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Bonar Bridge

Whist - The whist drive held on Wednesday last week was in aid of Bonar Bridge OAP Fund and raised £91 for the organisation.

James Docherty was the cardmaster and the votes of thanks were moved by Nell Mackay. Megan White presented the prizes as follows:

Ladies - 1 Jane Harrison, 2 Sheila Thomson, 3 Ishbel Urquhart, consolation Isabel MacAughtrie.

Gents - 1 James Docherty, 2 Nell Mackay, 3 Norman Vincent, consolation Nigel Baird.

Helpers were Arline Murray and Christine Macdonald.

Brora

Whist - Results of the whist drive held in Brora Bowling Club on Wednesday last week were:

Ladies - 1 Sheena Manson, 2 Annie Findlater, consolation Alice Bean. Gents - 1 Alister Macleod, 2 David Clarkson, consolation Ann Robertson. Cardmaster was Margaret Macleod.

Whists are held every Wednesday at 7 pm - new members always welcome.

Dornoch

Open day - Dornoch's Historylinks museum is holding an open day on Saturday, 2nd May - with free entry.

Historylinks curator Sue Higgins said: "Normally we have a modest entry charge for our museum - £3 for adults - and we rely heavily on this revenue to keep us going. But we noticed that the great majority of our customers are visitors to the area and we thought it is a pity that many local people may be unaware of what Historylinks can now offer and of how it has changed and grown over the years.

"That is why we are having an open day, with admission free to all, to encourage people from the local area to drop in and see what Historylinks is all about. We know it is difficult for business and trades people to visit during the day so we are opening in the evening as well."

The Historylinks building is like the Tardis, seemingly small from the outside, but crammed with a wide range of exhibits and audio-visual attractions. In addition to these, the open day will include a new display covering the conception of Historylinks' sister organisation Dornoch Heritage Society more

than 30 years ago and the mammoth task involved in bringing a permanent museum to Dornoch.

This will celebrate the lives of a few of the inspirational people who brought this about, such as Jimmy Bell, Dr Struan Robertson and Ian Ross-Harper.

The open day will also feature the launch of a new community project focusing on the shops that were in Castle Street and the High Street during the 1940s. There will be a rough layout of the streets, and Historylinks staff members hope to plot not just the location of the many shops but also to glean snippets of information, memories and stories that these bring to mind. There will be lots of old photos to jog people's memories.

There will also be crafts for children to make (with a small charge of £1 to cover costs) as well many puzzles and quizzes in the museum.

It will take place from 10am-4pm and 7-9pm.

Golspie

Community Council - In his report to last week's community council meeting, Highland councillor Graham Phillips said there had been a site meeting