAY!



Fundraising 2009.

During 2009, the Hall committee raised a staggering **£1700+** through various fundraising events, primarily down to the efforts of Alison Binns.

Alison is now taking a much deserved rest from the Committee and her input and effort is being sorely missed.

We would love to hear from anyone who would like to join our committee and drive forward our plan to make Pathhead & District Village Hall the heart of Village life.

We are particularly keen to hear from anyone with experience of making grant applications. Interested? Contact Fiona Corsar on 833376 or fiona3004@hotmail.co.uk

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Don't let the Halls Kitchen become a Kitchen Nightmare!

GREAT NEWS!!!

Our local IKEA branch at Straiton is donating a brand new kitchen, with appliances to the Pathhead and District Village Hall free of charge!

IKEA have been looking for ways to reward the people of Midlothian for their support as customers and employees and have selected Pathhead Village as a great way to show their thanks.

They have selected our Village Hall because of the diversity of the groups that rely on it – Pathhead Youth Project, Pathhead Sports and Social Club, Pathhead Players, Cranston Mother and Toddlers, Explorers Club, Karate Class, Pathhead Music Collective, Scotch Nights, Children's Holiday Club, Horticultural Show as well as its use as a venue for private parties and birthday celebrations.

IKEA particularly liked the fact that the Hall

was used by young and old alike as well as recognising the massive difference a new kitchen would make to the hall.

The hall currently has no cooking or refrigeration facilities which severely impacts the type of groups and events that can successfully use the hall. The new kitchen will fully address this providing cooking and refrigeration as well as expansive, hygienic work areas.

We need your help to make this happen....

We need volunteers...

... On **Sat 20th February** to remove the existing kitchen units and prepare the site for the new kitchen.
... We would like to hear from anyone with

time between **20th February** and **6th March** who can paint.

... We need volunteers on **Saturday 6th March** to aid in the fitting of the new kitchen.

... We welcome volunteers of all abilities but

would particularly welcome joiners, plumbers, electricians and painters who would be able to donate some time.

Please call Bill Barron if you can help on Tel : 320305

Draft accounts for the year ended June 2009

Income

Hall hire charges - £13,062
Fundraising £1,721
Donations £698
Total income £15,483

Expenses

Utilities £6,865
Insurance £1,445
Maintenance £4,292
Cleaning £3,891
Sundries £777
Total expenses £17,270

Deficit £1,787

The Trustees have met last years deficit from the Pathhead and Village Trust Fund.

Over the last decade the Trust has been used on several occasions to improve facilities and provide essential maintenance so these funds are now running low. Land for the Village Hall was provided by the Callander family.

Special Thanks to Andrew Don who earned a Community Cash back award from his employer, RBS Group & gave it to the Village Hall.

Other Hall news....

Thanks to the support of "The Friends of the Hall" we have at last made significant improvement to the toilets in the hall.

Although not all works are yet complete, already the toilets not only look better but are bright, fresh and clean. This

would not have been possible without our "Friends" and the effort of Ed and Jackie McNairn in co-ordinating the works.

Are you a friend of the Hall?

Want to give something back to your community

but don't have time to volunteer? Please become a "Friend".

Contact Colin Stone 320301

colinstone_@hotmail.com

or download a gift aid form at

www.pathhead.info

Website – Have you seen our new website @ www.pathhead.info?

Thanks to our webmaster Neil Heydon-Dumbleton we have a website that is not only clean and easy to navigate, it is also up to date with Village Hall news and links to all the groups who use the hall.

Did you know there is also a booking diary online so you can see when the hall is available to hire?

Other improvements to the Hall during 2009...

New porch carpet, outside painted, garden improved, signage, improvements to front doors, notice board, new exterior light, new light switch for porch, new lights in toilets, new light in kitchen, new sockets on stage, new light in corridor to Social club, updated Fire and Risk assessments, lower cost contracts negotiated on power, water, waste and insurance.

The Committee are sorry that it wasn't possible to organise a Cool Yule event in 2009, following the very popular event in 2008.

We hope to resume this event in 2010!

FRIENDS OF THE HALL.....

For a small annual donation you can support the hall and give something back to the community.

To become a friend of Pathhead & District Community Hall please visit www.pathhead.info or

pick up a form in the hall which is open most Mon—Thur inc between 6.45pm and 8.30pm

If you cannot afford to donate money, please give us some of your time instead. - spare

us a few hours of your time to make our hall better.

Already, our Friends have made it possible to plan significant improvement to the Hall.

Thanks Friends!