



In Attendance: Brain Duffy (VASLAN), Lesley Miller (COVEY), Liz Hight (CLD HSP), Linda Anderson (Age Scotland), Colin Venters (CLD HSP) & Alison Clyde (GWT)

Apologies: Iain Yuill, Evelyn McGonagle (Home School Partnership Worker), Stuart Matson (New College Lanarkshire), Louise Hamilton (RVS), Elaine Crosbie (NHS), & Lisa Quinn (Head Teacher Calderwood Primary); Allison Galbraith (Regional Correspondent Scottish Storytelling Centre).

National update:

- **National conference** – Wednesday 19th March, macrobert Arts Centre, Stirling. Programme and agenda now available at:
<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/national-conference-2014-19-03-2014>
- **Health paper – Intergenerational Approaches to improving Health and Wellbeing** will be launched at the conference.
- **Intergenerational Training – Training the Trainers Course** will be of interest to those who are keen to embed intergenerational approaches within their programme of work. Further information on future courses is available on the website. Courses organised for Edinburgh, Balloch, Elgin & Galashiels. More to follow in the spring.
- **Photo & video competition** – thank you to everyone who submitted an entry. Winners details on website at <http://generationsworkingtogether.org/news/photo-video-competition/>

Round the table

- **Men's sheds**

With the emergence of men's sheds in Scotland Linda provided background information on the idea and has been asked to gauge the interest of local men in setting up a men's shed in South Lanarkshire.

Since the emergence of Men's Sheds in 1996, the number of Sheds has grown year on year. The main aims of a Men's Sheds have also become much more varied since their foundation. There are now over almost 100 in Ireland, 50 in England, and between 20-25 in Scotland. If anyone would like to find out more or get involved please contact Linda directly on 01355 279929 or email linda.anderson@agesctoalnd.org.uk

What's all the fuss around Men's Sheds and exactly what are they? You can find out by attending a free session in Strathclyde University, Centre for Lifelong Learning, Friday 21 Feb 2014, 4.00-5.30pm, Conference Room GH742, 7th Floor, Graham Hills Building, 40 George St, Glasgow, G1 1QE Organised by the UK Men's Sheds Association. If you'd like to come, RSVP to Willie Whitelaw at mensshedssteeringgroup@gmail.com or call 07784 773 991

Age Scotland will lead an interactive workshop at GWT National Conference. The workshop will focus on how men's sheds can be used to their full potential, and explores the intergenerational aspect that will play an integral part in their success if they are to be self-sustaining.

- Liz is starting an intergenerational project at the end of Feb with St Vincent's Primary School, East Kilbride. A grand buddy's project including primary 2 and members of the local chapel.
- Lesley mentioned that COVEY's youth forum was back up and running and she hoped the group would be involved in future intergenerational work.

- An intergenerational training the trainer's course was held in Hamilton in January. A total of 18 attended the course 7 of whom were from South Lanarkshire and 4 pan Lanarkshire.
 - Brian hopes to bring some of VASLAN's networks together for IG training (older people/rural/young).
 - Liz plans to provide training to teachers in her area
- **LOCATOR**
The LOCATOR tool is an exciting new service that makes it quick and easy to find older people's activities and services in your area
www.vaslan.org.uk/locator
- Brian spoke of a driver service, which is being piloted in VASLAN. Hopefully he'll be able to give an update at the next meeting
- **SCRAN** – www.scran.ac.uk
SCRAN is a valuable resource, which can be used for reminiscence work. The website contains over 360,000 images, videos and sounds from museums, galleries, archives and the media. These include sounds, still pictures, people (faces), places, maps, ariel photographs, events & artefacts. SCRAN covers many themes including the recent past, oral history, holidays, childhoods, community archives, schooldays, work (factories), leisure time, fashion, home, transport (places), family history and timeframes (WW1, 60's, 70's etc.). SCRAN also holds private materials, which may not be available in museums and libraries. There is a cost of £15 per year however many libraries and schools are already subscribed so it is worth checking with your partners before subscribing. For more details contact helen.foster@rcahms.gov.uk

Education resource pack

The GWT Education resource pack was launched last year and is now available for download:

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/resources/education-resource-pack/>

A.O.B.

EMIL is pleased to announce the winners of the Annual Intergenerational Learning Awards:

- Communities - "From 7 to 77" Solidarity between Generations & Generations for Peace
- Housing/Environment - Intergenerational Apartments
- Culture & the Arts - mix@ges – Intergenerational Bonding via Creative New Media
- Working Environment/Employment - Young and Old in School
- Other - Have your Say

A full report on the winning projects can be viewed at

<http://www.emil-network.eu/about/emil-awards>

Hot topics for IG work during 2014:

- Commonwealth Games, Go for Gold, Ryder Cup, World War 1 Centenary (Heritage Lottery Funding available), 700th Celebration of Battle of Bannockburn & D Day 70th anniversary

Guidelines: Bringing together local authorities and intergenerational practice in a Scottish Policy Context

Action: Alison to contact Councillor John McNamee and Alice Marie Mitchell re Guidelines

Date of next meeting:

Tues 3rd June 14, 1.30-3.30pm, Village Centre, 12 Maxwell Drive, East Mains, East Kilbride, G74 4HG