



# Saughtonhall Community Association

## Welcome

**... to the Association for the community of Saughtonhall in Edinburgh.**

The Association holds weekly groups such as parents and toddlers, child minders and ladies groups. We have had great success with our social events including community and craft fairs, music evenings, Burns Nights and a family barbecue as well as the annual Saughtonhall Fair (see below and right for forthcoming events).

The Association depends on local volunteers for its office bearers, committee members and to organise events. It also depends on them for the day to day running of our hall and the 'Rec', our recreation ground with the Saughtonhall Neighbourhood

Nature Area, created with the help of BBC's Beechgrove Garden. Volunteers are always welcome and valued.

The association's hall, at 22a Saughtonhall Avenue, can be hired out for activities and events (discounts for members). It has a hall, kitchen and toilets and a pavillion looking out onto the recreation ground. Contact - Muriel Ross on 476 2390.

If you would like to find out more about us, or about the area, visit our brand new website at [www.saughtonhall.org.uk](http://www.saughtonhall.org.uk) or contact any of the Committee members (see over) who would be pleased to talk to you about the association.

If you are not already a member, why not join us? It is only £3 a year. Contact - Julie Happer, Membership Secretary, on 346 4515.

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## Events at the 'Rec' Hall (22a Saughtonhall Avenue)

**Saturday 19 November  
Annual Community Sale**  
(see below left)

**Friday 25 November  
"Virgin Vie" beauty products evening, 7.30pm**  
- includes big raffle with lots of exciting prizes. Contact: Maureen on 313 4573

**Saturday 3 December,  
7.30 - 9pm  
Christmas Music Evening**  
Featuring soloists Tricia Cook, Hilary Stokes and Jillian Thomson with Ann Scott, piano accompanist.  
Also featuring Joyce Wylie on keyboard, piano solos by Alexander and Eleanor Forsythe and young singers Caroline Donald, Emily Edwards and Seonaid Stevenson.  
Refreshments at interval.  
Suggested entrance donation £4 adult £3 child/OAP. Contact: Morag on 346 1646.

**Saturday 10 December  
Children's Christmas Parties**  
Ages P1 - P4, 12 noon - 2pm  
Ages P5 - P7, 6 - 8pm  
Tickets £4.  
Contact Pat on 337 7570 or Carole on 337 6011

**Saturday 28 January 2006  
Burns Supper, 8pm for 8.30pm**  
Food, drink, poetry, music, and more. Tickets £10.  
Contact Morag on 346 1646

## Annual Community Sale Saturday 19 November 10am - 1pm, at the 'Rec'

**Includes car boot sale, bike sale, craft and toy sales and book sale.** A BBQ lunch will be available and drinks and snacks will be available in the Hall.

Thinking ahead to Christmas? Then why not clear out all those unwanted items and make some money, or come along a buy some real bargains. Cost only £8 per car for sellers. Bike sellers get a good percentage of proceeds. If you want to book sale space, contact: Denise on 346 8392. If you have a bike to sell, contact Brian on 337 4667.

Items for sale (donations of books particularly welcome) should be brought round to the Rec Hall the previous evening, Friday 18 November, 5 - 7pm.

# www.saughtonhall.org.uk

Yes, we have arrived in the new millennium!

For full details of everything happening at the Community Centre, including the regular events for children and adults, how to hire the Hall at very reasonable rates, everything you want to know about the area, including the history of the Saughtonhall area, you can visit our new website at [www.saughtonhall.org.uk](http://www.saughtonhall.org.uk).

We would welcome any comments regarding the website (whether you think it is a work of art or a lot of rubbish!). We are particularly keen to establish links with other organisations in the area and, if we have missed yours, please let us know. Any information that anybody has about the area, historical or otherwise, would also be much appreciated.

If you have any pictures of the area, these would be useful for

the picture gallery page.

Obviously we intend keeping the website as up to date as possible but, as we are on a learning curve with this, please be patient with us while we make updates to the site, etc.

If you have any comments or ideas about our new website, you can contact the Secretary, Morag Stevenson, by using the contact page on the site or by phone on 346 1646.

## Committee Members

On Monday 5 September 2005, Saughtonhall Community Association held its annual general meeting. The following committee members were elected:

**Brian Carson (Chair) 337 4667**

**Jenny Scott (Vice Chair) 337 5707**

**Bill Goodall (Treasurer) 476 2316**

**Morag Stevenson (Secretary) 346 1646**

**Muriel Ross (Hall Convener) 476 2390**

**Julie Happer (Membership Secretary) 346 4515**

**Peggy Bridgewater (Apres) 337 7886**

**Densie Dorrian (Childminder Group) 346 8392**

**Susan Hogg (Mother and Toddlers) 337 6988**

**Maureen Walker (Mother and Toddlers) 313 4573**

**Committee Members:**

**Pat Charlton 337 7570**

**Colin Happer 346 4515**

## Dog Fouling

Nobody relishes the thought of having to clean dog muck off their kids' trainers or, perhaps more seriously, the thought of their toddler going blind. Blindness can be caused by a disease called toxicariasis which can be triggered when young children come into contact with dog excrement. Children play in the 'Rec' all the time which, after all, is partly what the facility is for. Can we please politely caution all dog-owners in the area that **DOG-WALKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE 'REC'** and that is for good reason.

## Niger Fundraiser

Congratulations to Jane Crewe, a member of the Association, who held a coffee morning to raise funds to help people in Niger. A massive £250 was raised by the event.