

 PRAYER

give thanks for...

- 10 years of COOL
- God's provision
- Lives changed by God
- All the volunteers
- Many years of answered prayers

pray for...

- teens struggling with self identity
- spiritual influences, good and bad
- those going through suffering
- this year's Alltnacriche weekend
- new vision

 SOME UPCOMING EVENTS (PROPOSED)

- 19 January Take One Action film night, PHS
- 29 January Joint Churches Communion
- 3 February COOL Annual Celebration
- 8 - 9 February SU Staff Days, Lendrick Muir
- 23 - 25 March Alltnacriche weekend
- 29 March PHS Easter Service
- 18 April S6 Bible Distribution

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brings much joy. Also knowing that Dave is helping them to find direction for their lives in God's Word is something I really appreciate. What greater gift can we give to our children than to help them know God through His Word? What greater rock, guide, comfort, peace or joy can we offer them than God in his Word? I reckon that what Dave brings to our children in the school is immeasurably precious.

Helen Strang, Parent. Lochcarron



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70TH ANNIVERSARY

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As we enter 2012, COOL has had the privilege of Dave working for the trust for 10 years. I know I speak for all the Trustees and Committee in thanking God for His faithfulness over those years in sending Dave and providing for him through many who regularly pray, support us financially and volunteers who work with him. Dave continues to be a well respected and well known face in all of the schools, and involved in many of the church youth groups, and I thank him for all he has done, and the support of his wife, Ruth.

Last year we were facing a great financial challenge and I thank everybody who responded so generously to the appeal. The finances of COOL are now much stronger, but we are aware that we cannot become complacent as we face the future. My gratitude also goes to the many head teachers and staff in the schools who allow Dave access and make him so welcome. I am also thankful for all the work that the members of the Management Committee do to enable the smooth running of the trust, the support of the Trustees, and for support from the local SU regional worker, Colin Carmichael. Thanks to those who provided input for this newsletter; various folk involved with, or impacted by the work over the years which speaks volumes as to the effectiveness of the work.

I highlight the 10th Annual Celebration to be held at Dornie Hall at 7.30pm on 3rd February. Scripture Union Scotland's CEO, Andy Bathgate, has agreed to speak and I encourage as many as possible to attend, to thank God for all that He has done.

Full reports of the work that COOL has been doing over the past year through Dave can be found in our Annual Report, to be published in February. This includes a reflection on the difference that COOL has made over the past ten years and copies will be available from me and also on the website.

Continue to pray for COOL, and especially Dave, as well as the many other volunteers who work among our young people. Every blessing.



COOL, and in particular Dave, have consistently provided an active spiritual contribution in so many aspects of our Youth Work in Kyleakin and South Skye over these last 10 years, for which I am eternally grateful. Holiday Clubs, Soundwaves, Youth Club, Alltnacriche weekends – the attendance by Dave, meticulous planning, delegation, attention to detail, the mentoring and delivery of the teaching over these years; both for primary and secondary school age kids, has certainly been the highlight for me. Without this significant assistance I firmly believe that our witness and impact throughout South Skye & Lochalsh wouldn't be as effectual. *Philippians 1 v 3 -11*

Angus MacLennan, Youth Leader. Kyleakin

Dave has fulfilled the original aims of the committee in employing a youth worker; he has taken the gospel to individuals and groups in the schools resulting in a growing number of young people becoming Christians. Ten years ago the youth work in the area was fragmented and groups could feel isolated. Dave has encouraged youth leaders to share their skills and resources, supporting each other in joint activities. By organising worship events large numbers young people from all around the area have been gathered together united in praise and prayer, a great encouragement to all of us in the Church.

Jill Clayton, Former Secretary. Falkirk

“COOL has changed my life! I have gone from being a total non-believer to a born-again Christian, with a lot of help from Dave and other youth leaders in the area. Events held by COOL and the youth leaders such as Alltnacriche and Imagine have been amazingly fun, as well as inspiring and very beneficial to finding and building upon my faith. Activities in school such as ‘60 second club’, ‘Engage’ and ‘Dave’s club’ make it a lot easier to meet with fellow Christian friends, supporting and assisting

each other when we feel we are straying away from God amidst the rush within school. Finally, I would like to say that without COOL and Dave especially, my life wouldn't be as enjoyable, and certainly not as close to God as now. Thank you COOL!”

Calum Scobie, Student. Glenelg

10 years ago — Dave's first visit to our local primary school: a bemused, quiet bunch of children, uncertain how to respond.

10 years on — Dave's visits to primary schools: a vibrant responding bunch of children singing heartily, listening attentively and responding intelligently; altogether an enjoyable and edifying experience. A tribute to Dave's gift of being able to inspire his pupils. We are grateful for this God-given provision in the local schools.

Effie Lamont, Teacher. Glenelg

Dave Mockett (and COOL) grabbed me, a geeky, spotty young Christian and encouraged me to stick and grow in my relationship with God when I felt very alone. The opportunities and experiences I had developed my confidence in God as I found myself abroad on short term mission, helping lead weekends away and kids clubs but also, and more importantly for a 14/15 year old, I finally had friends that shared the same love for Jesus that I had.

Sandy Deans, Former Student. Edinburgh

Having Dave at the school has been a constant blessing and cause of joy to me. Knowing that there is a Christian caring for and befriending the children in practical and spiritual ways all through the turbulence of teenage years - always there for them, always willing to listen to and direct them - spending time playing with them - unashamedly communicating Christ to them in their own 'cool' language, has meant that the children have been able to become stronger in the faith and much more effective witnesses for Jesus themselves. 'Having no greater joy than when my children walk in the truth', Dave's constant helping of them to do just that