

July 2025



# Summer newsletter



For most of us, summer is a chance to enjoy some good weather, day trips, quality time with loved ones and cramming a lot in to the longer days and lighter nights...and this summer has been no different for Jewish Care Scotland! This edition, like our summer, is packed with get-togethers, trips to the beach and good times in good company!



JCS Volunteer  
Annette  
supported the  
Scottish  
Jewish Youth  
Alliance's  
Summer Craft  
Camp - more  
inside!

**Featuring:** Bubbly Bingo, Craft Camp, a trip to Largs,  
Board vacancies and upcoming events!



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Rita, Sylvia and Brenda meeting one of the Largs locals 🐉

## JCS Wellbeing Hub trip to Largs

In July, our JCS Wellbeing Hub and some of the team took advantage of the good weather and headed to Largs for the day! A welcome change of scenery, some sea air and good company. Everyone enjoyed a walk along the front as well as the chance to have a look around the shops.



# Mindful Moments



Group activities and emotional peer support for people affected by dementia and their carers/ family



1 July

5 August

2 September

No group in October

2 November

2 December

Join JCS on the first Tuesday of the month from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

Meet with other carers and family members to share experiences in a safe, confidential space while your loved one enjoys meaningful activities with our trained team.

Refreshments provided.

**For more information please contact us by calling 0141 620 1800 or email [hello@jcarescot.org.uk](mailto:hello@jcarescot.org.uk)**

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# Scottish Jewish Youth Alliance

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## Collaboration

To kick start the school holidays, Jewish Care Scotland and the Scottish Jewish Youth Alliance teamed up to host our first ever Craft Camp. Young people from the Community spent the morning taking part in activities prepared by Jennifer Watson of JCS Knit & Natter Group. With support from Freda and Annette too, the children learned needlework skills and got creative with design and decoration.

"It was a great opportunity to bring two Community organisations serving different generations together." - Shayna Conn,  
Director of Scottish Jewish Youth Alliance



As part of Maccabi's Summer Scheme we welcomed 37 young people to join the JCS Wellbeing Hub for lunch!





Jewish Care Scotland  
The Jewish Council of Scotland  
and the Scottish Jewish Youth Alliance

# ROSH HASHANA FAYRE

Sunday, September 7, 2025

11:00 - 3:00

Jewish Care Scotland, Giffnock, Glasgow

JEWISH MAKERS MARKET  
ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN  
KOSHER CAFE SPACE  
TALKS FOR ADULTS

free event, no need to rsvp







We do  
more than  
care

## Stepping out with JCS

Due to the huge popularity of our MorphFit movement classes, and feedback from our recent survey, we are delighted to have joined Walking Scotland. Some of our staff team and volunteers will undertake training in the coming months to become Walk Leaders to allow us to safely set up a walking group. If you'd like more information on getting involved, as a volunteer or participant, get in touch!

## Here for you...

Our staff team and volunteers will be undertaking Epilepsy Awareness training next month. With thanks to The Albert and Alice Tankel Bursary Fund we are able to respond to the needs of the people we support and up skill the team to ensure we are offering the best service to the Community.



**JOIN US**



## Board of Trustees vacancies

We are looking for motivated and enthusiastic people to join their Board of Trustees. If you are keen to make a difference and contribute to the governance of Jewish Care Scotland we want to hear from you. No previous Board experience is necessary.

For an informal discussion, please contact CEO Linda Kemp by emailing [Lindak@jcarescot.org.uk](mailto:Lindak@jcarescot.org.uk) or call 0141 620 1800.



## Welcome Gillian

We are delighted to welcome Gillian to Team JCS as our Service Lead. Gillian will put her wealth of experience working in the care sector to good use to lead the Community & Wellbeing Team to deliver care, connection and more to the Community.

# Bubbly Bingo

There was a “full house” at JCS for our first Bubbly Bingo fundraising event. Over fifty guests were entertained by Bev Lyons, Scottish showbiz reporter and singer, who brought an extra touch of glamour to the event. JCS volunteer Lennie Wilson brought his own talents to take on the role of Bingo caller on the day.



Our lucky bingo winners took away tickets for special events in and around Glasgow as well as beautiful jewellery from Beaverbrooks. There were more chances to win in the raffle and the special cash prize bingo game too. With afternoon tea and fizz from Mark's Deli all attendees had a great day, even if they didn't win.



“We raised over £1,900 from the Bubbly Bingo event with all profits going towards running our services and allowing us to continue to listen to community needs and develop projects and opportunities to meet those needs.

- Robyn Friel, JCS Deputy Chief Executive





# Events



In June, Jennifer Watson and Helena Winocour launched an intimate series of discussion groups for women. The series will offer relaxed and informal talks on a variety of relevant and thought-provoking topics to inspire conversation and discussion with like-minded women.

The first event set the bar high, with Dr Mia Spiro, Head of Theology and Religious Studies at the University of Glasgow, sharing her research and giving an insight to the suspicions that Jack the Ripper was a Jewish migrant.

**'No Englishman did it': Jews, the News, and the Whitechapel Murders of 1888**

## McTear's Valuation Event 25 June 2025

Huge thanks to McTear's Auctioneers for joining us at Welcome Wednesday. The experts were available to value your antiques and heirlooms with donations supporting the work of Jewish Care Scotland.



# Discussion panel events



## Glasgow Jewry - a year in review 30 April 2025

Thank you to our Chairman Lennie Wilson and our panelists Rabbi Rubin, Paul Winocour, Shayna Conn and Timothy Lovatt for an open, honest and positive discussion! Shayna Conn told the audience, "The future is getting people engaged, helping people to feel part of the Jewish community. The only way we can have a strong community is to work together."

In May, Linda Kemp led a discussion on Dementia Support with Craig Menzies of East Ren HSCP and Donny Lyons, Cosgrove Care Co-Chair.

## Women with a voice 23 July 2025

Lennie led the conversation once again with Rebbetzin Hadassa Rubin, Myrna Bernard and Susan Siegel, Chair of Garnethill Synagogue. Questions directed to the panel helped to find out about their personal career paths and gathered opinions on women's influence in society today.





# AGM

Plus hear  
about our next  
five-year  
strategy!



Save the date



16 September 2025



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More details to follow



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