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Grampian Autistic Society Newsletter

Welcome to our July 2015 newsletter where we will update you in what we at Grampian Autistic Society have been up to since our last newsletter in March.

## Culter Gala

Once again Grampian Autistic Society held a tombola stall at the Culter Gala on the Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> of May. This year, GAS managed to raise £178.80 so would like to thank everyone who donated prizes and who came along to the event.



Once again the service users and staff of GAS organised the tombola stall at Culter Gala. We had it on Saturday May the 30<sup>th</sup>. The theme was The Wild West. It rained off and on all day! We made £178.80 which was not too bad.

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## Anger Management

After a successful training event held by SCILL (Supporting Children In Learning for Life) in the past, they asked Craig Henderson from GAS to return for another talk, this time on Anger Management on the Autism Spectrum. The event was attended by over 40 people and all feedback has been positive. We at GAS loving helping with events and training like this, so if you would like to have a similar event then please get in touch with us at [training@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk](mailto:training@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk)

## Fundraising Students

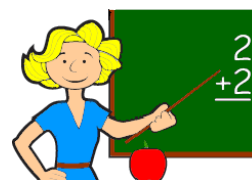
Four students studying events managed at the North East of Scotland College decided to hold an event to help raise money for Grampian Autistic Society. This then developed into a 90s themed night at The Northern Hotel on Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May. Thanks to the hard work of Shannon Donald, Caitlin Henderson, Hannah Spark, and Zoe Fisher they were able to raise £865.15 for the organisation. Thanks to everyone who attended and we all hope that you had a great time.



## Public Training Dates

Grampian Autistic Society will be holding training events for anyone who wishes to learn about Autism. These events will take place on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of August, Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of October, and Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> of December from 10am until 12.30pm. These training events will cover topics such as, "What is Autism?" "What is Aspergers?" "What is the triad?" "What are sensory anomalies and how do they affect people?" as well as a variety of other areas that people often have questions about.

A space on this training will cost £5 per person and each date will be the same training. If you would like to attend then please call us on 01224 277900 or email us on [training@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk](mailto:training@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk)



## Outreach Daytrip

Our outreach service users recently had another one of their daytrips and this time it was to St. Andrews on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of May. Everyone really enjoyed themselves and were thankful that the weather remained pleasant while on their forest walk.



## Fundraising Through Music

A fundraising gig was held in Downstairs on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of June. The musical acts included Ross Gordon, Robbie Flanagan, Ricky Fraser, Craig John Davidson, and Ashley Park. The night was well attended and managed to raise £221.60 for the organisation.



Do you want a challenge? Do you want to work a job where no two days are the same? Do you want to meet people who never cease to be fun and interesting? Then feel free to get in touch or pass on the details to someone you think might be interested.

Grampian Autistic Society are currently recruiting staff for our playscheme and outreach services. Please contact GAS via telephone on 01224 277900 or by email on [admin@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk](mailto:admin@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk)



## Golf Tournament

Grampian Autistic Society are having their annual golf tournament to help raise money for the organisation on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of August at Banchory Golf Club. The event will take the format of a team stableford competition over 18 holes and include soup and sandwiches before starting, refreshments around the course, and a roast supper with desert afterwards.

This event managed to raise over £10,000 last year so we are hoping that this year will be just as successful.

If you would like some more Information on this event then Please feel free to email [training@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk](mailto:training@grampianautisticsociety.co.uk) for more details.



Do you have anything that you would like included in the next newsletter? Feel free to contact us with your ideas on 01224 277900. If you would like to contact any of our staff about the above mentioned training, services, or events then see email addresses below.

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