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Letters

Editorial

Housing at former Kinross High School site

Persimmon Homes have revised their proposals for the former Kinross High School site and are going to hold a **public consultation** on **Wednesday 3 September** at the community campus, 2.30pm to 7pm. (See p. 84.)

Look out for an invitation to vote in the **Bank of Scotland's Community Fund** in September. The Kinross Museum is one of the shortlisted good causes for its *Memory Bank* project.

August was a busy month for the Kinross-shire community. The Kinross Show and Opening of the Allotments were very enjoyable events (see pages 11 to 13) and, as we go to press, we still have Vintage Day and Mary Queen of Scots Extravaganza to look forward to. (Reports in the October issue!)

Looking at the diary of events, September has an autumnal feel about it as winter season activities begin.

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Dear Community Member

Library Volunteer Group

As a result of the Loch Leven Community Campus Library closure on Mondays and Saturday afternoons, I was asked to support a small group of people to set up a community group to manage the Library on PKC closure days. The group will be supported by Community Learning and Development (Perth and Kinross Council) to do this.

I have been working alongside a few enthusiastic people who have formed a small steering group to take this idea forward for the benefit of the local communities of Kinross-shire.

The steering group feel that renewed access to the Community Library on a Monday and Saturday is a fundamental service provision for Kinross-shire and they hope that people will come forward to work with them to achieve this goal.

In order to give you a better chance to find out more about what this will involve, or to establish if it is for you, there is an open meeting planned for **Wednesday 10 September**, at 7pm at Loch Leven Community Campus.

The group are very keen to take this forward and need your help to do it. If you are interested and would like to be involved, can you please let me know as soon as you can if you would like to attend the open meeting.

Tracey Ramsay

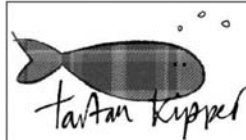
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Kinross Show well worth a visit

The Kinross Show on 9 August was a brilliant day, which had something for everyone of all ages. The weather was almost perfect all day.

We arrived around 9.45am in time to walk round the well-organised show visiting the various trade stands and tents, which included a new exhibit this year, the poultry exhibition, and was well worth visiting, before watching the dog show. Special congratulations to Flynn the sheepdog from Kinnesswood, who we were supporting; he won third prize in Class 3– non-sporting.

The Scottish Ferret Club was also a popular crowd pleaser. The livestock were well worth visiting to see which ones had won prizes and the lap of honour of prize winners around the main show ring in the afternoon was a spectacular sight. The convoy of classic tractors in the main show ring was amazing. The Highland Dancing was also a very popular competition and many prizes were won on the day by the dancers.

This was a great day out and very good value for money. Everything was well organised and seemed to run very smoothly – well worth a visit in 2015 again.

Candy Westcott
The Causeway, Kennoway

Trials of the Trail

There is, happily, not a lot of litter on the Loch Leven Heritage Trail. What there is, is accidental flotsam, escaped on the gentle Scottish zephyrs. There is no deliberate jetsam, thoughtlessly thrown, or wilfully abandoned. You can stride out, head held high, without a care, down the Trail. Except, watch where you place your feet. At any point on the Trail you may need to avoid dog mess, so, you are better advised to shuffle hesitantly forward with downcast eyes.

In my wanderings on the Trail I have seen how this execrable excrement may be left. There are some “social” dog walkers who, once on the Trail free their dogs to stravaig about whilst they get on with the serious gossip. Their dogs roam unchecked, and, sometimes, out of sight, leaving their waste where they will, and, being unsupervised, it is not bagged and binned.

I have encountered a jogger pounding down the Trail, leaving his dog to snuffle and sniff as it follows in his wake. This dog is also not supervised, and any leavings remain left, neither bagged nor binned.

Back in the early days of the Trail I would take my daughter, in her buggy, on a regular pilgrimage to Pooh Sticks bridge, more prosaically called the North Queich Bridge. Lifting the buggy through St Mary’s Gate, before it was bypassed by the Trail, following a field edge path, restrictively trammelled by stark, naked, wire fences, which, latterly, through clever hedge planting, have merged into the landscape, feeling far less restrictive. We would cast sticks into the water, and, somehow, mine never won.

My daughter remembers Pooh Sticks, I remember Pooh Sticks, please will you remember pooh sticks.

It sticks to buggy wheels, pushchair wheels, bicycle wheels, wheelchair wheels, toppled toddlers, baby shoes, sensible shoes, totally inappropriate shoes, walking boots, yes, even running shoes.

The official advice in the Scottish Outdoor Access Code is that dogs should be on a lead, or kept under control within a few metres. The Code also states that dog waste should always be bagged and binned.

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Doors Open Day 2014 Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 September

Doors Open Day is your opportunity to find out what lies behind the doors of a host of historic and interesting buildings. Held every year in September, Doors Open Day is the Scottish celebration of European Heritage Days, co-ordinated by the Scottish Civic Trust and sponsored by the Council of Europe. In Perth and Kinross, the event is organised and funded by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust. Entry is free.

This page shows all events happening in, or close to, Kinross-shire. For more information, including listings in other areas, visit www.doorsopendays.org.uk

A brochure of participants in the Perth & Kinross area can be downloaded from www.pkht.org.uk

Kinross (Marshall) Museum

Loch Leven Community Campus, Kinross

When the antiquarian and collector David Marshall of Kinross died in 1902 he left his historical books, manuscript collections in Natural History and antiquities to the inhabitants of Kinross. The collection has been added to over the years, and is now housed in a museum within the community campus. Currently there are exhibitions on the Great War and 'When we were at the Schule'.

Saturday, 1000 –1300 [WA, WC, D, FA]

Kirkgate Watchtower

Kirkgate Park, Kinross

At the east end of Kirkgate Park, adjacent to the old burying ground of Kinross, this watchtower may have served to guard against the 'Resurrection Men'. It was constructed on the site of an earlier building in 1852. The watchtower affords fine views across Loch Leven.

Sunday, 1030 - 1530.

Tullibole Castle (*see cover photo*)

Tullibole Castle is a classic 17th century tower house. Explore the castle grounds and discover a historic graveyard, remnants of a ruined medieval church and a doo'cot. Visit the Witches Maze, a memorial to the Crook of Devon Witch Trials.

Guided Tours take 40 minutes.

Saturday and Sunday, 1030– 1600. [WC, GT]

On the B9097, one mile east of Crook of Devon.

Museum of Abernethy

School Wynd, Abernethy

The museum is housed in an impressive renovated 18th-century farm steading, built on the lands of an ancient Culdee monastery. It specialises in the social history of the Burgh of Abernethy and its surrounding parish.

Saturday and Sunday, 1400– 1700. [WC, FA, D]

The Round Tower, Abernethy

Combine your visit to Abernethy Museum with a climb up the ancient Round Tower, built in the 11th century. Can you spot the Pictish symbol stone at the foot of the tower? Fantastic views of the Tay and the Carse of Gowrie from the top!

Saturday and Sunday, 1400– 1700.

Ask at the museum for the key to the tower.

Michael Bruce Museum

The Cobbles, Kinnesswood

The museum is housed in the weaver's cottage where Michael Bruce, the 'Gentle Poet of Loch Leven', was born in 1746. View a special exhibition entitled "The Skin Men; Parchment and vellum making in Kinnesswood."

Sunday, 1030 – 1600. [AWA, D]

Village car park is via Bruce Road, Kinnesswood.



The Michael Bruce Museum, Kinnesswood

SITA Materials Recovery Facility and Landfill, TEG Environmental Composting Facilities, Binn Farm, Glenfarg

Take part in a guided tour at Binn Farm for an interesting insight into waste management. *Booking essential – contact PKHT on 01738 4477080. Maximum of 15 places.*

Saturday, 1330 – 1630. [GT – booking essential]

Key

D:	display	WC:	toilet
GT:	guided tour	FA:	family activities
WA:	wheelchair access	AWA:	assisted wheelchair access

Councillor Cuthbert

Please vote on Thursday 18 September



Whether you are a Yes voter, or a No voter, the higher the turnout the better. This is a really important vote which will determine Scotland's future.

If you haven't decided which way to vote, have a look at www.futureukandscotland.ac.uk. This is an excellent website with a lot of independent information on the referendum. I would recommend reading their publication *Scotland's Decision, 16 questions to think about for the referendum on 18 September*. This can be downloaded at www.futureukandscotland.ac.uk/papers/scotlands-decision-16-questions-think-about-referendum-18-september

Personally, I have thought long and hard about which way to vote and have decided that there is really no point in so called "Independence" as we are effectively as independent now as we would be should we vote yes and the costs and disruption which would result would set Scotland a long way back economically.

I say this as, should we vote yes, we will have to have a currency which is tied to Sterling, the Euro or be independent. This currency will be subject to macroeconomic forces which will dictate our financial policies. This was illustrated by what happened in Greece, where they overspent and were forced into real austerity in order to keep the Euro, cutting benefits and government spending hugely.

The fact is that the world economy is getting smaller with bigger power blocks forming. We would have to be with one of these power blocks to survive and thrive economically. This power block would dictate what we could actually do.

Secondly, the cost of Independence will be huge. It's not just the cost of forming an independent country, there will be an inevitable drop in business and tax revenues in Scotland. I understand that most financial companies who currently operate out of Scotland have contingency plans to move their operations to England in the event of a yes vote. These are major employers and the finance industry is a big contributor to tax revenues.

Likewise the so called 'border' effect will, in my view, have a major effect, as people trade more with people in their own country and it has been estimated that Scottish GDP would fall by 5.5% due just to the border effect.

It is a real world we live in and should we decide to vote for independence, England, Wales and Northern Ireland would probably turn their backs on Scotland.

It is for these reasons and many others that I will be voting NO at the referendum.

Whatever your view on this, please vote on Thursday 18 September; it is important.

Cllr D Cuthbert

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Baton in safe hands with Zoe

Last month we reported on some of the local people who took part in the Queen's baton relay in the run up to the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow.

Another Kinross-shire resident who carried the baton in Auchterarder was **Zoe Conway** (18).

Zoe's nomination as a baton bearer was supported by the Scottish Women's Cricket Association in recognition of her contribution to women's cricket. Zoe started playing cricket with Kinross Cricket Club when she was about nine years old, captaining the ladies team at 16 and at the same time being selected for Scotland's U17 squad.

Zoe has just been selected for Scotland's women's team 'The Wildcats' while studying for an MSc in Civil Engineering at Edinburgh University, where she is now in her second year.



Zoe Conway with the Queen's baton in Auchterarder

Referendum Prayers

On **Wednesday 17 September**, the eve of the Referendum, Kinross Parish Church will be open to all for quiet prayer between 7 and 9.30pm, with a short act of worship on the hour. You are welcome to come for as short or long a time as you wish.

Kinross Parish Church has organised this evening, and hosted a referendum debate in August, to follow up on the decision of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 2012 that 'while as an institution it should remain impartial, this is not the same as saying or doing nothing.' The Assembly agreed that the Church should 'engage at civic, political and local level with the questions related to the constitutional future of Scotland,' and particularly how independence might impact on the poorest and most vulnerable people.

Community Website

For contact details of community groups, hall bookings, job vacancies, leisure and visitor information and much more, visit www.kinross.cc

Councillor Robertson

Is this a case of double standards?



We are all aware of developers' wish to build more housing in Kinross-shire. Planning applications have been received for the former site of Kinross High School and another application is expected soon for the land around Lathro Farm. This could amount to 400 houses.

People ask if there are places in our schools for the children coming from these new houses to be educated. Currently there is capacity at our new high school but what about primary provision?

Kinross Primary School was built over 45 years ago and is now struggling to remain wind and watertight. Many of the classrooms are portacabins which were installed as 'temporary accommodation' nearly 40 years ago.

Perth & Kinross Council recognises that Kinross Primary School badly needs to be replaced. The estimated cost is around £12 million pounds. However, another primary school, Tulloch, in Perth, also is considered in need of replacement. PKC can only get enough Scottish Government funding to replace one of the two.

Consultants have been employed to assess both schools in order that a decision can be made on which will be selected.

What happens if Kinross is not chosen? It could mean that no replacement school will be built for our children until the early 2020s. If Kinross is chosen, and I will be doing my best to make this happen, the children of Tulloch will have to put up with a school which is in a poor state for the next 10 years. This is a most unsatisfactory situation and reminds me how the Council paid for the Loch Leven Community Campus and all the other schools that were provided under the Investment

in Learning programme. The then Council administration, of which I was a member, took the decision to raise Council Tax by 1% per year over a three-year period to raise the monies needed to fund our new schools.

This allowed the Council to build much needed new community campuses in Perth, Kinross, Crieff, Aberfeldy and Blairgowrie. This created for Kinross-shire a modern high school, library, museum and sports facilities.

If we in Perth & Kinross agreed today to increase the Council Tax we pay by 1% over 2 years to pay for new primary schools for Kinross and Tulloch, we could not be allowed to do it. This is because of our present Holyrood government's firm instruction that Councils keep their Council Tax frozen. Indeed, if we ignored this command and raised our tax anyway, the Council's grant from Holyrood would be slashed.

So Councils are in a powerless situation. We may have local priorities which need to be addressed, but are now so tightly controlled by Holyrood that our hands are tied. The government in Holyrood also instructs the Council on the number of new housing sites we must allow for. We must do as they say.

It is interesting to note that the SNP Government in the introduction of their huge booklet on their proposals for independence says that if the Scottish people reject separating from the rest of the UK "Decisions about Scotland would remain in the hands of others."

In the case of Perth & Kinross Council and the citizens we serve, and our ability to ensure that our children are educated in modern fit for purpose buildings, "decisions about Perth & Kinross remain in the hands of others," namely the government in Holyrood. Surely this is a classic case of double standards.

Cllr W Robertson

Councillor Giacomazzi

Proposed Scottish Water works at Milnathort



Previously I reported on the disruptive works carried out by Scottish Water at the Cross in Milnathort, investigating what services lay beneath the road surface. There was a secondary purpose; to observe the workings of the traffic management scheme (using the term 'management' loosely). The general consensus was that the traffic flow was poor, resulting in huge inconvenience to local people and visitors alike.

It was with considerable apprehension that I learned, almost by coincidence, that Scottish Water had decided to proceed with an upgrade to the main sewer at a cost of £1 million and taking an estimated 16 weeks. Mindful of the recent disruption, I contacted the Leader of the Council, who wasted no time in calling a meeting between the Director of the Environment Service and Scottish Water executives. At that meeting I asked if it was absolutely necessary to perform the works. It seems that this is the only way to increase the capacity of the main sewer to deal with excess rainwater falling on the village.

The proposal envisages the creation of two large water-holding tanks, one in the garden of 38a New Road, the other under the flowerbed at the Cross. From the holding tanks, the rainwater will be piped to the Back Burn, so safeguarding the centre of the village from flooding and preventing sewage from backing up into houses.

Having established that the works are inevitable, I pointed to the unsatisfactory nature of the previously employed traffic management scheme and sought assurances that improvements would be made. For example, the phasing of the lights gave equal consideration to traffic from Wester Loan, which, as we know, is less frequented than New Road. I also pointed to the suspension of parking on New Road and South Street, parking being the very lifeblood of local businesses. I obtained an assurance that the section of New Road from the Thistle Hotel to the Post Office would remain available for temporary waiting. Consideration would, I was told, be given to waiting on South Street.

On asking why the traffic light on New Road was located so far to the east i.e. in line with the supermarket, I was told that it was to safeguard the safety of pedestrians using the zebra crossing, despite the fact that a member of the traffic management team was on the crossing at all times. I have asked our officials whether it might be possible to suspend the use of the zebra crossing for the duration of the works, so that the traffic light can be located where the road narrows. This would allow for parking on the south side of New Road, while speeding traffic flows. As zebra crossings are brought into being by a Traffic Management Order, a similar order would be required to suspend a crossing, and time is running out as the works are to begin by October.

So there you have it: short-term disruption to fix a long-term problem. Scottish Water have undertaken to engage the community in a consultation exercise sometime soon, whether in the Town Hall or the Thistle Hotel.

Cllr J Giacomazzi

Allotments opened

There was a lovely community atmosphere at the official opening of the Milnathort and Kinross Allotments on Saturday 16 August.

Activities included face painting and a scarecrow competition and there was lots of delicious home baking to be enjoyed.

The event was officially opened by journalist Lesley Riddoch, who described the people behind the project to provide allotments as “inspirational” and planted a tree to mark the occasion.

The allotments are on land leased from Dobbies and are accessed via the Dobbies car park at Turfhill.

Photos by Eileen Thomas.

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Abbie McLaren won the scarecrow competition



Lesley Riddoch, centre, with some of the allotment holders and others who helped the idea become a reality

Autumn Fashion Show at Larder

Tickets are now on sale for Loch Leven's Larder's annual fashion show, to be held on **Thursday 25 September**.

The fashion show and late night shopping evening, now in its fifth year, gives customers a preview of the new season collections that will be available in store. Items from Joules, Aigle, Johnstons of Elgin, Gibson & Burbeck, Pure Lime and Helen Moor will be shown. Tickets are £5 per person and include wine and canapés, a goody bag and £5 towards a purchase over £10 on the night. Doors open from 6.15pm and the show begins at 7pm.

Emma Niven, owner, Loch Leven's Larder, said: “Our Fashion Show always makes a fun evening out with friends and is a great chance to pick up some key items for the new season while enjoying a glass of wine!”

Loch Leven's Larder runs regular retail events and demonstrations throughout the year. For more information visit www.lochlevenlarder.com

Police recruiting

Police Scotland are due to hold information sessions in Dundee, Aberdeen and Inverness to assist people thinking of becoming a police officer or special constable. The candidate briefing sessions will detail the recruitment process and give advice on submitting a strong application. The sessions are open to anyone interested in applying to become a police officer or special constable, but who haven't yet started completing their application form.

Police Scotland are still recruiting both police officers and special constables and have a number of vacancies in the Tayside, Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and Moray, and Highlands and Islands areas.

Candidate briefing sessions will be held at Baluniefield Police Office, Baluniefield Drive in Dundee from 6.30pm until 7.45pm on Thursday 4 September, Wednesday 8 October and Thursday 6 November and on other dates in Aberdeen and Inverness.

Pre-registering a place is essential. To book a place, either call the recruitment team on 01224 306684 or email policerecruitmentaberdeen@scotland.pnn.police.uk

For more information look for 'recruitment news' on the website www.scotland.police.uk

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Kinross Show 2014

Local Success

Cattle

Highland: Supreme and Reserve: D & B McNaughton, Kinross

Dairy: Reserve: W S Young & sons, Milnathort



Sheep

Suffolk: Champion and Reserve: Alana Sim, Parks of Aldie, Fossoway

Texel: Champion: Caroline Orr, Halbeath Farm, Kingseat

Cross: Champion: J Marshall, Mains of Condie, Forgandenny

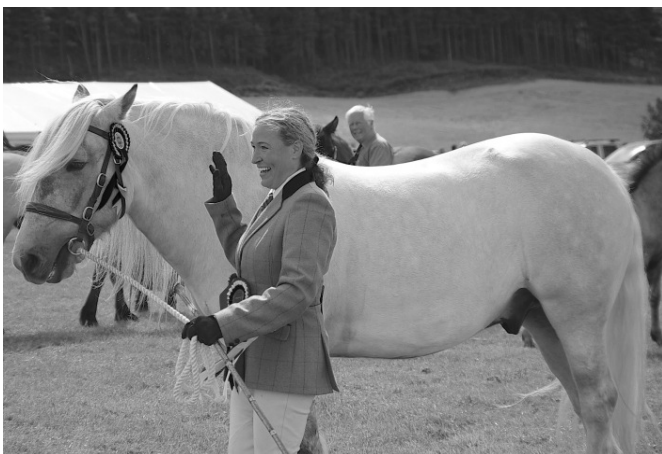
Blackface: Reserve: Andrew and Ian Cullens, Dollar

Shepherd's Class: Adam Marshall, Mains of Condie, Forgandenny

Blue Faced Leicesters: Champion: Mrs Mary MacNiven, Glenfarg

Reserve: Alan McIntyre, Bridge House, Glenfarg

Any Other Pure Breed: Champion: W S Young & sons, Mawcarse, Milnathort.



Horses

Clydesdale: Reserve Champion: Robert Sibbald and Marie Dawson, Dollar (Thorn Lady Poppy)

Highland Pony: Reserve Champion: Shona Barrie, Yetts of Muckhart (Burnside Xavier)

Shetland Pony: Donna Lochtie, Tillycoultry (Hawsdale Dixie)

In Hand Hunter: John Bennett, Aberdargie (Brackenbrae Coruscation).



Overall Cattle Champion of the Show

Tom Page Trophy: R & C Rettie, Alloa

Reserve Champion: A & S Lawrie, Cuthill Tower, Milnathort

Overall Horse Champion in Show

Archie Renton Trophy: Mrs Elinor Stevens, St Andrews

Reserve: Mrs Donna Lochtie, Tillycoultry

Overall Sheep Champion in Show

MacDonald Trophy: Caroline Orr, Halbeath Farm, Kingseat

Reserve: W S Young & sons, Mawcarse, Milnathort



Ferret racing was a popular attraction at this year's show

Flower Show

Lena Graham Quaich (Small): Isla Kinns Brown, Blairadam

Lena Graham Quaich (Large): Connie Ferrier

Maisie Pirie Cup (outstanding exhibit children under 8):

Alexander Low, Kinross

Cathie Pirie Cup (outstanding exhibit children age 9-14):

Madeleine Smart, Kinross

Mawcarse Salver (best exhibit overall): Madeleine Smart, Kinross

Paton Produce Trophy (best exhibit in produce classes):

Kate Low, Kinross

Cairns Cup (most points overall): Kinross Potager Garden

Fisher Rose Bowl (most points in Dahlias): D Forrester.

Balado Salver (most outstanding entry, classes 1-12): R

McConnell, Cupar

Caesar Trophy (for Sweet Peas): Roberta Carmichael

Kirkness Trophy (most points in Floral Art): Liz Mackay, Canbo

Renton Trophy (most outstanding exhibit in Floral Art): Jane Smith, Milnathort

Gavin Lindores Trophy (best single rose): Norma

Crawford, Milnathort

Scott-Davidson Cup (winner of children's class 24): Anna

Pakravan, Kinross

Crops

Winter wheat: J Baillie, Colliston

Winter barley: A Baird, Kirkness

Winter oats: W S Young, Mawcarse

Spring barley: W S Young, Mawcarse

Spring oats: R Niven, Channel Farm

Kinross Show 2014

Local Success

Dog Show

Overall Champion (Walls Cup): Mrs Pat Wilson, Glenrothes

Reserve Champion: Kate Hill, Kinross-shire

Best Puppy in Show (Kinnesswood Quaich): Trudi Miller, Kelty

Best Sporting (Balkello Quaich): Mrs Pat Wilson, Glenrothes

Best Dog/Bitch (The Cairns Cup): Kate Hill, Kinross-shire

Best Non Sporting Dog/Bitch Farmer Trophy: Jane Cooper, Crook of Devon



The Wallace chimney sweeps, winners of the Children's Fancy Dress competition, which had a very high standard of entries this year

Other Competitions

Children's Fancy Dress: Wallace Chimney Sweep (Jane, Tom, Anna & Harry Wallace), Crook of Devon

Best Large Trade Stand: Loch Leven's Larder

Best Small Trade Stand: Rumbling Bridge Nursery

Best Advert in Catalogue: Caledonia Play

SWRI Kinross Show

By Friday afternoon, what had been a completely empty marquee at 9.20am that very morning had once again been transformed. Carefully 'dressed' tables were now adorned with beautiful handcrafts, baking, produce and floral arrangements. The community theme of 'Rural Colours' made for a stunning display around the outer edges of the marquee, with the Bishopshire SWRI bunting adding the finishing touch to the display.

There were 433 individual entries on the day, with over 20 entering the children's section and seven competitors the gents' section. Ten judges came from West Lothian Federation to decide the winners in each section.

Following Friday's thunder, show day was a sunny one. The tent was busy with guests and visitors. The afternoon ended with the presentation of the trophies and prize monies by the Show President, Claire Paton. Congratulations to all the winners, especially to 'first timers'.

The Committee would like to thank all those who kindly sponsored classes again in this year's show. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. A big thank you to all those who helped make the day in the rural tent run so smoothly and successfully. Here's to next year!



SWRI Trophy Winners

Aldridge Sealy Trophy (Institute with most points): Carnbo
Enid Scott-Davidson Cup (Institute with highest aggregated points): Cleish

Benarty Trophy (Community Runner-up): Bishopshire

Jane Elliot Bell (most points in all sections exc. Community & Aldridge-Sealy): Cleish

Stewart Cup (Individual with most points exc. IV): Helen Buchanan, Cleish

Hilton Cup (Best Exhibit, Handcraft Section): Allison Messenger, Glenfarg

Teenage Trophy (most points all sections exc. IV-A): Eilidh Ramsay, Blairingone

Balado Cup (age 9-12 with most points section IV-B): Robbie Warnock, Blairingone

Morris Quaich (8yrs & under most points section IV-C): Alex Stewart, Blairingone

Ann Watson Trophy (individual with most points in Handcraft exc. Stewart Cup & Hilton Cup): Norma Smith, Bishopshire

Arnotlea Trophy (Individual gaining most points section II & III): Helen Buchanan, Cleish

Irene Whitson Salver (Best exhibit Section II): Anne Brews, Abernethy

The Group Rose Bowl (Individual most points Floral Art Section): Molly White, Cambo

Community A – Paperweight (best entry, Community A): Ursula Stewart, Glenfarg

Community B – Paperweight (best entry, Community B): Kate Croy, Blairingone

Margaret Ironside Memorial Trophy (most points baking section): Allison Messenger, Glenfarg and Margaret Nelson, Cleish

Frances Drysdale Quaich (item that appeals to the President): Alison Morris, Cleish

Arbuckle Cup (Novices): Elaine Morton, Glenfarg

Community 'A' (Handcrafts): 1st Bishopshire

Community 'B' (Housewives): 1st Cleish



The Carnbo entry in the Community Handcrafts competition, on the theme 'Rural Colours'

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Councillor Barnacle Proposed Local Landscape Areas (LLAs) for Kinross-shire

Copy of a letter dated 15 August 2014 sent to: Glenfarg and Kinross-shire CCs, Kinross-shire Civic Trust, Friends of the Ochils, Rural Scotland (APRS), Councillors Cuthbert, Giacomazzi and Robertson.



Dear Colleagues

You may recall the enclosed article I wrote for Rural Scotland's Spring 2014 Newsletter (Page 4) that also appeared in the May 2014 edition of Kinross CC's Newsletter. This charted the Kinross-shire experience on landscape designation since 2000; in particular the hard-fought successful campaign to extend the Areas of Great Landscape Value (AGLV's) to the shire's hill and river borders in the Local Plan 2004, the loss of them in PKC's Local Development Plan (LDP) adopted 3 February 2014, due to a change in Scottish Government Planning Policy and the 'policy gap' before supplementary guidance is produced on what is to replace them.

I noted that a Review of Local Landscape Designations at PKC was to be undertaken, with consultants having been appointed and sought participation.

I have since attended three meetings of the Review Panel, comprising PKC councillors (I represented APRS and Kinross-shire), community councils (Cleish, Fossoway and Glenfarg from Kinross-shire ward), environmental organisations (Friends of the Ochils, John Muir Trust, etc.)

On 14 August 2014, I attended the evening workshop for PKC councillors (4 only present) at which the consultants final report was produced and at which it was decided to circulate all councillors with this prior to a final public consultation this autumn.

The LLA's proposed for Kinross-shire are Lochleven, Ochil Hills and Portmoak (the boundaries of which should be checked). Despite strong representation from myself, Cleish and Fossoway CC's within the Review Panel, the consultants have excluded from designation the former AGLV's of the Cleish Hills and the River Devon and its gorge. I believe this is *a major omission* and it will be necessary to lobby PKC through the final public consultation to change the proposals and include these omitted areas. To achieve this, an examination of the ten evaluation criteria used by the consultants for designating LLA's is necessary to see what landscape characteristics these excluded areas possess that justify designation. The criteria are landscapes which:

1. make a positive contribution to the wider **identity, image and sense of place** of Perth and Kinross
2. are **rare or unique** landscapes
3. are **well managed** and in a good state of repair
4. feel **wild or remote**
5. have strong **scenic qualities**
6. are important for **recreation and tourism**
7. have a strong **historic character** or important cultural or spiritual associations
8. have important **natural features and habitats**
9. form part of the **setting of towns and villages**
10. have important **views, viewpoints or land marks**

I suggest that Cleish Hills meet at least six of the above and it is worth noting that Fife Council's LLA's border the PKC boundary here and cross boundary designations were raised in the Review Panel but have been ignored here.

As regards the River Devon and its gorge, it should be remembered that the Reporter to the Local Plan public inquiry in 2003 regarded this area as of outstanding quality that merited inclusion as an AGLV, especially as the river flows out of the Ochil Hills designated area. I suggest that the river and its gorge meet at least eight of the above and I note the strong historic character and important cultural association of the Devon with Robert Burns' song 'The Banks of the Devon'; conversely, in supporting an LLA in the Aberfeldy area, the consultants quote Burns' song 'The Birks of Aberfeldy'.

In summary, I am extremely disappointed that the final consultant's report has ignored review panel representation on the Cleish Hills and the River Devon/Gorge when selecting their proposed LLA's and I urge local organisations and people to make representation on the consultation in order to ensure that PKC and its elected members change these proposals and include these areas as LLA's within the supplementary guidance for our recently adopted LDP.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Mike Barnacle
Independent Member for Kinross-shire
Tel: 01577 840516

From Hungary with Love

A deepening connection between Kinross Parish Church and the Great Church of Debrecen, Hungary, was celebrated on Sunday 10 August with the presentation to the Kinross church of a medal from the Hungarian church.

The special commemorative medal had been produced by the Great Church in honour of the 450th anniversary of the death of the theologian John Calvin, who had been so influential on the church in both Scotland and Hungary. The Kinross congregation in its turn presented a print of the historic parish church to the Hungarian church.



Rev Alan Reid (left) of Kinross Parish Church holds the commemorative medal. Beside him, Rev Laszlo Petro and other members of the Hungarian team hold their gift

A team from Kinross had earlier this summer helped the Debrecen church, the largest Presbyterian church in Hungary, run a 'Scottish Camp' for young people. In early August a team of four Hungarians, led by Rev Laszlo Petro, came to help the Kinross church with its Family Week, 'Fit for a King', which had a Commonwealth Games theme. Fittingly, this growing partnership between the two churches in different countries was marked at a service where the prayers focussed on thinking about Christians throughout the world, in particular those currently suffering in Palestine and Iraq.

Bus Service Changes in Kinross-shire

Bus users in Kinross-shire will have noticed a few changes to their services during the summer. Now that the holiday season is over and schools are back in, it seems a good opportunity to make sure all our readers know about the changes.

A new demand responsive transport service has been operating in the West Kinross-shire and Muckhart area since 2 June. This service is available Monday – Saturday between 7am and 10pm. This flexible service replaced the limited transport options which Services 204 and 205 offered.

As from 22 August, Service 201 was extended on Friday evenings to provide later public transport opportunities for the east of Kinross-shire. So on a Friday evening why not try taking the bus into Kinross – whether it be to visit the Loch Leven Community Campus, The Loch Leven Leisure Centre or a meal out – spend a relaxing few hours and then let the bus take you back home again.

The Service 201 timetable is shown below.

If you would like more information about any of the above services, please do not hesitate to contact the Public Transport Unit at Perth & Kinross Council on:

0845 3011130 or email publictransport@pkc.gov.uk

Glenrothes - Scotlandwell - Kinnesswood - Milnathort - Kinross

Monday to Saturday

	Code(s)	MF	MF	SO						Fri	Fri	
Glenrothes Bus Station		0645	0757	0802	0950	1130	1345		1635	1755	1945	2115
Leslie Murray Place		0654	0806	0811	1000	1140	1355	....	1645	1804	1952	2122
Auchmuirbridge		0657	0809	0814	1004	1144	1359	....	1649	1807	1955	2125
Scotlandwell Leslie Road		0701	0813	0818	1008	1148	1403	....	1653	1811	1959	2129
Kinnesswood Main Street		0704	0816	0821	1011	1151	1406	....	1656	1814	2002	2132
Glenlomond Village Post Box		0820	0825	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Balgedie Toll		0707	0827	0832	1014	1154	1409	....	1659	1817	2005	2135
Milnathort Bridgefauld Road		1020	1200	1415	1450	1705	....	2010	2140
Milnathort Royal Bank		0712	0832	0837	....	....	....	....	....	1822	....	....
opp Loch Leven Health Centre		0713	0833	0838	1022	1202	1417	1452	1707	1823	2012	2142
Loch Leven Community Campus		0714	0834	0839	1023	1203	1418	1453	1708	1824	2013	2143
Kinross Morlich Place		0839	0844	1026	1206	1421	1456	1711	....	2016	2146
Kinross opp Green Hotel		0716	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1826	....	....
Kinross Park & Ride		0719	0843	0848	....	....	....	....	....	1829	....	....
Kinross Sainsbury's car park		1030	1210	1425	1500	1715	....	2019	2149
Kinross Green Road		0851	1033	1213	1428	1503	1718	....	2022	2152
Kinross Ross Street		0854	1036	1216	1431	1506	1721	....	2025	2155

Kinross - Milnathort - Kinnesswood - Scotlandwell - Glenrothes

Monday to Saturday

	Code(s)	MF	MF	SO				MTS			Fri	Fri
Kinross Ross Street		0858	1038	1218	1433	1528	1723	....	2026	2156
Kinross Town Hall		0859	0859	1039	1219	1434	1529	1724	....	2027	2157
Kinross Green Road		0901	0901	1041	1221	1436	1531	1726	....	2029	2159
Kinross Sainsbury's car park		0904	0904	1044	1224	1439	1534	....	....	2032	2202
Kinross Park & Ride		0720	....	....	....	....	....	....	1729	1830	....	....
Kinross Morlich Place		0908	0908	1048	1228	1443	1538	1733	....	2035	2205
Loch Leven Community Campus		0725	0911	0911	1051	1231	1446	1550	1736	1835	2038	2208
Milnathort opp Royal Bank		0727	....	....	....	....	....	1552	....	1837	....	....
Milnathort Bridgefauld Road		0914	0914	1054	1234	1449	....	1739	....	2041	2211
Balgedie Toll		0732	0920	0920	1100	1240	....	1557	1745	1842	2046	2216
Glenlomond Village Post Box		1604	....	....	....	....
Kinnesswood Main Street		0735	0923	0923	1103	1243	....	1608	1748	1845	2049	2219
Scotlandwell Leslie Road		0738	0926	0926	1106	1246	....	1611	1751	1848	2025	2222
Auchmuirbridge		0742	0930	0930	1110	1250	....	1615	1755	1852	2056	2226
Leslie Murray Place		0745	0934	0934	1114	1254	....	1619	1759	1855	2059	2229
Glenrothes Bus Station		0755	0944	0944	1124	1304	....	1629	1809	1904	2106	2236

Explanation of codes used

Fri Operates Friday only.

MF Operates Monday to Friday only.

MTS Operates 9 minutes later from Loch Leven Community Campus to Glenrothes on Monday to Thursday schooldays.

SO Operates Saturday only.

Loch Leven Community Library

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Opening Times

Sun & Mon closed Fri 10am - 6pm
Tue, Wed & Thu 10am - 8pm Sat 10am - 1pm

Regular Sessions for Young Children

No need to book, just come along:

Pre-school Story Time

Tuesdays 10.15 - 10.45am Thursdays 2.15 - 2.45pm

Bookbug Rhymetimes

Saturdays 10.30-11.00am Wednesdays 2.00 - 2.30pm

For further details of any of the events listed below, and to book where required, please contact the library. All events take place in the library unless otherwise stated.

Roald Dahl Day

Friday 12 September

We're celebrating all the tricky characters that fill Roald Dahl's books, from George and his mayhem medicine to those foulmouthed Witches to Matilda and her parent-scaring tricks. After all, no birthday celebration is complete without a little bit of mischief!

Free drop-in event for children aged 4 - 9yrs, 4.00 - 5.30pm. (Children aged 8yrs and under need to be accompanied by an adult.)

'You're Never Too Old...' A Morning with Millie Gray

Wednesday 22 October

Join Millie Gray, as the campus celebrates Older People's Day. Millie Gray is a writer and professional storyteller who has the honour of being the 'Arts Champion for Older People in Scotland.' Now in her ninth decade, and, thanks, she firmly believes, to that childhood struggle with dyslexia, Millie has published five books in five years. Her sixth novel, 'When sorry is not enough' soon to be released, is the latest in a string of novels based on life in Leith in the first half of the 20th century.

Free event. Start time: 11.15am.

Ancestry Workshops

Wednesday 22 October

Discover all the different ways to find out about your past. How to create your family tree, use census and parish records, and more.

Two workshops: 11.30am - 1pm and 1.30pm - 3pm
Contact library to book a place.

Exploring Scotland's History and Culture – a tour at your fingertips!

Wednesday 22 October at 12.30pm, 1.30pm & 2.30pm.

Would you like to see some wonderful photographs of Scotland – people, places, history and traditions? See photographs of Kinross House through the ages, old industries in Perth and Kinross, beautiful gardens across Scotland, music and fashion through the 20th Century, images from Scotland's museums and galleries. All these and much, much more (over 360,000!) are found in a fantastic free resource called SCRAN. It's just one of the many online resources you can now find on the Perth and Kinross Libraries website.

Why not drop along to one of the small, informal sessions where we'll show you how easy it is to find your way around this collection. Also find out how to print out your favourite photograph as a personalised calendar or card!

An Evening with Val McDermid Friday 21 November

Val McDermid is one of the biggest names in British crime writing. Her novels have been translated into 30 languages and sold over 10 million copies worldwide. Join this award-winning crime writer, journalist and occasional broadcaster as she discusses her successful writing career and reads from her soon to be published new novel, 'The Skeleton Road.'

"The acknowledged queen of the psychological thriller" (The Guardian).

Start time: 7.30pm. Contact library to book tickets (£5).

Cycle Club helps Otters

Kinross Cycle Club has donated £500 to the local Otters swimming club. The donation came from funds raised by the Sportive Kinross, a highly successful cycle event organised by the cycling club. Cycle Club Chairman Paul Zarb said: "Our main charity partner is CHAS. However, the success of the event and sponsorship from Alpine Bikes means we can help other local good causes too."

Fiona Dodds, lead coach with the Otters, said: "It's great to have the support from the Cycle Club. The Otters are very popular and we need financial support from all quarters."

The Sportive Kinross has been running for four years, and has raised over £37,000 for local good causes.

See also *Kinross Cycle Club*, page 69.



Paul Zarb (right) with Otters holding the cheque and coach Fiona Dodds, left

Kinross-shire Visitor Information Points

Loch Leven Fishing Pier; Robertson's of Milnathort;
Kinnesswood Village Store;
Fossoway Stores, Crook of Devon

Classified Advertisements

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News from the Health Centre



Influenza Vaccination

Saturday Flu Clinics

The autumn seems to have come round quickly again and we have therefore made plans for the annual flu campaign. As in previous years, the flu clinics will be on Saturday mornings. The dates are:

- Saturday 4 October 9am to 1pm
- Saturday 1 November 9am to 1pm
- Saturday 15 November 9am to 1pm
- Saturday 29 November 9am to 1pm

Appointments may now be booked with reception. **Please do not wait for a letter to be sent to you inviting you to make an appointment. If you are eligible, you may make your appointment now.** Clinicians will visit the residential and nursing homes as usual to administer the vaccination.

We would encourage all those in the following groups to come for a flu injection:

Over 65s	Those aged 65 and over by 31 March 2015 (Born on or before 31 March 1950)
Those aged 6 months or over in a clinical 'At Risk' group	Chronic respiratory disease and asthma that requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids or with previous hospital admissions. COPD including chronic bronchitis and emphysema Chronic heart disease Chronic kidney disease: kidney failure or transplant, nephritic syndrome Chronic liver disease: cirrhosis, chronic hepatitis Chronic neurological disease Diabetes Immunosuppression Asplenia or dysfunction of the spleen
Pregnant women	Pregnant women at any stage of pregnancy
Long stay residential	Those living in long stay residential care homes or other long stay care facilities
Unpaid carers and young carers	Those who, without payment, provide help and support to a partner, child, relative, friend or neighbour who could not manage without this help. This could be due to age, physical or mental illness, addiction or disability. Young carers are those under 18 who carry out significant caring tasks and assume a level of responsibility for another person which would normally be taken by an adult.

Please note that patients who do not fall into these categories or who have no other clinical reason for receiving the flu vaccination will not be given the vaccination.

Childhood Flu Programme

The childhood flu vaccination programme is being extended to include all children aged between 2 and 11 years old. GP practices are responsible for vaccinating children aged 2 to 5 years old and we will be running clinics during the week to administer the nasal flu vaccine. Please contact Reception to make an appointment. Children at primary school will receive the vaccine at school.

Pneumococcal Vaccination

Patients who have just become 65, or will be 65 by 31 March 2015, will also be offered the pneumovax vaccination. This vaccination is generally only required once.

Shingles Vaccination

This vaccine will be offered to those in the following age groups: those aged 70 on 1 September 2014 (i.e. born between 2 September 1943 and 1 September 1944), and those aged 78 or 79 on 1 September 2014 (i.e. born between 2 September 1934 and 1 September 1936). This vaccine can be administered at the same time as the flu vaccination so a separate appointment is not required. Appointments can be made at the Saturday Flu Clinics.

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Autumn classes at Kinross Learning Centre

As the country commemorates the start of the First World War, Kinross Learning Centre is offering a ten week course examining this compelling and controversial conflict. In a series of lectures, students will have the opportunity to discuss aspects of the conflicts including the battles of the Somme, Arras and Passchendaele.



The BBC's "Who do you think you are?" series has returned to our screens for a tenth series, and interest in family history shows no signs of abating. Our Genealogy course will help you learn more about your own past - how to trace your family tree using computer technology as well as traditional methods, examining Scottish records and how to locate them and the importance of sources and how to record them.

Also new for this term is An Introduction to Web Design in which students will learn the skills required to design and create their own website. It will introduce HTML and Dreamweaver as well as discussing how to upload your finished website to the Internet.

To find out more about any of our courses, please contact Maureen Ross on 01577 863863, call into the Learning Centre in Swansacre, or email pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk

LANGUAGES

Spanish Beginners 2	Wed 17 Sep	1 – 3 pm	10 weeks	£68
Spanish Beginners	Wed 17 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 Weeks	£68
Spanish Improvers	Tue 16 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Basic Everyday French	Wed 17 Sep	10 am – 12 noon	10 weeks	£68
French Improvers	Tue 16 Sep	1 – 3 pm	10 weeks	£68
French Advanced	Tue 16 Sep	10.30 am – 12.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
Italian Advanced	Thu 18 Sep	10 am – 12 noon	10 weeks	£68
Italian Beginners	Thu 18 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Russian Language & Culture 4	Tue 16 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Russian Intermediate	Thu 18 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Gaelic Beginners	Wed 17 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68

COMPUTING

Getting Started on your Computer	Tue 16 Sep	2 pm – 4 pm	8 weeks	£55
Introduction to Web Design	Tue 16 Sep	12 noon – 2 pm	5 weeks	£40
Get Connected: A guide to Social Networking	Tue 20 Oct	12 noon – 2 pm	3 weeks	£30

ART & CRAFTS

Painting with Acrylics	Mon 15 Sep	10 – 12 noon	10 weeks	£68
Painting with Acrylics	Mon 15 Sep	1.15 – 3.15 pm	10 weeks	£68
Watercolours 3	Wed 17 Sep	1.15 – 3.15 pm	10 weeks	£68
Watercolours Beginners	Thu 18 Sep	1.30 – 3.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
The Art of Drawing Beginners	Wed 17 Sep	9.45 – 11.45 am	10 weeks	£68
The Art of Drawing 6	Thu 18 Sep	9.45 – 11.45 am	10 weeks	£68
Upholstery	Wed 17 Sep	4.30 – 6.30 pm	10 weeks	£80
Upholstery	Wed 17 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£80
Sew Smart – Sewing, Mending, Altering, Recycling, Tailoring	Tue 16 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£80
Stained Glass for Beginners	Tue 16 Sep	9.30 – 12 noon	8 weeks	£68

GENERAL INTEREST

Cake Decoration:				
Wired Flowers	Thur 18 Sep	12.15 – 2.15 pm	4 weeks	£40
Modelling with Icing	Thu 16 Oct		4 weeks	£40
The Perfect Christmas Cake	Thu 13 Nov		4 weeks	£40
Genealogy	Thu 18 Sep	2 – 4 pm	10 weeks	£68
100 Years on: Understanding the First World War	Tue 16 Sep	2 – 4 pm	10 weeks	£68
Learn to Play Guitar	Tue 16 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£80
How to Buy & Sell Antiques	Fri 19 Sep	9.30 – 11.30 am	10 weeks	£68

Historic Scotlandwell

This is an extract from 'Historic Scotlandwell' by Iain W D Forde, written in both Standard English and Scots to provide an insight into the Scots language as well as the history of Scotlandwell.

Other extracts were previously published in the July and August 2013 and July 2014 issues of the Newsletter.

The Old School

South of the Peat Hill (*the old name for Scotlandwell village green*) was the School. Built in the mid 1830s by the principal landowners it is a building of considerable character which included a house for the schoolteacher and two classrooms, one of them with a partition wall in the middle of it. The playground to the south was also divided, in this case into boys' and girls' areas.

The cottage on the other side of the Main Street was built at the same time and was used as a teaching kitchen for the school.

The present Primary School for Portmoak is in Kinnesswood.

At the end of the old playground is a new house called 'Causewayend' where the long raised roadway from Lochgelly terminates against the higher ground at the Old School House.

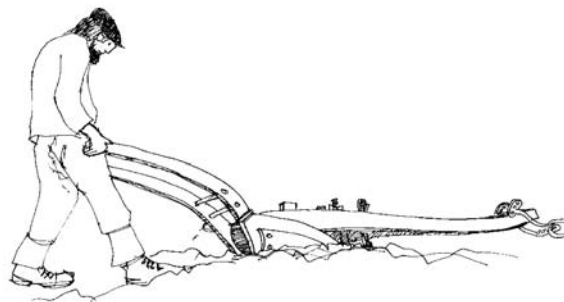
The Crooked Rigs

The cultivated ridges were formed by ploughing in long strips always throwing the soil up to the centre. In these were planted barley, oats and peas. The plough was a massive timber construction pulled by several oxen which required the co-operation of the villagers. Ridges were exchanged each year to ensure fairness. This was all controlled by tradition, with disputes being settled in a local parliament.

Access to the ploughed land was by way of the Sandy Lane which cuts deep into the hill after generations of traffic. The sides are now overhung by attractive bushes and trees.

Later systems of agriculture gradually led to the ridges being amalgamated into fields with new crops, such as potatoes and turnips, being used in rotation instead of leaving land fallow to rest.

These changes came very late to Scotlandwell and the 'Crooked Rigs' can still be easily seen from the upper part of the Sandy Lane or from the Causeway.



The Auld Skuil

Suth o the Peit Hul wes the Skuil. Biggit in the mid eirs o the Echtene-Thretties bi the prencipal lairds of Kinross it is a gey kenspekkil beildin at inhauddit a houss fur the domine an twa clessruims, ane o'm wi a pairtisin waw i the mids o'd.

The playgrun ti the suth o't wes also devydit bot i this kess intil laddies' an lassies' bits.

The cott on the ither syde o the Main Strete wes biggit at the samen tyme, an wes used fur a teichin keichen ti the skuil.

The modren Prymarie Skuil fur Portmoak is at Kinnesswood.

At the en o the auld playgrun is a nyow houss cryed 'Causewayend' whaur the lang rased causie frae Lochgellie feinisit agin the heicher grun at the Auld Skuil Houss.

The Cruikit Riggs

The tillit riggs wes furmed bi plewin in lang skeids aye kesting the syle uplin into the mids. In thur wes plauntit bere, aits an peas. The plew wes a mukkil timmer structur poued bi severals o ousen at med it necessar fur the cottars to complouther.

Riggs wes exchynged ilka eir ti mak fair daes siccar. This wes aw gyed bi auld-prattiks wi threips sattilt in a locall parlament.

The gate ti the Cruikit Riggs wes bi wey o the Saundie Rodd at hags depe intil the brae eftir geners o traffik. The sydes is nou owre-hingit wi bonie bussis an trein.

Eftirhaun seistems o fermin gradwal-lik lade ti the riggs bein melled inti feilds wi siklik nyow craps as tatties an neips bein used in tour an tirm insteid o levin laun fauch ti rist.

Thur chynges cam verra ahinhaun ti Scotlandwall an thusgates the Cruikit Riggs wul can be eith sein frae the heich pairt o the Saundie Rodd ir frae the Causie.

Road works in Milnathort

In order to permit superfast broadband works, the Council has been asked to draw up a temporary traffic regulation order.

It is expected that traffic will be prohibited on Back Loan, Milnathort, from its junction with Wester Loan to its junction with Victoria Avenue (a distance of 189 metres or thereby) for a period of four days, beginning on **Friday 12 September**. Pedestrian and vehicular access would be maintained. The alternative route for vehicles is via Stirling Road.

Cash award for football team

Portmoak AFC has received £1050 to buy training equipment and new strips from Awards for All, a scheme supported by Creative Scotland, sportscotland and the Big Lottery Fund.

Contributors

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“One hundred years on, we are all connected to the First World War, either through our own family history, the heritage of our local communities or because of its long-term impact on society and the world we live in today.”

(Imperial War Museum, First World War Centenary website.)

Throughout 2014, the Newsletter is featuring brief histories of some of the local men who died in WWI and whose names appear on war memorials in Kinross-shire.

Readers may be interested to know that there is a comprehensive history of Kinross-shire WWI servicemen, researched by Sgt Alastair G Smith, in the Kinross (Marshall) Museum at the Loch Leven Community Campus. This can be consulted during Museum Study opening hours (Thursdays, 10am-8pm and Saturdays, 10am-1pm).



Pte John Brown

John Brown was an Argyll and Sutherland Highlander who was killed in action on 30 September 1918.

He was the son of Thomas and Margaret Turpie of 38 High Street, Kinross. John, in civil life, had been employed as a miner at the Aitken Colliery, Kelty, and had joined the army as a result of the miners’ ballot in 1917. Prior to enlisting, he had been an enthusiastic member of the Kinross Volunteers. His cheery disposition and natural aptitude for soldiering, which was even then apparent, made him a great favourite with all ranks.

He received his army training in Ireland and was then drafted to France. It is poignant that he was killed after so short a service on the battlefield. In a letter to his bereaved parents his Lieutenant wrote, “It is with a heavy heart that I write on behalf of my men to offer you sincere sympathy in the death of your son, 27545 Pte. J. Brown. He was killed on the 30th of last month when we were doing an attack and is buried beside his companions who fell on the same day. I am having a cross erected over his grave. He was a very good and brave soldier.”

John’s three older brothers all served and survived the war. The eldest, David, served with the Royal Scots and Highland Light Infantry. Thomas served in the Royal Navy and Robert served in the Fife and Forfar Yeomanry.

A member of the West Church of Kinross, John Brown’s name is listed on the Church Roll of Honour. His grave is at Joncourt British Cemetery, Aisne. The majority of the burials within the cemetery are men of the 10th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. All the graves date from the period 30 September to 4 October 1918.

Thanks to Ann Milburn for providing this profile of Pte John Brown.



Above: Joncourt British Cemetery, Aisne, France
Below: The memorial at Kinross Parish Church



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Purchases from small ads - Advice

Using the small ads and internet for items that you need or would like is something that almost everyone does. However, if the transaction is with a seller/buyer you do not know, consider these measures and do some research.

What details do you put in the initial advert?

Limit the amount of personal information in the ad – even a postcode will give an area that criminals can focus on if the item is valuable. Any information posted can be used by others for ulterior motives or to establish where you live or the items for sale are likely to be stored.

Think carefully about whether you should provide a telephone number. There are pros and cons: you retain your privacy by not posting it, but you can have a better feel for a potential buyer by speaking to the person.

Stage photos to obscure identifying information. People taking photos of cars for sale in their driveway often unknowingly give away the house number and licence plate number.

What details has the seller/buyer given you?

Name, address, email address, mobile telephone number and landline number (that relates to the address given) once a transaction has been agreed. If these details do not match up with any internet or other search that you conduct, or you feel uneasy about the details given, then walk away from the deal. Advise the buyer that you will require identification from them such as passport or driving licence when you meet up.

If you are selling a vehicle, get the details of the driving licence. If possible, get these details emailed to you with the counterpane. Are there points on it for speeding or other offences? Do you have concerns that the driver may be banned? If the driving licence looks fake, or the details are not corresponding with other information, you may want to walk away from the deal.

Where is the transaction going to occur?

Bringing a buyer to your home as a seller to complete the transaction means that they know where you live; they may then say that the item is not what they are 'looking for'.

Do not meet in a car park, lay-by or at the address of someone you do not know unless you are going with at least one other person. Ideally you should meet in a well-populated environment, possibly a venue with CCTV cameras. Again, if someone is not confident meeting in a 'safe' environment, then walk away.

During the meeting

When the potential buyer arrives, take the make, model and registration mark of any car or motorcycle used if you don't already know this and you can text message this information to a friend or family member who knows about the meeting.

Although you have been sent identification documents, ask to see the original and take a copy. It will act as a bit of a deterrent for people; someone will be less likely to attempt to steal from you if you can provide police with a positive identification if the buyer does not conclude the deal.

Keep a mobile phone tuned on and within reach.

Know your route. If you are taking someone out for a test drive, make sure a friend or family member knows the planned route, estimated return time and your mobile phone number.

Keep buyers in sight. If a buyer arrives with an entourage, do not let the people separate, especially at your home. If you are wary of the buyers, do not allow access, or limit where in your home they are.

If it is a postal or courier transaction

If you are sending goods, then make sure that the items have to be signed for with identification, address and any other relevant details. It costs more to do this but gives an audit trail, especially if it is a high value item.

Is the deal too good?

Is the item far too cheap? Then there is a possibility it is a fake,

stolen or does not work and will not come with any form of warranty – it is buyer beware.

If it is a cash transaction, then some buyers use counterfeit currency; some of it will pass a brief inspection, but using an ultraviolet torch will show you quickly that there is a problem with the money.

Are you shown an item in a bag?

A genuine item can be shown to a buyer in a carrier bag, the bag is closed and swapped for one that is roughly the same weight and the amount agreed paid by the unsuspecting buyer. Take the item for sale out of the bag, so you see what is being bought, bring your own bag to put it in – the more unique the better – and place it where both parties can see it.

Payment

There are different ways you can pay for goods: cash, cheque, banker's draft, bank transfer or ESCROW. Each method of payment has potential dangers; be careful. Cash, cheques and banker's drafts can be forged or counterfeited. DO NOT pay using a money transfer company such as Western Union or Moneygram; it is for transferring money between people who already know each other well. CHAPS payment has a fee attached and is irrevocable. If you are paying on a website, then make sure that it has encrypted payment facilities.

The only time that your PIN will be requested is when you use an ATM – never divulge this information otherwise.

Fraudulent schemes

Police again warn of becoming a victim of scams involving alleged lottery winnings.

In the last month, an elderly woman received a number of telephone calls claiming she had won hundreds of thousands of pounds in a USA lottery and was instructed to send cash and cheques to different addresses in the UK to pay for various taxes, before she could receive any money.

Schemes such as these can be perpetrated by people cold calling by telephone, attending at their home address, via unsolicited letters, emails or sending texts. Fraudsters can claim to represent various organisations, including banks, financial institutions, government bodies and even lottery operators, as well as masquerading as seemingly reputable businesses.

While it is common practice to carry out transactions over the phone or the internet, take nothing for granted. Never give out any personal information, including bank details, to any unknown agency. If you are unsure, take details of the company and check out their credentials. Personal information should not be shared until you are entirely satisfied that the person you are doing business with is legitimate and reputable.

If something appears too good to be true, then it usually is. If you have any concerns or information regarding fraudulent activity, contact Police Scotland on 101.

Police Scotland, local community

Telephone: 101 for non emergencies.

The community officer for Kinross-shire

is **Sadie Allan**.

Email: sadie.allan@scotland.pnn.police.uk

The Community Sergeant for Kinross,

Auchterarder and Crieff is **Sandra Williams**.

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Community Council News



The Community Council News is based on draft minutes of local CC meetings. Full draft minutes are posted on local websites and notice boards. In addition, Kinross CC minutes are lodged in the community library. Please note, the Community Council News is not a verbatim reproduction of CC minutes. In particular, where there are two months' worth of reports, there will be a considerable amount of editing.

Kinross Community Council

News from the August Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 6 August 2014 were: CCllrs D Colliar (Chair), C Watson, D Mackay, W Freeman, D West, M Wood, G Thomas and M Scott (Secy); P&K Cllrs W Robertson and M Barnacle; representatives from the Police; representatives from Persimmon Homes and a large number of local residents. Apologies for absence were received from: CCllrs M Blyth, I Jack and B Davies and P&K Cllrs J Giacomazzi and D Cuthbert.

Declarations of Interest: CCllr Watson declared an interest in the Newsletter disbursements at this meeting.

Police Report: Crimes reported were: theft of a bike from the High Street and a car from Lathro Park (both under enquiry). There have been issues with youths congregating at the bottom of Swansacre, at the Day Centre and in Kirkgate Park. The Police are jointly working with local youth workers to try to encourage youths to engage in alternative activities. The representatives stated that they were sad to see T in the Park go. They were thanked for their attendance and for presenting this report.

Persimmon Homes Development at Lathro Farm: The Chairman advised that there was to be no discussion on the High School site. The planning application had been refused and we would have to wait to see what develops next.

David Jinks from Persimmon Homes introduced his colleagues and explained that a pre-application notice had been submitted in relation to the Lathro site. Those present could examine display boards.

It was proposed to construct 300 units on this farmland, incorporating 25% affordable properties. As part of the public consultation process, two public meetings had taken place and meetings arranged with both Kinross and Milnathort CCs. The meeting earlier that day was well attended; the public inspected the plans and discussed the proposals. The site is 38 hectares overall. Environmental and traffic assessments are being carried out and it was planned to commence work on the site around winter 2015 with work complete in 2015/2016. The proposed properties are all two-storey, ranging from two-bedroom mid terraced to detached, using similar materials to those in Lathro Park.

Concerns were raised at the added number of pupils for both the primary and secondary schools. The Local Development Plan records this site (H47) as 13 ha with 260 units (140 up to 2024). A buffer is to be incorporated between Kinross and Milnathort with parkland and landscaped areas. Further questions raised were answered by Persimmon Homes.

Matters arising from meeting of 2 July

Parking: no response yet from the Council.

Newsletter Charity accounts: The Chairman has still to approach Ross McConnell.

Credit Union presentation will take place at September meeting.

Springfield Road: Cllr Robertson advised that, once again, a number of residents raised concerns in relation to traffic along this road. Speed checks are planned.

Kinross Newsletter Disbursements

CCllr Thomas reported on two new applications received:

Kinross-shire Volunteer Group & Rural Outreach Scheme ask for funding towards replacing their outdated computer, printing and telephone system. The cost is £1239.94. This was discussed. It was suggested further research would be advisable and CCllr West agreed to speak to the organisation and report back next month.

Colin Hogg, who is undertaking a **fundraising bike ride** towards the cost of a light wheel chair for Graeme Paterson who suffers from MND is looking for a contribution from the Newsletter Fund. The gentleman, formerly of Kinross, now resides in Pitlochry. After discussion, the application was regretfully rejected as not meeting KCCNL criteria.

There may be an application next month from Positive Choices. They have requested an application form but it has not yet been submitted.

Kinross Buildings

Former High School site: PKC expect a reapplication from Persimmon Homes. The four local Councillors have confirmed what they would find acceptable on this site.

Town Hall: Work has commenced and is progressing.

Mill Street: The proposal to convert the former PKC offices to a car park has been agreed and budgeted for, but the start date is unknown.

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Primary School: Cllr Robertson said this is the next major topic for Kinross. (*See page 8 for full explanation.*) This was discussed at the CC meeting. Cllr Barnacle said that, as the LDP has to be reviewed every five years, PKC will be working on the Main Issues Report for the next one soon; this is the perfect opportunity to comment with regard to housing numbers, infrastructure etc.

Planning applications submitted

The CC made no comments on the following:

14/01177/FLL Websters Development, 14 High Street: part change of use from builders yard to commercial storage and siting of 12no storage containers, erection of fence to provide secure storage for builders yard, installation of CCTV cameras and erection of boundary fence.

14/00977/FLL 35 Broom Road: extension to dwelling house.

14/01229/FLL The Day Centre: alterations to windows.

14/01193/FLL Land south of Station Road: erection of ten dwelling houses (field behind Douglas Crescent).

14/01195/FLL 5 Carsegour Steadings: alterations to house.

14/01200/FLL 39 Lathro Park: alterations and extension.

14/01224/FLL Easter Cockairney Farm, renewal of permission (09/00885/FUL) for alterations to house and construction of garage with dormer.

Planning applications approved by PKC:

13/01147/FLL Classloch Farm Cottage, erection of a replacement dwelling house with integral garage and associated works.

14/00587/IPL Land 200m northwest of Findatie Farm: erection of 16 holiday lodges and associated works (in principle).

14/00731/FLL Plots 1 – 84 Station Road: modification of permission (05/01475/FUL): Change of house type at plot 32.

14/00985/FLL 95 Lathro Park: extension to house.

14/00846/FLL Green Hotel: installation of replacement telecommunications equipment.

14/00961/FLL 6 Springfield Road, alterations to house.

Planning application refused by PKC:

14/00852/FLL 7 Gallowhill Road: extension to house.

Reports by P&K Councillors

Councillor Barnacle:

A977 mitigation measures: Copy letter from Cllr Barnacle to PKC received. Cllr Barnacle reiterated the concerns over this road and asked that a meeting be convened to discuss the various issues.

Hatchbank: An update was given.

DRT1: Good feedback has been received.

Councillor Robertson:

Flooding: In instances of localised flooding, advise Clarence or get in touch with your local Councillor. This problem occurs in Argyll Road; water comes up through the toilet. Cllr Cuthbert reported this to PKC but no action has been taken. Cllr Robertson will look into this.

Town Hall: Cllr Robertson has written to PKC asking if the clock can be repaired and put back in order.

Park and Ride: A suggestion was received that it would be helpful if a shelter were made available at the Park and Ride to secure disability scooters. PKC are looking into this. Some of the bicycle containers are damaged and an estimate is to be obtained for repair.

High Street: A request was made for a zebra crossing to be constructed south of the Town Hall as part of the High Street Regeneration. Money was not included in the Regeneration for this but it would be considered.

TRACKS: Their funding has been stopped and this will impact dramatically on their operations.

Grass cut: A meeting has been arranged with the deputy manager. Comment was made to both Kirkgate Park and the Heritage Trail. It was suggested that someone should be engaged to supervise and have overall responsibility for this. Comment was made of voluntary organisations such as Duke of Edinburgh, Scouts etc. The problem arises through budget cuts.

Correspondence

Local Development Plan: Draft supplementary guidance has been prepared to support LDP Policy NE4: Green Infrastructure; comments are now being sought.

Town Hall works: Notification of parking and loading ban for 32 weeks from 23 July.

Regeneration: Following talks with internal and external third parties and concerns around a winter programme, as well as the risks associated with undertaking work during freezing temperatures, PKC has taken the decision to delay the start of the construction works until the beginning of March 2015.

Other business

Bus stop: CCllr Mackay said that due to parked cars, some buses were not stopping at the temporary High Street bus stop (outside Kilt Shop). She suggested that this be removed to the fountain area. Cllr Robertson will look into this.

The next meeting of Kinross CC will take place on Wednesday 3 September 2014 at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.

Agenda for the Meeting on 3 September

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of interest
3. Police report
4. Minutes of the meeting held on 6 August
5. Matters arising from the minutes of 6 August
6. Credit Union presentation
7. Newsletter charity report and accounts
8. Disbursement of Newsletter funds
9. Kinross buildings
10. Planning matters
11. Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors
12. Miscellaneous correspondence
13. Other competent business
14. Date of next meeting (1 October 2014)

Note: Members of the public are welcome to contribute to discussion at meeting but if you wish to address the meeting, please advise the Secretary (Margaret Scott, 21 Ross Street, Kinross, KY13 8EF or email to mbs21@btinternet.com) as early as possible. You are also requested to supply a copy of any relevant documentation in advance, and a paragraph on what it is you want to raise, so the topic can be publicised.

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Milnathort Community Council

News from the August Meeting

CCllr Hamilton, Chair, welcomed CCllrs Bennet, Halford, Milne-Home, Pettinger, Smith and Thomson to the meeting held on 14 August 2014. Also in attendance were P&K Cllr Robertson, two representatives from Persimmon Homes and four members of the public. Apologies were received from CCllr Cottingham; P&K Cllrs Barnacle, Cuthbert and Giacopazzi and from the Police.

Police matters: The Chair summarised the report provided by the Police as follows:

Following speed checks at Mawcarse and Burleigh Road, five warnings have been given, and two tickets issued.

There have been incidents of fly tipping reported, particularly in the countryside; not only is it dangerous to passing traffic, but also a health hazard. Members of the public are asked to report any incidents they witness.

There have been a few incidents of heavy plant machinery being stolen; it is likely that large transporters have been used, and members of the public are asked to report such vehicles parked in suspicious circumstances.

Members of the public have reported receipt of fraudulent letters, which claim that the recipient has won a large sum of money, and ask for bank account details; do not divulge bank details unless you are sure any such requests are genuine.

There are charity collectors canvassing in the area; the majority are genuine, but please make sure you are aware of the facts before handing over money or bank details.

Matters arising: The Chair advised that, since the last meeting, the **churchyard paths** had been resurfaced.

CCllr Thomson reported her early concerns about the resurfacing work carried on **Ba' Hill**, but following consultation with Cllr Robertson, she noted that the surface had bedded down and was less slippery.

Planning applications: The following planning applications in Milnathort were considered, but no comments were made:

14/01109/IPL Residential development (in principle) at land 70 metres south east of Hattonburn Lodge.

14/01128/IPL Erection of dwelling house (in principle) at land 70 metres west of Blairmathort Farm.

14/01163/LBC Installation of replacement windows at Flat 4, Church Buildings.

Planning applications determined: The CC noted that the following applications had been **approved**:

14/00856/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house and erection of outbuilding with photographic studio at Westhall Farmhouse.

08/00805/AML Erection of 5 dwelling houses and garages, formation of access road and associated site works (reserved matters) on land at Old Perth Road.

14/00848/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house, The Coppice, Mawcarse Farm.

14/00474/FLL Removal of condition 3 (occupancy) from planning permission 08/01141/FLL: Erection of a dwelling house, straw shed and stable block, Wester Tillyrie Steadings.

14/00940/FLL Extension to house, 4 Mill Lade.

14/00987/FLL: Extension to house, 50 Church Street.

14/01170/FLL: Erection of agricultural building at land at Ledlanet Estate.

The CC also noted that the following application had been **refused**: 13/00680/FLL Erection of a wind turbine, Temple Hill Wind Farm, Glenfarg.

Lathro Development: Mr Stephen Kelso, Senior Architect, and Mr David Jinks, Development Planner, represented Persimmon Homes. Mr Kelso outlined Persimmon's plans for the development, as follows:

PKC's Local Development Plan (LDP) shows a development of about 260 '3-4 bedroom' houses on the site, however Persimmon Homes intends to build 300 smaller houses.

Persimmon Homes have conducted two consultation exercises; the first was attended by 12 people, but 70 people had attended the more recent consultation on 6 August 2014.

Concerns had been voiced about the back-to-back development with the existing Lathro Park Estate, but of the 38 hectares on site, only 9 hectares would be developed and a buffer zone would be provided. He noted that the current Forth Wines site was also zoned for mixed-use development.

A country park, an open-space area with pockets of trees, would also be provided in the vicinity of the Queich on the flood plain.

More detailed planning would now be carried out including an Environmental Impact Assessment (including a drainage assessment), and a Traffic Impact Assessment, once the school term had begun.

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The development would be carried out in two phases; the first phase would be for 140 houses, for which planning applications would be sent to PKC in October 2014, with the intention to start building works in August 2015. Members of the public were given the opportunity to study planning illustrations of the site and make comments. The following concerns were raised:

- **Insufficient parking available:** Mr Kelso explained that the parking requirements were set by PKC, and included 2 spaces per house plus a percentage of visitor parking.
- **Access to the new site, particularly about dangers to children using the skate park (who are apt to run out from the park towards the main road into Milnathort).** Mr Kelso stated that the access road would be halfway between the Lodge and the skate park, furthermore a pathway towards Milnathort would be provided from the skate park. He also noted that the Traffic Impact Assessment would address such issues, but the current assessment by Persimmon Homes was that a new traffic roundabout would not be required.

Path maintenance: The Chair advised that the pathways at Tillywhally and in the vicinity of Burleigh Castle had become dangerously overgrown in recent weeks; he noted that Carrs Billington had provided a quantity of 'Round Up' weedkiller. Following discussion, the MCC agreed to provide up to £200 next year to maintain the paths. Cllr Robertson offered to investigate whether the Youth Justice System might wish to assist with maintenance of the paths.

Reduced opening hours for campus gym: The Chair advised that he had received an email from a member of the public passing his concerns about the possible reduction of the gymnasium opening hours to the public from October 2014, in order to save money for PKC. During a lengthy discussion it emerged that PKC wished to save about £50,000 from the exercise, but the loss in revenue would be about £25,000 over a year, thus reducing the overall saving. The MCC agreed that, coupled with recent cuts to library availability, this further reduction in gymnasium hours would hurt the local community badly; it was disappointed with PKC's approach to savings, as again it would be the community that would suffer. The Secretary agreed to write to the Convener of the Lifelong Learning Committee, PKC, copying the letter to the local Cllrs, to report MCC's concerns.

Traffic disruption: The Chair had received an email from Cllr Giacobazzi, advising that Scottish Water (SW) were proposing to carry out traffic-light controlled work over a 16 week period from October. A lively discussion ensued which focused on the severe traffic disruption during earlier SW

works in June 2014, and the negative effect on local business over a protracted period. Cllr Robertson stated that every local business had noted a downturn during that period; he also advised that SW were intending to call a public meeting in October, so it was likely that work would be delayed until 2015. Cllr Robertson stated that he would expect SW to inform the CC of its intentions for the work which would protect 4-5 houses from flooding at a cost of about £1 million, but the CC might care to invite SW to attend a CC meeting in due course. (See also page 8)

Community Resilience - Where do We Fit on? CCllr Milne-Home introduced the item by informing the meeting that several campaigners have formed a Group called 'The Referendum and Communities in Scotland', which has developed proposals for enhancing the role of community councils in Scotland to ensure that CC voices are heard by local authorities and government, and have greater impact than at present. The group have put their proposals on a Facebook page for public access and consultation - see below. Following a discussion, CCllr Milne-Home agreed to write to the group giving the CC's support for their efforts to ensure that CCs have a greater impact and enhanced role in the community.

The document may be accessed at: www.facebook.com by typing: 'The Referendum and Communities in Scotland' into the search bar.

The email address for the group is:
bottomupscotland@hotmail.co.uk

The next meeting of Milnathort CC will take place on Thursday 11 September 2014 in Orwell Church Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

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Cleish and Blairadam CC

News from the August Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 4 August 2014 were: CCllrs R Kitchin, P Fraser, H Somerville, N Robertson, J Moore and M Traylor; P&K Cllr M Barnacle and four members of the community. Apologies were received from CCllr R Jeffrey, Police and P&K Cllr Cuthbert.

Crime prevention

There was no police officer in attendance. The submitted report said there were no new crimes in the area. It was reported by CCllr Fraser that the horsebox stolen from Wester Cleish had been found in Campbeltown and returned. There was mention of some fly tipping; keep reporting suspicious vehicles to 101. There has not been any further report or action regarding the stolen baskets taken from Blairadam.

Correspondence

CCllr Kitchin wrote to the Church Trustees regarding possible community purchase of The Glebe, and received a reply stating that the request has been passed on to Mr Balfour.

Outhmuir application for the Wind Farm was refused, but there has now been an appeal to the Scottish Government. Cllr Barnacle reported that he contacted the Reporter to provide background information regarding the Landscape Review that PKC is currently undertaking as to the replacement for the current AGLV status of the land bordering this application.

C&B Website

During T in the Park there was a significant increase in website use, up to 158 visitors per day. Traffic is now back to 70-80 per day. There are now more hits on the home page, not just the planning pages. There are now seven subscriptions for the newsletter.

Village updates – Blairadam

CCllr Robertson is still to finalise a report summarising the work required on the road/verges. Perhaps a village meeting may be able to provide a consensus of opinion as to what should be put forward to PKC, with particular emphasis on safety due to the speed, type and volume of inappropriate traffic. There have been reports of someone falling off a bike due to road conditions. Cllr Barnacle reported that we still need a more proactive approach with Gary McConnell to try to finalise a visit to the village.

A Red Squirrel has been seen on the road – perhaps another indication for speed reductions?

A quote from a local joiner has been received for the three notice boards. It was agreed that the CC would be willing to contribute towards these but suggested that there should be some Community or Hall Committee fund raising to match funds to help pay for them.

It was requested that people should consider their neighbours before lighting bonfires.

Village updates – Cleish

The Manse has been sold, as has the corner of the Glebe. There have been no discussions on the Right of Way access. Congratulations to Keltybridge and Maryburgh on winning the best kept Hamlet competition.

There have been several incidents of horse muck on the road through the centre of Cleish, along with damage to the verges. Much effort and expense goes into keeping the verges in good condition so it was requested that this exercising on the verges perhaps could stop. A shovel could be placed behind the village hall wall for cleaning up the horse muck.

Planning

Fiona MacGregor was not in attendance to provide updates. It was reported that the application In Principle for a dwelling house at Cleish Mains Steading has been approved. An application at Guinard for two dwelling houses (In Principle) was not brought to the attention of the CCllrs, however this application has already been refused.

There has been some development within the woods opposite Greenacres. It is thought that this land is not associated with the Treescape business. There is now a wooden building being built around portacabins; CCllr Fraser to write to the Planning Officer to question this.

There has been further extension to the fencing at Greenacres. MB has suggested to PKC the possibility of erecting a permanent fence around this site as per the LDP to confine this settlement boundary.

Other business

A request has been made to the CC to ask PKC about cleaning the **streetlamps** in Cleish.

It has been reported to the CC that a **motorway sign** is in a poor position for tractors, obscuring sight lines.

A member of the community asked that instead of multiple cutting of verges, it was just as important to clean up the **grit and debris** that accumulates at the sides of the road itself.

Cllr Barnacle reported that George Lawrie (TRACKS) and Brian Cargill (Green Routes) had a meeting, looking at possible **new routes** to link up Benarty, Ballingry, Paranwell Bridge, Blairforge and then possibly into Cleish via Sunnyside. The CC were in support of this idea, and suggested that if they were happy investigating possible funding for this project, then a full proposal could be put to the CC for agreement and support.

There are reports of **dangerous driving** along the main road between Blairforge and Kelty.

The next meeting of Cleish and Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 6 October 2014 at the Cleish Village Hall, 7.30pm.

Cleish & Blairadam CC minutes are posted on the website

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Fossoway & District CC

News from the August Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 5 August 2014 were: CCllrs S Morrison, K Borthwick, T Duffy-Wigman and G Pye; P&K Cllr M Barnacle and ten members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from: CCllrs A Cheape, A Lavery and R Paterson; P&K Cllrs D Cuthbert, J Giacapazzi and W Robertson and the Community Police Officer.

Declarations of interest: None.

Community policing: Report received. The only recent crime in the area is the theft of a motor home from Crook of Devon which is under enquiry. Incidence of fly-tipping seems to be increasing; anyone spotting this in progress should report any details of registration numbers etc to the police.

A member of the public asked about process for handling runaways from Seamab School, as reports of a recent incident revealed that the control centre (contacted using the 101 number) didn't know anything about the school. Kevin will raise this with the Police.

Perth and Kinross Credit Union: Details will be put on the Fossoway website.

Unpaid work team: Arek Nowrotek of the Criminal Justice Service has asked for suggestions. Previously we have suggested using the team to clear offlets in various roads in Fossoway or perhaps do some additional verge cutting. See also AOCB.

Rumbling Bridge Hydro Scheme: Hugh Wallace attended to provide an update: SSE have withdrawn their requirement for a large sum to upgrade the power network, which returns the project to a sound economic footing. Energy for All have been helping with arrangements to raise community funding. One of the landowners is currently refusing to sign an agreement for the pipeline to pass his land pending the sale of his house – alternatives routes are possible, but difficult. A member of the public asks if there is any risk of asbestos being found in the ground that was previously a rubbish tip. Hugh says that sampling hasn't revealed any, but obviously it will be handled appropriately were it to be found.

Blairingone War Memorial: Cllr Barnacle reports that some work is taking place, although it appears to be behind schedule. He has reminded the builders of the importance of completing this before November.

Crook Moss Travellers' site: There is no information about progress in enforcing the planning conditions, particularly with regard to noise. This CC and Cllrs will continue to press the issue.

Glenquey Quarry: This was not on the agenda for the July DMC meeting. Meanwhile the Tayside Geodiversity paper has been completed and sent to PKC and all members of the DMC.

Community Workshop on Blairingone: A date for the follow on meeting is still to be agreed.

Lambhill chipping plant: Cllr Barnacle is still trying to organise the site meeting with Nick Brian, but to no avail. Discussions continue about whether the CC can be represented at the meeting.

Crook Moss community acquisition: The sub-committee will reconvene in due course.

Ryder Cup traffic planning: Ongoing, some minor improvements to the proposed arrangements have been made. Hopefully a Police Officer will attend a future meeting to update us.

Dunning Glen rubbish and vandalism: On-going. There was extensive discussion about possible solutions to these problems.

T in the Park: The festival will be moving to Strathallan. The organisers have thanked the community for all their support over the years it has been held at Balado.

Landscape Review: Alastair attended.

Planning Users Forum: Kevin attended this meeting, during which it was announced that input for the next local plan is already being sought.

Councillors' reports

Cllr Barnacle: Request for mitigation measures on A977 has been made to PKC; some minor works to anti-skid surface will be done, and a survey of HGV traffic will be made. It's now necessary to persuade the Council to instruct the Roads Department to resume work on preparing the business plan for the major mitigation measures – support of this CC will help. Dunning Bridge has been addressed.

A previously reported problem with a bad smell at Crook of Devon has now abated.

Cambo Post Box: Previous correspondence from the Post Office in London stated that letters could be handed to delivery staff in the absence of a local post box. General opinion amongst those present was that this was not being allowed by local staff. Cllr Barnacle will forward the letter from the London Office to the Kinross office to elicit their comments.

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Planning matters

A number of decisions by the local review body were intimated and discussed.

There was a feeling from the public that the item in respect of Dollar Equestrian at Blairingone appeared to be an example of a system being used to obtain a house in the countryside. There was also disquiet by a member of the public over apparent inconsistencies in the granting of permission for wind turbines.

14/01101/FLL Easter Solsgirth, Solsgirth, Dollar: Modification of permission 12/01064/FLL (change of use and extension to barn to form dwelling house and stable block) - change position of the stable block. No CC comment.

14/01129/FLL Erection of a dwelling house and garage/workshop at land 100m south-east of Briglands Lodge, Crook of Devon. No CC comment.

14/01148/FLL Extension to dwelling house at Rosebank Cottage, Vicar's Bridge Road, Blairingone: No CC comment.

14/01336/FLL Erection of stable block at Appleburn, Vicar's Bridge Road, Blairingone. No CC comment.

14/01223/FLL Renewal of planning permission (11/00862/FLL) for alterations and extension to dwelling house, Coates Cottage, Powmill. No CC comment.

14/01222/FLL Erection of a dwelling house on land 20m south-east of Firs of Viewfield, Drum. Recommendation: The CC were concerned about appropriateness of site, house size to garden ratio and overdevelopment of site. The CC asks that these issues are taken into consideration when assessing this application.

14/01292/FLL Erection of dwelling house at land 50m south-east of Muirfield, Fossoway. No CC comment.

Outh Muir Wind Farm: Cllr Barnacle notes that this went to appeal after refusal, so sent the reporter a copy of the local landscape review.

Braehead Developer reports that the footpath surfacing has been completed; works to a previously agreed chalet site are in progress.

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Wednesday Evenings- Pregnancy Yoga- Kinross
@7pm

Thursday Evenings - Community Campus
@5.30pm & 6.45pm

The Newsletter is on Facebook!

The Kinross Newsletter now has a Facebook page! This will principally be used for announcing when our latest issue is in the shops, and each month we'll also put on a reminder about our deadline, so if you are one of our regular contributors, you can send us your submission in good time.

So if you are a regular reader or contributor, please 'Like' us on Facebook and ask your friends to like us too! Find us at: www.facebook.com/kinrossnewsletter



Correspondence

All correspondence was available for viewing. Volunteers to man polling stations are sought; details available to anyone interested.

Volunteers needed for Older People's Day on 22 October at LLCC.

This CC has received an annual administration grant of £408. Auction of items and promises on 13 September at Crook of Devon Village Hall.

Other business

The Crook of Devon electronic speed sign is not working. Cllr Barnacle will report this. A member of the public also notes that several speed limit signs are in need of cleaning – this might be a good job for the Unpaid Work Team.

Draft Agenda for Next CC Meeting

- Welcome and Apologies
- Declarations of Interest
- Community Policing
- Minutes of last meeting
- Matters arising
- Community Councillors - Meetings Attended
- PKC Councillors' Reports
- Planning
- Correspondence
- AOCB

The next meeting of Fossoway and District CC will take place on Tuesday 2 September at 7.30pm in Fossoway Primary School. All welcome.

Fossoway & District CC minutes are posted on the website
www.fossoway.org

Portmoak Community Council

There was no meeting of the Portmoak CC in August.

The next meeting takes place on Tuesday 9 September at 7pm in Portmoak Primary School.

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Club & Community Group News

Kinross Junior Agricultural Club

With summer in full swing, Kinross JAC have again been very busy over the past few months. The end of July saw the club making the trip through to Angus to partake in the east area rally. The club competed well over a wide range of events, however were unable to emulate last year's great win. Also at the end of July the club had a family fun quiz night and barbecue. This was well attended, with over 13 teams packed into the Cambo Hall. The night was a great success and helped to spread the word about our 70th anniversary dinner in early January.

August has already been a jam-packed month. Our main event for this time of year was Kinross Show. Once again the club had their tent stall there, showing off their wares as well as providing the usual fun games and activities. A highlight of this was the guess the age of the calf competition, which raised a brilliant £90. The afternoon of the show was filled by our annual open stock judging competition, which saw over 70 entries all battling for a share of the £350 prize money pot. The evening was rounded off by our dance held at Newlands Farm by kind permission of the Erskine family.

Kinross carried on their generous ways by helping charity fund raiser Peter Matheson on his vintage "tractor bumble" journey from John O'Groats to Land's End and then on to Scandinavia and back again, all in aid of cancer charities and UNICEF. Peter camped in Kinross-shire on 13 August and some club members brought their tractors along and joined him in a

convoy of the loch. It was quite a sight seeing Peter's 1970s Massey leading a line of ten other tractors around the shire. The club also donated £125 to his great cause. If you wish to find out more about Peter's journey then type "tractor bumble" into Facebook and like his page.

The club will now have a short summer break to allow for harvest.



JAC members support the "tractor bumble" charity effort

Kinross & District Town Twinning Association



Our stand at Kinross Show was well supported with visitors having the opportunity to sample some Norman produce of wines and cheese as well as finding out about our planned visit in the summer of 2015. The winner of the Mak Pom bottle was Alyson Wilson and the winner of the jar of sweets was Flora Finlay.

The summer of 2015 sees the 40th anniversary of our twinning with Gacé in Normandy with a special visit planned for mid to late July (dates still to be confirmed). The Association would like to collate any memories of twinning over the past 40 years from former members, including school pupils who have been on exchange visits. Any photographs from the past would also be welcome. These can be handed in to either chairperson Jeannie Paterson at 13 Bridgefaulds Road, Milnathort or secretary David Munro at 7 McWilliam Place, Kinross.

It is hoped there will be a sizeable group travelling to Gacé for the 40th anniversary twinning visit next summer.

Kinross-shire Day Centre

What another busy month we've had!

Our Monday walking group had a fantastic day when they went to visit the Kelpies near Falkirk at the beginning of the month.

We also had a great afternoon with our monthly trip with food from around the world. Spain was our destination, and I must thank all the staff, volunteers and service users for their participation in making it a wonderful afternoon. The next destination is India.

We have also been to Ratho again for one of our very popular barge trips. The weather wasn't very kind to us but the company on the barge was second to none; the volunteers and entertainment were excellent. Our last trip to Ratho for this year is on 9 September.

We have also been enjoying our Curling and Bocci a, which we have been playing at various times of the day. If we keep going as we are, I am sure we will have a fantastic team for the next Commonwealth Games.

If you would like to be involved with the Day Centre, as a service user, a volunteer or as a supporter, speak to Nan Cook on 01577 863869.

For the regular Day Centre programme, see page 100.

Contributors – please send your item well before the deadline if you can

Kinross and District Art Club



The highlight of our year is the **Annual Exhibition and Sale** of our paintings in the Parish Church, which this year will take place from **11 to 13 September**.

Our **Opening Evening**, on **Wednesday 10 September** from 7pm to 9pm, will feature special guest, Writer, Geographer and Local Historian, **Prof David Munro MBE**. We welcome invited guests and local residents to this event.

Opening hours for the rest of the Exhibition are:

Thursday and Friday: **1pm - 8pm**.

Saturday: **10am - 4pm**.

As well as a superb display of our paintings, there will be crafts and produce for sale and teas, coffees and cake. Also on display and available to purchase will be prints of the portrait of the Duchess of Cambridge done by club adviser Tom Sutton Smith and presented to the couple on their visit to Strathearn in May. Entry to the Exhibition is **FREE**.

Our Exhibition is part of **Perthshire Open Studios**, an Art Event taking place throughout Perthshire and Kinross-shire from **6 to 14 September**. This year there are 12 venues in the Kinross area taking part, including KADAC. We will have free brochures available at the Exhibition for visitors to take, showing the location and opening hours of all the other venues around the area. The Kinross-shire area is the Turquoise Route in the brochure and is being sponsored this year by Kinross based Property Developers, **The Seventy Group**. You can download a copy of the brochure from www.perthshireopenstudios.com and on the website you will find a link to a free APP for use on your mobile phone or tablet.

If you can't make it round all these venues, but want to see what is on offer, there is a **Showcase Exhibition** at The Bield at Blackruthven, Tibbermore, from **30 August to 14 September**. (Location details on the website.)

Our Exhibition and the Open Studios event offer a unique opportunity to view and enjoy the work of so many talented people in this area. You might also find that special, original gift that you have been looking for!

For more information on the Exhibition or the club, visit our web site at www.kadac.co.uk or call Glenys on **01577 865167**.

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Club Correspondents

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Seamab School

As the summer holidays draw to a close, we are looking back over the summer and all the fun we have had, and looking forward to the new school year.

It's been a great summer break for all the children. We have been making the most of the fantastic weather – getting outside and enjoying the sunshine. The children have been playing on their bikes and in the paddling pool. We have had lots of trips out to the beach and any number of barbecues back at Seamab. We are celebrating the end of the holidays this year by having a barbecue with a bouncy castle and lots of fun games for adults and children.

Looking forward into the new school year, we are excited about developing our outdoor curriculum much more. We now have two new, experienced staff in the school, who have each been developing their outdoor classrooms. This will give all the children the opportunity of learning in the outdoors. Most of the children completed their own woodwork projects before the summer break, and as their skills develop further, we also hope that they will be working on more challenging projects of their own.

Following on from the success of building a den from recycled materials last year, this year we will be building a hut from recycled materials at the school. This will support the children's learning in many different ways, and will also help them learn about working together successfully.

We have also been very pleased to recently gain the support of a highly respected and successful design company based in Edinburgh, Studio LR. The team from Studio LR have generously donated their skills and expertise to help us develop an exciting new brand for Seamab, which will represent us for the coming years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone at Studio LR for this fantastic support.

Joanna McCreadie, Chief Executive

Kinross Bridge Club



Kinross Bridge Club will be starting the new season on **Wednesday 3 September** in the Church Centre. We meet every Wednesday during winter and spring. The evening starts at 6.45pm prompt and finishes by 10pm.

New members are always welcome.

For further information, please contact Catriona Marshall, telephone 01577 864482.

Milnathort Bridge Club



The club is currently enjoying a summer season, meeting each Monday evening at 6.45pm in Orwell Church Hall. Anyone with an interest in playing would be most welcome to come along. Contact Secretary Beryl Harley, telephone 01577 863590.

The Winter Season for the club will begin on **Monday 29 September**, meeting in Orwell Bowling Club at 6.45pm every Monday. New members most welcome.

The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held in Orwell Bowling Club on **Monday 29 September** prior to the duplicate Bridge session.

Rotary Club of Kinross & District



Retired Biology teacher, David Mole, provided an illustrated insight into the work of the Durrell Wildlife Trust Park in Jersey, where they try to ensure that endangered species do not go the way of the Dodo! Under controlled conditions in excellent facilities, a large variety of animals, reptiles and birds are reared, and, where possible, released back into their natural environment.

Beer was the subject of our next talk, when John Reade, who has set up his own small brewery in Dunfermline close to the Abbot's House, spoke about his research into the history of the brewing industry in Scotland. It was interesting to note that in the latter part of the 19th century, there were 26 breweries operating in Kinross-shire alone!

The annual Kinross Agricultural Show held at Vane Farm, saw many Club members employed in some capacity. As in previous years, many were involved in assisting the Show Committee by manning the entry gates from 7am. When not on gate duty, there was the Club's own stand to look after with activities designed to highlight the work of Rotary and to raise money for charity. A box containing a magnificent selection of fruit donated by Ivan Wood & Son was raffled, and won by a resident of Causeway Court in Kinross. It was reported that the winner's good fortune was being shared with many of the residents on Saturday evening!

The August business meeting provided an opportunity to review the Club's role in the Mary Queen of Scots Extravaganza taking place in the Kirkgate Park on 31 August which includes the organisation of the 'Great Escape' Boat Race on the loch.

Learning more about the history of where we live is always interesting, and there is no one better qualified to do so for a Kinross audience than Professor David Munro from Kinnesswood. His talk entitled "Ten things you should know about Kinross-shire", contained something new for everyone present, and has probably also provided some valuable clues for a future local quiz!

The Club meets on Monday evenings at the Windlestrae Hotel at 6pm for a meal at 6.30. For more information, contact Secretary Neil Maclure at neil.maclure19@gmail.com



Retiring President Carolynne Poller presented Barry Davies with a Paul Harris Fellowship Award for his outstanding service to the Rotary movement on 14 July 2014

Home Start

We are pleased to announce that Hannah Blair has started in post as Home-Start Perth's new manager.

We had a team of eight running in the Perth Kilt Run. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the £327.59 bucket collection on the day. The addition of sponsorship money has given us a grand total of £550!

Home-Start Perth is a voluntary organisation which supports families with young children throughout Perth and Kinross. Our trained volunteers, who all have parenting experience, will visit a family in their own home offering practical and emotional support in situations as diverse as isolation, bereavement, multiple births, illness, disability or just where parenting is a struggle. Our volunteers are non-judgemental and will help build the family's confidence and ability to cope with day to day family life.

Volunteering for Home-Start Perth can be very rewarding. If you have parenting experience and feel you could spare some time to support a family in your community, then please get in touch. After an initial training course (five hours per week for nine weeks) we can offer expenses, support, ongoing training and opportunities to meet other volunteers in return for two hours of your time each week.

Our next course will be running on Thursdays from **18 September to 27 November**.

If you are interested in Home-Start's work or becoming a volunteer, please give Hannah or Fiona a phone on 01738 638847. Alternatively have a look at our website www.homestartperth.org.uk or email us on info@homestartperth.org.uk.

Compassion Corner

Over the past few weeks the UK organisation 'Friends of the Elderly' have been running a campaign that is calling on everyone to BE A FRIEND and help change the future of loneliness in our neighbourhoods. It's a problem that is seriously on the rise and one that is a major cause of chronic depression in our ever growing elderly population. Studies show that it is affecting as many as 5 million elderly people across the UK, many of whom claim they can go for weeks without speaking to anyone!

To help us identify who these people are, the organisation has outlined 'The Spotting Signs of Loneliness.' It suggests that **loneliness can affect anyone** but bereavement, physical disability, poor health, and lack of money can all be triggers. By being more neighbourly, we can become more aware of who is in need of some support. So we are being encouraged to **think about the simple everyday ways we can connect**. For example, offer a smile and a hello to an elderly neighbour and, if welcomed, take five minutes to have a chat. This could be in the supermarket, at a bus station or just walking along the road.

These informal chats can soon establish what offers of help might be appreciated e.g. helping to carry their shopping or loading it in their car, offering to put their bins out or bring them in, walking their dog when needed, be a key holder, taking them some homemade soup or baking or extending an occasional invitation for a meal.

For more ideas and information we're being encouraged to visit their website www.beafriendtoday.org.uk and make a promise to BE A FRIEND. This is real COMPASSION IN ACTION!



Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club



The September 2014 Club meeting will be held on **Thursday 4 September** at 2pm in the Millbridge Hall. The speaker will be Peter Henshell, who will give a talk about the work of the charity "Homes for Heroes".

The speaker at the August meeting, Avril Duncan, gave a very disturbing account of her visits to India, concerning the plight of the homeless children of Indian prostitutes. A collection was taken at the end of the meeting. At the July meeting the members contributed the sum of £91.35 to the Enkuthazweni Centre School for Children (South African Food Garden Project).

Away Days September 2014

11 September John Muir Birthplace
25 September None (Coach unavailable)

The coaches leave from opposite the Green Hotel at 9.15am. Regrettably no advance bookings for trips can be accepted prior to the monthly meeting. Contact: Mary Muirhead on 01577 863564.

Friday Walkers

12 September The fish supper walk, usually St. Monans to Anstruther and back.
26 September A visit to the Morton Lochs in Tentsmuir Forest – a flat walk stopping in the hides at the edge of the lochs.

Contact: Ian Simpson 01577 863691.

Friday Hill Walkers

8 August	Gargunnoch	Richard	08.30
22 August	Tinto Hill	Stewart	08.30
5 September	Glen Tarken	Jock	08.30

Activities

The following activities are open to all members of the Club:

Carpet Bowling: This group resumes on **Monday 6 October** and thereafter on each Monday at 2pm in the Millbridge Hall. Contact: Helen Duncan 01577 863638.

Craft Group: This group resumes on **Wednesday 10 September** and thereafter on each Wednesday at 2pm until 3pm in the Millbridge Hall. Contact: Elizabeth Smith 01577 861387.

Fly Tyers: Contact: Ian Campbell for details 01577 830582.

Keep-Fit: This group resumes on **Tuesday 16 September** and thereafter on each Tuesday at 2pm in the Masonic Hall. Contact Val Oswald 01577 864020.

The Line Dancers swing and sway every Tuesday and Friday at 10.30am in the Millbridge Hall. Contact: Betty Fergus 01577 866961.

L.U.S.T: The slimmers meet each Thursday, 9.30am to 10.30am in the Millbridge Hall. Contact: Norma Anderson 01577 863548.

Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

(Affiliated to Ramblers Scotland)

September is often a fine month weather-wise – wonderful for walking. Come out, improve your fitness, enjoy yourself and meet new people. Whether you're new or returning to walking or a regular walker, try out a walk or two to see if you'd like to join us. You will be made very welcome.

Saturday 13 September: Coastal Walk, Leven to Elie, 10 miles. Typical, bracing Fife coastal walk with a good variety of path, street, and dune walking. Dunes can be interesting (challenging?) if the tide is in.

Sunday 28 September: Campsie Hills - Meikle Bin, 8 miles. From Carron Valley the route skirts the SE corner of the reservoir then climbs steadily to the summit of Meikle Bin via Burnhouse. Return via March Burn. Fine views from the top make the climb worthwhile.

In case it turns cold and wet, you do need appropriate clothing, including boots and waterproofs. Bring water and a packed lunch/warm drink too.

For further details and where to meet us, please call our Group Secretary, Jacqui Ritchie, on 01577 866813.

Kinross & Ochil Short Walks Group

Our fortnightly short walks on a **Tuesday morning** are continuing. These walks (maximum 4 miles, 1½-2 hours, followed by an optional visit to a coffee shop) are aimed at people who are new to walking, would like to extend their walk from a health walk or who would simply like an opportunity to keep fit.

We meet in the Kinross old Health Centre car park or you can go straight to the walk start points given below. We are operating car-sharing but it is not essential to have a car.

Give it a go! Enjoy good company and some great walks. Just turn up on the day – you will be very welcome – some more males would be particularly welcome!

Tuesday 9 September: Moncreiffe Hill

Meet 10am at old Health Centre or 10.30am at Earn Car Park, Bridge of Earn.

Tuesday 23 September: Alva, Alva Glen & Wood Hill

Meet 10am at old Health Centre or 10.40am at car park at rear of Mill Trail Visitor Centre, Alva.

For more information, please contact Edna Burnett on 01577 862977, via ednaburnett@fsmail.net or mobile 07946 725074 (on morning of walks only).

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Kinross-shire Round Table



We celebrated our 50th charter dinner on 22 March 2014 in the Green Hotel where, in 1963, the Table held their inaugural dinner. With a number of founding and former members in attendance, and guests including Jim Leishman and Willie Rennie MSP, who provided the after dinner speeches, a good evening was had by all who attended.

With the tag line #byebyebalado, July saw the last T in the Park for the foreseeable future here in Kinross. The weather, on the whole, behaved itself with the rain on Saturday not dampening the festival atmosphere that we have come to expect at the event. Crieff Round Table were also in attendance this year to see how the whole operation worked for the move to Strathallan Castle next year, although Kinross-shire Round Table will still be attending next year to support them.

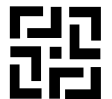
26 and 27 September sees Kinross-shire Round Table running the ninth **Annual Kinross Beer Festival** hosted by The Green Hotel, with a pub quiz and live music by Gilly Shack on the Friday night and Velour Amour providing the live entertainment on Saturday. *See page 55.*

Dragons' Den will be held on **Tuesday 2 December** at the Green Hotel. If you want to apply to present for funding, then please contact us at the kinrossdragons@gmail.com.

The ever-popular Santa's Sleigh will be making its annual appearance again this year with dates and locations to be announced nearer the time. Groups wishing to apply please contact us at kinrosssanta@gmail.com.

If you are 18 – 45 and want to get involved in having fun, whilst putting something back into our community, contact us by email kinrossrt@gmail.com for more information.

Potager Garden



Bowton Road, Kinross
www.potagergardenkinross.com

The garden has been looking lovely over the summer, with plenty of flowers, and tasty looking vegetables and fruit coming along.

The front gates are looking particularly smart, having been repaired and painted by Peter Thomson, blacksmith from Auchtermuchty, and with newly planted flowers in the troughs.

Last year's P5 class will soon be visiting the garden again for their harvesting and tasting visit, and the children are always surprised how much everything has grown in a couple of months.

We entered some vegetables and flowers in the **flower show at the Kinross Show**, and were very pleased to again win the Cairns cup, for the most points overall! Well done to the children who planted the vegetables, and thank you to the volunteer group who look after all the plants on a regular basis. We also had a publicity and sales stand at the opening of the allotments on 16 August.



Potager produce with prize, the Cairns Cup, at the Kinross Show flower show

If you would like to see the garden for yourself, it is **open for visitors during the day, and the volunteer group are usually there on a Monday morning** to answer any questions, or show you the plants which we have for sale. **We have had a few incidents of local children being in the garden unsupervised, and would like to emphasise to them and their parents that, for their own safety, this is not permitted. Also, please do not touch or taste the plants, as some of them may be harmful.**

We will be holding a **"Big Coffee Morning"** at the garden on **Saturday 20 September, from 10.30am to 12noon**, in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Support**, with a raffle for a hamper of produce from the garden, and other prizes. Please tell your friends, and come along to support this good cause, and look around the garden, and any donations of home baking would be most welcome.

We are also currently planning a **visit to the garden, and our sensory area, by some staff and families from Rachel House**, and look forward to organising some planting and bug hunting activities with them. If your group would like to arrange a visit, please let me know.

I have also been invited to speak to the **Kinross 41Club** meeting on 17 September.

Amanda James, Convenor

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Kinnesswood in Bloom

Members recently decided to install a new bench in the Michael Bruce garden in memory of Tom Buchan, a great supporter of Kinnesswood in Bloom and a long serving trustee on the Michael Bruce Trust.

July was a busy month, weeding, planting, cleaning and generally making the village spick and span. Carol prepared the lovely portfolio for the judges. The golfers were given a final nip and tuck and, thanks to Pat and Lindsay, the phone box library was given a fresh coat of paint. Pat and John have done an excellent job of watering all the planters on a daily basis. Thanks are also due to all the residents who have displayed their own gardens at their best.

After winning the Best Village competition we have, after an absence of a couple of years, entered our category in the Take a Pride in Perthshire awards. The judges visited Kinnesswood on Wednesday 6 August. The rain thankfully held off for most of the walk around, as we showed them the different garden spaces we maintain and new areas like the wildlife area. We then provided tea and home bakes for judges and our supporters in the Golf Club premises. They were particularly impressed with the golf trail and all the quirky artwork which has been installed around Kinnesswood. We felt very proud of our village and are keeping our fingers crossed for the award ceremony in September.



Recipe

supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom

Carrot and Courgette Soup

Ingredients

- 50 g butter
- 225 g carrots, washed, trimmed and sliced
- 225 g courgettes, washed, trimmed and sliced
- 600 ml of chicken or vegetable stock
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 tablespoon tomato purée
- 1 tablespoon caster sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste

Method

Melt the butter in a pan and add the carrots and courgettes. Cover and cook gently for 10 minutes till softened. Add the stock, bay leaf, tomato purée and caster sugar. Bring the pan to the boil, cover and simmer for 30 minutes. Remove the bay leaf and leave to cool slightly. Purée till smooth and season to taste. Reheat gently. This soup freezes well.



*Kinnesswood won the local Best Kept Village Competition
1 to 5: Civic Trust members Patrick Milne Home, Matthew Pease and Alistair Smith; representatives of Kinnesswood in Bloom Peter Welsh and John Nicol*

The golf trail, as promised, is available in the village shop and other local outlets. It relates to some of the golf figures but it is not essential to walk the trail to answer the questions. There is also a fun trail for the children and a challenge for them to design their own golf ball beastie. Sadly one of our golfers has been removed, so number 11 is missing from the trail. We are all hoping whoever did this might have second thoughts and return "Greg Norman".

Common Grounds



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August certainly brought some surprises but the least said about the weather, the better. However, behind every cloud there were two bright spots, with the first being an anonymous donation of wood, neatly stacked and filling our store. Many thanks for such a kind gesture. To follow, we all enjoyed our volunteers and friends coffee morning, with teddy smiling to the tune of £104.50! Volunteers, your hard work paid off!

Project: Our project for September is Garden Africa which we last supported in April 2013. Garden Africa provides training for the most vulnerable, enabling them to conserve important species and cultivate food sustainably rather than depending on aid. Garden Africa is currently working with local partners in South Africa, Swaziland, Namibia and Zimbabwe.

Project Lunch: We are delighted that a speaker from Fighting Blindness in Ethiopia, Fiona Freeland, is able to come along to our next project lunch on **Tuesday 16 September** in the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort at 12 noon. Homemade soup, bread, tray bakes and Fairtrade tea and coffee. Everyone is welcome, hope to see you there.

Donate to Common Grounds on MyDonate.Com and find out more on our **new** website:

commongroundscafe.wordpress.com

Our opening hours are still 10am-1pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

Contacts outside of opening hours are: Elspeth Caldwell (Convener) 01577 863350 and Linda Freeman (Secretary) 01577 865045.

The Newsletter reserves the right to refuse or amend any advertisement or submission and accepts no liability for any omission or inaccuracy

Dobbies Community Champion

We are continuing to welcome new members to the **Dobbies Little Seedlings' Club**, for children aged 4 to 10 years, and would ask you to phone and book if you would like to join us at our next meeting on **7 September at 11am**. (Telephone 01577 863327.) We will again be meeting at the community hut at the allotments behind the store, and will see how our growing bed is developing. At the beginning of August we dead-headed the marigolds and harvested some potatoes grown in a compost bag, and everyone took a few home to taste. The September meeting is called **"You Can Eat a Rainbow"**, about different coloured fruits and vegetables and how they help to keep us healthy, and we will have a fruity picnic. The October meeting on **5 October** will be about how different birds and animals cope with there being less food around during the winter.

The **red annual poppies** are also flowering well in the Little Seedlings bed; I donated many packets of seeds in the spring to schools and other groups; **if you have any photos of your poppies**, I would love to see them. Please either leave them for me at the store, or email to community.kinross@dobbies.com, thanks.

The **sunflowers planted by the children** are also growing well at the side of the store. They are now over two metres tall, and will be flowering by the beginning of September; do call and see them, and maybe have your photo taken beside the tallest one?

Following my donation of tools, bark, and bee friendly plants to the **community garden at the allotments**, I have also **made a donation** under our **"Here we Grow"** scheme to **Kinross-shire Cricket Club**, at Loch Leven's Larder. The photo shows one of the two planters beside the pavilion, and with the kind permission of the landowner, they will also be planting some native trees, bulbs and wildlife friendly plants around the ground, for everyone to enjoy.

Believe it or not, it is nearly time to start thinking about Christmas, and we will be holding our **Christmas charity night** in the store on **Thursday 2 October**, with fun activities, raising money for Dobbies' new National Charity, which will be announced soon. Full details will be in the October newsletter.

Amanda James, Community Champion



One of the planters at the cricket pavilion

Images of Kinross-shire

Photographs can be downloaded free of charge from the www.kinross.cc

Photo Library

Subjects include Historic Kinross-shire, Loch Leven, Fauna and Flora, Countryside, Villages, Local Projects and Events.

Boys Brigade



The new session for Kinross Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association will commence at Kinross Church Centre on **Friday 5 September**. The Anchor Section, for boys and girls in primaries one, two and three, runs from 6pm until 7.15pm each Friday until mid May. The Junior Section caters for boys and girls in primaries four, five and six and they meet from 7pm till 9pm on Friday evenings. The Company Section for boys and girls in primary 7 up to secondary two and the Senior Section which caters for those aged 15 to 18 meets from 7pm till 10pm on Friday evenings.

After a successful and enjoyable summer camp in Perth's twin town of Aschaffenburg, Company Section members have been busy erecting their marquee tents for various hires over the summer months. This has been a particularly busy summer for marquee hires, which continue through until mid September, earning valuable income for the Company.

Uniform Amnesty: there are a number of BB uniforms still out there in the community, lying about in drawers and cupboards, which have not been handed back for various reasons and the Company would welcome the return of jerseys, shirts, ties, hats and belts which have been issued over the years. These items can be handed into the Church Centre or Church Office at any time over the next month.

Kinross Garden Group



On 14 August 50 members went to Coldstream for lunch and then to Anton's Hill at Leitholm, where we saw two very different gardens next door to each other, the highlight being one having over 200 types of apples and pears and the other with Topiary Elephants and a Stumpery. These were enjoyed by all. The next outing is to House of Bruar and Blair Castle on **Wednesday 1st October** for the autumn colours. For more details contact Mrs C Rodger, 01577 863785.

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1. Opdahl Cup (most pts, Baking): **Cath Stewart**
2. Elliot Cup (runner up, Baking): **Linda Band**
3. £2 by the Society (best exhibit, Baking): **Linda Band**
4. Tullis Cup (most pts, Handicraft): **Norma Smith**
5. Bell Cup (best exhibit, Handicraft): **Anna Garner**
6. Buchan Rose Bowl (most pts, Produce): **Wilma Barclay**
7. President's Prize (£2 by Sandy Band for runner up in Produce): **Elaine Carruthers**
8. £2 by the Society (best exhibit, Produce): **Kirsten Gray**
9. Fulton Quaich (most pts, Floral Art): **Heather Wilson**
10. John Boyd Salver (best exhibit, Floral Art): **Jane Martin**
11. Hunter Trophy (Novice Class, Floral Art): **Heather Wilson**
12. Clydesdale Shield (most pts in Baking, Handicraft, Produce and Floral Art): **Wilma Barclay**
13. Lamont Cup (most pts, Cut Flowers): **Jane Martin**
14. £2 by the Society (runner up, Cut Flowers): **Maggie Strang Steel**
15. £2 by the Society (best exhibit, Cut Flowers): **Jane Martin**
16. Isabella Foreman Quaich (best single rose): **Sandy Band**
17. Eric Sword Tankard (best 3 gladioli spikes): **no entries**
18. Bag of compost from Carrs Billington for best 3 vases sweet peas: **Jimmy Gardner**
19. Akerman Rosebowl (most pts in Pot Plant Section): **Deborah Fladgate**
20. £10 Gift Token by Willie Robertson, Milnathort for runner up in Pot Plants: **Sandy Band**
21. Flint Quaich (best exhibit, Pot Plants): **Jane Martin**
22. Donaldson Shield (most pts, Vegetable Section): **Deborah Fladgate**
23. £10 Gift Token by Willie Robertson for runner up in Vegetables Section: **Jimmy Gardner**
24. Kirkness Trophy (best exhibit, Vegetable Section): **Deborah Fladgate**
25. James field Trophy (best collection of potatoes): **Deborah Fladgate**
26. Prize by Kirkcaldy Garden Centre for best collection of vegetables: **Deborah Fladgate**
27. Songhurst Cup for best 6 tomatoes: **Jimmy Gardner**
28. BHS Premier Tray Certificate + £3: **Deborah Fladgate**
Certificate + £2: **David Martin**
29. BHS Premier Vase Certificate + £3: **Tricia Duncan**
Certificate + £2: **Jane Martin**
30. Gardenland Trophy (most pts, Fruit): **Stewart Wallace**
31. BHS Trophy (most pts, Horticultural): **Deborah Fladgate**
32. Portmoak Quaich (best exhibit, Photography Section): **Tom Smith**
33. George Harley Cup (best exhibit, classes 1, 4, 5, 10, 11): **Amber Wilson**
34. Sunshine Quaich (most pts, 5 yrs and under): **no entries**
35. Prize by Christine Hunter (best exhibit, 5 yrs and under): **no entries**
36. Anne Robertson Cup (most pts, 6-9 yrs): **Niamh Brown**
37. Prize by Margaret Brown (best exhibit, 6-9 yrs): **Isabel Gray**
38. Prize by Janette Gardiner (best exhibit, 10-15 yrs): **Amber Wilson**
39. Loch Leven Cup (most pts, 10-15 yrs): **Niamh Quinn**
40. Barbour-Curtis Family Challenge Shield: **The Gray Family**

Portmoak Hall 100 Club

July Draw

1st	No 22	Mary Morgan, Kinnesswood
2nd	No 41	Nicola Mott, Scotlandwell
3rd	No 60	Sandra Dall, Easter Balgedie

Independent Advocacy Perth & Kinross



“Enabling People to be Heard” is the aim of Independent Advocacy Perth & Kinross. We help ensure that the views and opinions of people with learning and physical disabilities, mental illness, dementia, older people and those who are carers are heard and respected.

An independent voice can help with all sorts of issues, for example employment, benefits, housing, family issues and health. If you enjoy a challenge and feel that you can work with and support someone to have their voice heard, our volunteer training course starts on **Monday 13 October**.

We are looking for positive, self-motivated people who have good listening and communication skills and have a strong sense of injustice to partner individuals. We are also looking for people to work with groups of adults who have learning disabilities.

For more information please contact Susan Price at 90 Tay Street, Perth, telephone 01738 587887, email: susanprice@iapk.org.uk or look us up at www.iapk.org.uk

Kinross High School Parent Council



Clerk: Jennifer Sneddon 0794 667 9815

Email: jms927@btinternet.com

Hopefully our new S1 pupils have settled in well and are enjoying being part of Kinross High School after our sunny summer holidays. It is always lovely to see the new pupils starting the next important stage of their education. We hope they can take advantage of all the excellent things Kinross High School has to offer and wish them all well in their time there.

Parent Council members are now looking forward to our first meeting of the school year. If you are a parent or guardian of a Kinross High School pupil, perhaps you might be interested in joining us at the first meeting on **Monday 15 September**. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to find out more.

The Parent Council represents the views of parents and guardians of pupils at the school to help ensure that our young people can learn and develop to their maximum potential. We work in partnership with the school to create a positive and proactive environment which supports pupils, staff and parents. The Parent Council is on hand to help support the process of communications with the school on general matters regarding our children's education and we are always keen to hear from you, whether it be good, or not.

Dates for meetings during the 2014-15 School year will be: 15 September, 10 November, 12 January, 9 March, 20 April (to be confirmed) and 25 May, with the AGM on 15 June.

Even if you cannot commit the time to joining the Parent Council, if there is ever a general concern you would like raised about the school, please contact the Clerk with details and it can be discussed. Specific issues relating to individual pupils should always be raised directly with the School in the first instance.

Office bearers of the Parent Council for the 2014-15 school year are William Nicholls (Chair), Carol Potter (Vice Chair) and Allan Miller (Treasurer).

KINROSS-SHIRE ROUND TABLE ANNUAL CHARITY

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Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation

Kinross-shire Winter Festival

KLEO would like to celebrate all local events that are happening in November and December in Kinross-shire. A Christmas Market / Light Up Kinross and the Kinross-shire Music Festival are two of these events but there are numerous other events organised by local community groups and businesses over this period. With a festive Winter Festival brochure which will be distributed door to door in Kinross and Milnathort, KLEO is hoping that all these events get all the support they need from the local community.

Festive Street Market and Light Up Kinross

This year the Festive Street Market will be a joint event with Light Up Kinross on **Saturday 29 November**. The market will take place from 4pm until 7pm at The Muirs (opposite Green Hotel) and the Light up Kinross event will start at the market and will continue at 7pm at the County Buildings. The stall fees for the market are £30 for businesses and £15 for charities or community groups. For booking form, please e-mail info@kleo.org.uk

Kinross-shire Music Festival

As announced in previous newsletters, we are delighted that **Eddi Reader** will perform at the Kinross-shire Music Festival on **Saturday 22 November** at 8pm at the Loch Leven Community Campus. Tickets are £24. Tickets are selling well, so be quick if you don't want to miss your chance of seeing Eddi Reader live!



Iain Hunter will sing at the Music Festival

The **Singing Butcher** is back again! Come and see **Iain Hunter** with the fantastic BBC Big Band arranger **Eliot Murray** on **Saturday 15 November** at 8pm at the Loch Leven Community Campus. Tickets are £12.50.

Other acts during the festival include **'The Kinross-shire's Got Talent Competition'** (Fri 14 Nov), **Choirs Together**, a showcase of local choirs and singing groups performing. (Sun 16 Nov, 7pm at campus) and **Handel's Messiah in a day** (Sun 23 Nov). Sing one of the most famous works of Handel, the 'Messiah', in one day with conductor Peter Rutterford and four professional soloists! If interested in taking part, please e-mail your details to info@kleo.org.uk

You can find more acts on the festival website, www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk

Tickets for festival acts are for sale through our website www.kinrosswinterfestival.co.uk and TicketWeb. Tickets are also available at the Milnathort Post Office, Macbeth Currie Estate Agent (Kinross) and Butchers 'Hunters of Kinross' (Tickets Iain Hunter).

Leven Voices

The very popular Leven Voices choir group will start again on **Tuesday 16 September** with Horsecross Arts Tutor Christine Kydd. The sessions are on Tuesdays, 7.30pm at the Kinross Parish Church and are open to anyone who just wants to sing and have fun! Enrolment fee is £6 (which will be used to pay for the hire of the hall) and £4 a session (concessions £3). Just come along, sing and enjoy!

For more information about this group, please e-mail info@kleo.org.uk or call 863107.

Kinross and District Pipe Band



A lot has happened since we last went to print in July, at which point we had just taken first place at the Strathmore contest up in the grounds of Glamis Castle, and where Mike Spain also took first place in the Drum Major's competition. At the end of June the band travelled up to **Forres** for the **European Championships**, most members electing to spend the weekend there camping! Amongst very tough competition from across the UK and Ireland, Kinross came away with a trophy for **sixth place** - no easy feat given the number and quality of bands taking part. The following weekend saw us compete three times at **Thornton Highland Games**, coming away with **first place** in the Grade 4 Marches, **first place** in the Grade 4 March, Strathspey and Reel and **second place** 'playing up' into Grade 3! The next again weekend we were bidding farewell to **T in the Park** in what was their last event at Balado, by playing all three days in the main arena, and providing the closing pipers, as usual, for the Main Stage and Radio 1 Stage on the Sunday night.

August then got off with a bang as the band took **first** and **second places** respectively in the MSR and Marches at the **Bridge of Allan** contest, where there is always stiff competition, and then the following weekend saw a huge field of 18 bands at **Perth Highland Games** in the run up to the World Championships, no less than 10 of them being high quality bands from as far afield as the USA, South Africa, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and Oman. Against this impressive worldwide entry - and in the pouring rain - Kinross, once again, took **first place** in the Grade 4 Marches! And followed it up with a **second** in the MSR. Not only that, but having already notched up an unassailable lead in the local Dundee, Perth & Angus Branch Championship, the young Kinross Drum Corps was awarded the **Branch Grade 4 Drum Corps Championship** trophy with one contest still to go!

We expect to have an exciting announcement next month with respect to the Kinross Pipe Band uniform, but in the meantime, for anyone looking for a good night out and a laugh with the band, we will be holding a fund-raising **Quiz Night** at the **Kinross Rugby Club** on **Friday 12 September**. Teams of four or more, and entry will be £5 a head. For tickets, call Lorna Mair on 01577 862337 or email lorna.mair@ymail.com

As we approach the end of the competing season we would like, once again, to urge any local players - pipers in particular - to consider coming along to the band to join us as we move from strength to strength. As is clear from our recent run of results, the band is performing extremely well in our grade, the only slight difficulty being that we are a little lighter than we would ideally like to be in the pipe corps, meaning we haven't been able to attend as many contests as we might have in 2014. A few extra pipers would make all the difference to our ability to field a full strength band at every event.

For all queries, please contact Nigel Kellett on 07801 182283, email nigelpipes@gmail.com or visit the website at www.kinross-pipe-band.co.uk

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2014 Programme of Events

Antiques, Vintage, Retro and Collectors Fair, Saturday 13 September. There will be buying, selling and valuations given. Admission will be from **9.30am to 4pm** with entry fee of £1 per person. For exhibitors booking, please contact Angus on 07944 416565.

Health, Wellbeing & Pamper Evening, Friday 19 September. Due to unforeseen circumstances, this event has unfortunately been **cancelled**. However, it will be rescheduled for early in 2015. If you or your group or business would like to take part in this event, please contact Gerry McGregor (details as above).

Kinross Cycling Club Road Race, Sunday 7 September. Please go to www.kinrosscyclingclub.co.uk for more details.

RSPB "Loch Leven: The Big Picture" – Friday 26 and Saturday 27 September. This two-day event will be a creative and interactive community celebration of the nature of Loch Leven and the surrounding area. The RSPB will be highlighting the wildlife that exists in this area to enthuse and inspire local and visiting individuals, families and groups to get out and about. On **Friday 26 September at 6pm** there will be a film screening of 'Project Wild Thing'. To book a **Free Seat** please phone RSPB Loch Leven on 01577 862355 or email miranda.shephard@rspb.org.uk. On **Friday 26 and Saturday 27 September** there will be a 3D display of Loch Leven. This is the collaboration of members of the community including local schools, youth groups, local interest groups, businesses and community groups who, over the whole summer, have contributed to this amazing 3D project to capture sights, sounds, smells and tastes of Loch Leven providing a way forward into the future. Come along and see how you have helped to create the future vision of Loch Leven – Be part of "The Big Picture"!

Other Events for 2014

Sat 11 October	Antiques & Collectors Fair
Sat 1 November	Indoor Table Top Sale
Sat 8 November	Antiques & Collectors Fair
Fri 14 November	Winter Festival: Kinross-shire's Got Talent
Sat 15 November	Winter Festival: Iain Hunter and The Eliot Murray Big Band Concert
Sun 16 November	Winter Festival: Choirs Together Concert
Fri 21 November	Author Talk: Val McDermid
Sat 22 November	Winter Festival: Eddi Reader Concert
Sat 6 December	Christmas Festival & Craft Fair
Sat 13 December	Antiques & Collectors Fair

For more details on any of the above events, please see Loch Leven Community Campus Events Facebook page or the website <http://kinross.myallocator.com/> It is a great way to get the latest updates on all that is going on at the Loch Leven Community Campus.

Ideas for Events

We welcome any ideas or suggestions for any events you would like to see at the Loch Leven Community Campus. Please get in touch with your comment on previous events or if can think of ways to improve on the ones we are already doing. We look forward to hearing from you. If you are a group, organisation or individual who is thinking of holding any type of event, then please do contact Gerry McGregor (contact details above) who can offer advice and support if needed.

Campus Survey

So that we can see what we are doing well and how we can improve on stuff that is not so good, the new 2014 Campus User Survey is now available for all to complete at <http://pkc.Loch-Leven-Campus-Users-2014.sgizmo.com/s3/> Copies are also available at Loch Leven Community Campus Reception. Please make your views known and tell us what you think.

Future Events

Information regarding all other events will be published in due course.

Kinross Museum



August was a busy month for the Museum with a presence at the Kinross Show and the Loch Leven Community Campus Vintage Fair as well as the launch of a new exhibition entitled *Lest we Forget: Reflections on the Great War*, the first of a series of displays to mark the centenary of World War I. The survey of the Kirkgate Churchyard memorial stones continued and an exhibition in the Watch Tower was provided for the Mary Queen of Scots event in the Kirkgate Park at the end of August.

Looking ahead, September-October will be an exciting period for the Museum which has been short-listed from 700 applications, along with three other groups in this area, for a Bank of Scotland Community Fund 2014 award. The success of our bid will depend on the outcome of a public vote that will take place between 2 September and 10 October. So, get ready to vote for the Museum's *Memory Bank* project at Bank of Scotland Branches or online via our profile page at <https://bos-cf.co.uk/lbh>. You can also vote for us on SMS or Twitter using our special three character code – LBH.

Kinross Camera Club

www.kinrosscameraclub.org.uk

Come to our **print exhibition** at the Loch Leven Community Campus Library from **30 August until 13 September**. There will be a variety of prints from different Kinross Camera Club members on display for you to view. Details of the club will be available for people interested in joining.

The club will restart its **Thursday evening meetings** at the Church Centre, Kinross, on **25 September** at 7.30pm. As this is the first night of the season, we would encourage anyone who may be interested in joining the club to attend and find out a little more about what we do. It is usually an informal evening and an excellent way to see if the club might be for you. Please feel free to email for more information if you think you may be interested.

If you are interested in finding out more about the club, please visit the website or contact the secretary sallyroberts100@hotmail.com



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The presentation of prizes for the annual Best Kept Village competition, organised by the Civic Trust, took place on Thursday 24 July at Portmoak Hall.

This year Kinnesswood took the honours as best kept village, with Crook of Devon runner up. Keltybridge and Maryburgh won the best kept hamlet section, with Cleish in second place.

Chairman of the judges, Mr Matthew Pease, presented vouchers donated by Robertson's of Milnathort to the section winners and gave a short address commenting on

how impressed he was with all the entries and the hard work carried out by the communities.

The ethos behind the competition is to encourage community spirit and a sense of ownerships of the villages and hamlets. Judges this year were Mr Matthew Pease, Mrs Fi Skinner and Mr Grant Lindsay, who were shown around the villages and hamlets by Trust member Lord Rhoderick Moncreiff.

Prize winners and guests enjoyed a splendid buffet on the presentation evening.



Best Kept Village Competition prize winners with Civic Trust representatives

Portmoak Film Society

Here it is at last: the exciting new programme of films at Portmoak, as chosen by you - an eclectic mix of thrillers and comedy, sci-fi and real life, blockbusters and lesser-known movies. The autumn season starts on **Sunday 14 September** with *'Philomena'*, a Stephen Frears film based on a true story uncovered by the journalist Martin Sixsmith. Starring Judi Dench and Steve Coogan, it was a hit in 2013 - we hope you enjoy it (again) now.

Further treats to come include *'The Butler'* (12 October), *'The Grand Budapest Hotel'* (9 November) and *'The Source'* (14 December). Make a note of the dates in your diary!

Membership cards will be on sale at the door for £32 (for all eight films) or from Stuart Mackenzie on 01592 840638. Entry at the door costs £5 and, as always, films start promptly at 7.30pm. Light refreshments are served afterwards and newcomers as well as regulars and friends are very welcome.

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Sports News

Kinross Road Runners

KRR Hare and Tortoise Relay, 26 July

Our summer Tortoise and Hare Race was held on a simmering hot day at the end of July, with teams doing six laps of a kilometre route in Crook of Devon. Bets were placed on which Tortoise and Hare pair would win – this year it was Kirsty Gray and Pippa Coutts. Peter Edgerton and family hosted a great barbecue afterwards, enjoyed by all despite the thunder and rain! This fun event was also a fundraiser for the Teenage Cancer Trust in memory of Esme Macintyre. A cheque for £110 was handed over to Sharon Sheridan of the Trust along with £1,400 – a great fundraising effort by Club member Isabel Carmichael and her work colleague Sam Wilson who ran this year's Loch Leven Half Marathon.



A cheque for £110 was handed over to the Teenage Cancer Trust

Lakeland 100, 26 July

One man who was a little preoccupied and didn't run this year's Hare and Tortoise relay was KRR's Ultramarathon man, Andy Johns, who completed the Lakeland 100 which, I am told, is a 105 mile race set in a very hilly Lake district. He did this in a staggering 35hrs and 9 minutes and 8 seconds to finish in 90th position. Fantastic effort, Andy.

Knockhill 3.9 Mile, 5 August

Well done to the 20 KRR members who took part in the 10th championship race of the year, which was held at Knockhill race circuit. There were some fantastic performances. The two most noteworthy were Anne Wilson, who was 1st in the FV60 category in a time of 31:04, and Head coach Roger Stark who motored round the circuit in 32:36. First Male KRR was Stephen Crawford (22:42), while Jillian Gordon was the first Female KRR, clocking a time of 24:25.



Calum Macintyre hands over the Queen's baton to KRR head coach Roger Stark

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Kinross Kobras - Junior Hockey

Whilst Kobras has not been training over the past month, several club members were spotted enjoying the hockey at the Commonwealth Games. This featured some strong teams and showed the skill, strength and pace of some of the top players in the world. If you were inspired by watching, please come along to the Kobras junior hockey sessions and "Have a Go @ Hockey."

The junior hockey training restarted at the end of August and takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6.30pm to 7.30pm at the KGV astro turf pitch (next to The Muirs). Beginners aged 6 - 14 are very welcome.

Kinross Curling

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A Kinross Curling stand at the **Kinross Show** gave Trust representatives an opportunity to show photographs of the ice rink refurbishment progress to members of the public.

Visitors to the stall were invited to guess the weight of a magnificent cake in the shape of a curling stone, made and kindly donated by Kinross Cakes. Congratulations to the Burgess family of Perth, who correctly guessed 2.5 kg (5 lb 8½ oz) and won the cake. Our thanks to Lisa of Kinross Cakes and the 96 members of the public who gave £1 to take part.

The refurbishment works continue on schedule. As the contractor work comes to an end, it is planned that some volunteers from the curling community will carry out some painting work in the last few days of August to get the place spick and span ready for the **Open Day on Saturday 13 September**, when curlers and non-curlers alike are welcome to come and see the transformed premises. (*See notice on page 84.*)

The ice rink is due to open for curling on **Saturday 20 September**, ready for the KCT bonspiel that weekend.

Kinross Curling Club

Kinross Curling Trust will be opening their newly refurbished ice rink later this month and so there has never been a better time to join one of the local curling clubs and enjoy the 'roaring game'.

Kinross Curling Club is one of the oldest curling clubs in Scotland and remains very active. The club is always looking for new members, whether experienced or not, young or old. Most of Kinross men's games are played during weekday evenings, with the occasional external fixture during a weekend.

There are different membership options, depending on the level of commitment a new player is able to give. Please contact Paul Baughan, 01577 863085, if you wish to discuss joining the club.



Kinross Swimmers

Apologies to regular readers but I missed supplying an update last month due to my holidays. The club has been a bit quieter than usual over the summer months and it seems a few others must have been away as well. Hope you all had good times and hopefully now we'll see some of the more regular and perhaps some of the previous members returning now.

In my last entry I mentioned the possibility of using the underwater camera to assist in stroke development and as an aid to the coaches. I have only just recently tracked down the camera. Unfortunately it has broken whilst being away. I am taking steps to have it repaired if possible.

A number of swimmers are now in possession of the branded 'Kinross Swimmers' leisure wear and are looking very smart of a Tuesday evening. There is still time to obtain your own poolside and après swim wear so that you too can look as smart. Please see me or John M to obtain your wardrobe upgrade.

Along with Tara and others I am trying to organise a varied and interesting training programme that can be followed by the coaches, allowing them to insert their own programme. It is hoped that, as well as swimmers, these new rotas may be of interest to tri-athletes looking to vary their training or to improve their swimming technique.

New swimmers continue to come along and we would continue to welcome others. We meet every Tuesday evening at the pool at Loch Leven Leisure Centre for a pool start at 8pm until 9pm where our intention is to improve the stroke, stamina and style of those attending so that any other swimming is more worthwhile, effective and enjoyable. We welcome anyone looking to improve their swimming for whatever reason – all we ask is that you can complete four lengths. Experienced swimmers looking for a friendly but directed extra session are especially welcome.

For further information please either contact us on Facebook - Kinross Swimmers - or Ian Shepherd via email at shepherd_ian@hotmail.com or on mobile 07944 503074.

Orwell Bowling Club

orwellbowlingclub.co.uk

The club was represented with the Clackmannan district at Alva in the Champion of Champions competition where Brian Russell managed to win two and lose two games in horrendous weather conditions. Well done to G Legge and J Jackson on doing so well at the Kinross Open pairs.

Internal competitions

The Haig Cup had a good turnout of members with the winners being for the Ladies, Linda Reid, and for the Gents, John H Taylor.

The Dougray trophy was well fought for and the winner was Billy Smith and runner up Jim Whittet.

We continue to have mixed results in our friendly games and with a few more left to play we do hope to put a few more wins under our belts.

Unfortunately our Open Pairs did not go ahead on 7 August, nor our Fun Night on the 9th, due to lack of interest. This was very disappointing but we will try again next year.

Orwell Triples competition will be held on **7 September** - there are still places left for our members to invite a guest player from another club and make this competition a success!

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Kinross Volleyball Club

It has been a busy summer for our local volleyballers with, thankfully, most Monday evenings being dry to allow the outdoor games to continue through the summer months at the grass area to the rear of the campus. Thanks to the newcomers who have been turning up for the free game sessions which will continue outdoors until mid September, 7pm until 8.30pm.

Youngsters Mitchell Brown and Mark Cathro have been attending regular training/coaching sessions with the East & North of Scotland boys' squad in preparation for the Sainsbury's UK School Games being held in Manchester from 4 to 7 September.

Two Kinross teams competed in the 41st De Haan International Volleyball Tournament in Belgium over the weekend of 9-10 August. The tournament had to be cancelled on the Sunday afternoon due to severe weather conditions of strong winds and heavy rain. Despite this, both teams had a good opportunity to prepare for the new season, playing four games on the Saturday and two on the Sunday. Although neither team finished in the top three, the teams did manage to secure a few victories over the weekend.

Indoor training will commence soon at the Community Campus on Monday evenings at new times: from 8.15pm until 9.45pm. New members are always welcome and the club hopes that there will be at least five Kinross teams competing in this season's Perth District League in both the Premier and Recreational Leagues.



Above: the McDuvel's men's team in action
Below: the mixed recreational team



Kinross Tennis Club



The club has been a hive of activity recently. Two successful junior summer camps took place in July and our ladies and gents have been stoically competing in the Tennis Tayside mixed leagues - our first team has recently been defeated by Scone 2-6 but drew 3-3 with Falkland and our second team has won 5.5-3.5 over Broughty Ferry and 5.5-2.5 over Games Club. After promotion last year, the gents have had a tough run in the P&D division one, the ladies fairs a little better in their results - the social side of tennis and the after match teas are surely keeping us going this season! We also held a fun, social tournament for adults on 27 July - congratulations to visiting friends Julian and Anna from New Zealand who won the tournament!

Junior Coaching - the autumn 8 week block is now underway with sessions from age 4/5 up to 18 years on Tuesdays and Fridays. There are still places available at the time of writing. For further information or to book your place, please contact Siobhan MacLeod on kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com

Adult Coaching: An 8 week block of coaching has just commenced on Tuesday evenings. It's not too late to join in - please contact Vivien for further information on kinrosstennis@gmail.com

Club Championships: The mini club championships took place on 16 August and the junior championships on 30 August - results will be reported next month. The senior Club championship finals are on **Saturday 6 September** - we hope the sun shines and the day is a success both on and off court. Thanks to Tony Greener for all his help organising the mini and junior champs and the extra on court session this summer.

Congratulations to **Siobhan MacLeod** for passing her Level 1 coaching assistant qualification - onwards and upwards to Level 2!

Further information can be found on our website www.kinrosstennisclub.org.uk or by contacting our secretary Vivien Clarke on 01577 861323 or by emailing kinrosstennis@gmail.com.

Badminton Club



GOOD NEWS! Kinross Junior Badminton Club will start the new season as usual in Loch Leven Community Campus on **Thursday 4 September** at 6pm for Primary age group and 6.50 for High School age group.

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Our new Club Administrator, Julia Fulton, started last month and the office is now open 10am-1pm Monday to Friday.

There are a number of social events coming up over the next few months:

13 Sep Bistro Night, 7pm – 9.30pm

25 Oct Supper Dance with 'Riverside'

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Tickets for both events available from the Clubhouse.

We also have a number of membership offers which are valid from now until 28 February 2015. For example, adults £240, Juniors £30. Or you can join now and have membership until 28 February 2016 for only £495.

For further details, email milnathort.gc@btconnect.com or phone 01577 864069.

Junior Section

It has been a busy few weeks for the Juniors. The Summer League saw wins for Gareth Hutchison, Brian McCormick and Cameron Wallace. The Stirling Trophy was won by Duncan McKie and the August Medal by Gareth Hutchison. The Junior Open was won by John Vogelpohl from Dunfermline Pitreavie with Katie Bell from Milnathort coming second in the handicap category. Milnathort players have also been taking part in many of the other local junior opens, which this year have been awarding points towards a "Race for Kingsbarns" competition. Patrick Freeman, together with Gareth and Rory Hutchison, are all in contention for a place in this end of season event with one junior open remaining. Daniel Reilly, David McIntyre and Rory Hutchison will be representing the club in the County 3 Man team event being held at Blairgowrie and we wish them all the best in this.

Kinross Ladies Hockey Club

Now that the break in between seasons is coming to a close, things begin to get back to normal for the ladies at Kinross Ladies Hockey Club. Training resumed on Wednesday 13 August at KGV Playing Fields. This brings the excitement even closer, not only for the start of the new season, which in itself will bring new challenges, but for the club's 40th anniversary celebrations: a full weekend on hockey and socials to celebrate this special milestone. Not only will the weekend be to celebrate the special occasion, but it is also in aid of breast cancer with the pink tournament.

The recent Glasgow Commonwealth Games brought great enjoyment for the ladies, with many players attending some hockey matches. The start of season will show if any of our girls have picked up some new skills from the experience!

We train every Wednesday night, 6.30pm until 8pm, on the astro pitch at the King George V playing fields in Kinross and have two teams. If you would like to come along and join in, please do!

For further details, see our website www.kinrossladieshockey.co.uk or contact the club secretary, Claire Brownbridge at 07770 422480 or e-mail claire@brownbridge.co.uk. Or just turn up on the night!

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Kinross Rugby Club

Seniors

Preseason continues to move at a good pace with some new players joining the team, but there is always room for more, and with the first preseason game coming round quickly, there is a good buzz around the club. If you are interested in playing for the club, no matter what ability, brand new to the game or a veteran, everybody is welcome.

Training is on a Tuesday and a Thursday at 7pm at the KGV or contact the club phone on 07534761572.

Upcoming league fixtures in September

6th	v Harris	1.30 ko (home, with family fun day also before match)
13th	v Howe of Fife 2nds	3pm ko (home at KGV)
20th	v Carnoustie	3pm ko (away)
27th	v Panmure	3pm ko (home)

Juniors

The Kinross minis section have now commenced their season, with training for children from school ages P1 to P7 and matches from P3 upwards. We train at 10.30am each Saturday at the KGV.

Sponsorship

The new season is about to start and we are offering some very attractive sponsorship opportunities. GS Group will be sponsoring our 1st XV strips this season, but there is still the chance to get your business's name noticed from Carnoustie and St Andrews to Stirling and Alloa, with various stopping points in between. These opportunities include tracksuits, match sponsorship and many others. Please contact sponsorship co-ordinator Kelman Chambers on 07530 285598 for further details.



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Kinross Cycling Club

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There is an autumnal feel to the air as August progresses and the children return to school, but the summer of 2014 has been blessed with some fine warm days for cycling. Club members have been participating in a wide variety of events since our last update.

Sunday club runs: All members are welcome on the weekly Sunday rides, departing from the campus at 0900. Efforts have been made recently to ensure that there are at least two options available on the day for route, distance and ability, meeting up at a coffee shop en route. Non-members thinking of joining the club are welcome to come along on one or two rides by way of trial.

Thursday Time Trial Grand Prix Series: After a summer holiday break, the final four events in the annual club time trial series are now under way, culminating in the one-mile sprint on **Thursday 4 September**. This series is friendly and fun, as well as being competitive. Points are awarded to all participants, so consistent participation over the season can be rewarded with a good score in the annual league. This series is open to club members only.

Tour of the Shires: A number of club members including Kirsty Ellis, Paul Maddocks, Robbie Sangha, Donnie McLeod, Jeff Wall, Grant Young and Dougie and Callum Sharp completed a tough ride in Lanarkshire, including the Mennock Pass. Some disappointment has been expressed that this event was lacking in organisation.

Women's Rapha 100km ride: On 20 July around twenty hardy local ladies completed a 100km ride around quiet local roads as part of an international cycling initiative aimed at promoting cycling for women. We had a great day out in full sunshine, and were accompanied by three brave men who promised to mend any punctures.

Galloway ReCycle Sportive: On 9 August Jane Timperley and Paul Maddocks completed a 67-mile course, starting in Kirkcudbright and passing through some glorious Galloway scenery. The weather was lovely and the event was very well organised with hot food at the end. Money raised by the event goes to provide bikes to children in Africa.

RideLondon: On 10 August Jeff Wall and Jesme Fenton travelled to London for this event. Unfortunately the remains of Hurricane Bertha meant the course was shortened from 100 miles to 84 miles, and puddles on the route were reported to be axle deep. It was a good day nonetheless.

Tour of the Borders: Roly Kitson, Margy Thomson, Lance Sloan, Nick Rowan, Grant Young, Callum and Dougie Sharp and Robbie Sangha competed in a 74-mile closed road sportive in the Scottish Borders. Roly Kitson secured a top 20 place in a large field. Frank Chalmers completed the 57-mile event. An early start ensured that the event was largely completed in the dry.

Criterion under Stirling Castle race: Paul Maddocks and Douglas Barrett completed this closed road race in Stirling on 10 August in horrendous weather conditions. These events are fast and furious and there were a number of falls and injuries. Both KCC riders rode a conservative race but finished unscathed.

Apologies for any names or events that have not had a mention.

KCC donation to Kinross Otters: The Kinross Cycling Club, in conjunction with sponsors Alpine Bikes, were recently able to present a cheque for £500 to the Kinross Otters. The success of our own Kinross Sportive has enabled us to give significant charitable help to less fortunate clubs and to our partner charity CHAS.

Wounded in action: George Shanley and Craig Johnston are both having an enforced break from cycling due to injury. The club sends them best wishes as they recover.

Hold the date: On **Sunday 7 September** KCC is hosting a cycling road race. Details are on the KCC website and entries are welcome from all British Cycling members with an appropriate race or day licence.

Entries open via "Entry Central" for next year's **Kinross Sportive** at midnight on **30 September**. Last year all places were sold out by 8am the next morning, so be ready! Priority entry is given to KCC members.

Details of all forthcoming events are on our website.

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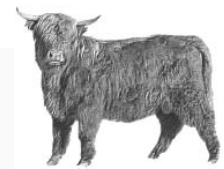
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Out & About

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Hello again, folks. It looks like summer has deserted us for the moment (well at least as I write, cos the rain is belting down) – still, we have had quite a good summer so far.

Since the last article, we have done a lot of work out on the wetland and the place is looking a bit tidier as we have cut a lot of the vegetation growth back to provide ideal habitat for the wintering migrants that will soon be winging towards our shores. Pinkfeet geese should start to appear back in this area around the third week of the month, possibly before if the Icelandic weather turns bad and winds are favourable to blow them down.

The Glossy Ibis is still putting in regular appearances on the flood and passage migrants like greenshank have been seen as well. The last few days have seen hundreds of swallows and sand martins flying low over the centre and courtyard, catching low flying insects before they go on their long migration.

Now then, a bit of a coup for Dougie and the café team: they have been awarded a Food for Life Gold Catering Mark from the Soil Association! The accreditation means that RSPB Loch Leven Café is the first visitor attraction in Scotland to be awarded the gold, and think of how many of them we have throughout the land including some real biggies. It is also the first one in the whole of Britain for all RSPB tearooms and cafés. The Soil Association inspector commented that the team shows a real commitment to serving freshly prepared, sustainable food, with nearly half of our overall spend going on organic ingredients. It went on to say the café offers a choice of fresh, healthy and super tasty food that is good for our visitors as well as the planet! Chefy boy said he was passionate! (what? too much information, man!) ... oh, about the environment, and by providing our customers with the best local produce available we can reduce the impact food production has on the world. To him, it's a no brainer that all our products are as ethical as possible and so say all of us! Well done, and massive congratulations to team café! Don't praise him up too much if you are in, cos his head will swell up. Och weel, on this occasion probably rightly so.

The next events coming up this month include a **Bat Walk** on **Friday 5 September** from 8pm to 10pm. On **Saturday 20th** we are holding an **Intermediate Digital Photography Course** from 10am to 4.15pm with teas, coffees and lunch provided in the cost. Both of these are bookable events. The shop is holding an **Optics Weekend** over **Saturday and Sunday 20th and 21st**. A great chance to try, and buy, with expert advice on hand help you make the right purchase. How about starting early for Christmas gifts?

A lot of you have been asking about the very popular “**Nature Tots**” events. By the time you read this they will have started up again after the summer break and will continue **every Wednesday until 8 October** then **start again on 22 October until 17 December**. Two sessions will run each Wednesday from 9.30am till 12.30pm and from 12.30pm till 2.30pm. For more details about any of the above, please call on the usual number.

Ta ta till next time,

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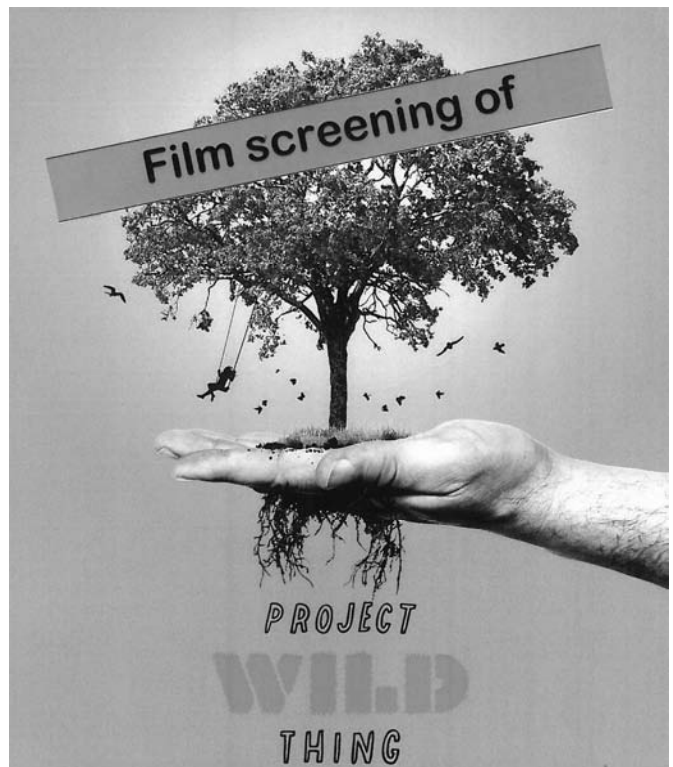
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Loch Leven NNR

Once again it's been a very busy month. Maybe we're feeling a little squeezed because Craig is away!

On 26 July we held an event focusing on Dragonflies and Damselflies. Danielle from the British Dragonfly society joined us as we focused on these species at Loch Leven and Portmoak Moss. The most important thing about a dragonfly event is that the weather is good. The weather was perfect for dragonflies and nine species were seen. The highlight for the group was watching a Common Hawker (one of the big ones) laying eggs at Portmoak.



An Emerald Damselfly

July is normally a quiet month for birdwatching, but there has been no shortage of birds to look at on the loch. The Glossy Ibis continues its stay at the RSPB centre. It's been here for nearly 100 days now! The family party of six Crossbills were still at Burleigh. Vagrant American ducks were well represented with American widgeon and Lesser Scaup seen about the loch. Over 3600 Greylag Geese and

800 Mute Swans were using the relative safety of Loch Leven to moult. A surprise on 30 July was an Adult Gannet near the Pier. We see juvenile gannets almost annually on the loch. It was nice to watch this powerful seabird assuming its arrow shape diving into the loch for fish. There have also been lots of broods of ducklings around the margins of the loch. Gadwall and Mallard look to have done particularly well. Greater Scaup appear to have nested on the loch for the first time, with the appearance of an adult and a duckling. These ducks normally nest much further north.

An event for your diary is the **Fungi Foray on Sunday 28 September** from 2pm until 4pm from Findatie Car Park. It will be Craig's first event after he returns from Noss. He will be joined by a mycologist looking at the fungi around Levenmouth woods. This event is our most popular, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

We've been poor at updating the blog recently, but we should be back up and running with that shortly. Please keep an eye out on www.lochlevennr.wordpress.com. Updates will be more frequent when we are back to the full quota of staff in the office.

Remember that now is the best time of year to be looking for Ospreys. They feed on the loch at any time of the day, but dawn and dusk are best. With up to 20 seen in a night, it's a fantastic wildlife spectacle right on your doorstep.

TTFN

Jeremy

Fact of the Month

A least 16 species of vagrant American waterfowl have been recorded in the UK. It shows what long range migrants these birds are!

Gardens Open

More information about these gardens can be found on our website, www.kinrossnewsletter.org
Leisure info also on www.kinross.cc
and www.visitlochleven.org



Gardens open regularly

There are some attractive National Trust for Scotland (NTS) gardens (and properties) reasonably near Kinross, such as: **Falkland Palace and gardens, Hill of Tarvit mansion house and estate, Kellie Castle and gardens, the Royal Burgh of Culross** including the palace and gardens. NTS also has a small but fine garden in Perth, **Branklyn Garden**. Find out more at www.nts.org.uk.

Other places to consider visiting are: **Drummond Castle Gardens at Crieff, Scone Palace, the Botanic Garden in St Andrews and Pittencreiff Park in Dunfermline**.

Some gardens open regularly under the charitable Scotland's Gardens Scheme are: **Braco Castle gardens** in Perthshire and the famous **Cambo Estate** at Kingsbarns, near St Andrews.

Gardens open by arrangement

The following gardens can be visited by arrangement with the owners under Scotland's Gardens Scheme: **Earlshall Castle, Leuchars** (on request), **Kirklands, Saline** (up until 30 September). Full details are available in "Scotland's Gardens: Our Guide for 2014" and on the SGS website, www.scotlandsgardens.org

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Farming

Did you love it or loathe it? We tuned in to the opening ceremony of the Commonwealth Games from our holiday cottage in Fort William. Our legs were still aching from climbing Ben Nevis so we settled down together on the sofa and watched from beginning to end.

Our daughter attended the dress rehearsal on the previous evening, invited to Celtic Park as a 'Clydesider', one of the 15,000 Games volunteers. She was, however, sworn to secrecy and didn't give anything away about the calamities lined up. Our family consensus was mixed, but I loved it, particularly the Scottie dogs and the tartan pick up. What fashionable and patriotic shepherd wouldn't want to check their sheep in such a funky four wheel drive? Rod Stewart rocked and I admire Subo's triumph over adversity so was pleased she was part of it. (She didn't fluff her lyrics at the dress rehearsal, by the way, so it was definitely nerves that got to her.)

In the days after the ceremony, Tunnocks Tea Cakes and Irn Bru trended on Twitter alongside the John Barrowman kiss. Sales soared of both these sweet treats and their place in the food culture of Scotland was sealed as they became referred to as iconic foods invented by Scots. With such a strong brand who are also sponsors, it's not hard to work out why dancing tea cakes were an integral part but how I wished that Aberdeen Angus scotch steak came wrapped up in sparkly red and silver foil and could be included in such an important ceremony, or a fillet of Scottish salmon or the home grown oats that make our popular traditional porridge. Maybe a marketing moment was missed within the ceremony, but I believe that the athletes and spectators were able to "Eat Scotland" and tasted and experienced the quality of our fantastic home grown food and drink during their stay. Scotland's unique climate, extensive production systems and farming practices combine to produce world class beef, lamb and pork. The Games were a great success and leave behind so many legacies here and abroad within sport and culture, so I am confident of an increased appreciation of all Scottish food and drink, not just tea cakes.

Fiona

Weather



July Weather Report from Kinross

Total rainfall	51.3mm = 2.05 inches
Heaviest rain fall	10.3mm (12th)
Total sunshine for the month	208 hours
Sunniest day	11.9 hours (25th)
Maximum temperature	average 21.44°C
Highest temperature	27.5°C (25th)
Minimum temperature	average 8.52°C
Lowest temperature	3.6°C (5th)

Heavy rainfall so far in August: 35.7mm (approx 1½ inches) fell on Sunday 10 August. The full report for August will appear in the October issue.

Local Attraction Opening Times

Lochleven Castle, Castle Island, Kinross



Famously where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned in 1567 and forced to abdicate before dramatically escaping, this semi-ruined 14th century castle is set on an island in beautiful Loch Leven, within a National Nature Reserve. There are toilets, lawns and picnic benches on the island. Castle towers not suitable for visitors with limited mobility (narrow stairs). No access for wheelchair users. Dogs not permitted. The property is reached by boat, operated by Historic Scotland and departing from the fishery pier, where there is parking, a Historic Scotland shop and a bistro.

Opening times for 2014:

1 April to 30 September:	Daily, 10am to 5.30pm (last outward sailing 4.15pm)
Admission prices: (includes ferry trip)	Adult £5.50, Child £3.30, Conc £4.40. HS members free.

Burleigh Castle, Milnathort

A fascinating semi-ruin dating from around 1500. The round tower is an eye-catching piece of Jacobean architecture. Access inside the tower can be pre-arranged by calling 01786 450 000. Burleigh Castle is ½ mile from Milnathort on the A911. In the care of Historic Scotland.

Elcho Castle, near Bridge of Earn

A 16th century fortified mansion, five miles NE of Bridge of Earn, in a tranquil setting. It has an orchard and dovecot. Opening times: 1 April to 30 September, daily, 9.30am to 5.30pm. Admission prices: Adult £4.50, Child £2.70, Concessions £3.60. Historic Scotland.

Abernethy Round Tower

One of the two round towers of Irish style surviving in Scotland dating from the late 11th century. Good views of the Firth of Tay. Key available from nearby Berryfields Tearoom (not Tuesdays). Historic Scotland.

Balvaird Castle

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Congratulations

BIRRELL – McKEOWN. Both families are pleased to announce the engagement of **Sarah** to **John** on Thursday 19 June 2014 whilst on holiday at Glencoe. Wishing you both all the best for the future.

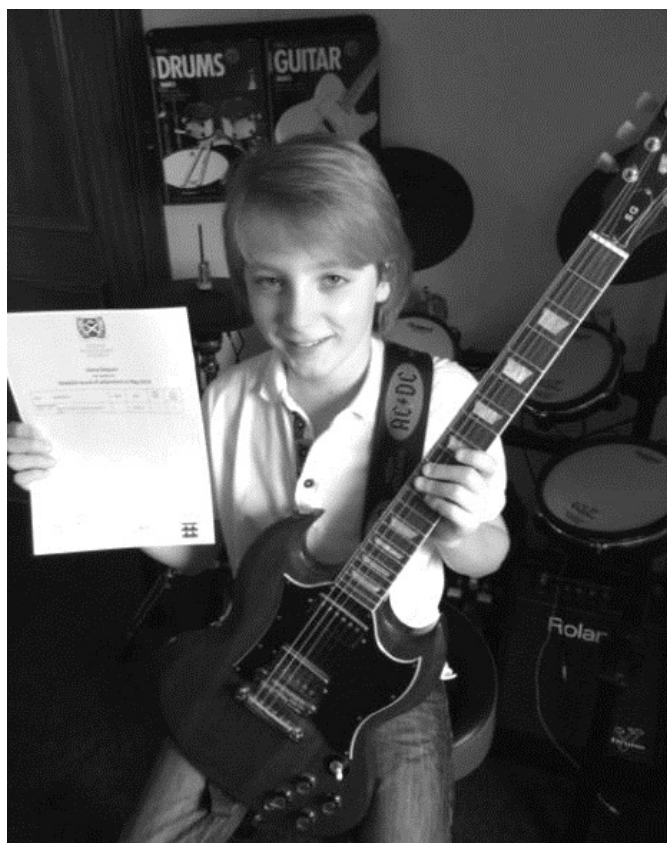
Congratulations to **CRAIG GADZIEJEWSKI MARTIN**, Kinross, and **CLAIRE WEBSTER**, Aberdeen, who were married in St Salvator's Chapel, St Andrews on Saturday 19 July 2014.

JACOB WONG passed his Grade 4 piano exam in June. Jacob is a pupil of Gareth Clemson, B.Mus. of Tillywhally Cottage.

GARRY SIMPSON of Kinnesswood has been awarded his Advanced Higher Music (Performance) by the SQA. This may not seem out of the ordinary, but Garry is just twelve years old! He received his certificate on 9 May 2014, when he was still in Primary 7 at Portmoak Primary School.

Garry won last year's Kinross-shire's Got Talent, part of the Winter Festival, at the age of eleven. He plays classical, blues and slide guitar, but his heart is in rock. In June this year, a group called Livewire, a professional AC/DC tribute band, got in touch with Garry after watching him play guitar on his own You Tube channel. Livewire invited Garry to jam with them at the opening of their gig in Ayr Town Hall and then surprised him by inviting him on stage to perform during their concert.

Garry is also a keen drummer, currently operating at SQA Higher Level, having only acquired a drum kit at Christmas! Garry is now a pupil at Kinross High School.



Garry Simpson (12) with his SQA certificate

Kinross athlete **EILIDH CHILD** (27) won the silver medal in the women's 400m hurdles at the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow this summer, equalling her achievement at Delhi four years earlier.

Then, on 16 August, she achieved her first major gold medal, winning the women's 400m hurdles at the European Championships in Zurich in a time of 54.48 seconds in a thrilling race. Out in front after the last hurdle, other athletes suddenly appeared alongside her shortly before the finishing line, and Eilidh didn't know who had won until the electronic board displayed the results. The next day she won bronze as part of the 4 x 400m British relay team in another exciting race.

Speaking after winning the gold medal, Eilidh said: "Obviously the Commonwealths meant a lot because it was at home but to actually have my own title now and be European champion is the best feeling ever."

Thanks



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Collection at Kinross Show

The total proceeds of the collection at Kinross Show on 9 August 2014 by pipers for Rachel House Children's Hospice, Kinross, amounted to the splendid sum of £340.40. Once again, this speaks volumes for the support of the local community for this wonderful Hospice in our midst. Our grateful thanks to all who donated.

Robin Webster MBE, MStJ
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The Church Office sells Fair Trade goods by Traidcraft.

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Church/Church Centre Lets: lets@kinrossparishchurch.org

Church website: www.kinrossparishchurch.org

Church open for visiting or quiet contemplation at same times as office (but note Pram Service on Tuesdays during term time)..

Events listed below are in the church unless indicated otherwise.

Regular Services and events

Sundays: 10.30am: Morning Service with Crèche. Junior Church (age 3 to P7) and 'Jam Pact' (Secondary Age) meet at church centre from 10.15am, finish at church.

7.30pm, 'Crossfire' (S1 upwards) in church centre.

Tuesdays: 10am: Pram Service.

Wednesdays: 10.45am Service, church centre. 1.30pm Craft Group.

Fridays: The Brigade, church centre. Anchor Section 6 – 7.15pm,

Junior Section 7 - 9pm, Company Section 8 – 10pm (Contact: David Munro 862126).

Other Events and Services

August

Sun 31 6.30pm Covenant Service – an opportunity to rededicate ourselves for the new session

September

Mon 1 8am: Silent Meditation (30 mins.)

Tues 2 2.30pm: Service at Whyte Court.

Thu 4 7.30pm: Thursday Group, church centre – 'Doing Porridge'.

Sun 7 10.30am: Morning Service with Quarterly Communion.
6.30pm: Evening Communion.

Sat 13 8.30am: Prayer Breakfast (names in advance to church office).

10am-3pm at Auchterarder Parish Church: Perth Presbytery meeting.

Wed 17 7pm-9.30pm: Referendum Prayers – church open for quiet prayer on eve of the Independence Referendum, with short act of worship on the hour. Come for as long as you want.

Thu 18 9pm: late evening service of Compline.

Tue 23 8pm: Bible Study and Prayer Meeting, church centre.

Sun 28 7.30pm: 'Chansons' charity concert for Kinross-shire Day Centre and Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance.

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Church of Scotland (Charity number SC015523)

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Website: www.orwellportmoakchurch.org.uk

Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:

10am Portmoak Church,

11.30am Orwell Church.

All children welcome. Crèche available during Sunday Services.

Prayer Meeting held 30mins before each service.

Evening Service at 6.30pm in Orwell Hall (1st and 3rd Sundays of month).

Service at Ashley House: first Thursday of the month at 2.30pm.

Services at Levenglen: first Tuesday of the month at 4pm.

Morning Prayers at 9am

Each Thursday at Portmoak Church New Room.

Each Friday at Orwell Church.

Dates and events for your diary

7 Sep Stewardship Service at both churches

21 Sep Stewardship meeting in Portmoak Hall at 3pm

23 Sep Stewardship meeting in Orwell Hall at 7.30pm

26 Sep Oasis Ladies Group, Portmoak New Room at 10.15am

Everyone welcome

Church office & shop open Mon – Sat. 10am until 2pm

29 South Street, Milnathort KY13 9XA.

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Contact the Office 01577 861200
orwellportmoakchurch@gmail.com

Kinross Christian Fellowship

Jesus said, *'I am among you as one who serves.'*

Sunday morning service at 10.30am (refreshments and blether at 10am), Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.

Lively praise (children participate), reverent worship open to the leading of the Holy Spirit, prayer, ministry and solid Bible-based preaching and teaching. An all-round family service for families, which includes Sunday School. Communion every second Sunday, as is our evening service at 6.30pm; a time for praise, worship, sharing and joy in The Lord Jesus. (Followed by light refreshments and more blether.)

Everyone is welcome to either service or to both, so please come and, *taste and see that the LORD is good.*

Contact Peter on 01577 863509, for further information.

KCF also runs the Talking Donkey café - see separate notice in the Newsletter. Additionally, the Friday evening Youth Group at the Millbridge Hall (Space) is also the responsibility of our Fellowship, and we are pleased to accept this privilege.

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Sunday Services at 9.45am

September

Sun 7 9.45am Morning Family Worship followed by Refreshments and Fellowship.

Sun 14 9.45am Morning Worship.

Sun 21 9.45am Morning Worship.

Sun 28 9.45am Morning Worship - 'Back to Church Sunday'. This is a special day of welcome. Whether you have never been at church at all, or have not been for a long time, please join us, there will be a special welcome for you.

There will be a Junior Church and a crèche available during morning worship.

Café Refresh: Every Thursday, church hall, 2-4pm.
A social time enhanced with tea, coffee and cakes.

House group: Please contact Fred Aitken for details,
01577 840833.

Film Afternoon: In the Elizabeth Wilkie Hall, Friday 5 Sep, 2.30 - 4.30pm and 7.30 - 9.30pm. *Join us for a film, a cuppa and a blether, and even some popcorn.*

Cleish Parish Church

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Sunday Services 11.15am

Crèche and Junior Church 11.15am

September

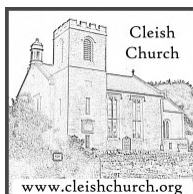
Sun 7 11.15am Morning Family Worship followed by refreshments in the village hall.

Sun 14 11.15am Morning Worship and Guild Dedication service. Junior Church will also meet during worship.

Sun 21 11.15pm Morning Worship.

Sun 28 11.15am Morning Worship - 'Back to Church Sunday'. This is a special day of welcome. Whether you have never been to church at all, or have not been for a long time, please join us, there will be a special welcome for you.

All welcome



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St Paul's is open, friendly and welcoming to all age groups (whether regular churchgoers or if you're simply inquisitive about who we are and what we do.)

We are excited about the ways in which God is calling us to grow as a community, for the community. Our aim is to express our deep appreciation of both the spoken and sacramental Word with a lightness of touch and a smile. If you would like to give us a try, we look forward to meeting and greeting you and hope that you might enjoy becoming part of this faithful family of Christ.

Mondays and Wednesdays: 8am Morning Prayer in the Church.

1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays: 3.30pm Midweek Holy Communion.

Thursdays: 10.30am Morning Bible study & Discussion Group.

All welcome

Thursdays: 3.30pm - 4.30pm: Rector's Hour

September Services and Events

Refreshments are normally available in the Meeting Room after the Sunday 11am service.

Sun 7 8.30am Holy Communion. 11am Sung Eucharist.

Sun 14 Approaching the Referendum. 8.30am Holy Communion. 11am Sung Eucharist. 4pm 'Bridging the Gap' - discussion, song and prayer.

Sun 21 Matthew the Evangelist. 8.30am Holy Communion. 11am Sung Eucharist.

Wed 24 8.30pm Compline.

Sun 28 Michael and all Angels (*transferred from the 29th*). 8.30am Holy Communion. 11am Sung Eucharist.

October

3 - 5 Flower Festival marking St Paul's 140th anniversary (See notice, p. 88.)

Everyone welcome at all services

The Church is open as a quiet space with the opportunity to light a candle on the following days:

1st Monday of the month: 10am - 3pm

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month: 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Thursdays: 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Kinross Gospel Hall

Montgomery Street, Kinross

Website: www.kinrossgospelhall.info

Sunday	10.30am	Breaking of Bread
	12.00pm	Sunday School
	6.00pm	Prayer Meeting
Monday	6.30pm	Gospel Meeting
	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting
	8.15pm	Bible Study

St James' R C Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Father Colin Golden Telephone: (01577) 863329

Mass Times	Saturday Vigil	7.00pm
	Sunday	9.30am

Please look out for other information on other parish activities in the Sunday newsletter.

Obituaries

COLVILLE – Julia Seaman Colville (née Philp), of Milnathort, died on 30 July 2014 at Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline, aged 103.

Julia was born in Crosshill, Fife, on 16 November 1910, one of twins. Sadly her twin sister Janet died at just one week old. Julia was one of 13 children to James and Elizabeth Philp. She spent most of her early life in Sandport, Kinross, and stayed there until she married Charles Colville of Milnathort on 21 July 1939 in the West Church, Kinross.

Charlie was a roadman with Perth Council and Julia worked in the linen mills – Cunninghams of Dunfermline and Todd and Duncan of Kinross. It was here she was taught how to crochet and this she continued to do for the rest of her life.

During the war she housed two young evacuees, a boy and a girl, and they became a part of the family. Unfortunately, due to an operation, she had to give the children up. On her return to fitness she was called in to the “brew”, as she called it, and told she either had to go out to work or take in lodgers. She chose to take in lodgers, many of them from the forces.

Julia and Charlie had lots of friends and travelled widely. She even went to Canada in 1971 and 1972 to visit her brother in Canada. She also has relatives in Australia. After Charlie died she became a member of the Friendship Club and she attended this in the Upper Hall of the Kinross Day Centre. She attended the Day Centre for over 25 years and enjoyed bingo, cards, dominoes and musical entertainment. She also enjoyed many bus trips with friends.



Julia can be seen as part of the staff line up (second from right) in this photograph of the Queen's visit to Todd and Duncan in 1960

Photo courtesy of Edinburgh Evening News



Julia on her 99th birthday, photograph taken by her great niece, Mrs E Johnstone

Julia was an inspirational figure, living independently in her own home until just a few weeks before her death.

Julia was predeceased by her husband in 1995 and is survived by her sister, Isa.

Her great niece, Mrs Elizabeth Johnstone, said of her: “Julia was one of the most caring, generous people I have ever been fortunate enough to meet and she will long be remembered with great fondness.”

BRITTON – Peacefully, after a short illness bravely borne, at Perth Royal Infirmary, on 12 August 2014, **Jean Britton**, aged 90, beloved wife of the late Gerald, dear mother of Jonathan and Phil, cherished mother in law to Helen and Susan, loving granny to Thomas, Emma, Henry, Charlotte, Joshua, Jack and Jamie, much loved sister to Phil and his wife Lucy.

Funeral Service was held at Perth Crematorium on Wednesday 20 August and afterwards at The Kirkland's Hotel, Kinross.

Much loved in Milnathort, especially by Giacomazzi's where she was their best red wine customer!

We would like to thank everyone in Milnathort who helped to make Jean's last few years particularly happy ones. We have been overwhelmed by the kindness of everyone since Jean's passing and are eternally grateful for all the lovely flowers, cards and hugs we have received at this very sad time.

Phil and Susan Britton

MACDONALD, Ronald (Ron) – Passed away at Cornhill Macmillan Centre, Perth, on Monday 28 July 2014 after an illness fought with great patience, courage and dignity.

Ron was born in Strathdon, Aberdeenshire on 10 June 1934. He attended Aboyne School and became a message boy (on his bicycle) for the Co-op during school holidays.

On leaving school, Ron joined the navy cadets and went on to enlist in the navy, serving in Korea on H.M.S. Ganges.

After his navy days were over he joined Stirling and Clackmannan police, going on to be a police diver then later joined the Ministry of Defence, C.I.D. where he became a Detective Inspector serving at Devonport and Gloucester, then finally to Rosyth where he retired on 9 June 1994.

Ron attained City and Guilds certificates on furniture crafts and upholstery, which led to his hobby of woodturning. He also took up bowling at Muckhart and Kinross, however, his real love of golf led him to take up the game again once more and he became a member at Milnathort Golf Club where he spent his latter years enjoying many happy (and a few frustrating!) hours on the golf course.

Ron was also a member of Probus, serving as President 2011-2012 and was also golf convenor.

Ron will be sorely missed by his wife Nita, daughter Allegra and family, stepson Angus and family, stepdaughter Shona and family and all of his grandchildren.

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We provide a warm, friendly and stimulating environment in which children can learn and develop through play.

Playgroup: Children from age 2 years welcome.

Tue to Fri 9.15am - 12 noon. Fri 12.30pm - 3.15pm
(Lunch Club available before for children 3 years+).

Inbetweeners: Mon 9.15am - 11.45am with Lunch Club afterwards. Children from the age of 3 years welcome.

Rising Fives: Tues & Wed 1pm - 3.15pm with Lunch Club beforehand. Complementary to preschool Nursery.

For availability or more information, please contact:

Jen 07852 208220, enrolments.swansacre@gmail.com
or Playgroup on telephone numbers above.

Baby and Toddler Group – Thurs 12.45-2.45pm

Ante-natal to pre-school. Fun for children; coffee and chat for the parent/carer. For more information, please contact Playgroup on 07592 392235.

The premises are available to hire for **Private Functions**. For more information, please contact **Tracey 07557 051894** or the Playgroup.

GLENFARG BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

We meet in the newly refurbished village hall, Greenbank Road, Glenfarg on Wednesdays, 9.30-11.30am.

Healthy snack for children, coffee/tea & biscuits for carer
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Friendly support for all carers
First session free, £2 thereafter (£1 for additional children)

Contact Donna Smith on 07535 595430 or just come along!

LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

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Session times (term time only)**

Tuesdays 9.30- 11.15, Fridays 9.30- 11.15

Contact Sylvia Flynn 07793 005732,
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All Mothers, Fathers, and Carers are welcome to attend, with children aged birth to 5 years if accompanied by a younger sibling who shall be 3 years old or younger.

LOCHLEVEN TWOS CLUB

**Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross
Thursdays 9.45 to 11.15am (term time only)**

A relaxed, friendly group for children from about 18 months to pre-school with their parent/carer. Play and pre-school activities, with a variety of toys. A snack is provided, plus coffee and tea for parents/carers. Younger siblings also welcome.

Contact Esther Blackburn on estherjkent@hotmail.com or 07812 757077 for further details,
or find us on Facebook: Two's Club Kinross

MONTGOMERY TODDLERS

Every Thursday 9.30am to 11am (term-time only)
The Gospel Hall, Montgomery Street, Kinross.
Contact Christina Smith 01577 840733 or 07792 260509

PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

Portmoak Hall – between Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell
(only 10 mins from Milnathort and Kinross)

We are a friendly and relaxed playgroup welcoming children aged 2-5. We offer a wide range of activities including arts and crafts, dressing up, outdoor play and stories. We also on occasion arrange outings, parties and have special visitors who come to the playgroup!

Babies and Toddlers (birth- 3yrs), Tues 9.30am - 11am
Playgroup (2yrs onwards), Mon & Fri 10am – 12noon

Contact Lynda Hardie (Play leader/Manager)
01592 840785 or 07594 328475

Email: portmoakunderfives@hotmail.co.uk
or find us on Facebook

FOSSOWAY PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

Glenbank Cottage, Powmill

Partner-provider for P&K Education

Places available for 3-5-year-olds and Rising Fives
Sessions daily 9.30 – 12 noon

Contact Pat Irvine 07703 177766 or
www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross



Private Nurseries and Childcare

For private nurseries and childcare services, please see advertisements throughout the Newsletter.



Notices

Just About Movies film festival

Tullibole Castle, Crook of Devon
Friday 29 August – Sunday 31 August
 See website for more information:
www.justaboutmovies.co.uk

Summer Fête

Guide Hall, Church Street, Milnathort
 in aid of the kitchen refurbishment
Sunday 31 August
 at 1.30pm
 Come along and have a cup of tea with the Guides

Mary Queen of Scots Extravaganza

Sunday 31 August
 12 noon – 5pm, Kirkgate Park, Kinross
FREE EVENT
Historical Themed Activities
including
re-enactment with horses and rowing boat races

Tullibole Castle Open in September

Tullibole is a classic example of a 17th century Scottish tower house in a parkland setting.
 The Castle is **open throughout September, Tuesday to Sunday**, 1pm to 4pm. Admission every half hour with guided tours only. Adults £5, Concession £3.50.
 Entry to the castle is **free on 21 and 22 September** for **Doors Open Days**. (See p. 4.)
 Also **free entry** on the castle's **Wedding Open Days, Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 September**. (See p. 88.)
 The weekends of 6-7 September and 13-14 September are **strictly by appointment only**: telephone 01577 840236.
 Tullibole Castle is located on the B9097, one mile east of Crook of Devon. Unrestricted access to the scheduled Churchyard and Witches Maze Memorial at all times of the year from Gelvan Road, ½ mile to the NW of the Castle.
www.facebook.com/Tullibole.Castle

The Thursday Group

This is a women's group meeting on the first Thursday of the month in the Lower Hall of the Church Centre at 7.30pm. New members welcome. Contact 01577 863421.

4 September *Doing Porridge*, Neal Robertson,
 Tannochbrae Tearoom.

2 October *My Jute Journey*, Sandra Thompson.

The Gaelic Society of Perth

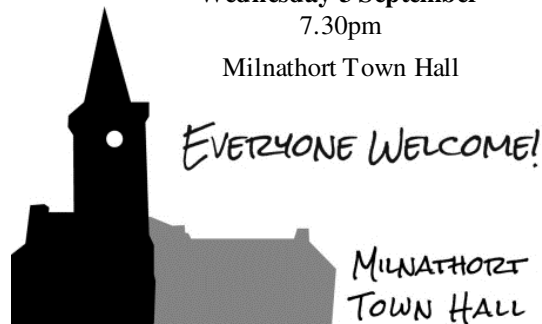
The Gaelic Society of Perth will start their winter Ceilidh season at St Matthew's Church Hall, Tay Street, Perth, on **Friday 5 September** at 7.30pm. Come and hear some great Gaelic singers and instrumentalists. Admission is £5 for Members and £6 for Non-Members – for an evening's entertainment plus refreshments!
 Further information can be obtained from the Secretary on 01577 864589.

Milnathort Town Hall

AGM

Wednesday 3 September
 7.30pm

Milnathort Town Hall



Proposal of Application Notice – Notice of Public Exhibition

Applicant: **Persimmon Homes East Scotland**

The planning proposal is for a residential development (amended proposal) at the site of the former Kinross High School, High Street, Kinross.

Date of Event: **Wednesday 3 September 2014**

Time: 2.30pm – 7.00pm

Location: Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs,
 Kinross, KY13 8FQ

Free Wellbeing Taster Sessions in Kinross

All sessions are on **Tuesdays in September** on the dates shown in the columns below.

Course	Health Centre 2pm-4pm	Campus 7pm-9pm
Be More Confident	9th	16th
Mindfulness	16th	9th
Coping with Stress	23rd	30th
Relaxation Techniques	30th	23rd

You can attend one, some or all of the taster sessions.

To reserve your place, or for more information, please call Charlie or Irma on 01577 867320, or email:

charles.wilson@pkc.gov.uk or ibrown@pkc.gov.uk

All afternoon sessions will take place at Loch Leven Health Centre, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FP.

All evening sessions will take place at Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ.

SPRINGWELL - Wellbeing Support in Kinross

Kinross Curling Open Day

The Kinross Curling Rink is here to stay!
 Kinross Curling Trust invites you to come and see the refurbished rink on

Saturday 13 September
 12 noon until 4pm

Come and talk to the curlers

See how the funds raised have been spent

Enjoy a drink at the bar Meet some of the staff

Find out about curling in Kinross

Scottish COT DEATH Trust

FIREWALK

Saturday 13 September

Market Park, Windlestrae Hotel,
Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AT

Take part in the hottest, shortest sponsored walk around - barefoot, across glowing embers at 600-800 Fahrenheit! A great opportunity to take on a challenge, have great fun and raise vital funds – a truly life changing experience!

Wilma Carragher, from Kinross, is organising this event with the support of the Scottish Cot Death Trust.

The Trust supports families as they go on to have another child, through their 'Next Infant Support Programme' and Wilma is raising money towards this programme, which includes a new sibling resource called 'Andrews Rainbow', which will be a book that parents can use to help them explain to subsequent children about what has happened to their sibling.

It is only £10 to register to be part of the Firewalk (with a target of £100 minimum sponsorship). If you would like to find out more, please contact the Trust offices on 0141 3573946 or email contact@scottishcotdeathtrust.org

Follow Andrews Rainbow Facebook page

www.facebook.com/AndrewsRainbow

Donate

www.justgiving.com/AndrewsRainbow



"There is nothing to fear but fear itself"

Library Book Sale, Perth

9.30am – 12.30pm

Saturday 20 September

A K Bell Library, York Place, Perth

Cost of entry: £1 per family

Sale of withdraw stock: books, audio books,

CDs and DVDs of all types for all ages

Prices with range from 50p to a few pounds

KCLD Group Meetings

(Kinross-shire Community Learning & Development Group)

Loch Leven Community Campus at 10am

Wednesday 24 September

Wednesday 19 November

Community representatives most welcome!

KCLDG is made up of people who live and work in the Kinross-shire area. We share information with groups and individuals to improve services, identify and respond to local needs and to help improve the quality of life in our local communities.

CHARITY AUCTION

CROOK OF DEVON VILLAGE HALL

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2014

7PM DOORS OPEN 6 30PM

The Crook of Devon Village Hall will be hosting a charity fundraising auction of items and promises to raise money to help fund the continued refurbishment and running of the venue.

The Auction Catalogue is growing by the day and has something for everyone.

Holiday homes in Sweden and Northern Ireland, Clay Pigeon Shooting Experiences, Distillery Experiences, Family Excursions, Golf Trips, Spa and Pampering sessions, Wine, Champagne and much more.

Entry is £5 per person and includes free Wine & Soft Drinks plus entry into our prize draw for a Kindle Fire HD.

Come along enjoy the hospitality and help support a great cause within the local community.

Advanced bids and an up to date catalogue can be found on our website:
www.crookofdevonhall.com

**HAPPY BIDDING
EVERYTHING MUST GO**

Milnathort & Kinross

Scottish Country Dancing Class

every Wednesday

at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall

New Season starts on

24 September 2014

New and Past Members Welcome

For more information contact Helen on 01577 861349

or visit our website:

milnathortcountrydancingblogspot.com

Kinross Floral Art Club

Thursday 25 September

The Club opens its new session on 25 September in the Windlestrae Hotel at 7.15pm with a demonstration by Mrs Jo Goldsworthy from Stonehaven. The title for her demonstration is 'Ready for Autumn'.

We welcome past, present and new members, along with visitors to the Club. We meet on the last Thursday of each month in the Windlestrae Hotel. We invite you to come along, relax and enjoy watching floral demonstrations by professional demonstrators who come from all over Scotland.

You may even be lucky enough to win one of the fabulous arrangements in the raffle!

We look forward to seeing you on the 25th.

Hedges/Bushes/Trees Causing Obstruction

Property owners are reminded that it is their responsibility to cut back hedges, branches, bushes etc to ensure that pavements and public footpaths are not obstructed. Property owners may be liable if injury is caused to others and may be charged costs if Perth & Kinross Council is forced to take action.

Milnathort filmhouse

The Lego Movie



Sun Sept 21st 3pm
Milnathort Town Hall

The Lego Movie (U) tickets available on the door and in advance through our Facebook page (Milnathort Filmhouse). Family £15 (2 ad + 2 ch), Child £3, Adult £5 (OAP & Conc £3), Screening 3pm, doors open 2.30pm. Tuck shop available.

big screen movies  

Orwell Old Folks Association
are holding a

Floral Demonstration

by **Jinty Kidd**

on **Saturday 27 September** at 3pm
in Milnathort Town Hall

Tea and Coffee will be served, cost £2.50.

There will also be a raffle of the demonstrations made.

This is a fundraiser for the group to provide
Summer Drive and Christmas Party for over 70s
in the parish of Orwell.

St Paul's Church, Muirs, Kinross Flower Festival

Marking our 140th Anniversary
Friday 3 to Sunday 5 October 2014
Daytime entrance by donation.

Friday 3

7pm: Service of dedication, followed by refreshments.

Saturday 4

10am to 4pm: Church open to visitors. Refreshments available
with a variety of stalls.

7pm: Flower Festival Concert (**Anita Mackenzie Mills**, Soprano;
Margaret Sikora, Piano; **Sarah Oxnard**, Cello). Tickets £8
(waged) and £5 (unwaged). On sale from the Kinross Day Centre,
Milnathort Post Office and at the door.

Sunday 5

11am: Whole Church Sung Eucharist, celebrating Harvest and
Festival.

2pm to 4pm: Church open to visitors. Refreshments available with
a variety of stalls.

5pm: Joint Choral Evensong with members from St Mary's,
Dunblane, followed by refreshments in the meeting room.
All proceeds, after costs, will go towards church upkeep.



Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance

CHARITY CONCERT

Sunday 28 September 7.30pm

In line with the focus for this year's harvest service, there will be a concert in Kinross Parish Church to raise funds for our local **Kinross-shire Day Centre** and **Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance**.

CHANSONS Chansons, Perth's acclaimed chamber choir led by Howard Duthie and drawing singers from across Tayside and Fife, will be performing a programme of choral and sacred music. This will span traditional items such as by Byrd and Pary, through Shearing's settings of "Songs and Sonnets" by Shakespeare, to more contemporary arrangements like "Scotland at Night" – words by Alexander McCall Smith set to music by Tom Cunningham. Tickets are £12 (£4 for under 18s) and are available from the Church Office (Station Road; open weekdays 10am-12 noon; 01577 862570; office@kinrossparishchurch.org). Please come to support these causes and to enjoy a marvellous evening's entertainment.

Tullibole Castle Autumn Wedding Open Weekend

10am – 6pm

Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 September

Tullibole Castle will be holding its Autumn Wedding Open Weekend on 27 and 28 September and would love for you to come along and have a look.

Tullibole offers exclusive use of the castle and grounds, allowing you the freedom to do exactly as you please.

Whether it is an intimate wedding for two in the historic Great Hall, or a larger wedding of up to 100 in the newly refurbished Carriage House and Terrace, Tullibole has the space to suit.

Also on site will be Highland Tipis, which have a natural 'wow' factor. The raw wood and diffused light makes any event, big or small, feel intimate and exciting. Joined together or standing alone, with sides up or down, they are simply a beautiful setting.

Located at: Tullibole Castle, Crook of Devon, KY13 0QN
Telephone: 01577 840236

We would recommend arranging an informal meeting with us before you visit, so we can make sure one of our helpers are available to chat with you and explain all the items on show.

If you would prefer to just turn up and have a look around, you are still more than welcome!

Portmoak Under Fives Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 3 October

10am to 12 noon

Village Hall, Kinnesswood

Phoenix Trader, Mandy Cooper, will also be selling beautiful greeting cards, invitations, gift wrap and stationery during the event.

Please come along and enjoy some fresh coffee and yummy cake whilst supporting Macmillan Cancer.

For more information, contact
Lynda Hardie on 07594328475.

A date for your diary.....

Celebrate Age!

Why not come along to “celebrate age” and take part in an event with a wide variety of exciting fun activities and interesting stands.

Wednesday 22 October

10am - 2.30pm

Loch Leven Community Campus

Some of what is planned for the day:

- ◆ Talk by Millie Gray - Author and story teller
- ◆ Relaxation taster session
- ◆ Nail Art and Body art
- ◆ Games room
- ◆ Kinross Museum invites you to take part in the museum’s Memory Bank: bring along your own memories and mementos from the past to share and talk about.

There will be a wide variety of interesting information stalls offering and promoting the services available in the area.

Music and Entertainment • Free Refreshments and snacks

Members Wanted for local Knitting and Crochet Club

The club meets as follows:

Monday and Thursday 11am - 1pm
 Monday and Tuesday 7pm - 9pm

Cost per club £3 (includes refreshments).

Free Starter Kit for Learners.

For more information, please call Jayne on 07722 388124 or Email jayne20@live.co.uk or find us on Facebook

Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme



Using a team of volunteer drivers, who are paid out of pocket expenses only, we provide transport and befriending to people in need in Kinross and the outlying areas. Please contact our co-ordinator Ann Munro: 01577 840196 for details on the service we offer. Current charges:

Health Centre from Kinross or Milnathort	£3
Health Centre from outreach area	£5
Perth, Kirkcaldy, Dunfermline	£10
Stirling	£12
Dundee, Edinburgh	£18
Stracathro	£25

Newsletter Deadlines 2014

Please note, deadlines are on a **FRIDAY**. More deadlines for the months ahead can be found on our website.

In very rare circumstances it may be necessary to change a deadline at short notice. Check Newsletter website for latest information: www.kinrossnewsletter.org

Issue	Deadline	Publication Date
October	Fri 12 September	Saturday 27 September
November	Fri 17 October	Saturday 1 November

Grants and Funding Websites

www.pkgrantsdirect.com

www.foundationscotland.org.uk

Art for Recovery Kinross

Confidence building Skills Sharing Socialising

ARK provides support through arts and crafts for people with health issues in Kinross and surrounding areas.

ARK offers peer support to those in need of a little company to socialise and learn new skills. Try drawing with pencils and pastels, painting with acrylics and watercolours, working with clay, felt-making and patchwork. Or just have a cup of tea or coffee!

The group meets **weekly on a Wednesday** from 1pm to 3pm in Orwell Church Hall, Ba’ Hill, Milnathort. £1 per session. For more information, email arkforart@gmail.com or call the Chair on 07590 387189.



Enquire

Are you looking for information about your child’s rights to support in School?

If so, contact **Enquire**, the national advice and information service for additional support for learning.

Enquire offer: a confidential telephone helpline and online enquiry service, practical guides, fact sheets and newsletters, helpful materials for children and young people with additional support needs.

For more information contact: tel 0845 123 2303

Website: www.enquire.org.uk

Enquire is funded by the Scottish Government and managed by Children in Scotland

Loch Leven Circular Bus Stagecoach Fife 203 (Sundays only, all year)

Take the bus for a walk! Service 203 is perfect if you want to walk just part of the Heritage Trail. As well as single journey tickets, Sunday stroller bus tickets can be bought on board the bus costing only £1.50 for adults, 75p for children and £3.00 for families. The stroller tickets allow unlimited travel for the day and so you can hop on and off the bus as many times as you want. National entitlement cards are also valid on this service. The bus is wheelchair accessible.

View timetable online: www.kinross.cc/Leaflets/Index.asp

Stagecoach Fife 203	Loch Leven Circular (Sunday Only)				
Milnathort Royal Bank	0940	1110	1240	1440	1610
Kinross opp Green Hotel	0945	1115	1245	1445	1615
Kinross opp Town Hall	0947	1117	1247	1447	1617
opp Gairneybridge Farm	0952	1122	1252	1452	1622
Vane Farm Nature Reserve	0957	1127	1257	1457	1627
Findatie Café	0958	1128	1258	1458	1628
Opp Lochend Farm Shop road end	1002	1132	1302	1502	1632
Scotlandwell opp Friar Place	1004	1134	1304	1504	1634
Kinnesswood Main Street	1006	1136	1306	1506	1636
Loch Leven’s Larder road end	1010	1140	1310	1510	1640
Burleigh Sands	1013	1143	1313	1513	1643
Milnathort Bridgefauld Road	1018	1148	1318	1518	1648
Milnathort Royal Bank	1020	1150	1320	1520	1650
Milnathort Royal Bank	1025	1155	1325	1525	1655
Burleigh Sands	1030	1200	1330	1530	1700
opp Loch Leven’s Larder road end	1033	1203	1333	1533	1703
Kinnesswood Main Street	1037	1207	1337	1537	1707
Scotlandwell Friar Place	1039	1209	1339	1539	1709
Lochend Farm Shop road end	1041	1211	1341	1541	1711
Findatie Café	1045	1215	1345	1545	1715
Vane Farm Nature Reserve	1046	1216	1346	1546	1716
Gairneybridge Farm	1051	1221	1351	1551	1721
Kinross Town Hall	1056	1226	1356	1556	1726
Kinross Bank of Scotland	1058	1228	1358	1558	1728
Milnathort Bridgefauld Road	1103	1233	1403	1603	1733
Milnathort Royal Bank	1105	1235	1405	1605	1735

COFFEE MORNING

For anyone who is affected by MS including family, friends and carers



Loch Leven's Larder

10.30am - 12 noon

Every third Tuesday of the month

Website: www.perth-kinross.org.uk
 Email: perthkinross@mssociety.org.uk
perthkinross.support@mssociety.org.uk
 Phone: 07552 368216

Crook of Devon Village Hall

Charity SC026692

Dates for your diary:

Fri 19 December Christmas Family Disco,
6.30pm-8pm

Wed 31 December Hogmanay Disco and Ceilidh,
8.30pm-12.30am.

Regular activities:

A variety of activities take place at the hall throughout the week: fitness class, yoga, children's ballet, Scottish country dancing, carpet bowls and youth club.
www.crookofdevonhall.com

Children's Hospice Association Scotland



Christmas cards, calendars and diaries will be on sale at all CHAS shops from beginning of September. Look out for early shopper offers on these items during this month. If you would like to help us out during this busy period by volunteering in any of our shops please contact us.

CHAS Gift Shop 23 Avenue Road, Kinross, KY13 8EP
 Telephone: 01577 865557

Open Monday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm.

If you would like to find out more about our work here in Kinross, please contact Rachel Cheer at the fundraising office at 3 High Street. We are very happy to come and speak to you or your group about Rachel House and our work across Scotland. To book a talk or to have a chat, please call Rachel on 01577 865222 or email rachelcheer@chas.org.uk

100th Birthday and Diamond Wedding Anniversaries

Do you know a Perth & Kinross resident who is celebrating their 100th or 105th+ birthday?

Do you know a Perth & Kinross couple celebrating their 60th, 65th or 70th wedding anniversary?

PKC would like to help celebrate the special occasion. PKC can arrange delivery of a basket of flowers or for a local Councillor to present a basket of flowers to the person or couple on their special day.

Tel: 01738 475051 Email: CivicServices@pkc.gov.uk

Kinross Community Council Newsletter Ltd Charitable Grants

All profits from the Kinross Newsletter are transferred to a charitable company and given away to local good causes. Local groups and individuals may apply to the charitable company, Kinross Community Council Newsletter Ltd (KCCNL), for grant funding. Decisions on disbursement of funds are made by Kinross CC at its monthly meetings. Applications must comply with the purposes of KCCNL. These purposes, further information and an application form are available from the website www.kinross.cc Applications can be made on line or by downloading a form to fill in.

If you do not have internet access and would like a form, or if you have any queries, please telephone CCIr Barry Davies on (01577) 865004.



Kinross-shire Fund Grants available for local community projects



e.g. Events, Information, Transport, Welfare, Physical Amenities, Recreational Facilities, Support for Care of the Elderly, Voluntary Organisations

For more information and to download an application form, see www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/kinross-shire-fund or telephone 0131 5240300

Blythswood Care

Sainsbury's Car Park

(if car park is full, van will park nearby, e.g. Park & Ride or Ochil View)

Tuesday 16 September

between 10.30 am and 11 am

Further details from 862258



Welcome to the Kinross-shire Volunteer Information Point

Located in the Loch Leven Community Campus Library Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ

Here you can find information about **Volunteering Opportunities** available in Kinross-shire. Take your time and see what is available. You will also find leaflets in the folders explaining where you can go for further help such as Voluntary Action Perthshire www.vaperthshire.org

If you would like to promote your **Organisations Volunteering Opportunities** please hand your information into reception for attention of: Tracey Ramsay (Community Capacity Building Worker)

Blank profiles are also available for your use if required. These are in the organisation folder at the VIP alternatively follow this link: www.pkc.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=22228&p=0

The Volunteer Information Point has been organised and supported by Partners of the Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group.






For further information please contact Tracey Ramsay 01577 867177 or email Tramsay@pkc.gov.uk

THE KINROSS HUB A CAFE FOR CARERS

The hub cafe is an informal meeting place to chat over a cuppa with other carers, cared for and family members.

**St. PAULS CHURCH HALL
KINROSS**
1st MONDAY of EVERY MONTH
10.00 am—12noon

Contact Gail Boath
or Annette Bond
Tel. 01577 867306 / 01738 567076

PKAVS Making the Difference

PERTH & KINROSS COUNCIL
Housing & Community Care

Kinross Recycling Centre

Bridgend Industrial Estate

Opening Times: **Mondays to Fridays 9am to 7pm**
Saturdays and Sundays 9am to 5pm

Bicycles, cans (inc aerosols, biscuit tins, aluminium foil), car and household batteries, cardboard, cooking oil, electricals (WEEE), engine oil, fluorescent tubes, long life light bulbs, food and drinks cartons (Tetra packs), fridges, freezers, garden waste, glass, large domestic appliances, paper, plastic (rigid plastic packaging), rubble stone and soil, scrap metal, telephone directories, textiles (clothes and shoes), timber, tyres (maximum two per visit, strictly householders only) and non recyclable (general) waste.

Compost can be collected from the Recycling Centre, subject to availability. Maximum of 2 x 25kg bags per visitor.

The Bike Station

Donate unwanted bikes, parts and cycling accessories for reuse. Bikes are refurbished and sold on to the public at affordable prices. Poorer bikes are salvaged for parts.

Bikes can be donated at the Kinross Recycling Centre (Bridgend Industrial Estate) or at The Bike Station at Mid Friarton, just off the Edinburgh Road in Perth.

Bike Station opening hours: Monday to Saturday, 10.30am to 4.30pm and late opening to 8pm on Wednesdays.

Weekly bike sales: Fridays, 10.30am-4.30pm (children's bikes) and Saturdays, 10.30am to 12.30pm (adults' bikes).

Tel: 01738 444430. Email: peth@thebikestation.org.uk Website: www.thebikestation.org.uk

Ceilidh Dancing

Come and join us from 2 till 3 every Monday in the Guide Hall, Milnathort, and learn to ceilidh dance. You don't need a partner and it is all very informal and great fun.

All proceeds go to the Scouts and Guides. Just come along – the more the merrier. No age limit.



Loch Leven Community Campus
The Muirs, Kinross
KY13 8FQ
www.pkc.gov.uk

Community Learning & Development Adult Learning Free local and friendly support with:

English as a Second Language

Would you like to improve your ability to:

- Talk to friends and neighbours
- Understand what people say to you
- Give information
- Talk on the phone
- Fill in a form
- Apply for a job

Adult Literacy & Numeracy

Reading Writing Spelling Numbers

“I can enjoy books now”

“I feel more confident”

“Filling in forms is less scary”

“I passed my driving test”

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

If you would like further information regarding any of the tuition please contact:

Roseanne Gray

Loch Leven Community Campus

Email: rgray@pkc.gov.uk

Tel: 01577 867177

Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre

based in the centre of Perth

Offers free, confidential, non-judgemental advice and support to anyone facing a pregnancy related crisis.

In a safe, secure environment we aim to assist women (or couples) in making their own informed decisions about their future and support them through the process if they require it. We offer confidential advice, free pregnancy testing, pregnancy crisis and miscarriage support, adoption advice and counselling for post abortion stress.

The office is open 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday and outwith those hours can be contacted on the office number 01738 621174.

On-line support and information can be obtained from our website www.careconfidential.com

Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre

40 St John Street, Perth, PH1 5SP

www.hopepregnancy.co.uk

email: hope-pregnancy@btconnect.com

Helpline 01738 621174

We are a Scottish Charity SC037103



THE TALKING DONKEY

Every Friday 11am - 2pm
@ The Millbridge Hall

For further information, or if you want to be involved please ring 07766 515 950 or 07771 696 830

The Cafe where everything is **FREE!**

-  Soups 
-  Snacks 
-  Hot Drinks 
-  Cold Drinks 
-  Home-cooked lunches 

All brought to your table by our friendly staff

The Talking Donkey is a Christian venture so there will always be people on hand to offer **Prayer For Any Need**



MINDSPACE COUNSELLING SERVICE

MindSpace Counselling Services are now able to offer counselling to adults and young people aged 11+ at The Loch Leven Health Centre on Mondays and Tuesdays. We offer counselling to people who are facing a wide range of difficulties or challenges such as: bereavement or loss; isolation, anxiety or depression; stress of work or in the home; difficulties in friend, family or intimate relationships; confused feelings. If you are interested in this service you can self-refer via email to info@mindspacepk.com, by telephone on 01738 631639 or by visiting our website at www.mindspacepk.com. You can also be referred by your GP. MindSpace also offer counselling to adults (18+) at their offices in Perth. For more information visit our website at www.mindspacepk.com



Need to consult an old Newsletter?

The Kinross (Marshall) Museum at the Loch Leven Community Campus houses a collection of every Kinross Community Council Newsletter ever published (July 1977 to the present day). Newsletters can be consulted when the Museum Study Room is open: Thursdays, 10am – 8pm and Saturdays, 10am – 1pm. Electronic versions of Newsletters from September 2006 to the present day can be downloaded from the Newsletter website: www.kinrossnewsletter.org

Perth Citizens Advice Bureau Outreach Advice Surgery



The Kinross Outreach Advice Surgery is held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at St Paul's Church Hall, The Muirs, Kinross. The next visits are:

9 and 23 September

No appointment is necessary as the surgery is a drop-in service. For complex issues a further appointment may be necessary. Perth CAB can help you – our advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent. Contact us: Advice line 01738 450580; Appointment line 01738 450581.

Perth Citizens Advice Bureau Benefits Advice in Libraries (BAIL)



Benefits specialist Sarah MacLean will be available at Loch Leven Community Campus Library on the **second and fourth Wednesday of each month** between 2pm and 4pm. Alongside the provision of general benefits advice Sarah can help with the following:

- Completing both paper and online benefit application forms;
- Conducting checks to see if clients are receiving everything they are entitled to, i.e. discounts for fuel, etc;
- Providing advice and support in instances where an application is refused or awarded at a lower level than expected.

Please note: Sarah is available **by appointment only**. To make an appointment, please call 01738 450599.

MOUBRAY HALL, POWMILL

Do you need to hire a venue for your club or society meetings, family get-togethers, birthday parties or functions?

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For further details, please call 01577 840330.

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Mobile: 07826 244765
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www.greyhoundrescuefife.com

Discover Loch Leven Website

To discover the myriad things to see and do in Kinross-shire and its neighbouring counties, visit www.visitlochleven.org

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Customer Service Centre Tel: 01738 475000
(Mon to Fri, 8am-6pm)

Out of Hours Emergencies Tel: 01738 625411
(Roads, flooding, environmental health and dangerous buildings)

Clarence (for non-emergency road and lighting defects) Tel: 0800 232323

Registrar Tel: 01577 867133
The Registrar is normally in Kinross only on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Loch Leven Community Campus

Mobile Library

Mobile 2, Week 1, every second Wednesday:
Visiting Powmill, Rumbling Bridge, Crook of Devon, Fossoway, Cleish and Milnathort. Next visit: **3 September.**

Mobile 2, Week 2, every second Tuesday:
Visiting Mawcarse, Glenlmond, Kinnesswood, Scotlandwell, Levenmouth Farm, Hatchbank and Cambo. Next visit: **9 September.**

Mobile 1, Week 2, every second Wednesday:
Visiting Glenfarg and Duncruevie. Next visit: **10 September.**
For times of stops, see PKC website: www.pkc.gov.uk
Any queries, telephone AK Bell Library 01738 444949.

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Fossoway and Cleish Community Office

A service for the Community, open:

Thursdays 2 pm - 4 pm

Saturdays 10am -12 noon

Out of hours there is an answering machine

Tel: 01577 840185 Email: fccoffice@btinternet.com

Local Correspondent

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Kinross-shire *Day Centre*

64 High Street
Kinross
KY13 8AJ



Film shows • Cards • Dominoes • Art Class
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises

Weekly Programme

Monday	Exercise Class	11am	Bingo	1.30pm
			“Stride for Life” Walking Group	2pm
Tuesday	Relaxation Class	1.15pm	Singing group with Alex Cant	1.45pm
	Fun and Games	1.15pm		
Wednesday	Scrabble	1.30pm	Quiz Afternoon	1.30pm
	Dominoes & Games	1.30pm		
Thursday	Film Afternoon	1.30pm	Dominoes	1.30pm
	Art Class	1.30pm	Scrabble etc	1.30pm
Friday	Bingo	1.30pm	Dominoes	1.30pm

Additional Events for September

Barge Trip	Tuesday	9th	10am
Tai Chi	Wednesday	10th, 24th	1.30 - 2pm
Trip to Library	Thursday	25th	1.45pm
Chiropody	Thursday	4th, 25th	9.30am - 12.30pm
			(phone 01577 863869 for an appointment)
Food from around the world, and Entertainment (Sweden)	Tuesday	29th	12noon - 3pm

There will also be other day trips that are yet to be organised!



Coffee Bar open to the public 8.30 am - 4 pm, Older Adults Lunches Daily.
Our activities are open to everyone - please feel free to come in and have a great afternoon.

Phone: 01577 863869

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LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross

Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 6.00 pm
Saturday: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Tel: 862422

Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort

Mon to Fri: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm &
2.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Saturday: 9.00 am - 12.30 pm
Tel: 862219



Sundays: The nearest open pharmacy is Asda, Dunfermline

Perth Samaritans

Need to talk? We'll listen.

Contact us by

phone on 01738 626666 or 08457 909090

Email us jo@samaritans.org

or **visit** us at 3 King's Place, Perth, PH2 8AA

Mondays 1630 - 2130 Thursdays 1630 - 1900

Wednesdays 0830 - 1100 Fridays 1000 - 1630

and 1930 - 2130 Sundays 0800 - 2130

No pressure, no names, no judgment.

We're here for you, anytime.

PLUS Perth

www.plusperth.co.uk

Tel: 01738 626242

77 Canal Street, Perth



Are you suffering from Macular Degeneration?

A meeting is held by the Support Group at The Blind Society, New Row, Perth on the last Wednesday of the month. If you are interested or require further details, please contact **Hazel Rennie, telephone 01738 442358.**

PLUS is a member-led local charity and social movement which gives hope and opportunity to those affected by disadvantage; in the main to those with experience of mental ill health and substance misuse.

The PLUS office is open Mon-Fri 9.30am - 4pm for mental health signposting and enquiries.

Classified Adverts

The Newsletter publishes items for sale listed on the kinross.cc website. If interested in purchasing an item, we suggest **checking the website for current availability** (www.kinross.cc then 'Local Adverts' then 'Classified Adverts'). If interested in selling an item, please list it on www.kinross.cc and it will automatically be published in the next available Newsletter, subject to space.

Items for Sale

- 3-Seater Leather Sofa** **£100.00**
Black leather 3-seater sofa, in good condition. Buyer collects.
Seller Details: Julia Menzies 07826 166517
juliam3@hotmail.co.uk
- Two tickets for The Who, 30 Nov 14** **£250.00 ono**
Selling two tickets for The Who at Glasgow Hydro on 30 Nov 14.
Bought for £305 will sell for £250 ono.
Seller Details: Liz Flatt 07548 531013
- Travel Cot and bedding** **£20.00**
Description: Little used. Excellent condition.
Seller Details: Edna Burnett 01577 862977
ednaburnett@fsmail.net
- Kids' Booster Seat** **£8.00**
Securely straps onto any chair. Seat adjusts to three heights.
Portable for easy carrying.
Seller Details: Edna Burnett 01577 862977
ednaburnett@fsmail.net

Wanted

Ukulele lessons wanted
Advanced beginner needs help and instruction to progress. Phone 01577 865573 and ask for Bill, please.
Contact Details: Bill Cooper 01577 865573
bill_cooper_2000@yahoo.co.uk

Springwell – Wellbeing Support Team

Inclusion * Wellbeing * Recovery

Supporting positive mental health in Kinross-shire and Strathearn for adults from 16 onwards

We support people to improve the quality of their life and wellbeing, be more involved in their community, help them achieve their ambitions and manage their mental health. We support people how to improve their social contacts, be more active, access education or voluntary opportunities or work. The support and activities we offer are flexible and can change and develop over time, depending on what people need and benefit from.

For more information or an informal chat please phone
Charlie Wilson 01577 867320, or
Email charleswilson@pkc.gov.uk

Mobility Scooters

Available to hire, free of charge, seven days a week
from the Kinross pier
1st July – end October, 10am – 4pm
Telephone Simon Lennox on (01577) 862670
to make a booking.

*This facility is available due to the generous co-operation of
Historic Scotland and Montgomery Hotels Group/Kinross Estate*

The Wash House, Scotlandwell

Visitors can look inside the restored, historic wash house by borrowing the key from the Well Country Inn at anytime during daylight hours.

Situations Vacant

In conjunction with www.kinross.cc, the Newsletter is pleased to publish local situations vacant. Please go to the kinross.cc website before applying to **check whether a position is still available**. (Go to www.kinross.cc then click on 'Local Adverts' and choose 'Situations Vacant').

General coffeeshop duties, serving coffee/teas/cakes (part time) at Lochend Farm Shop & Coffee Shop, Scotlandwell

Friday and Saturday - also holiday cover.
Please contact Helen on 01592 840 745 for details.

Making giant pots of soup and home baking, Lochend Farm Shop & Coffee Shop, Scotlandwell

Weekend Rota, 32 hours.
Please contact Helen on 01592 840 745 for details.

Home Help (part time), Mr A McCulloch, Kinross.

Home help required to assist a local mum with 2 children (aged 9 and 7) while receiving chemotherapy treatment. Help required on an ad-hoc basis as husband works offshore. Some hours daily for up to 3 weeks, then time off for 3 weeks. Repeating rota. Pay to be agreed.
For more details, please call 01577 862341.



Community Learning & Development Adult & Family Learning Team

Technology Drop-in

**CONFUSED BY YOUR COMPUTER?
INTRIGUED BY THE INTERNET?
ERRORS IN YOUR EMAIL?
FLUMMOXED BY YOUR PHONE?**

The IT Tutor with Community Learning and Development
at

Loch Leven Community Campus

is holding drop-in sessions to help with any basic
technology questions you may have:

As from 8 August 2014

Friday mornings 10am – 12 noon

in the ICT room within the library

No need to book, just drop-in!

If you need further information,
please contact **01577 867177**

Newbies

Every Monday, 2- 3pm

Loch Leven Community Campus

A new group for new parents and new babies!

Come along and meet other parents for a blether,
whilst the babies play.

Parents with babies 0 - 18 months FREE!

Perth & Kinross School Term Dates 2014-15

Term	Start	End
Autumn	Tue 19 Aug 2014	Fri 10 Oct 2014
Winter	Mon 27 Oct 2014	Fri 19 Dec 2014
Spring	Mon 5 Jan 2015	Thu 2 Apr 2015
Summer	Tue 21 Apr 2015	Thu 2 July 2015

In Service Days and Occasional Holidays:

2014: Fri 26 Sep; Fri 14 Nov.

2015: 18, 19 & 20 Feb; Mon 4 May (May Day, tbc.)

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Fri-Sun	29-31	Just About Movies film festival	84
	30-15	Kinross Camera Club print exhibition at library (until 13 September)	59
Sun	31	Summer Fete, Guide Hall, Milnathort	84
Sun	31	Mary Queen of Scots Extravaganza	84
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Mon	1	Kinross Hub Café for Carers	95
Tue	2	Tullibole Castle open throughout September	84
Tue	2	Fossoway & District CC meets	40
Wed	3	Nature Tots every Wednesday at RSPB Loch Leven	70
Wed	3	Persimmon Homes: Former Kinross High School site public exhibition	84
Wed	3	Milnathort Town Hall Association AGM	84
Wed	3	Kinross CC meets	31
Wed	3	Kinross Bridge Club resumes after summer	44
Thu	4	Fifty Plus Club meets	46
Thu	4	Kinross Junior Badminton Club commences new season	65
Thu	4	The Thursday Group: Doing Porridge	84
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Fri	5	Bat walk with RSPB	70
Sat	6	Kinross Tennis Club championships	65
	6-14	Perthshire Open Studios Art Event	44, 35
Sun	7	Kinross Cycling Club road race	69
Sun	7	Little Seedlings Club meets	53
Tue	9	Citizens Advice Bureau visits Kinross twice per month (also on 23rd)	96
Tue	9	Free wellbeing taster session (also on 16th, 23rd and 30th)	84
Tue	9	Portmoak CC meets	40
Wed	10	Library volunteer group open meeting	2
Wed-Sat	10-13	Kinross and District Art Club Exhibition and Sale	44
Thu	11	Milnathort CC meets	35
Fri	12	Roald Dahl Day at library	18
Fri	12	Newsletter Deadline	1
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Sat	13	Bistro Night at Milnathort Golf Club	66
Sat	13	Auction of Items and Promises, Crook of Devon Village Hall	87
Sun	14	Portmoak Film Society: Philomena	60
Mon	15	Kinross High School Parent Council meets	54
Tue	16	Blythswood Care collection	92
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Tue	16	Common Grounds project lunch	50
Tue	16	Leven Voices choir resumes	56
Wed	17	Referendum Prayers at Kinross Parish Church	7
Thu	18	Independence Referendum	
Sat	20	Big Coffee Morning at Potager Garden for Macmillan Cancer Support	49
Sat	20	Intermediate Digital Photography Course with RSPB	70
Sat, Sun	20, 21	Optics weekend at RSPB Loch Leven	70
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Sun	21	Milnathort Filmhouse: The Lego Movie	88
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Thu	25	Fashion Show at Loch Leven's Larder	11, 94
Thu	25	Kinross Camera Club resumes	59
Fri, Sat	26, 27	Annual Kinross Beer Festival	49, 55
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Sat	27	Floral demonstration by Jinty Kidd	88
Sat, Sun	27, 28	Wedding Open Days at Tullibole Castle	88
Sun	28	Fungi Foray with SNH	73
Sun	28	Chansons charity concert	88
Mon	29	Milnathort Bridge Club AGM and start of winter season	44