

## EILEAN EISDEAL NEWSLETTER No.2 - AUGUST 1997

*To all Easdale islanders, members and friends*

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Just to let you know what's happening with the trust!

It is being created as a company limited by guarantee with charitable status. The company set-up is complete, and we expect assent from the Inland Revenue concerning charitable status within the next two weeks.

The memorandum of association is as follows:

1. the company's name is EILEAN EISDEAL
2. the company's registered office is to be situated in Scotland
3. The company's objects are for the benefit of the inhabitants of Easdale and its environs and the public generally and in particular to conserve renovate maintain and preserve the Drill Hall and such other parts of the Island or its environs as may from time to time be acquired by undertaking such steps as are necessary, and to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Easdale and its environs the advancement of education, without distinction of political, religious or other opinions, by providing in the interests of social welfare facilities for recreation and leisure time occupation with a view to improving the conditions of life of the said inhabitants.

The subscribers to Memorandum of Association, and also the initial directors are:

Adrian Laycock, director  
Jean Adams, director  
Michael MacKenzie, director  
Fiona Blakey, director, company secretary  
David Donnison, director

They will be Directors for the first year, then up for election in rotation each year.

You are invited to become members of the company on payment of a nominal fee. Being a member entitles you to vote at meetings, stand for election as a director, and generally have a say in what goes on. All members including directors will have equal voting rights.

The Fish Hall will be leased by A. Laycock for 25 years at a peppercorn rent to EILEAN EISDEAL, which will pay running costs, maintenance and rates etc. (rates and VAT are substantially reduced for a charity).

We intend to draw up detailed plans for renovating the hall so we can attract funding. Initial overtures have already been made to quite a few funding organisations.

Money will be needed to keep things going and this might be raised from annual subscriptions from ourselves as members or by selling "Friend of Easdale Island" memberships to visitors, and from functions such as the forthcoming FESTIVAL.....

We will have an inaugural meeting as soon as the paperwork is complete.

Yours sincerely

ADRIAN LAYCOCK

### **MORE ABOUT THE FESTIVAL**

This will be the first official function in the hall under the trust, and it promises to be something really special. Volunteers are needed, in return for free entry to everything, for at least the following things:-

- bar staff (see fiona)
- cooks & bottlewashers (see lynne)
- stagehands (see steve)
- ticket sellers
- stewards
- masters of ceremony
- marquee erectors (proposed for Thursday evening 4th September or else a suitable weather window a day or 2 before)
- hall decorators
- Mike has promised to get the floor and roof fixed up temporarily but will no doubt appreciate a hand from time to time.
- Chair carriers to and from the Ellenabeich Hall on 4th or 5th and 8th September.
- skimming officials (see bert)
- floor space for performers to sleep.