

Some members of Helensburgh Mothers Union attended the Sharing and Learning Together Day at Bishop's Court, Paisley on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April when we were able to share with others in the diocese our thoughts on being part of such a Worldwide movement

In May our first meeting will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am

On <u>30<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am</u> we hope to have a visit from Arrochar Mountain Rescue with their vehicle which will be on display and this event is clearly open to any of the congregation including the Rambling Club.

On Friday June 7th Mothers' Union will host Robin Barr for his Violin presentation: -

## FIT AS A FIDDLE - ROUND ORKNEY WITH A TUNE IN YOUR STEP.

Summer 2018, and violinist Robin Barr set off to climb seven hills in Orkney, composing seven new Scots Fiddle Tunes to play at each top along the way. A Paisley fiddle made in 1929 by Thomas B Wylie was his musical companion while Tom Weir's famous walking stick and red toorie bonnet urged him along each hilltop track.

With photos, video footage, live performance and stories of Orcadians he met on his journey, Robin tells of his excursions to play his fiddle tunes in a secret cave, at the site of an ancient fire ritual, in a Viking castle and many more adventures, culminating in a strathspey & reel played on the highest sea-cliff in Britain, looking down upon the Old Man of Hoy.

A graduate of The University of Glasgow and lecturer in academic studies for a generation of music students at The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, Robin has been an ISM member since 1965, including two spells as Elected Council Member for Scotland. He has been Scottish Committee Member of Music in Hospitals & Care for nearly 40 years and raised over £5,000 for the organisation's 70th Anniversary Appeal with this venture in Orkney in 2018.

On <u>Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup></u> Mothers' Union members will have an outside visit to Hermitage Park and this will be the last meeting of the session.

Richard Horrell, Branch Leader