Countdown to 20 November

On Saturday, 20 November, Church of Scotland Geneva is holding its Annual Fair.

This special issue is to let you know who are the stall holders and how YOU can help the Church raise funds to help it continue to support so many important activities both at home and abroad.

This Countdown edition gives you information on:

- Stall holders: names and contact details
- How to support the stalls—apart from buying their wares on the day!
- Advertising the Fair—to everyone !!!
- The exact location of the Salle
- Where to go on Saturday night after the Fair closes
- And many more things ........

Friday night - 17:00 onwards

Evening ceilidh from 19:00

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson

The Fair starts at 9:30

Bus TPG bus 5, 28 or F will get you there

The All Church Bungee Jump...is one of many tried and true methods explained in our book, A Leap of Faith...A creative guide to Church Fundraising.
Stall, Stall holder (with helpers) and contact details

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**Animal Magic:**  Women’s group, Christine Bunn  bunnc@bluewin.ch,  0227321289;  Ann Caloz,  0227986671;  Carleen Knolton  0033 450426569

**Bacon rolls:**  Richard Bunn,  bunnc@bluewin.ch

**Books:**  Lesley Reddy (Vicky Maltby, Ewan Carmichael, Sigrud)  lreddy@madasafish.com,  00 33 450 36 88 81

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**Cakes:**  Janet Askew,  janetaskew@greenmail.ch  022 758 14 45

**Celidh:**  (Saturday evening): Peter & Alice Tulloch,  tulloch.peter1@gmail.com / alicetulloch@voila.fr  0033 450 41 17 23

**Chalet Style Gifts:**  Eleanor Strittmatter,  jurgstrittmatter@yahoo.co.uk,  022 796 2956

**Children’s Games / Facepainting:**  David Manson (Iona Murray-Jones)  david.s.manson@gmail.com,  022 798 2909

**Christmas Stall:**  Jenny Rietbergen,  jennifer.rietbergen@wanadoo.fr,  0033-450742209 and Jane Broere,  jane.broere@wanadoo.fr,  0033-450203492

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**Lunch:**  Roberta Manson,  robertamanson@freesurf.ch,  022 798 2909

**Pantry:**  Lindsay Bochaton  lyndseyb.hamilton@talk21.com,  078 704 09 46

**Scottish Bar:**  Deborah Stewart (Anne Mayo)  deborah.stewart@pernod-ricard-swiss.com,  022 300 61 84

**Scottish Stall:**  Isi Watt,  isiwatti@hotmail.co.uk  079 706 7283

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**Tea & Coffee:**  Judith Peacock & Wilbert Broeksmit,  fambropea@bluewin.ch

**Toys:**  Sunday School—Freda Craeye,  freda.craeye@neuf.fr,  0033-450649140

**Treasure Hunt:**  Karen Walker,  karenalisonwalker@gmail.com

**Tuck Shop:**  Jenny Rietbergen & Jane Broere,  jennifer.rietbergen@wanadoo.fr / jane.broere@wanadoo.fr
A to Z of this year's annual fundraising Fair

**Advertising**
After lots of preparation by many hardworking and enthusiastic members of the Church of Scotland Geneva community, we are now entering the home straight.

Flyers are ready, and will be at the back of the Auditoire every Sunday from now on. Please take as many as you think you can distribute to friends and colleagues, and also take some for your local Co-op or Migros, or any club of which you are a member. It would be very helpful if those sending to organisations let Vicky Maltby (vavmaltby@aol.com; 022 860 0901) or Di Wu (Di.Wu@theglobalfund.org) know so that we do not duplicate. Also posters (see back page) are available on our church website in pdf format for printing, in English and French, black and white (www.churchofscotlandgeneva.com).

Do take any opportunity to talk up the Fair—its attractive Christmas shopping opportunities and children’s activities, as well as the ceilidh in the evening. It will be a wonderful day.

**Animal Magic**
The Women’s Group love animals and their stall needs anything with an animal theme. Items for animals and items with pictures of animals.

Please give to the stall which honours our four legged and feathered friends.

*Christine, Ann and Carleen*

**Books**
As always, books of all shapes and sizes are needed to fill this stall, as well as plastic bags when customers buy the books! These can be dropped off at our own church salle leading up to the Fair, or on Friday evening at the Salle Communale.

With this stall, I especially need help on Friday night in transporting all the books from our church salle to the Salle Communale, and then setting up the stall (hopefully grouping the books in an appropriate, user friendly manner!). A small team of energetic youth would be a definite bonus, but I would accept anyone and everyone who could help out for an hour or so.

*Lesley*

**Bottle Stall**
Please donate any unopened and unwanted bottles .... of all sorts. Please call me—I can collect them from you at Church on Sundays, you can leave them for me in the Salle or you can deliver them to the Bottle Stall the night before the fair.

Thank you so much for your generosity. We look forward to seeing you on Saturday 20 November - and good luck!

*Elise*

**Cake Stall**
Calling all home bakers... I need your help... can we continue the traditional super homemade fruit cakes, ginger breads, scones, shortbread, brownies, apple cakes, cup cakes, and many other delicacies on the Cake Stall? All your contributions will be very much appreciated.

Please contact me to let me know what your specialty will be. Many thanks and looking forward to seeing you at the Fair.

*Janet*
**Ceilidh**

Our ever-popular family Ceilidh evening of dance and music will round off the Fair. It will be held from 19:00—22:00 in the same Salle Communale in Grand-Saconnex. The music for dancing will once again be provided by the excellent Loch Léman Ceilidh Band from Lausanne.

Tickets will be on sale at CHF 20.- for adults: children up to and including 15 enter free. Book your places early as we are limited to 120 adult entries because of the capacity of the hall!

We also need HELPERS for the food and drink team, so anyone who could assist with this even for part of the evening will be welcomed with open arms.

Alice and Peter

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**Chalet-Style Gifts**

This year I have decided to abandon my passion for cake-making in favour of another passion: gift-making. So my Stall, which is an innovation at the Fair, will display a selection of Swiss ‘découpage’, water-colour paintings, wild-flower painted porcelain, cushions and much much more, but all beautifully crafted to decorate a home.

Nevertheless, if you or anyone you know would like to offer suitable items for sale on my Stall, your contribution(s) will be most be gratefully received.

So please visit our Stall where Christine Donaldson and I will be delighted to show you our Chalet-style gifts – and don’t forget to bring your friends!

Eleanor

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**Champagne and Smoked Salmon**

This stall is always very popular. To help it go with a bang—or a pop! —would you be able to donate either champagne or smoked salmon (rumour has it that Charles Bertin Brut (coop) and Baron Fuente (manor) are often on special offer)? Or donate any unwanted bottles (or though I'm not sure champagne is ever unwanted!).

Jeff

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**Christmas stall**

With only 29 days of Christmas shopping to go after the fair this year, there will hopefully be plenty of interest in all things Christmassy! There is very little stock left from last year so we would welcome contributions of good quality, new or as-new items (decorations, candles, Christmas-themed books and gifts, etc.). Or indeed, any hand-made items for the Christmas season – they always sell like hot cakes! Speaking of which, we’ll be offering our delicious traditional Christmas cakes and puddings so come and get yourself ready for the season!

If anyone is visiting the UK or US between now and the date of the fair, we would be very grateful if they could bring back some special goodies - crackers, cards, Selection Boxes, other Christmas chocolates, etc.

And finally, if anyone has a spare hour to help wo/man the stall, they would be most welcome!

Jenny

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**Christmas Cards, Calendars & Church giftware**

In time-honoured fashion, our Stall will offer Christmas cards, some with secular (but tasteful) texts and others with a biblical message. We have a particularly good stock of the latter, thanks to Patty Rich who kindly brought us a trolley-case load from the US.

Consequently, we can practise keenly competitive prices compared with the ridiculous amounts being charged in local shops, but don’t keep this good news to yourself – tell your friends. colleagues, neighbours, the world!
We will also have a selection of Celtic crosses and other traditional Scottish jewellery; lapel pins and many other items with a Christian motif; Bibles and two best-seller publications by our own Reverends Manson and Nyomi.

Unfortunately, unbreakable prior commitments prevent both of us from greeting you on 20 November. Also, at the time of writing, we are not entirely sure who will actually be in charge of the Stall, but we are confident that you will welcome and support whoever he or she may be.

So thank you in anticipation of your custom and all good wishes for a happy day at the Fair

Mary & Ritchie

Friday night—setting up

The Salle Communale will be open by 17:00 on Friday, 19 November to set up the tables. This is a time when a few strong men would come in very handy!! You don't have to stay long, but your help would be much appreciated!

Then from 18:00 to 21:00, stall holders are welcome to come and organise their particular tables, i.e. the tables will have been covered with white / coloured paper, but stall holders can then decorate their stalls as they wish, and lay out their wares as they so desire.

This, in fact, is always a fun time—no pressure, just pottering around sorting yourself out and chatting with fellow stall holders.

Irish Coffee

This stall is looking for donations of whiskey and cream and we look forward to seeing you for a chat and an Irish coffee on the day!

Warm regards,

The Irish Coffee Team

Pantry

Paddington Bear’s favourite place at the fair ….. Request for jam, chutney, honey, marmalade, lemon curd, etc!

All contributions are very welcome. Unusual jams and chutneys are popular, but also the classics jams, such as strawberry and raspberry, which tend to run out very quickly. Lemon curd is always in high demand!

If anyone is able to contribute to the stall, could you please contact me to indicate approximately how many jars you will be able to provide, and to enable me to collect your contribution in advance, so I can prepare the prices, labels and lid covers.

I would also need a volunteer to help me unload the jars on the Friday evening, and would be grateful if someone could help on the stall for a couple of hours at the fair.

Paddington, Winne and I look forward to hearing from you!

Lyndsey

Scottish Stall

This is one of the first stalls our visitors see when they come through the doors and so it is vital that it is stunning, inviting, colourful - and I need your help to achieve that!

I am looking for items of quality with a Scottish theme - tartan scarves (we never have enough!), tea tow-
els (we sold thirty one year!), calendars (always popular!), notebooks, picture frames, CDs (the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards are hugely popular - no. 9 in the classic FM chart!) all these tartan, Scottish things you see in classy tourist shops in Scotland.

But we're in Switzerland, you say. Yes, but I am going to Scotland at the end of the month! And so, please, let me have your Scottish items on the day or, preferably, at the setting-up on the Friday, or call me with a pledge of some cash before 20 October so that I can spend it in Scotland.

Help me (and Hew!) make the Scottish stall its usual resounding success!

Isi

Silent Auction
Hew and I are happy to offer one week in our house in the south of France next summer to the highest bidder in sealed bids on the day (minimum bid 500 CHF) but need someone to be there on the day to manage it since we will both be on the Scottish stall and also to prepare a flyer with me to distribute at church well before the fair since I expect that it will be mostly church members who will participate.

Our house is on the stunning domaine, St. Pierre de Tourtour, 700m up in the Var. It has a large sitting room, dining room, kitchen, two bedrooms and one bathroom, with another bedroom and shower room attached but independent. The domaine has a beautiful swimming pool, a large lake and 200 hectares of wild flowers and trees. Robert and Rebecca McDonald won a week a few years ago as a raffle prize and can speak to its charm!

And so a volunteer please!

Isi

Tea and Coffee
When all the hussle and bussle gets to much, come to our tea and coffee stall, put your feet up and have a refreshing cup of tea. And to go with it? Maybe a slice of homemade cake, scone, bun, jam tart, biscuit ....

To help us provide such goodies, would you be able to bake something and bring it to the Fair?

Judith and Wilbert

Tuck shop
A new feature this year! Kids can spend their pocket money on specially-imported UK and US sweets/candy – or parents, friends can treat them to something sweet.

Again, if anyone is going to the UK or US/Canada over the next few weeks, please think about bringing back some favourite goodies – Hershey's kisses? Reese's peanut butter cups? Curly wurlys? Whatever takes your fancy!

Jenny

Toy stall
Always a busy corner, the toy stall is back and needs all the 'gently-used' (i.e. in good working condition, with no crucial bits missing!) toys and games you can donate. So have a root around those toy cupboards and see what you can unearth – the kids can help!

Also, if anyone would like to help with the selling anytime during the day, that would be a great help.

Freda
**Interesting Objects Stall**

If you have any unused or unwanted gifts, this stall provides the perfect opportunity to find an owner for them. Please, only objects in good condition and no electrical equipment unless it's battery powered and batteries are included.

If it’s possible could the donations be brought to the hall on the Friday evening or to church the week before the fair. Thank you.

_Rosaleen_

**Lunches**

All new at this year’s fair, haggis will be the main dish on the lunch menu … but to offer this Scottish dish we would appreciate your help. If you’re shopping in a French supermarket, please pick up a turnip or two to donate to the kitchen; called ‘Rutabaga’ in French they are available in most large supermarkets. Just pass them on to us for preparation and cooking.

We would also appreciate any donations towards buying ingredients for the haggis. Finally, offers of help to peel potatoes and turnip would be most welcome—please let us know if you can help.

_Roberta and Alice_

**Venue**

Salle Communale, 20 route de Colovrex, Grand Saconnex. Take TPG bus 5, 28 or F. Car parking is available.

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**Church of Scotland Fair**

**Saturday 20 November 2010**

9.30 AM - 4.00 PM

Salle Communale, 20 Rte de Colovrex
Grand Saconnex

TPG Bus 5, 28 & F
Car parking

**Come along and receive a Hearty Scottish Welcome!!**

Homemade cakes, jams & chutney
Scottish gifts, Christmas stall,
Books, Cards & Calendars, Interesting objects,
Animal magic, Chalet style gifts, Toys
Treasure hunt, Bottle stall, and Children’s corner

Lunch & Refreshments

Ceilidh 7 – 10 pm
Adult entrance: CHF 20.-

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