

November 4th 2009- Buddy Beat Drum Circle

This was Buddy Beat's 2nd event in one day after the lunchtime venture at The Martyr's Church Elderly Forum. You can't keep a good gang down!

Buddy Beat has held workshops for members of the public before, but all have been under the umbrella of the NHS and part of the Mental Health Festivals.

Buddy Beat have spoken in the past about launching their own night time drum circles in Paisley, and after some research and lots of talking, this was the groups 1st workshop for everyone that was totally funded by ourselves.

Jane was keen to have this event up and running and the hope is that they will become a regular feature. Several venues were sounded out and Lesley should be thanked for all her hard work in that matter. Finally, Paisley's WRVS cafe in Causeyside Street was booked for the November 4th and December 7th and the Drum Circle ran from 7 to 9pm.

Unfortunately many of the Buddy Beat regulars were unable to attend. Noreen was at Buckingham Palace collecting her OBE for services to The Stick of Power. Tom was with her getting a gong for "Putting up with All Those Women". And only a handful of people came along to sample the delights of drumming. However, many great things start humbly and we can only hope that this evening event will grow in the future as both Jane and Buddy Beat are keen for it to continue.

The gathering had a great time anyway, for one thing we do know is that you don't need a huge ensemble to have a good time drumming. Jane was particularly apt with Guy Fawkes Night due and she introduced everyone to Firework Drumming. It's a cracker!

Maybe December 7th at The WRVS will be busier!