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Wir Guizer Jarl - Brian Spence

Our Chief Guizer this year is Brian Spence, who has chosen to represent Haursi Heðinn. Brian is supported by his wife Helena, daughter Lucia (4) and son David (21 months).



This is Brian's fifth time in the Jarl Squad, having previously accompanied Jarls Michael Nisbet (2013), David Spence (Brian's brother, 2014), James Nicholson (2019) and Steven Brown (2023). Having started guizing in the Cullivoe School squad, Brian was part of the Hillend squad before becoming a founder member of the "Young Turks" in 2003. Over the weekend and beyond, Brian and his squad will be raising money for the Scottish Ambulance Service (who operate the Air Ambulance covering Shetland).

A foreword from the Jarl:

"It's difficult to put into words how proud I am to be Guizer Jarl. Some of my earliest memories are of Vikings coming to the Cullivoe School, and I am truly honoured for my name to be added to the list of Jarls at our festival. Owing to a quirk of circumstance (in the form of a global pandemic) I take up this mantle ten years after my brother, Davey, and 60 years after our father, Bruce, who was Jarl in 1964.

By the time you read this, the Up Helly Aa machine will have clicked into gear. So many folk doing so many things to help make this a slick, enjoyable, memorable and fun weekend for everybody. Sandwich-makers, kitchen workers, marshalls, door crew, bar staff, drivers, musicians - thank you all so, so much.

Thank you to Steven for this opportunity; I'll always be grateful. Thanks to North Yell Development Council for their support of Up Helly Aa. Thanks to Rae Simpson, Christine Sinclair, Carole Flaws, Sarah Riley, Craig Sim, Dawn Siegel and Yousaf Ali for all their help with our outfits and weaponry. Thanks to the galley-builders, whose efforts and workmanship making *Lastdrager* were amazing to behold. Thanks to Alannah Spence for her tremendous work on the billhead, and thank you to every visitor who has come along the Galley Shed over the winter - we were blyde to see you. To my squad, the Sea Wolves - I'll never forget your support, guidance and dedication. We've had a great time over the winter, and the best is yet to come.

Helena - this whole experience would have been a non-starter without your help and understanding, as well as your patience! I'll be making it up to you forever more.

Lucia & David - you'll almost certainly not remember much about this weekend, but I look forward to telling you stories about how entertaining you both were as peerie Vikings. Just keen dat Dad loved Up Helly Aa 2024 all da more for bein able ta see it troo your eyes.

This festival means the world to me. I hope you all have a brilliant weekend."

Weaponry & Regalia



The four former Guizer Jarls in Brian's squad have their respective shield designs represented on the eye of their axes.

Jarl Squad 2024



Former Jarl Steven Brown



Guizer Jarl Brian Spence



Jarl-Elect Alice Jamieson



Michael Nisbet



David Spence



Mark Lawson



Lee Macleod



Stephen Saunders



Chris Hellawell



Brydon Barclay



Andy Stephen



Lucia Spence



David Spence



Sidney Hellowell

Musicians



Barry Nisbet



Megan Nisbet



Jack Jamieson



Diane Wood

Jarl Squad Introductions

There are some familiar and some new faces in this year's squad, who have been meeting regularly at the Galley Shed since late September to prepare for this weekend. Here our Guizer Jarl provides a breakdown of who's who...

Steven Brown: "Broomir has been a huge help, both in offering and advice and through his seamanship skills in readying *Lastdrager*. He was responsible for the introduction of 'Firekegs' to the Galley Shed, which have made for some nights I'll always remember (and some nights I wish I could)."

Alice Jamieson: "Jarl-Elect for 2025, Alice has been an integral part of the squad whose enthusiasm and drive have been evident all winter. She has gone the extra mile again and again and has been a great support. Also a big fan of half-marathons - entirely baffling."

David Spence: "I feel lucky to have spent another season in the Galley Shed with Davey - I am as in awe of his enthusiasm for music now as I was when I was a bairn. He has been a tremendous support - whilst also keeping Yell moving through deep snow! Here's hoping for a mild forecast over Up Helly Aa..."

Mark Lawson: "Lucia and David's godfather, Chair of the North Yell Development Council and as community-minded an individual as you could hope to find. Mark's advice as a former Jarl has been absolutely invaluable, and one day - one day - I'm confident he'll win a game of darts at the Galley Shed."

Michael Nisbet: "The fourth former Jarl in my squad, and truly my brother from another mother - I've never not known Mick. Born about three weeks apart, growing up about 100m apart, classmates, teammates, roommates, bandmates, squad mates, best men, and the most supportive friend you could ever have. The Clown and the Wolfman."

Stephen Saunders: "Another member of the "Class of '92" from Cullivoe Primary School and a life-long friend, it's difficult to come away from a yarn with Saunders without a smile on your face. A huge Up Helly Aa enthusiast and the life of the party, this won't be his last winter in the Galley Shed. In fact he's just getting started..."

Brydon Barclay: "A true engineer who approaches every problem as a challenge to be savoured, Brydon has once again been an irreplaceable armourer for the Cullivoe Jarl Squad. Pals since the glory days of the Janet Courtney Hostel, Brydon's infectious laughter and sense of fun brighten up the room."

Andy Stephen: “A longtime Up Helly Aa musician, Shakin’ Stephen was an enormous help to our family when we were renovating Da Hooses. Kind, generous, talented and brilliant fun - do yourself a favour and sing a song with Andy during the course of the weekend. [FUN FACT: Chesney Hawkes once performed as his warm-up act.]”

Chris Hellowell: “It’s frightening to think that I’ve known Geordie Chris for 25 years. When we met he was described to me (by Phil Goodlad) as ‘a Shetlander trapped in a Geordie’s body’, and we struck up a bond immediately. Now one of the world’s foremost Tool Librarians, Edinburgh-based Chris is our most Viking-looking Viking.”

Lee Macleod: “The other member of the ‘Soothower Vikings’, Sandness man Lee now resides in Glasgow. Our friendship was forged through a love of football, and through 3ft-deep gutter at Swamp Soccer in Dunoon back in 2008. Between films, TV shows, music and drunken Fitba Quizzes, I would say we have a plethora of shared interests.”

Lucia Spence: “Creative, excitable and as enthusiastic a Viking as you’ll meet, Lucia has taken her Jarl Squad duties very seriously. She loves nothing more than dancing at the Hall, and will take the floor at every opportunity!”

David Spence: “The second David Spence in the Jarl Squad, our son David was named after his uncle. He’ll turn two in May, and should look pretty cute in photos - if he ever stands still long enough for any to be taken.”

Sidney Hellowell: “Chris’s son Sid will be experiencing his first ever Up Helly Aa as a member of the Jarl Squad. As a fan of Vikings, islands and boats, this weekend seems made for him!”

THE JARL SQUAD BAND

Barry Nisbet: “Fiddle player, guitarist, singer-songwriter and all-round musical maestro, I’ve been fortunate enough to share stages with Barry for a long time, and look forward to his tunes this weekend!”

Megan Nisbet: “Music teacher Megan makes her debut appearance as a Jarl Squad musician, but I’m very confident it will be the first of many. Her love for music is infectious and clear for all to see.”

Jack Jamieson: “My ultra-talented Rack & Ruin bandmate has recently turned his hand to music promotion with the ‘Rising North’ festival. If there’s fun to be had, Face will be in the heart of it - I’m delighted he’ll be joining us this weekend.”

Diane Wood: “Another newcomer to our Up Helly Aa, Diane plays with Megan in Da Annlynn Sessions, and co-ordinates local acts for the Shetland Folk Festival! We’re blyde to have her on board as our bass player.”

Proclamation 2024

WIR JARL DECREES THAT GUIZERS WILL REPORT IN GOOD TIME TO COLLECT THEIR TORCHES AND START THE PROCESSION FROM THE HALL AT 7:30PM

WIR JARL IS A BRILLIANT AN SPLENDID CHOICE THIS YEAR, HE WILL BE HELPING HIS SQUAD TO LEARN HOW TO GATHER MOSS FAE ABOUT DA BANKS HOOSES O CULLIVOE. IN DA PROCESSION HE WILL KEEP ORDER AMONG GUIZERS THAT ARE PARTYING OR ANY WHO ARE BANDING TOGETHER TO CREATE RACK N RUIN IN DA HALL
IT'S UP HELLY AA 2024, LET'S SEE YOU AA UP ON DA FLOOR
LEESHINAT WI DANCERS FLYIN, AN CELEBRATE WIR JARL BRIAN

IT'S FINE TO GET VISITORS AN FOR FOLK TO COME ALONG
BUT NOT A BUS FOO O DRUNK PARTY GOERS ON DA WAY HOM
ABRUPTLY STOPPED BEFORE FILLING DIR GLASSES
BY DA HEAD TEACHER COMIN STOMPIN DOON DA STAIRS IN HIS PYJAMAS

HAVING A FUN WHAN DA DRAMS ARE FAIRLY FLOWIN, IT TOOK A WHILE TO NOTICE DAT DA SHED WIS STARTED GLOWIN, FOO O GEAR HAS UNFORTUNATELY BEEN BRUNT,
IT WAS HIS UNCLE DA FIRESTARTER HAD TO CONFRONT

YOU NEED YOUR WITS ABOUT YOU WHAN WIRKIN WI KYE
SOMETIMES DAT DOESNA HAPPEN WI DA LACK O SHUT EYE
POOR ERLAND WAS TOO SLOW TO GET OOT O DA WAY
OSCAR CHARLIE WAS CALLED OOT AT DA START O DA SHOW DAY

TWO VIXENS SCRAPPIN AT DA END O DA NIGHT, JARL ELECT STEPPED IN TO BREAK UP DA FIGHT
FLOAT LIKE A BUTTERFLY STING LIKE A BEE, DA 2ND JANUARY YELL FAN IT'S NEW MOHAMMED ALI
CONTROL TOWER PLEASE CALL ME BACK, URGENTLY TO PLEASE YOUNG JACK
WITH NEWS OF THE GAME JUST NOW IN PLAY, AND HOPE SCOTLAND DOES NOT DISMAY

OOT OWER ON A WEEL KENT HILL, DEY STARTED BIGGIN WI A WILL
NOO LONELY AN EMPTY THERE IT SITS, WINDER WHAN DIR GOIN TAE FLIT?

SNOWY WADDIR CAN BE FINE AN WEEL, POLICE SAID TO FOLK DON'T GET BEHIND DA WHEEL
A BLIND MOORIE CAN PUT YOU OFF TRACK, AN YOU HAE TAE FON FUR CRAIG TAE COME TO YOUR RESCUE

ENTERPRISE, DETERMINATION AN A DOSE O HARD WARK
SAW DA OPENING O A NEW MARINA AN A BIGGER BUSINESS PARK
NOO WE NEED SOME O DA SAM KINDA SENSE FAE DA TOON HALL
JOOST GET ON WI DA NEW CULLLIVOE ROD WANCE AN FUR ALL

McDICKIE TROD DA ROADS AT NIGHT, WE OFFER HIM A TOAST
AYWICK COWBOYS CAM AN TOOK HIM DOON, NOO HE'S JUST A ROAST!

DA GALLEY SHED IS NOO SPIK N SPAN A MAJESTIC PLACE INDEED, BUT SHOULD HAVE BEEN
OPENED BY A BOTTLE O BUBBLY, NOT DA NEXT JARL'S HEID!! NO MALICE INTENDED

DA TALL SHIPS RACES CAM AGEEN
AS SPECTACULAR A SIGHT DAT'LL EVER BE SEEN
AN EVERY SAILOR WILL GLADLY ATTEST
DAT ALTHOUGH DA TOON WUS GOOD, DEY LIKED YELL DA BEST

TREES AROOND DA HOOSE CAN BE GREAT FUR DA SHADE
BUT CAN BE STRESSFUL WHAN YOU TINK DAT POISON HAS BEEN SPRAYED
BLAMING IT ON DA NEIGHBOURS EFTIR DEM HAEIN A SPREE
TURNED OOT TAE BE DA COONTY BOYS SPRAYIN DA THISTLES ALONG DA ROD

AN UNKEN MAN WIRKIN ON DA FERRY, A JOB DEY COULDNA FILL
TURNS UP FUR WARK WAN NIGHT WI A YOW STUCK IN HIS CAR GRILL

HURRICANES, FLOODS, WILDFIRES, WIR DA TOPIC FOR A SOCIAL COMMENTATOR DAT REALLY MADE
US BAFFLE

BUT TAE BLAME FOLK OF DIFFERENT PREFERENCES, WHAT A LOAD OF WAFFLE

THINGS WE'D LIK TAE KEEN:

WIR DA FACTORY LIGHTS A THORN IN DA SIDE OR TOO NEAR FOR BLOWN AWAY SCAFFOLDING?
WHO WILL CONTROL DA SQUADS WI DA PC POLICE ON DA STAGE?
WHAT PRICE IS A GATE? WILL BB'S BREW ANOTHER CUP? WHO WILL ALAN N KELLY HOUSE SIT FOR
NEXT?

WHO INVITED PETER WOOD TO PLAY WI RACK N RUIN ON DA 2ND JANUARY?
DOES DA SIC FERRIES EMPLOY ESCORTS FOR AGENCY STAFF AS WELL AS TAXIS?

DEFACERS OF OUR BILL WILL HAVE THEIR BANDIT SMOKED AND SENT TO RACK N RUIN FOR EXTRA
ABERDEEN FITBA AND HAVE THEIR G STRING CUT

BY ORDER AND UNDER SEAL OF THE GUIZER JARL



The Up Helly Aa Song

(first verse & chorus)



**From grand old Viking centuries Up-Helly-Aa has come,
Then light the torch and form the march, and sound the rolling drum:
And wake the mighty memories of heroes that are dumb;
The waves are rolling on.**

CHORUS:

**Grand old Vikings ruled upon the ocean vast,
Their brave battle-songs still thunder on the blast;
Their wild war-cry comes a-ringing from the past;
We answer it "A-hoy!"
Roll their glory down the ages,
Sons of warriors and sages,
When the fight for freedom rages,
Be bold and strong as they!**

(Words by J.J. Haldane Burgess)

(Music by Thomas Manson)

The Galley Song

(first two verses)

**Floats the raven banner o'er us,
Round our Dragon Ship we stand,
Voices joined in gladsome chorus,
Raised aloft the flaming brand.
Voices joined in gladsome chorus,
Raised aloft the flaming brand.**

**Every guizer has a duty,
When he joins the festive throng,
Honour freedom, love and beauty,
In the feast, the dance, the song.
Honour freedom, love and beauty,
In the feast, the dance, the song.**

(Written by John Nicolson, to the tune of an old Norwegian folk song)

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Squad List

Hall	Name	School
1	JARL SQUAD: HAURSI HEDINN	1
2	Da Life o Brian	10
3	Get Oot o Ma Hoose	11
4	Super Spence Bros.	12
5	2nds Away	13
6	Da Masked Ringer	14
7	Hucklebuck Hogan	2
8	Summer Lovin'	3
9	Bad Education	4
10	The Traitors: CUHA Edition	5
11	Stop the Boats, Start the Flights	6
12	It's a Deal	7
13	The Turbs	8
14	Back to the Future	9

* Running order subject to change



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Roars fae da past...



Lee Jamieson & Cynthia Henderson [2012]



Guizer Jarl Gilbert Nicolson and Squad [1989]



Guizer Jarl Brian Thomson's squad visiting the school [1999]



A classic Up Helly Aa moment -
"John O'Gloup" (Barry Nisbet) descends from the rafters [2005]

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Wishing Brian and the Jarl Squad
good luck and a great weekend!



Galley Shed Funs



Galley Shed Renovations

Over the past five years, the Cullivoe Up Helly Aa Committee has been working hard to improve the fabric and facilities of our Galley Shed. Our aim was to make the space more comfortable, sustainable, environmentally friendly and suitable for the events we have now and hope to host in the years to come.



Over this time we have installed new fire doors, new windows and a new front door. We have created two new accessible toilets and built a store area for our exhibition items. We have installed internal insulation in the main hall and replaced the garage door and electrics. These works have only been possible due to the hard work of many committee members and the support from a range of funding bodies.

We would like to thank Yell Community Council, The Shetland Community Benefit Fund, North Yell Development Council, the Yell Carbon Neutral Islands Fund, and the SIC Economic Development Scheme for their financial support, practical help and advice.

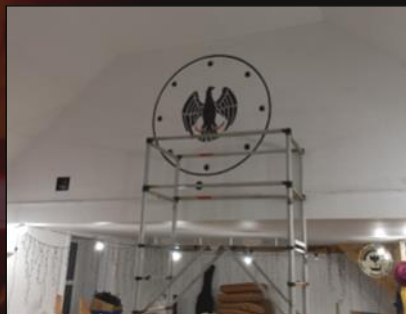


Looking forward, we still have work to do with the next phase of developments, looking to install new air-to-air heating, more roof insulation and a solar array with a battery storage facility. We will also be installing new paths to create a safer and more accessible route from the fire exits, and re-surfacing the car park area to provide better access.



We would like to think that all our efforts are having a positive impact on the Galley Shed and are contributing to making it a better space for the community to use now and in the future.

The Up Helly Aa Committee would like to express their specific thanks to Martin Henderson and Mark Lawson, who have done a staggering amount of work with regard to securing funding for all the improvements that have happened so far.



If you would be interested in making use of our facilities then please contact the Up Helly Aa Committee by emailing cullivoeuphellyaa@yahoo.co.uk.



The Handover

The first "event" held in the newly-renovated Galley Shed was the 2023 Handover.

Henry Jamieson and Lucia Spence were in fine form as Doc Brown and Marty McFly at the "Enchantment Under the Sea" dance.



The 2024 Bill Head
Painted by Alannah Spence

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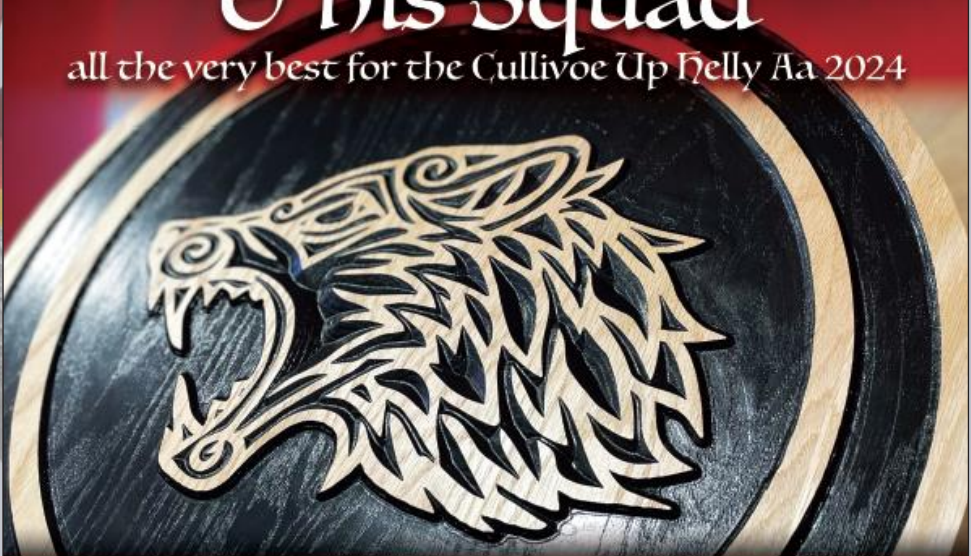


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“Travel far and wide and you should possess the secrets of man.”

– Viking Proverb

In determining a Viking to portray at this year's festival, our Guizer Jarl chose to explore possible Nordic links with Croatia in the 11th century:

"I read about Vikings being drawn to the riches of Constantinople and the Byzantine Empire, and thought I'd look into whether they had made it to Croatia, where my wife Helena is from.

I found some stories from 2017 about a mysterious discovery at an archaeological dig at a place called Bribirska Glavica, which is only about half an hour's drive from where Helena and I got married. Archaeologists had discovered an inscription which suggested that Croats "had some kind of contact with Viking civilization":

*"The team found several inscribed stones. Some of the inscriptions mention well-known individuals of Croatian history such as the ruler Branimir and Abbot Tedabert. Yet, one is associated with **Skania Inferior**, a destination in modern-day Sweden which was under Viking rule at the time."*

The image shows a screenshot of a news article from Croatia Times. The article title is "HAVE VIKINGS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH CROATS?". Below the title is a photograph of several people dressed as Vikings, holding long wooden spears. To the right of the photograph, the sub-headline reads "ARCHAEOLOGICAL SENSATION: EVIDENCE OF VIKINGS ON BORDER OF ZADAR AND ŠIBENIK-KNIN COUNTIES?". Below the sub-headline, it says "Total Croatia News | May 4, 2017" and "LIFESTYLE".

"How did a Swedish toponym come to Bribirska Glavica, and what does it all mean considering the current opinions regarding Viking connections?"

<https://www.croatia-times.com/like-croatia/vikings-contact-croats/>

We went to visit the site of the discovery at Bribirska Glavica in summer 2023:



Vikings who ventured to the Byzantine Empire (which Croatia was part of) were traders, soldiers, mercenaries, even bodyguards. In reading further I learned about a series of runestones in Sweden, engraved with information about Norse adventurers to Byzantium in the late 11th and early 12th century.

In order to mark our family connection with Croatia, I chose to portray a Swedish Viking named on the stone opposite - **Haursi Heðinn** (pronounced "Howersi Hyedin").

He was a Norseman who 'travelled competently' and 'returned from the Byzantine Empire a very rich man'."



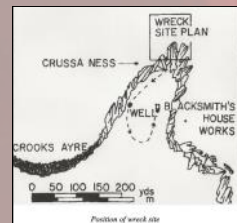
Lastdrager



"Our galley name does not relate to Viking times, but rather to a shipwreck in Cullivoe around 400 years ago.

On the 2nd March 1653, the Dutch flute *Lastdrager* went aground at Crussa Ness, just out past 'Crooks Ayre' (or the 'Back Beach', as I've always known it). The ship broke in two, and of 205 crew on board, only 26 survived. A dramatic account of the aftermath was written by survivor Johannes Camphuys, who was just 19 at the time.

Growing up in Easterhouse I looked out at Crussa Ness every day, and the story has always captured my imagination. I dreamed of finding coins and other treasure that had been left behind, right there on our doorstep. I learned from conversations in the Galley Shed that it's possible to see the cannons from *Lastdrager* using only a snorkel; I certainly intend to give that a go."



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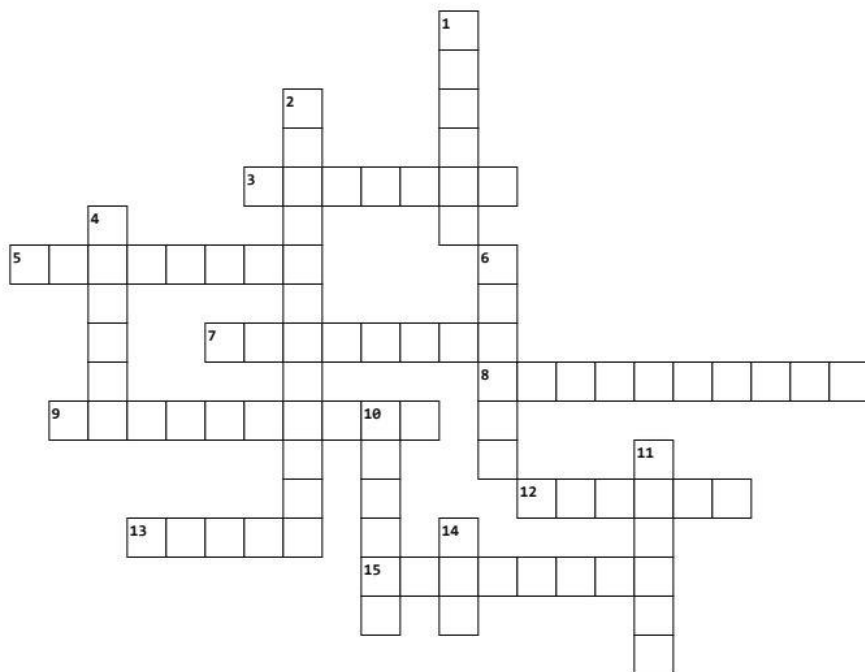


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Up Helly Aa Crossword



Across

3. What gets made on the Monday before Up Helly Aa
5. Drink popularised by Cullivoe Up Helly Aa
7. Surname of the first Jarl to design his own shield
8. Part of Yell where the first festival took place
9. Weekend before Up Helly Aa
12. What colour were the kirtles in 2016
13. "Floats the _____ banner o'er us"
15. How many squads took part last year (Minus Jarl Squad)

Down

1. Surname of the 2013 Jarl
2. The bill's official name
4. Robert Thomson's galley (Also Norse goddess of love)
6. Cissy's partner
10. 19?? The year Bob Severn was Jarl
11. Surname of the first Cullivoe Up Helly Aa Jarl
14. Number of former Jarls with the surname Tulloch



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Have a great time!

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Guizer Jarls 1957-2024

1957



Peter Spence

1958



Willie B Henderson

1959



George Henry

1960



Basil W Tulloch

1961



Gilbert Henderson

1962



James Bruce Spence

1963



Charles Spence

1964



Bruce Spence

1965



John Henderson

1966



No Festival

1967



Alex Nicholson

1968



No Festival

1969



Robert Henderson

1970



Andrew Williamson

1971



Charlie Henderson

1972



Daniel Nicholson

1973



Laurence Williamson

1974



Danny Anderson

1975



Alex Robertson

1976



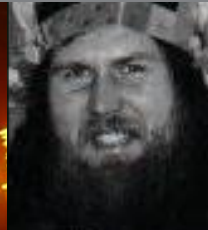
Victor Jamieson

1977



Hubert Dickie

1978



Alex Watt

1979



Andrew Anderson

1980



Laurence Tulloch

1981



Robert Jamieson

1982



George Tulloch

1983



Gordon Jamieson

1984



George Gunn

1985



Andrew Nisbet

1986



Gilbert Tulloch

1987



Christopher Thomason

1988



Michael Henderson

1989



Gilbert Nicolson

1990



Bob Severn

1991



Derek Jamieson

1992



Neil Nicholson

1993



Danny Jamieson

1994



Marvin Thomason

1995



Trevor Henderson

1996



Brian Nicolson

1997



Colin Nicholson

1998



David Henry

1999



Brian Thomson

2000



Robert Thomson

2001



Steven Henderson

2002



Johnnie Clark

2003



Kevin Tulloch

2004



No Festival

2005



Ian Anderson

2006



Timothy Fraser

2007



Raymond Henderson

2008



Leslie Tulloch

2009



Euan Henderson

2010



Martin Henderson

2011



Campbell Dickie

2012



Graham Hughson

2013



Michael Nisbet

2014



David Spence

2015



John Williamson

2016



John Saunders

2017



Mark Lawson

2018



Laurence Odie

2019



James Nicholson

2020



Craig Dickie

2021



No Festival

2022



No Festival

2023



Steven Brown

2024



Brian Spence

Schedule of Events



Thursday 22nd February

- 07:30 Jarl Squad breakfast ably prepared by chefs at the Burravoe Hall.
- 09:00 The Jarl Squad start the day in the Clubroom of the Burravoe Hall.
- 09:30 Jarl Squad visit the bairns (and staff) at Burravoe Primary School.
- 10:45 In a very first for the Cullivoe Up Helly Aa, the Jarl squad will briefly leave Yell. Catching the ferry across Yell Sound, they'll visit Mossbank Primary School.
- 12:15 Ferry back to Yell.
- 12:50 The Jarl Squad head for the Mid Yell Hall, where they will break bread with the patrons of the 'Stepping Out' lunch club.
- 13:30 Continuing the day in Mid Yell, the squad will visit the Mid Yell nursery.
- 14:00 The Jarl Squad will go on to visit the pupils in Mid Yell Junior High School, where they will be treated to some performances the bairns have been working on.
- 15:15 Jarl Squad visit to the residents at Isleshavn.
- 16:30 Jarl Squad visiting in Aywick.
- 18:00 The Mid Yell Boating Club is next to welcome the squad for some food and drink.
- 19:00 Of course, no tour of Yell would be complete without a visit to the Rum Room in North-a-Voe.
- 21:00 The squad return to the Cullivoe Hall, where they can relax and prepare for the main event. The Jarl will also sign the Proclamation.

Friday 23rd February

- 08:00 Jarl Squad breakfast at Cullivoe Hall, specially prepared by resident gourmet chef Michael Henderson & prospective breakfast chef wannabes.
- 09:30 The Jarl Squad begin their duties, accompanying the galley to Moarfield Garage to meet the school and pre-school bairns.
- 09:45 Jarl Squad escort the galley full of bairns to Cullivoe Primary School.
- 10:00 Tea, coffee and biscuits in the school. Photographs taken with the bairns.
- 11:30 Photographs of the squad are taken at a location of the Jarl's choosing.
- 12:45 Jarl Squad return to the school for dinner with the bairns.
- 14:30 Jarl Squad visit residents of Cullivoe.
- 17:30 Jarl Squad return to the Hall for food and rest.
- 19:00 Guizers gather at Cullivoe Hall to start the procession sharp at 19:30. The bar will be open for a short while before the procession begins.
- 19:30 Procession leaves the Hall bound for the marina. Immediately following the procession squad performances will begin in both the Hall and school. Following the acts there will be a dance with music from **Leeshinat**.

Saturday 24th February

- 11:30 As many hands as possible are called upon to help clean up the Hall and school.
- 13:00 Bus leaves for the Burravoe Hall in South Yell where food, drink and music will be served. Charges apply for all but the music.
- 17:30 Bus departs Burravoe heading back to Cullivoe.
- 19:30 Guizers' Hop Variety Concert, followed by another night of dancing to **Leeshinat**.

Sunday 25th February

- 16:00 Again, hands are required to help clean up the Hall.
- 17:00 Fish and chips will be served from 17:00 to 19:00 and all are welcome to come and enjoy their supper in the Hall. This will be followed by a social evening in the Clubroom.

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*Everyone at R.S. Henderson Ltd would like to wish
Hauvsi Hedinn & his squad,
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