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Letters

Editorial

When we said on the front cover 'County Buildings to close,' we should clarify that we mean the Council services from that location will cease, not that the building will necessarily close. The Council's SP&R Committee has agreed that "future customer service provision be focussed on the new community campus." When Cllrs Baird and Robertson raised concerns about the future of the Grade B Listed building, Cllr Ian Miller, Committee Convener, said (according to the PA) "There is nothing in the paper that says that the County Buildings will close." Watch this space.

At the risk of sounding like a school teacher, the essential reading in this issue is on pages 4, 7 and 8 – on the County Buildings, Community Engagement and Development Plan consultation.

A five-week gap always makes for a big Newsletter. This is now the biggest issue ever at 100 pages.

Horn of Thomanean

25 Aug 2010

In a recent number [July 2009] you had a little piece about the Horn of Thomanean mausoleum in the Old Orwell kirkyard.

I wonder if any of your readers knows the details of the pedigree of this family? I enquire because it produced a notable off-shoot – John Jameson, the sheriff-clerk of Clackmannanshire who, through his Haig wife's family connections, went to Dublin and started the famous distilling firm which still bears his name.

John Jameson's mother was Helen Horn of Thomanean, and nothing seems to be known about her parents or siblings, apart from her marrying William Jameson in 1737. (Nothing is known of his family background either.)

The only Helen Horn born in the area around the right date was the daughter of William Horn and Catherine Gib, baptised in Dysart in 1713.

David Horn, from Milnathort (Burgher), ordained 29th September 1742, was the first minister of the United Presbyterian Church which had been built in 1740 at Davies Dyke, five miles east of Cambusnethan, Lanarkshire. When he wanted to resign in 1768, he said that it was partly "as his family were removing to Thomanean at Martinmas, a property in Kinross-shire which had come into his possession by his marriage."

George Coventry married in 1761 Elizabeth, daughter and co-heiress of Andrew Horn of Thomanean, in the parish of Orwell, Kinross-shire.

Henry Horn, son of David Horn of Thomanean, was apprenticed in 1779 to George Barclay jnr, shipmaster of Dysart.

If anyone can link these references to Helen Horn, mother of John Jameson, I should be extremely grateful.

Charles Gordon Clark
Llaneglwys, Brecknock
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Robbed of glory

30 Aug 2010

My cousin Norma Crawford recently entered the Flower Show at the Kinross Show for the first time having been a very keen gardener for a number of years.

Can you imagine her absolute delight in winning, at her first attempt, the Gavin Lindores Trophy for the Best Single Rose. Can you then imagine her disappointment in finding herself robbed of her moment of glory, when not only the Perth Advertiser, The Courier, but also our very own Kinross Newsletter, reported the winner of this trophy as one Robert Getley.

Thankfully, the trophy has the correct name engraved upon it, but it certainly gave the engraver at Sands hardware store in Kinross a bit of a fright when told of the mistake.

Well done Norma for not only winning the Best Single Rose, but also picking up a couple of second prizes and a third.

Lynne MacArthur
6 Katrine Place, Kinross

Like the Perthshire Advertiser and the Courier, the Kinross Newsletter prints results issued by the Kinross Show organising committee – Ed.

Response to Lynne MacArthur

9 Sept 2010

We are always pleased to welcome new Exhibitors to the Flower Show at Kinross Show and this year we had a record number of first-time exhibitors. This in turn made for a very busy morning for myself and the members of the Flower Committee who worked hard to keep up with the Judges and the marking up of results. Mrs Crawford received the Gavin Lindores Trophy from me in front of a large crowd in the Flower tent. I apologise for the inaccuracy in the results printed in the Press.

Claire Paton
(Convener, Flower Show, Kinross Show)

Bloom Committees

13 Sept 2010

I wish to congratulate all members of Bloom committees in Kinross and Glenfarg. The displays are absolutely wonderful. It is a joy to drive through and see people of all ages either weeding, planting, watering or admiring their hard work. Sorry I don't stop to help.

I now know the difference between Scotlandwell and Kinesswood: one is a wee village and the other a small village. Congratulations to both at a Take a Pride in Perthshire Awards (don't know why it is not Take a Pride in Perth and Kinross).

The efforts of Bloom Committees don't go unnoticed: visitors and residents admire the work. We are not good at thanking all the local people who work so hard to improve the environment for all to enjoy. Well done to all involved and keep up the good work. I am sure you inspire others to improve their neighbourhood.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Kathleen Baird

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Abbreviations: PKC: Peth & Kinross Council CC: Community Council Cllr: Councillor CCllr: Community Councillor

Response to Open Letter (KHS site) 17 Sept 2010

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to reply to the letter and questions raised by David Cuthbert and Susan Bathgate via the Newsletter regarding the former Kinross High School.

David and Susan invited residents to contact all the Councillors. To date, 17 September, I have received one letter and the subject was on the Agenda at the CC meeting in Kinross. I have not discussed the letter with my fellow councillors or my response.

I will try to provide answers via this letter but am more than happy to discuss further with any individual who wishes to contact me.

I am making no comment regarding the handling of any complaints either by PKC or by the Standards Commission of Scotland or by the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman. PKC several years ago embarked on a very ambitious Investment in Learning Programme. Some were sceptical that this could not be delivered on time: campuses are opening on time. One of the first to open, almost one year ago, was Loch Leven Community Campus; the facilities have the WOW factor and are a great asset for all sections of the community. This facility is open to all, no matter where they live.

This programme cost millions, the cost alone for Kinross in excess of 24 million pounds. Part of the programme was to sell surplus buildings to help finance the project. I am not disputing the fact that the site in Kinross is a prime site and was one of the largest to be marketed.

PKC has to try and maximise income from the sale of redundant surplus property. Council tax alone does not pay for the services. I know some people think that the Council is not a business but bills have to be paid and services managed to get the best value for everyone in Perth & Kinross. The Kinross High School site was marketed along with other sites on the open market. The Kinross site was advertised as suitable for housing, retail or small business. Bids were received by the due date and a sub committee looked at the bids: this was held in private. All property sales are held in private, normal practice. Kinross High School site was treated no differently from any other council owned property.

To answer the question regarding Perth City Hall, PKC is not selling Perth City Hall – the Hall and site is for lease.

To answer the question regarding economic impact assessment, PKC commissioned a retail impact assessment in 2006. Although concentrating on Perth, it did look at the towns and it was found that Kinross was losing retail status to other centres.

Economic impact assessments are normally included in planning applications and at the moment there is no planning application submitted by anyone.

The work on the long-awaited relief road is earmarked to start in 2011 and this will open up new business opportunities for the town and surrounding area.

The new campus has helped to deliver more recreational land. Local plans are aspirational and sometimes it takes time to achieve this.

I acknowledge that the site is used for parking, particularly at the weekend by the Church, and confirm that there has been dialogue with Church and the Council. Long-term solution to the parking is an issue and this has been acknowledged.

Lack of affordable housing is an issue. Scottish Homes's

interpretation of "affordable homes" and local interpretation is not quite the same. Local people would like some housing that is affordable for local people to buy or rent. What is affordable? PKC has recently granted permission and provided some financial help to Hillcrest to develop Swansacre for affordable housing. I am sure we are delighted that at long last this eyesore will be removed from the High Street. I am sorry I cannot tell you when work will begin.

Kinross town centre does look tired and forgotten; some of it is due to Council neglect. I have no evidence to support your claim that money is spent in Perth rather than Kinross. Some may think that Perth is also suffering from neglect.

Whether we like it or not, town centres are changing, communities are changing, individuals like choice where they shop, eat socialise, and often local people like to do their main shop in another town or out of town store. Retailers are suffering like everyone else and we know that people shop on line in the comfort of their own home.

As far as I know there are no plans to upgrade Kinross Primary School or move the Primary School to the High School site. Many schools use portacabins.

Trustees of the Curling Academy did not put an offer in for the Kinross High School site as far as I know. The site was advertised in the open market. I am not a member of the property sub committee and was unable to attend as an observer. I was aware of the content of the paper. The successful bid will be made public in due course, as is normal practice.

At the preplanning application stage, consultation with the community will begin and I urge as many people as possible to get involved.

I hope I have managed to provide answers.

The decision to sell the site was made in principle a long time ago. I cannot reverse that decision.

It is clear that Loch Leven Community Campus has excellent facilities for both pupils and the community. I don't think anyone would like to turn the clock back to the days of water pouring into the building, toilets that no one would use and pupils trying to learn in outdated buildings.

I attended the prize-giving ceremony at the campus at the end of June. Not only did pupils gain many awards both locally and nationally, but we heard pupils share their impressions of the campus and how much they enjoyed the facilities. They are proud of the campus.

Celebrate. Enjoy the campus.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Kathleen Baird

See also a message from Councillor Baird about PKC's decision to remove Council services from the County Buildings and Mill Street office on page 4.

LAWSON'S SCHOOL OF DANCING

Dance classes for children aged 4 upwards:

Wednesday evening – Ballet

Thursday evening – Tap

Saturday morning – Highland

Any enquiries please telephone Jacqueline Crawford on 01577 861501 or 07952 842 369.



News & Articles

Notice – County Buildings

The Strategic Policy and Resources Committee of Perth & Kinross Council on 15 September 2010 made the decision to transfer the Council functions, presently held in the Council Buildings at Mill Street, and the County Buildings themselves, up to the Community Campus. The Buildings will then be available for other use, possibly sale. Whilst it is not difficult to imagine a sale of the building in Mill Street for development or other purposes, the County Buildings are a completely different proposition and they are possibly harder to sell. They are, of course, also a most important flagship building in the centre of Kinross providing a number of public functions including Registration, the War Memorial, and the Assembly Point for Light up Kinross.



Council functions carried out at the County Buildings are to be moved to the community campus

The Strategic Policy and Resources Committee did in general terms promise consultation with the community in relation to the County Buildings, and the Community Council believe that we should now, as a community, be carefully considering future uses of this building which will

maintain its sustainability into the future. General ideas might centre around the establishment of a Local Development Trust charged with responsibility for the building but what is clear is that the community as a whole needs to be involved in this process and to support in one way or another a future community use of this building. Otherwise it will be another closed and boarded up building in Kinross Town Centre. It would be the hope of the Community Council that Perth & Kinross Council as a whole will be sympathetic to community involvement in the County Buildings and most importantly willing to allow the building to come into the hands of the local community, whether by lease or sale, if a sustainable future for it can be found.

Could anyone with any ideas about the viability of the County Buildings going forward, or interested in participating in a discussion about the future of the County Buildings, please make contact with me.

Campbell Watson
Chairman
Kinross Community Council
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The Social Work offices will be transferred to the community campus

Councillor Baird on PKC's decision on County Buildings and Mill Street

For many years the focus has been on the future of the Town Hall and latterly the High School site. Now the future use of Kinross County Buildings is high on PKC's agenda, along with other Council owned properties in various towns throughout the Council area.

Despite my pleas at the Strategic Policy and Resources committee to consult before making the decision to move services to the campus and those of Kinross CC's to move the Social Work dept from Mill St to the County Buildings as an interim measure, PKC ignored the local councillors' pleas.

The paper before the committee was about service needs and property issues outwith Perth, and what was decided applies to all Council offices in all towns. Council no longer requires the County buildings and Mill Street.

Local councillors who were on the committee are not happy with the decision and are prepared to work with the community to find the best solution.

Concern is that services may be removed before the solution is found and nobody wants to look at another boarded up building in Kinross.

I acknowledge that the building is not fit for purpose and is not fully utilised and in time residents may be happy to have services delivered from the campus.

I have no detail of when this is likely to happen.

The paper states that the Council will co-operate with any local community group and trusts in purchasing and managing the local amenity asset.

I expect Kinross County Buildings to be on the agenda of the CC in the months to come.

Councillor Kathleen Baird

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Kinross-shire Engagement... One Year On!

by Perth & Kinross Council

It is now a year since PKC officers engaged with the community of Kinross-shire through focus groups and a world café. Over the year a number of issues have been raised and officers have been working with the community to take these forward in the most appropriate way.

As part of our ongoing feedback we thought this was the right time to update the community on developments and progress for the area.

Kirkgate Park Improvements

Following on from the success of the upgrade of Kirkgate Park in 2007, which has seen visitor numbers increase dramatically, PKC are pleased to announce that proposals for Phase 2 of the park upgrade are underway.

The second phase will see the introduction of traffic calming and environmental improvements to the park road between the existing toilet block and the watchtower. This is intended to reduce the speed of car users and increase the safety of other park users whilst the environmental improvements will enhance the landscape setting of the watchtower and cemetery. Also as part of the proposals the existing toilet block will be demolished and replaced with a new semi automatic public convenience in the same location and the introduction of a new events power point at the amphitheatre. The power supply to both facilities will be brought in from the sub-station at Sandport Gait.

The project is out to tender and it is anticipated that should planning permission be granted construction work is likely to start at the beginning of November and be completed in mid February 2011.

We would also like to take this opportunity to note that pedestrian and vehicle access in the vicinity of the toilet block and the Watchtower may be disrupted during this period, however PKC will endeavour to keep any disruption to a minimum.

The Council would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Friends of Kirkgate Park for their continued support for this work and the role they play in helping us ensure the park meets user's needs. The Friends would welcome anyone with an interest in the future of the park to join the group and for further information please contact enquiries@pkc.gov.uk or call 01738 476476 and ask for Community Greenspace. (see also *FoKP Notice, p.92*).

Milnathort Placecheck

Proposals for the priorities the community identified for Milnathort were displayed from Tuesday 4 May to Friday 14 May in Loch Leven Community Campus Library, Orwell & Portmoak Church Office, Milnathort Primary School and Milnathort Golf Club. A large number of comments and suggestions were left at the exhibitions and these are being taken onboard as the designs are being completed. It is hoped that works will start on site over the winter and spring which will include improvements to South Street, Back Loan, Wester Loan, Donaldson Park and the village entrances. The Council would like to thank the community for the excellent feedback and help with Milnathort Placecheck so far and further details can be found at www.pkc.gov.uk/placecheck.

Tourist Signage Update

PKC have been working with TRACKS and others to rationalise and improve the Tourist Signage in and around Kinross.

The Council has produced a new publication comprising special offers from businesses in and around Kinross. The booklet has been designed to complement the promotion of the Heritage Trail, with 21 special offers as well as profiles of the key features and attractions around Loch Leven. The aim is to attract additional visitors to the area and help the local economy. The publication is available locally and is being distributed further afield, including Edinburgh and the Lothians.

Town Centre Improvements

The work on the town regeneration is continuing. Kinross Conservation Area was re-designated on 2 July 2010 and identifies opportunities for enhancing and improving public space and buildings in the town centre.

Design work has begun on public space improvements and consultations will take place with local representatives before the end of the year.

One of the key themes at the world café was the issue of parking; additional parking has been provided at the former High School site whilst this is still in the Council ownership. No other traffic orders have been promoted or rescinded so far as the potential High Street environment works have implications for other proposed parking alterations.

Property issues continue to develop and the following is a brief update:

Kinross Town Hall

The disposal of the property is to be determined by the Full Council on 29 September 2010.

Former Kinross High School site

Negotiations are ongoing with the highest bidder. These discussions are linked to the conditions placed on the bid and may take some time to bring to a conclusion. The disposal is also conditional on the bidder gaining planning permission.

Mill Street Offices and County Buildings

These currently remain operational buildings. The Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 15 September 2010 approved that future customer service provision be focussed on the new Community Campus building in Kinross.

Swansacre

The Development Control Committee approved Hillcrest Housing Association's plans for conversion of the building into two dwellings at its meeting on 8 September 2010. The transfer of possession will now take place and it is anticipated that Hillcrest will commence works sometime in October.

Graffiti – Swansacre

We would like to thank the community for their art work at Swansacre which is a vast improvement on what was there before! Once this site has transferred ownership, the community will have to check with the new owner about retaining the boards. Until then, however, the Council has no issues with the boards staying in place.

Western Edge relief road

Work continues on the detailed design of the infrastructure and the planning application for the new road is being prepared for submission in October. The procurement process has also commenced and the project is still programmed to complete in 2011. (*Continued over...*)

Local Update and Progress so far

Over the last year there have been a range of initiatives which have ensured increased community involvement in the Community Campus and improved networking and communication between the various and wide-ranging community groups in the area.

This has been achieved through the development of a Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group which has 42 members and meets monthly to encourage joint working and information sharing.

Funding workshops and networking events have been held for community groups and these have been well attended.

The shrub bed in Mill Street, Kinross has been cleared and replanted this summer in response to concerns raised by local residents.

The Kinross Primary School beech hedge is due to be replanted this autumn to replace the old hedge.

Following removal of the old shrub beds at Green Park in Kinross last winter, a review of what should be replaced or grassed over is to be undertaken with Kinross Community Council, Kinross in Bloom and local residents this autumn. Refurbishment of the crocus bulb planting areas at Lathro Park, Gace Gardens and Springfield Road will also be looked at and agreed.

Community Campus News

Loch Leven Community Campus has now been in operation for almost one year. A range of activities have been taking place and the number of people using it is continuing to rise. Staff are working hard to meet public demand and are continually trying to improve the service. A questionnaire targeted at pupils, parents/guardians, community members, school staff and campus staff was conducted just before the summer break. Thank you to those who completed it. The results are being pulled together and will inform how the campus goes forward. Information relating to the community survey will be on the Campus website www.pkcampuses.org.uk/lochleven in the near future.

A Campus Partnership has been established to ensure the local community can influence and shape future service delivery from the campus.

In addition the Old Times New Places Group has promoted the Campus to older people in Kinross and ensured they are aware of the resources and facilities available to them through, in particular, the library and the museum.

Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report – Consultation

If publication of the Main Issues Report is approved by Council on 29 September, then drop-in consultation sessions will take place at the Loch Leven Community Campus. (See right for more information.)

FASHION SHOW by The Shop at the Green

Wednesday 20 October 2010

Afternoon Show – 2.30pm Tickets £10 (inc. tea & biscuits)
Evening Show – 7.30pm Tickets £15 (inc. glass of wine)

To be held in the Windlestrae Hotel
in aid of The New Curling Academy
Tickets available from
The Shop at the Green Tel: 01577 863467

Local Development Plan Main Issues Report – consultation arrangements

A 14-week public consultation on the Main Issues Report for the new Perth & Kinross Local Development Plan is set to be approved by a meeting of the full Council on Wednesday 29 September (*while the Newsletter is at press*).

The Council will be asked to approve the publication of a Main Issues Report (MIR) to stimulate discussion and encourage views on what policy and development options could be included in the Proposed Local Development Plan, which is due to be published in December 2011.

The MIR is not a draft development plan, but provides options and general proposals for development and land use, for the purposes of the consultation. A lot of the information included in it has come from ideas already put forward by local people and developers. It outlines the Council's vision for Perth & Kinross, the objectives of the Local Development Plan and the main issues which will help shape the proposed Plan.

Among the main issues are:

- Housing - How do we provide land to meet identified local housing need?
- Economy and retailing - The need to provide and maintain an adequate supply of economic development land and improved retail provision
- Green infrastructure - The need to protect landscape and biodiversity, and mitigate climate change.

The MIR also sets out the "spatial strategy" for the proposed Plan. This will allow individual areas of Perth & Kinross to be looked at according to their own specific needs. The areas are: Perth, Kinross-shire, Highland, Strathearn, Strathmore & Glens.

If the MIR is approved by the Council it will be published on Friday 8 October, beginning the largest and most extensive public consultation exercise ever undertaken by the planning authority.

Copies of the MIR will be available to view in Council offices and libraries and online at www.pkc.gov.uk

If the proposal is accepted by full Council, the consultation in Kinross will take the form of an **Exhibition at the Loch Leven Community Campus**, with staff available to answer any questions people might have. The dates for this are expected to be:

Monday 18 October 2pm - 8pm
Saturday 6 November 10am - 4pm

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Autumn Classes through Kinross Learning Centre

The fantastic new facilities offered by Loch Leven Community Campus provide the venue for a range of brand new Perth College leisure courses starting this autumn. State of the art music rooms, kitchens, art and craft rooms will be used for courses which Perth College's Kinross Learning Centre has been unable to offer until now!



However, the learning centre is still very much open with a busy programme of classes currently underway and some new short courses also set to start in November.

To find out more or to book your place on any of these courses, call Maureen Ross on 01577 863863, e-mail pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk or visit the centre at Swansacre, Kinross.

Classes at Loch Leven Community Campus

Course	Start	Time	Duration	Cost	ILA
Upholstery Workshop	Sat 30 Oct	10am-1pm	6 weeks	£80	√
Learn the skills to bring new life to your jaded furniture. Your project must be easily transportable and your tetanus vaccinations must be up-to-date. Once we have enough students and the class can run, we will tell you what equipment to bring.					
Taste of Spain	Mon 1 Nov	7-9pm	6 weeks	£60	√
Classic Spanish cooking with attention to regional history and climate. The Mediterranean diet is renowned for its health benefits and this course will focus on using fresh ingredients to create authentic Spanish dishes.					
Learn to Play Guitar	Mon 1 Nov	7-9pm	6 weeks	£60	
For beginners who wish to improve basic skills. Includes rhythm playing, chord identification and accompanying for plectrum and finger style guitar.					
Singing Performance	Mon 1 Nov	7-9pm	6 weeks	£60	
Improve your singing voice and gain confidence. Develop your talent with guidance and support.					
Stitched Christmas Crafts	Wed 3 Nov	7-9pm	6 weeks	£60	
Decorate your home this Christmas with personal, hand made decorations.					
Floral Art	Wed 3 Nov	4-6pm	6 weeks	£60	
Techniques and ideas to create special arrangements for your home with a festive theme. There will be a demonstration on the first night and you will be advised what materials (flowers, foliage, oasis, containers etc) to bring each week.					
Sculpture	Thu 4 Nov	7-9pm	6 weeks	£60	
A beginners' guide to skills and techniques involved in sculpture.					

Classes in Kinross Learning Centre

Course	Start	Time	Duration	Cost	ILA
Get Connected – A Beginners' Guide to Social Networking	Tue 16 Nov	12 – 2 pm	5 weeks	£30	
Get to grips with Facebook, Twitter and other social networking tools. Learn how to manage your information and keep your personal data secure.					
Carry on Computing	Mon 15 Nov	7 – 9 pm	8 weeks	£53	√
	Tue 16 Nov	2 – 4 pm	8 weeks	£53	√
For those who've very limited experience of using a computer and would like to find out how to use it more effectively in the home. Covers mail merge, basic spreadsheets, internet and e-mail.					
Aromatherapy in the Home	Thu 4 Nov	10 – 12 noon	5 weeks	£30	
An introduction to the safe use of essential oils in a home setting.					

Catch this whopper

A former Kinross High School pupil has written a magnificent book about big game fishing. 'The Glory Days of the Giant Scarborough Tunny' is the culmination of five years' research by Mark Ross, aged 42. It runs to 400 pages and tells the glamorous and exciting story of a new sport which attracted the rich and famous in the early 20th century.

John Drewett, Hardy tackle expert, collector and writer says in the foreword to the book:

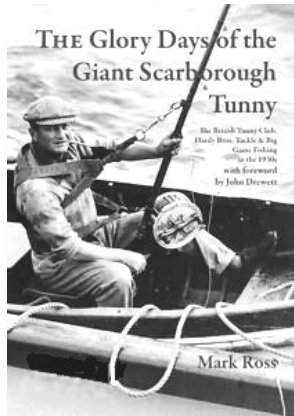
"Mark's efforts have culminated in a book that is full of texture. The monochrome photographs are so evocative of an era when men would don blazers and even suits when posing for the trophy picture. The boatman in their flat caps, the boats from which they fished and the yachts which many of the wealthy fishers possessed all combine to convey a world that will never be seen again."

Mark is passionate about fishing and collecting antique tackle. The seeds of the book were sown when he tracked down an antique reel used by Colonel E.T. Peel, who caught a 798lb tunny (tuna) in the North Sea in 1932.

Mark's love of fishing began as a child, living in his riverbank home in Milnathort. He and his sister Electra, brother Dmitri and late brother Damian attended Kinross High School and St James's R.C. Church.

'The Glory Days of the Giant Scarborough Tunny' blends heroic tales of epic sea battles with enormous fish, the special tackle used and social history. It will appeal to anglers and antique tackle collectors and will be available in early November from www.antique-knives.co.uk and Amazon. The standard edition is £89.00 and the special edition bound in leather with slipcase is £200.

Mark, semi-retired from the meat industry, now lives in Somerset and is working on his second book.



Embrace the active side of life!

Perth and Kinross Leisure are running a class every Tuesday from 1.50pm to 2.45pm for the local community who are retired and looking to try something new!

There will be lots to do including carpet bowls and badminton and after the exercise there is a fully stocked café in the campus where you can buy a cuppy, catch up with friends or meet some new ones. The introductory price is £1.80 per session and the first one was on Tuesday 7 September. The Live Active Leisure staff look forward to seeing you there. Please call them on 01577 867200 if you have any questions.



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Volunteers Needed!

The children of Kinross-shire need your help. In order to boost physical activity and address the current obesity issues in Scotland, we have to increase physical activity in every child. As Active Schools Coordinator I set up and facilitate physical activities for children from primary 1 through to 2nd year with my secondary counterpart (Helen Davidson) focusing on 1st year to 6th year. We are in desperate need of parent helpers, sports volunteers, coaches and classroom teachers to assist us in getting the children of Kinross-Shire fit and healthy and maintaining this through sustainable opportunities for physical activity. These opportunities include:

After school multi-sports
Touch Rugby
Football
Gymnastics
Cycling
Dance etc.

As a volunteer you would be given training at different levels and could deliver an activity with the assistance of a senior high school pupil or parent helper; supervise a senior high school pupil in the delivery of an activity; or even assist the classroom teacher in delivering a block of activity sessions.

I understand the difficulty in committing to a club for a long period of time which is why we are incredibly flexible. Your options could include a four-week block of activities with a 4-6 week break before another similar block of activities. This keeps the pupils fresh and the volunteers motivated with a manageable time commitment.

If you could see yourself helping out with an activity at Kinross PS, Milnathort PS, Fossoway PS, Portmoak PS, Cleish PS, Blairingone PS, Amgask PS or the Community Campus I would love to hear from you.

Please contact me on 01577 867220, 07824 332424 or ITGray@pkc.gov.uk

I look forward to hearing from you.

Iain Gray, Active Schools Coordinator

New business afoot in the High Street

What a lot is happening at the bottom end of the High Street in Kinross!

There's a new carwash 'Sparkles,' where you can get your car washed while you wait or book it in for a 'mini valet.' John will make sure you get your car back looking and smelling great.

And behind the car wash is 'The Studio Hair Company' where Vicky MacFarlane and Laura Baillie will assist with all your 'Paul Mitchell' hair advice including colour, styling, treatments, hair care products and electricals to take home. And for your convenience there is off street parking next to the salon door.

Next door to the hair salon is 'The Cleaning Intelligence Agency' a local domestic cleaning company established four years ago by Sarah and Richard Scott. The CIA has relocated to a bigger office as the business has grown. The company have 12 full time cleaners who specialise in those weekly household chores that keep your home looking and smelling good.

On the corner is 'A Country Affair,' who specialise in painted and country furniture and home accessories. With 10 years experience in the business they are 'Country Living' without the price tag. Open Monday to Saturday 10am to 5pm and late night Thursday till 7pm.

Making a Will

by Hazel Johnson, LLB, DipLP, NP.

Where on your "To Do" list is making your will?

Somewhere between getting the boiler serviced and doing the ironing? Approximately 70% of people die without a will. This means that after a lifetime of hard work, their money is given away according to rigid legal principles rather than to the people or charities they want.

Of course making a will is not compulsory. We remember to arrange car insurance or buy a TV licence and face being fined if we don't. You may have pet insurance because you want to make sure your pet receives proper care and for bills to be covered if your pet falls ill. Why, then, do so many people fail to make proper wills?

Lack of time, perhaps?

Concern about the cost?

Unsure about what is involved?

Or just don't want to think about it?

Making a will certainly saves your family time, expense and avoids conflict when the time comes to wind up your estate. It can also save tax so you leave more to your family. Recent years have seen significant changes to the trust and tax treatment of wills. The £325,000 nil rate band for Inheritance Tax is now transferable between spouses, but there are still opportunities for saving tax and for asset protection so regular updates make sense.

Did You Know?

- On the death of a spouse or civil partner the estate does *not* all automatically pass to the surviving spouse or civil partner.
- In Scotland, separation or divorce does *not* automatically revoke an earlier will.
- **Children inherit at age sixteen** unless a will directs otherwise through properly written trust provisions.
- Trusts offer protection for other vulnerable parties including disabled beneficiaries. Despite recent legislation, **the law offers little protection for co-habiting couples** and where there is no will, a co-habitee must raise a court action within six months of the partner's date of death. (This is costly, time consuming but completely unnecessary if you make a proper will with proper advice and planning.)
- In a will you can exclude anyone from inheriting land or buildings but not entirely from inheriting moveables – including money, investments, vehicles, personal possessions, timeshare properties etc. Note: Business owners beware where land or buildings are held by a business partnership or owned by a company; the value of these can attract claims. Legal rights are automatic and their effect should not be ignored.

Another area to beware is the increasing number of step-families, where careful advice can balance the needs and expectations of the different potential beneficiaries. Whatever your circumstances, whether you are single, married, co-habiting, with/without children, a properly made valid will offers peace of mind and ensures that your "hard earned" assets pass to those people or charities you most want to benefit.

Hazel Johnson is a practising lawyer, working mainly from home in Rumbling Bridge by Kinross, who specialises in Wills and Trust law focused on saving tax and protecting assets for future generations.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award: Leaders Wanted

The young people of Kinross-shire, through the High School group and Kinross-shire group, have had a busy expedition season. Forty-two have got through Bronze expeditions, to areas such as the Ochils, Glen Almond and Blair Atholl. Thirty-one have completed Silver trips to the Cairngorms and Lagganside, and 18 have completed their Gold expeditions to Glen Feshie and a cross Scotland trek in Ross-shire.

Demand from young people to get involved in the "D of E" continues to increase. We are in serious need of more leaders to assist with expeditions. If you are a keen hillwalker, or just enjoy walking and would like to work with an enthusiastic bunch of young people aged from 14 upwards, we would love to hear from you.

If you do not fancy camping or walking, we could use help with our expedition skills training evenings – map reading, first aid, hygiene, cooking, camping, walking with a rucksack. Or assistance with the other sections of the Award – Volunteering, Skills (hobby-type activities) or Physical (sports-type activities) may be an option for you to consider. Please contact Kinross High School at LLCC on 01577 867100 or e-mail speddie@kinrosshigh.pkc.sch.uk

Scott Peddie

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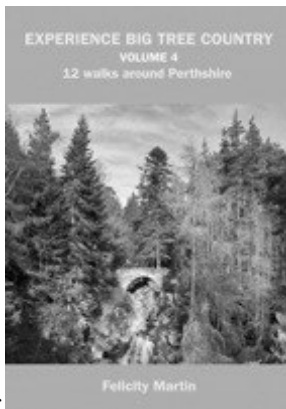
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for publication on Saturday 2 October**

Walks in the Big Tree Country

The fourth volume of *Experience Big Tree Country - 12 walks around Perthshire* by Felicity Martin is published in mid October by Perthshire-based Catkin Press. It completes the series of guides that together describe 48 of the most scenic and interesting walks in Perth and Kinross.

The 32-page full colour booklet is illustrated with maps and photographs, while additional information highlights the special aspects of Perthshire's natural heritage that make it 'Big Tree Country'. It includes routes for all levels of walkers, ranging from 2 to 12 miles in length.

Water is a theme running through this volume – especially waterfalls, which are one of Perthshire's distinctive features. The cover has a photograph of



the Falls of Bruar, immortalised by Robert Burns in the poem he wrote in 1787. The falls are the start point for one of the longer routes, which climbs through the beautiful larches of Baluain Wood to Creag Urrard, for a superb view into the Cairngorms.

A different sort of watery spectacle can be enjoyed on the shorter Rumbling Bridge & River Devon walk where the meandering river suddenly thunders through a deep gorge.

Routes near Perth include one on good paths along the Rivers Tay and Almond, and another that visits the Iron Age forts on Moncreiffe Hill, the Woodland Trust site just north of Bridge of Earn.

The volumes of *Experience Big Tree Country ~ 12 walks around Perthshire* cost £3.95 each and are available at bookshops and visitor centres throughout Perthshire, and other outlets frequented by walkers such as outdoor shops, garden centres and farm shops. More information is available at www.catkinpress.com where there is a special offer for readers buying all four volumes.

Author Felicity Martin is now seeking routes to include in a Perthshire mountain bike guide, and would be interested to hear from anyone with ideas about what should be included. She can be contacted via Catkin Press, info@catkinpress.com or 01764 670987.

News from the Health Centre



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 as follows:

- Saturday 9 October
- Saturday 16 October
- Saturday 23 October
- Saturday 30 October

The clinics will run from 9.30am until 12 noon and appointments may now be booked with reception. The doctors would encourage all those in the following groups

Over 65s	Those over 65 by 31 March 2011
Those aged 6 months or over in a clinical 'At Risk' Groups	Chronic respiratory disease and asthma that requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids or with previous hospital admissions Chronic heart disease Chronic renal disease Chronic liver disease Chronic neurological disease Diabetes Immunosuppression
Long stay residential	Those living in long stay residential care homes or other long stay care facilities
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.
Poultry Workers	

Patients who have just become 65, or will be age 65 by 31 March 2011, will also be offered the pneumovax vaccination.

Clinicians will visit the day centre, and the residential and nursing homes as usual.

Bike Racks

We have installed a couple of crossbar bike stands at the front of the Health Centre for those patients who wish to cycle to see us. The stands are at the right hand end of the building and more can be installed if required.

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Police Box

Kinross Police have been extremely busy of late and have not been able to submit an article for the Newsletter this month. We are sure they would want to warn everyone of the dangers of using empty buildings as play areas. As you have probably read in the press, the old Kinross High School building was broken into on the evening of Monday 20 September, and a fire started in the old assembly hall, causing significant damage to the stage area. It is believed that the trespassers gained access through skylights. A criminal investigation has been launched.

On a similar theme, the Newsletter has recently received concerning reports from Dunfermline based **Cameron Harris Design & Build Ltd**, who are carrying out the construction of an industrial business park at Clashburn Close.

They have noted that youngsters are entering their construction site and carrying out acts of vandalism. They have only recently commenced the fourth and final building at Kinross Business Park just off Clashburn Close and the building has already been vandalised with youngsters spray painting areas of the cladding. They have received reports that youngster are even entering the construction site to play football within the buildings which are not yet completed.

A spokesperson for Cameron Harris said: "We would be grateful if parents could remind their children of the dangers

of playing within construction site and if anybody spots any children playing on the site to contact the police immediately."

Crime Stoppers – Telephone 0800 555 111

This telephone number is a free phone number, unless you are using a mobile phone, which any member of the public can contact at any time, if they have information relating to criminal activity of any sort. It is, if you wish, confidential and you cannot be contacted if you choose to remain anonymous.

Kinross Police Office – Telephone 0300 111 2222

Community Officers (details shown below) can be contacted at Kinross Police Office on 0300 111 2222.

Constable Ishbel Wallace Kinross

Constable Brian Easton Milnathort & Portmoak areas

Constable Nicky Ward Cleish/Blairadam, Fossoy and Glenfarg areas

Constable Euan Mitchell Abemethy and Bridge of Earn areas

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Community Council News



The Community Council News is produced from edited draft CC minutes. Some CCs have full minutes on their websites. Full Kinross CC minutes are lodged in the local Library and County Buildings. All Community Council meetings are open to the general public.

Kinross Community Council News from the September Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 1 September were: CCllrs C Watson (Chair), B Davies, D Colliar, D Cuthbert, D Mackay, M Blyth, M Scott, J Richardson, L MacKay and W Freeman. Also in attendance were: P&K Cllr K Baird, a police representative, two members of Sportive Kinross and one member of the public. Apologies for absence were received from CCllr Jack.

Police Report

The police representative advised of a number of incidents in relation to vehicles over the last month. Three vandalism were reported: the first one in Green Road, the second in Gallowhill Road and the last in Burnbank Meadows. These occurred overnight and all are under investigation. Two vehicles were also broken into in Smith Street on two consecutive evenings, with the car windows smashed to allow the perpetrator to remove valuables. A car at the bottom of the High Street also suffered a similar fate. The Police strongly urge motorists to secure any valuable items within their vehicles by either locking them in the boot or transferring them to their house. Thieves look for items such as mobiles, ipods, GPS or anything of value within vehicles. Lastly, there were reports of five separate incidents involving smashed tyres in Sandport, Causeway Court, Montgomery Street and School Wynd. All these crimes are under investigation. There were also a number of attempted thefts and two people have been charged for these offences.

Matters arising from previous meeting

Apologies: The Secy advised that Cllr Miller apologised by email for his absence but this was not received in time for the meeting.

A Consultative Ward Meeting with representatives from the CCs which lie within Ward 8 is to be held at the campus on 7 September. CCllr Colliar is to represent the CC. The agenda is to include the Model Scheme, Code of Conduct and Model Constitution for CCs.

Sportive Kinross

Paul Zarb from Kinross Cycling Club provided a presentation on Sportive Kinross. This is to be held on 23 April 2011 and is to be a massed participation timed cycling event with a choice of three routes. The entry fee is £25.00 with a £5.00

donation from this to be awarded to CHAS. It was hoped that this would attract entrants of between 250 to 500 from all over the UK and that it would become an annual event and grow bigger and better each year. Mr Zarb's colleague, Angus, screened a viewing of a film on cycling in Kinross-shire. This event is being publicised on both Twitter and Facebook and information is available from www.sportive-kinross.co.uk. Mr Zarb and his colleague were thanked for providing this information.



Out and about in Kinross-shire with Kinross Cycling Club

Planning Applications Received

10/01264/FLL 8 Springfield Road: Erection of a porch and extension to dwelling house. 10/01377/IPL 27 Alexander Drive: Renewal of existing consent (07/01502/OUT) Erection of a dwelling house (in principle). 10/01402/FLL 9 Hatchbank Lane, Gairmeybank: Extension to dwelling house. 10/01408/FLL Gairmeybridge Farm Cottage, Gairmeybridge: Erection of a dwelling house. 10/01365/FLL Site 50 metres southwest of 2 Clashburn Close, Bridgend: Installation of temporary cabin. 10/01431/ADV Land east of Tillyrie Farm: Erection of an advance sign. 10/01418/FLL 17 Broom Road: Alt/extension to dwelling house. 10/01406/FLL 33 Swansacre: Alt/extension to dwelling house. There were no objections to any of the above.

Planning Applications Determined

10/01053/IPL 3 Brewery Lane: Erection of dwelling house, associated access and parking area (in principle): Approved. 10/01046/FLL 41 High Street: Alt/extension to dwelling house and demolition of existing ancillary buildings: approved. 10/00825/FLL 26 High Street: Installation of new window in ground floor flat: approved. 10/01253/PN Gellybank Farm: Erection of an agricultural shed: approved. 10/01197/FLL Unit C Clashburn Business Park: Change of use land, erection of pallsade fence and formation of hardcore area: approved. 10/01054/CON 3 Brewery Lane: Demolition of outbuilding: approved. 10/01133/FLL 86 Muirs: Alt/extension to dwelling house: approved. 10/00856/FLL Baltree Farm: Change of use of land, erection of a dog breeding facility and formation of kennel runs (in retrospect): approved. 10/00781/LBC Kirkgate Park: Demolition of existing toilet block and replace with new automated public convenience, hard and soft landscaping works: withdrawn.

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Cllr Baird had no knowledge of this but offered to investigate. The Secy is also to write to PKC enquiring as to the reason for this.

Reports from P&K Councillors

Cllr Baird advised that there is a survey on the Council website asking for comments on the **brown bin collection**. Green waste is accepted by recycling centres.

Perth and Kinross Leisure have now changed their name to Live Active Leisure.

Further movement will hopefully take place in relation to **Swansacre** and the acquisition of the property by Hillcrest.

The Kinross High School **sign** at the campus has not yet been erected, however the Roads Department have received instructions to carry this out.

The Chairman enquired as to the position in relation to both the former **High School site** and the **Town Hall**. It was confirmed that negotiations are underway with the potential buyer regarding the sale of the High School site. The closing date for the Town Hall has passed and a paper is to be presented to the members of the Common Good Fund Committee on 29 September. All four local Cllrs are on this Committee, however it is not known who, if any, the other members are. This Committee has not had occasion to meet. The CC are all in favour of the building being developed for the use of the community and support the Partnership project.

Gordon Place: CCllr Colliar commented that as no barrier has been erected, vehicles can continue to drive over the pavement at the end of Gordon Place onto Springfield Road. He added that the roots of the second tree have raised the slabs on the pavement. Cllr Baird was asked to follow this up.

PKC has arranged to visit Kinross on 22 September to review the **green spaces**, meeting at the Leisure Centre with a number of residents and members of Kinross in Bloom. CCllrs D Cuthbert and D Mackay are to attend. The agenda will include the summer bedding and hanging baskets.

Correspondence

Community Learning and Development Group: Next Meeting scheduled for 22 September.

Community Campus Partnership: Next meeting to be held on 9 September.

EIA Scoping Request: Proposed redevelopment of Kinross Motorway Service Area - to determine those environmental matters which would be examined through an Environmental Impact Assessment. Comments by 24 September.

Other Business

CCllr Colliar enquired if the CC had heard further from Andrew Warrington in relation to school transport problems and the St Andrews bus service. Cllr Baird attended the Parent Council meeting last night and advised that there had been no complaints in relation to transport. It was commented that certain buses are leaving without collecting all the pupils and it is hoped that the contract can be changed in October to take account of this. The Secy was asked to contact Mr Warrington for an update.

CCllr Davies commented on the success of the Kinross Show, adding that the weather was good.

Answering a query raised by CCllr Davies, it was confirmed that Kinross House is shown as Under Offer on the agent's website.

Distribution of Newsletter Funds

The funding requests were notified to CCllrs prior to the meeting with the exception of the Day Centre and The Kinross Vaulting Club. The Chairman read out the aims of the Charter being "The advancement of citizenship and

community developments within the County of Kinross, including without prejudice to the generality the support of community events, provision of and financial support for community information. Community transport, and community welfare (including health, care support, financial support for physical amenities, recreational facilities, voluntary organisations and financial support for care of the elderly) etc." CCllr Watson confirmed that the sum of money available was £12,800. He suggested that £1,000 be reserved for the website. Thus, a total figure of £11,800 was available and it was agreed that this be dispersed as follows:

Milnathort Folk Festival Society	500.00
Kinross Town Twinning Association	500.00
Milnathort in Bloom	500.00
Kinross Guides	400.00
Sportive Kinross	300.00
Light Up Kinross	1,500.00
John Wilson Memorial Seat	750.00
Lochleven Diamonds	800.00
Kinross Squash Club	225.00
(proviso: items to be sourced locally if possible)	
Kinross Colts FC Juniors	1,500.00
Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation	2,500.00
Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme	1,000.00
Kinross Day Centre	1,000.00
Kinross Vaulting Club	325.00
Total	£11,800.00

There was one further application, however as this was from an individual requesting assistance with education it was agreed that this did not meet the current criteria.

Following on discussions in the above it was commented that the goals at the Myre have been removed. Cllr Baird is to check this out.

THE NEXT MEETING of Kinross CC will be held at the Masonic Hall, Kinross on Wednesday 6 October 2010 at 7.30pm. Apologies were received in advance from CCllr Blyth.

Agenda for October Meeting

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 1 September
- 3 Police Report
- 4 Presentation from George Lawrie on Brown Signs
- 5 Matters arising from the Minutes of 1 September 2010
- 6 Planning Matters
 - (a) Planning Applications received
 - (b) Planning Applications Determined/Other Planning Correspondence
- 7 Future of the County Buildings
- 8 Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors
- 9 Miscellaneous Correspondence
- 10 Other Competent Business
- 11 Date of Next Meeting (3 November 2010)

Note: Members of the public wishing to address the Meeting must give the Secretary (Margaret Scott, 21 Ross Street, Kinross, KY13 8EF (email mbs21@btinternet.com) at least SEVEN DAYS NOTICE and are requested to supply a copy of any relevant documentation in advance.

Members of the public wishing to address Kinross CC are requested to contact the Secretary in advance and supply a copy of any relevant papers.

Milnathort Community Council

News from the September Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 9 September were: CCllrs Bennet, Halford, Milne-Home, Thomson and Hamilton; Minute Secretary E Rougvie, P&K Cllr Baird, PC Ishbel Wallace of Tayside Police and one member of the public. Apologies for absence were received from CCllrs Giacobazzi, Cottingham and Smith.

Police matters: PC Wallace gave a lengthy verbal report on issues affecting the area.

There had been a number of break-ins to cars and items such as sat-navs, mobile phones etc stolen. People are urged to leave valuables out of sight.

Milnathort had been hit quite badly by a cold calling phone scam in which the caller purported to be carrying out a crime survey in conjunction with the Police. People were being targeted randomly but older people were more vulnerable as they tended to be more trusting. The advice is always to hang up and if any advice is needed about home security then go through the proper channels. The advice is not to give out any personal information of any kind over the phone.

There was a problem with bogus workmen again this year and they do tend to pick on elderly and vulnerable people living on their own. The public are warned never to give anyone money upfront and if they do want to employ someone they should make sure the work has been done and been checked before making payment.

There had been a number of crimes in the area, all of which had been detected. An escaped prisoner had been caught in Milnathort but the incident had not caused any concerns locally. There had also been a couple of incidents of vandalism.

PC Wallace highlighted the issue of children being supplied with alcohol, cigarettes and illegal substances. She said it wasn't a major problem but had begun with the arrival of some new people to the area who were targeting youngsters at the skateboard park. The children were reluctant to speak out but she urged them to do so as the skate ramp was a great asset for the village and the majority of youngsters who used it were decent and well-behaved. The Police need the public's help to catch the culprits and anyone who sees alcohol being bought that they think might be for children should report it.

A member of the public raised concerns about High School pupils he had seen crossing the road diagonally from the health centre to the leisure centre without using the proper crossings. PC Wallace said that pupils were given ample road safety advice but the school was unable to police them outwith the grounds. If it was possible to get descriptions of pupils crossing in this manner they should be given to the Police.

CCllr Halford reported that parked vehicles at the end of Victoria Avenue were again causing problems. PC Wallace will speak to PC Easton, and there was a possibility that it could become a one-way street under the Placecheck scheme. CCllr Bennet passed on concerns from a neighbour about horses being ridden on a narrow footpath leading from Reid Crescent to Burleigh Road. She wondered why they needed to pass through a residential estate. PC Wallace suggested that if it happened again the rider could be approached, but she didn't believe that any of the local horse owners would deliberately do anything to cause upset.

Appointment of Chairman: CCllr Hamilton was appointed chair of the CC, having been proposed by CCllr Thomson and seconded by CCllr Halford. He then took over from CCllr

Bennet and thanked members for electing him. He said he was in favour of agendas and asked people to advise the CC in advance if they wanted anything brought up. A matter raised by the member of the public in relation to speed limits in Crawford Place will be added to the October agenda.

School crossing patrols: CCllr Halford expressed concerns about the shortage of school crossing patrol officers. There had not been one at the Town Hall since the start of term because of illness. Cllr Baird said there was a problem recruiting supply staff who would be willing to step in at short notice but she will raise the issue again.

Overgrown footpath: CCllr Halford said that the footpath that ran from the motorway to Tillywally was very overgrown and the trees needed to be thinned as a matter of urgency. After discussion, it was agreed that CCllrs Halford and Milne-Home would look at the path and decide what was required with a view to the work being undertaken by the community. They will also make enquiries about funding with George Lawrie of TRACKS and report back to the October meeting.

CC notice board: CCllr Bennet advised that she had three quotes for a weather-proof MCC sign on the South Street notice board, which had been affected by condensation. After discussion, it was agreed that she will progress the cheapest quote, which is £25 plus £10 delivery charge.

Rural broadband: CCllr Milne-Home said that there is LEADER funding available to help rural communities achieve faster broadband speeds, which it was felt would be of benefit to local businesses. He will research this further.

Correspondence: Two letters from PKC regarding the Local Development Plan Main Issues Report. The public consultation period for this will take place between 8 October 2010 and 14 January 2011 and all CCs are being asked if they wish to assist at the drop-in sessions. Two training sessions will be held in advance on issues such as recording opinions and interpreting maps. Exhibitions will be held in Loch Leven Community Campus and there will be an opportunity to speak to planning officials (*see page 8*). After discussion, it was agreed that the CC should be involved in the process and that CCllrs Halford and Milne-Home will attend the training along with CCllr Cottingham if he is agreeable.

Notification of a funding workshop to be held in Loch Leven Community Campus on 28 September. CCllr Bennet advised that she had attended a similar event and would circulate relevant website details.

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Planning

The following applications were noted: extension to house at 33 Old Perth Road; modification to existing application for the erection of two wind turbines at Touchie Farm, Kinross; renewal of planning consent at Rose Cottage, Drunzie.

There were also a number of applications for advertising signs in connection with redevelopment at Tillyrie Farm. After discussion, it was agreed to seek clarification about the size, number and length of time they will be in situ before deciding whether it would be appropriate to lodge an objection.

Planning archive: Councillor Hamilton suggested that an archive of applications should be kept in order to keep track of those that had yet to be determined, a process that could take years. After discussion, it was agreed that a list of outstanding applications should be compiled but it was considered to be important that the CC should take a positive approach and not lodge arbitrary objections.

New ward boundaries: Councillor Hamilton distributed maps showing new electoral ward boundaries that were proposed by P&KC. The proposals will be considered by the council on 15 December and thereafter will go out to public consultation. After discussion, the CC agreed to submit a suggestion to PKC that Springhill and Birnie Hill should be in Ward 8 rather than in the Glenfarg ward as proposed.

THE NEXT MEETING of Milnathort CC will take place on Thursday 14 October 2010 at 7pm in Heaven Scent, South Street. Items to be included in the agenda will be accepted up to 5pm that day.

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Portmoak Community Council

News from the September Meeting

The meeting on 14 September was attended by: Facilitator, M. Parkin; Councillors Cairncross, Forde, Garvie and Weedon; Daryl McKeown (PKC Traffic and Road Safety Officer) and twelve residents. Apologies for absence were received from: P&K Councillors Baird, Robertson and Miller; Councillors Bird and Shepherd.

Police report: Ishbel Wallace apologised for the absence of a police report at the last meeting. She reported:

- Some recent vehicle break-ins, and she reiterated security advice to motorists to lock their vehicles, and leave no valuables or attractive items such as satnavs or mobile phones in them;
- Some recent thefts and damage at Buchan's Garage in Kinnesswood;
- A number of recent cases of workmen cold-calling at the door, and advised that no arrangements should be made with such individuals, and that the police should be notified of their visits;
- Telephone calls from organisations purporting to gather information for crime, police or security services - she suggested that no personal information should ever be given to such caller and that the police are glad to advise any householder on issues of home security.

In response to a query about gun use in Portmoak Moss causing some concern in the community, she advised that the public should be encouraged to report any such issues to the police as they occur.

Matters Arising from previous minutes

Vacancies for Community Councillors remain.

Stephen's Field: an initial meeting of those who expressed an interest in helping with the management of the field at Niall Loble's home, and he would welcome any further expression of interest (niall@scra-online.co.uk or tel 07720 77 44 61).

Sign work: Daryl McKeown of PKC confirmed that signing work on the Balgedie Toll to Mawcarse road is scheduled for autumn/winter.

Fence alongside playing ground in Kinnesswood: a number of options were reviewed, including those of removing the hedge and replacing it with a fence; extending the fence with a 'staggered gateway' at the top to discourage careless exit onto the roadway; a replacement hedge set back from the existing hedge line. Niall Loble agreed to discuss the options with colleagues, and to report back.

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Subcommittee reports

Paths Group: With the growing season nearly over, there will be a surplus in the grass cutting fund. Consideration required as to how best to use this - some may be used for repairs.

There was discussion of the need for a safer footway on the hill from the church down towards the village, where the path narrows dangerously, creating a hazard to pedestrians and allowing no safe passage for wheelchair users. A number of options were discussed for routing a path behind the church down towards the Green, but this remains dependent upon, among other things, resolution of rights of way issues in the new Wellside development (see 'Other Business').

The further development of the path between the villages alongside the A911 has not yet started, but this is expected within the next two weeks.

Planning Group

10/01435/FLL, for the erection of a dwelling house 20m southwest of the Old School House, Scotlandwell is pending consideration, and the CC has no comment.

10/00134/FLL, for amendment to the plan for two dwelling houses on land north of Kilmagadwood Cottage, Scotlandwell is pending consideration, and the CC confirmed its previous objection.

In addition, concern was expressed about the extended period of time for which some applications remain outstanding.

Management Group

Daryl McKeown, PKC Traffic and Road safety Officer, reported to the meeting:

The traffic calming buildouts north of Kinnesswood and east of Scotlandwell are scheduled to be moved to the speed limits signs during the third week of October; and for full width anti-skid on the Scotlandwell hill to be laid during the second week of October. This will necessitate road closure to through traffic, but access for residents.

The mini roundabout by the Wellside development on the Ballingry Road is not to be built - instead there will be a buildout south of the development, and the speed limit moved out to accommodate this. It is hoped that this will be budgeted for next year.

Signage for Scotlandwell in Bloom has been agreed.

Parking spaces by the school are to be realigned and widened, and the size of the bus bay reduced, hopefully before the end of September.

Marking on the kink at the bridge over the gullet on the B920 to be reviewed.

Junction of the B9097 Vane Farm road: measures needed to highlight the presence of this junction, hopefully in the next financial year.

Bicycle symbols to be painted in the road in places where parked cars are obstructing the bicycle passage inside the buildouts.

Location of bus stop by the Lomond Hotel to be reviewed, and consideration given to moving it towards the hotel and away from the buildout.

Passing room for two cars at the head of the track into Portmoak Moss to be considered; similarly signage to indicate the soft verges on the B920 approaches to Scotlandwell.

PKC Councillor reports - none tendered.

Other Business

Funding workshop on 28 Sept.

Michael Bruce Trail signboards: Professor Munro expressed concern about a misapprehension over his own role

in the signboards - he had not been involved in any way in their content beyond some initial consultation in the early design stages. It was agreed that the consultation process, however thoroughly conceived and implemented, had apparently failed successfully to reach all potential stakeholders; and that the process of replacing the boards needed to be more community based. Professor Munro accepted this, and expressed his readiness to assist in redeveloping the boards if wished.



The Wellside Park Housing Development, Scotlandwell

Brian Moore, from the **Wellside Park Housing Development**, raised three issues that need to be taken forward with the community:

1. How best to utilise and maximise the planter constructed at the southern corner of the development, by the track entrance to the Moss. It was advised that he should liaise directly with Scotlandwell in Bloom as the properly constituted organisation most closely involved.
2. How best, and with whom, to develop a public car parking facility on some of the ground purchased from Scottish Water. This might link to the potential utilisation for car parking of the old curling rink owned by the Bishopshire Curling Club, and it was advised that the Curling Club and the Woodland Trust might prove the most appropriate contact points initially.
3. Footpaths in the new development, and the status of current planning arrangements: Mr Moore emphasised that, contrary to apparent preconceptions within the community, there was no arrangement with the planning authorities that any rights of way should be provided through the development. On the south side of the development there was, from the developer's viewpoint, no opportunity for this to be reconsidered, but on the north side some mutually acceptable solution might still be found if swift action were to be taken, so that a path might be developed that linked the Green to the Moss. It was agreed that there should be a meeting at the very earliest opportunity between the community, the developer and the planning officer involved, and that it was most regrettable that a failure of communication had allowed this misunderstanding to have persisted for so long.

THE NEXT MEETING of Portmoak CC will take place on Tuesday 12 October at 7pm in Portmoak Hall.

www.portmoak.org

Fossoway and District CC

News from the September Meeting

The meeting held on 7 September was attended by Councillors A Lavery, S Anderson, M Anness, K Borthwick. Also in attendance were 19 members of the public. Apologies were received from: S Morrison, T Wigman-Duffy, A Cheape and P&K Cllrs M Barnacle and W Robertson. There were no declarations of interest.

Community Policing: Ishbel Wallace reported that the theft of sat-nav and mobile phones left on view in cars was still a problem. Concern should be taken concerning bogus workmen calling and telephone calls requiring details to be given out. She advised the public not to give out personal information. Members of the public reported on a hot air balloon causing a cattle stampede, lorries racing on the A977 and a charity clothing collection at Blairingone school taken. The on-going problem of Dunning Glen wild camping was discussed and Kevin reported on a meeting that was held on 2 July at Kinross Police Office. The following actions were decided:

Cllr Barnacle to draft letter to send to landowners.

Cllr Barnacle to draft letter to send to MSPs.

Fossoway CC to apply for grant from PKC to clear up Dunning Glen.

Tayside Police to liaise internally with other police forces to establish whether they are experiencing similar problems.

Stuart Dean to contact Ramblers Association.

PKC to make contact with other authorities with similar problems.

Bins - Donna Paterson to enquire.

Dave Stubbs to look into obtaining signs to warn against littering.

Tayside Police to search Captor re amount of calls recorded to Dunning Glen.

The next meeting is planned for sometime in September.

War Memorial, Blairingone: A flyer had been delivered to all Blairingone residents asking their views on what should be done about the war memorial, in view of the fact that the church has been sold to developers. A history of correspondence and meetings was also attached. Residents at the CC meeting were amazed that nothing had been finalised in over four years. It was agreed that a sub-committee of CC members, Sheila and Marion, and four other members of the public would meet and hopefully resolve the problem. Residents want the memorial moved to another part of the graveyard and will be contacting PKC and the developers to sort it out. The mood of the residents was angry and they thought the press could be contacted if nothing came of the discussions as the promises of moving the memorial had not been forthcoming in all this time and PKC should be held to account.

Tayside Main Issues Report: The next events for the public to get involved in are consultation meetings scheduled for Monday 18 October, Loch Leven Campus, 2-8pm and Saturday 6 November, same venue, 10-4pm. Two members of the CC will attend workshops on how to engage the public. Other materials will be available on notice boards and on the website www.fossoway.org

CC Business: Kevin attended a Convention of CCs aiming to give councils contact with PKC departments, trying to make sure our voices are heard, planning issues etc. Angus will report on the Kinross Fund at the next meeting.

PKC Business, Councillors Reports

(Not given in person)

M Barnacle is having a meeting with Sandy regarding parking around C of D Church; the pedestrian crossing opposite the C of D institute has been approved; Pitfar Wind cluster has been approved despite objections; there is a traffic order in Blairingone for making a traffic island from 11 October for one week, speed limit 10mph and convoy will be in operation.

W Robertson has made enquires about Cambo Bridge. An inspection will be carried out; he is actively following up speed limits in Cambo, overgrown hedges and the inadequate bus shelter in Cambo; Local Review Body discussions are ongoing.

The councillors were thanked for their involvement in all these issues.

Planning Applications

10/01349/FLM. Middleton Fossoway KY13 0PB, Modification of previous consent (08/02368/FLM): Change of use from agricultural use to paddock. No CC comment.

10/01394/IPL. Land to the rear of Vicar's Bridge Road Blairingone, Renewal of existing consent (06/01622/OUT) Erection of a dwelling house (in principle). No CC comment.

10/01340/FLL. Former Craighend Farm, Powmill. Erection of dwellinghouse and detached garage. Recommendation: Reject, as contrary to the Kinross Local Plan and the revised Houses in the Countryside Policy, in particular that the proposed building does not have any relationship to the style, size and footprint of the existing ruinous building.

Local Review Body TCP/11/16(38). Planning Application 08/01210/FLL – Erection of four dwelling houses at site west of Cambo Farmhouse, Cambo. Initial hearing on 31/08/10.

General Correspondence: All outgoing and incoming correspondence was available for viewing.

Other Business

Ken Thompson reported that the Powmill Consultation process would be held in Mowbray Hall on 4 October 2pm-9pm. Residents would receive leaflets about the consultation. There will be workshop stations for obtaining views and finding out about the proposals for the village. A finger buffet will be provided. Marion reported that Blairingone had won the Most Improved Village in the "Perthshire in Bloom" Competition and residents should be congratulated for their efforts. It was hoped that further involvement would be possible next year and that the school could become involved including the headteacher, a child, Marion and volunteers. A letter has been sent from the children of Blairingone to PKC regarding the poor state of the play park. It is hoped that better fencing could be provided and maybe a seating area for adults. It may be possible to obtain funding from the Kinross Fund. The CC was asked to send a letter to PKC to endorse the children's concerns.

THE NEXT MEETING of Fossoway and District CC will be held on Tuesday 5 October 2010 at 7.30pm in Mowbray Hall, Powmill. All welcome!

For latest news and updates on Fossoway see also:

www.fossoway.org

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Cleish & Blairadam CC

News from the August Meeting

The CC met on Monday 23 August in the Tabernacle Hall, Blairadam, and was attended by all six members of the CC, P&K Cllr Mike Barnacle, eight members of the public and the Cleish & Blairadam Newsletter Editor. There were no representatives from the Police.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Sandy Morton who had agreed to return to the CC. His knowledge and wise counsel are always a valuable contribution.

Cleish Telephone Box: This is an ongoing project. It is hoped that the Village Hall Committee will take it on but a use for it is requested. The only suggestion so far is a Book Exchange but all other suggestions are welcome.



Cleish telephone box - suggestions welcome for change of use

Crime Prevention: It was reported that one evening there had been a large number of sheep out on the road between the Boreland road end and Cleish Village. This could have caused a serious accident and fortunately was dealt with. However all such happenings should be reported to the police at once – in many cases the farmer is either not present or unavailable to deal with such occurrences.

There has been no further feedback on the Hill Road, but this matter should be kept on the agenda.

Tracks and Trails: There is still nothing to report but this item will be retained on the agenda.

Planning Procedure

Procedural Changes – New Development Plan: PKC will hold a number of consultation meetings and the CCs will be expected to be involved when the dates are fixed, between mid October and the end of November.

Planning – New Applications

The Meadows, Cleish: Formation of new access

The Meadows, Cleish: Erection of an agricultural Building.

These applications were discussed at some length; it was finally agreed that the CC should write concerning the principle of retrospective application and would mention the present access which seemed to be perfectly adequate.

Blairfordel Farm: Alterations and refurbishment of farmhouse – agreed there was no objection.

Planning Applications – Pending

Greenacres: It would appear that PKC are re-active, not proactive on this matter. Agreed to ask a representative from the Council to come to a CC meeting to talk about forward planning.

Proposed Joint Meeting of CCs: Cllr Barnacle is trying to arrange a meeting sometime during the autumn and among other matters to be discussed should be those of phosphate mitigation, Development Trusts, and approval of Planning Applications despite local representations.

He pointed out also that changing of CC boundaries must be agreed by relevant CCs.

Roads: The volume and speed of traffic on the B9097 continues to cause concern. Agreed that the first action should be to determine who are the main heavy users and contact them with our observations.

The speed of the traffic, both cars and motor cycles, on Knockhill Race Days was a real matter of concern.

Verge damage at Middleton Bridge: A question was asked as to whether the verge carried the water supply – this matter to be continued.

Free-standing Advertisement Boards: This point was raised and agreed they should not be on pavements.

Roads Department: Cllr Barnacle said this matter has appeared once more with the proposal to close the Kinross depot; agreed it was vital that it should be retained in Kinross with memories of the past winter and the implications of a possible closure. He would keep pressing.

Best Kept Village Competition: Congratulations to Keltybridge and Maryburgh who were first in the Best Kept Hamlet category. This is a wonderful achievement, knowing what a huge amount of very hard work goes into making the result possible and Keltybridge and Maryburgh fully deserve the award.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chairman.

THE NEXT MEETING of the Cleish & Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 1 November in Cleish Village Hall.

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Club & Community Group News



Fund Raising Event

On behalf of Scottish Cot Death Trust, I would like to thank everyone who came to support the Balloon Launch and Fun Day at Kirkgate Park on 11 September.

The day was a great success, but this was only made possible through the kindness and generosity of

- Kinross Brigade for supplying and assembling their marquee
- ASDA for donating the goodie bags for the children who participated in the Welly Waddle
- Scottish and Southern Electricity for their team of volunteers to organise children's activities and a raffle
- MTKY for the use of the PA system
- Jill Campbell for advertising the event
- Zoe, the ZUMBA Queen, for keeping things moving
- All those who donated to the Cake and Candy and Bottle Stall
- The Kinross Community Council Newsletter

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Many people made personal donations – my thanks to them also.

The total money raised to date is £3250 including £320 from Scottish and Southern Electricity, who held their own Balloon Launch on 13 September, the 20th anniversary of Andrew.

Monies from the sponsored Welly Waddle are still coming in. Please hand in any outstanding money to Sporting Chance. There will be an update in next month's Newsletter.

For more details about the Trust and its work why not visit www.scottishcotdeathtrust.org

Many thanks to many, many people in helping raise awareness of the work of the Scottish Cot Death Trust.

Wilma Carragher



Kinross and District Art Club



Our annual Exhibition in September got off to an excellent start with Sir David and Lady Montgomery formally opening the event at the Preview Evening for invited guests. A record number of paintings was on show and many guests commented on the high standard of work and presentation. The Craft and Produce tables proved to be very popular, with the Kinross Tea Towel by Exhibition Co-ordinator David Cochrane and the Kinross Calendar by Club Member Amanda Webster, particular favourites.

Attendance was good throughout the Exhibition and a number of visitors expressed an interest in joining the club. Heartened by the success of the exhibition, we look forward to an interesting and varied calendar of events throughout the winter months. For a complete programme and up to date information, see our web site: www.kadac.co.uk.



Sir David and Lady Montgomery with Club President Glenys Andrews

Kinross Camera Club



Our new season got off to an excellent start yesterday evening and was well attended by long established members, more recent recruits and some potential new ones. A presentation of work by the newly established Studio Group was well received by all there.

At the next meeting on 23 September there will be a talk by Hunter Kennedy on "My Style of Photography" who has enjoyed success in competition at many levels.

Further information from Alison Bradley on 01592 840251 or email alisonbradley101@btinternet.com (please note new email address).

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Kinross in Bloom

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who have helped water the tubs and baskets around the town this year. Without you, we couldn't brighten up Kinross. I hope you will all be able to help again next year.

I would also like to thank all the sponsors of the tubs, barrels and 3-tier plants: 50+ club, Mr Chan's, Mrs Olwen Bannatyne, Rowland's Chemist, The Gallery, Anne Miller, Hjordis Hill, Ken & Chris Campbell, Jean Simpson, Ailsa Cowie, Tyrefair, James Porter, Kinross-shire Garden Group, Kay Combe, Yvonne Wardrope of Smith St Motors, Kinross Parish Group Thursday Group, David & Patricia Payne, N E Smith, Adam Neilson Ltd, Robert Sandilands, D Lawrence, Elizabeth McBain, FiFe Computers, David Sands Ltd, Andrew & Edna Burnett, Bower Hair Design, Kinross-shire Historical Society, Mozolowski & Murray, Alphavet, Lyon, S M Bayne Co Ltd, Royal Bank of Scotland, Bank of Scotland.

200 Club September winners: Robert Finlay £20, Judith Adamson £10, Clare Hill £5, Iain and Marion Todd £5.

October winners: to be drawn at next month's meeting as membership monies are still being collected for next year.

Our 200 club starts in October each year. If you would like to join then please telephone either Sarah Cuthbert (861681) or Aileen Sorbie (861477). Half of our money raised goes on prizes and the other half to purchase the plants and maintain the watering buggy.

We are hoping, weather permitting, to bring down the baskets on Saturday 25 September at 10am. The following Saturday (2 Oct/9 Oct), dependent on committee availability, we hope to plant up the tubs with the pansies and crocus bulbs. If you would like to give us a helping hand you will be made more than welcome. Please telephone Aileen in advance to confirm planting dates.

The Gateway. All going well things should be starting at the end of November.

Kinross in Bloom was saddened to hear of the death of Anne Herring, who was our secretary. The Bloom were very grateful for all the help she gave the committee by taking minutes and helping with the planting and watering. Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time.

Kinross Air Cadets

Just a few weeks after mending fences, and minding the gap on the jumping course at the Kinross Show, nine Air Cadets from Kinross, together with cadets from their parent wing in Dunfermline, set out into a damp dawn to join with other cadets from Dundee and Central Scotland Wing to assist in the running of the Leuchars Air Show. Their allotted task was to sell Raffle tickets in aid of the RAF Leuchars Charities Action Group. Two cadets from Kinross 1145DF, Cadet Spowart and Corporal Creigh, gained the prize for the most raffle tickets sold by any team in the Wing.

Over the next few weeks members of 1145DF Kinross will be involved in Swimming, Hockey, Football and Rugby as well as gliding and when not busy outdoors, they can be found at the Drill Hall in Swansacre on Monday nights at 7.15pm, building and maintaining flying model aircraft, or on other craft projects.



Swansacre Playgroup

We are back in the swing of things now that schools have started, and our playleaders Alison, Jayne, and Julia are very happy to welcome all of the children back for the 2010-2011 year! We are also thrilled to meet the new children starting at Swansacre for the first time.

We had a great time at the Kinross Show in August, and enjoyed seeing everyone out in the sunny weather. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Barefoot Books, Body Inspirations, Complete Look, Enjoy-A-Ball, Giacomazzi's, and Sainsbury's for supporting us at the show with prize donations. We would also like to thank all of the parents and children who came along to support us and enjoy the activities we had at the stall.

There are spaces available just now for both our playgroup (children from the age of 2 years welcome) and Rising Fives (4 year olds; complementary to morning nursery) sessions. For more information, please see the "Playgroups & Nurseries" section of the newsletter.

Please give us a call if you would like your child to come join in the fun! (01577 862071)



Kinross Museum

While volunteers continue to make inroads into boxing and cataloguing the Kinross Museum collections of photos, archives, maps, books and artefacts, they have also been kept busy responding to queries from the public on subjects ranging from the railways of Kinross-shire to stories of the paranormal. The Museum is now collaborating with Kinross High School's "Growing up with Loch Leven" educational initiative and a set of annotated images of Loch Leven Castle has been created for students and for the wider public. Come to the Museum Study Room on Thursdays or Saturdays and you will find these images available on one of the monitors.

From mid-October Kinross Museum will be hosting a special touring exhibition on the history of the Black Watch Regiment entitled *It Happens in War – Their Past Your Future*. In association with this, recordings have been made of war time reminiscences recounted by members of Kinross Day Centre who are now regular visitors to Kinross Museum. Visit the Museum website at: www.kinrossmuseum.co.uk



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Kinross & District Rotary Club



Kinross Show. The Club had a very successful stand at the Kinross Show this year. They had on display a Shelter Box. These boxes contain essential equipment for shipping to disaster areas, including a tent, bedding and other necessities for survival. Each Box costs approximately £500 and there was a collection raised at the Club stand of £457. The Club was absolutely delighted at the generosity of the public as this enabled the Club to add an additional Shelter Box to the one they had already donated to the disastrous floods in Pakistan.

Group Study Exchange Scheme (GSE) The Club's Barry Davies was the leader for District 1010's GSE team visit to Arizona earlier this year. The team consists of four young people with the Rotary leader who visit another Rotary District, in this case in Arizona to enable links with Rotary and to help them develop their own professions in other parts of the World. Barry brought the team to the Club to enable them to do a presentation on their experience in America. By all their accounts they seem to have had a very wide ranging and successful trip and brought back all kinds of experiences to benefit them in their work and establish a new range of friends in that part of America.

Club Member Jim Paterson treated us all to a fascinating trip down memory lane with his account of Farming in the 40's in Kinross-shire. Jim is very well known locally for his knowledge of the history on the county and it was amazing to look back and see how life was during and after the War. Electric power was not available on the farm until 1954. Paraffin lamps and candles were used in the house and stable lamps in the steading. Water had to be pumped and horses were used on the farm until the advent of the tractor in 1947. Flocks of up to 800 lambs had to be walked to the Market in Milnathort and days were busy for Jim as a young lad. The Young Farmers Club was formed in 1944 and this, along with the Cinema, was the entertainment for the youngsters. The whole talk informed and entertained the members with much dialogue and humour.

Bob Duguid gave a talk to the Club on Ethiopia – the Past to the Present. Ethiopia has the 2nd oldest establishment of Christianity in the world. It has a different Calendar, 83 languages and two alphabets. Every church has a copy of the Ark of the Covenant and the country has a fascinating Archaeology.

Equally dominant is its Geology. The Great Rift Valley stretches across the country and other dominant features are the Simien Mountains. Within this area are the fabulous Lalibela Rock Churches carved out of the natural rock.

Ethiopia is a vast country and growing in population. In 1935 the population was 15 million but by 2005 that had grown to 70 million. Bob gave us a fascinating description of this ancient country and there is so much more to explore.

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Potager Garden



Harvest time is here again, and the children from the Primary school were impressed on their recent visit by how much everything had grown over the summer, particularly our giant sunflower, which can be seen in the picture below. The pupils lifted potatoes, carrots and turnips, picked runner beans, and enjoyed a tasting session of many different vegetables and fruit.

We also held a coffee morning on 18 September, raising £120.62 for Macmillan Cancer Support and £85 for the garden funds by selling plants and some of our produce. Thank you to everyone who attended, and helped to organise the event. The height of the sunflower, at 3.1m (10ft 3ins), was correctly guessed by Bethany Sparling, and the main raffle prize of a hamper of produce from the garden was won by Ian Thorogood.

It will soon be time to tidy the garden, and "put it to bed" for the autumn and winter. We are planning a **work day**, with a barbecue lunch on **Saturday 30 October**, to which other gardening groups will be invited. If you would like to put on your wellies and gloves and join us for a few hours, you would be made most welcome. For further details please phone Amanda James on (01577) 840809, or email amanda@tyafon.plus.com.



Kinross Primary School pupils dwarfed by the giant sunflower

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Bishopshire Horticultural Society Flower Show Prize Winners

1. Opdahl Cup for most points in Baking Section -Janette Gardiner
2. Elliot Cup for runner up in Baking Section -Wilma Barclay
3. £2 by the Society for best exhibit in Baking Section - Bridget Lindsay
4. Tullis Cup for most points in Handicraft Section - Norma Smith
5. Bell Cup for best exhibit in Handicraft Section - Norma Smith
6. Buchan Rose Bowl for most points in Produce - Christine Cameron
7. President's Prize - £2 by Sandy Band for runner up in Produce - Bridget Lindsay
8. £2 by the Society for the best exhibit in Produce - Janette McLennan
9. Fulton Quaich for most points in Floral Art - Christine Hunter
10. John Boyd Salver for best exhibit in Floral Art - Jane Martin
11. Hunter Trophy for class 33 - Christine Cameron
12. Clydesdale Shield for most points in Baking, Handicraft, Produce and Floral Art - Bridget Lindsay
13. Lamont Cup for most points in Cut Flowers - David Martin
14. £2 by the Society for runner up in Cut Flowers - Isobel Baird
15. £2 by the Society for best exhibit in Cut Flowers - JMcDonald
16. Isabella Foreman Quaich for best single rose - Margaret Brown
17. Eric Sword Tankard for best 3 gladioli spikes - JMcDonald
18. Bag of compost from Carrs Billington for best 3 vases sweet peas - JMcDonald
19. Akerman Rosebowl for most points in Pot Plant Section - Deborah Fladgate
20. Gift Token by Willie Robertson, Milnathort for runner up in Pot Plants - Jane Martin
21. Flint Quaich for best exhibit in Pot Plants - Jane Martin
22. Donaldson Shield for most points in Vegetable Section - Deborah Fladgate
23. Gift Token by Willie Robertson, for runner up in Vegetables - Simon Herrington
24. £2 by the Society for best exhibit in Vegetable Section - David Martin
25. James field Trophy for the best collection of potatoes - Deborah Fladgate
26. Prize by Kirkcaldy Garden Centre for best collection of vegetables - David Martin
27. Songhurst Cup for best 6 tomatoes - David Martin
28. BHS Premier Tray - Certificate + £3 - David Martin
Certificate + £2 - Deborah Fladgate
BHS Premier Vase - Certificate + £3 - Isobel Baird
Certificate + £2 - David Martin
Certificate + £1 - Bridget Lindsay
29. Gardenland Trophy for most points in Fruit Section - Sylvia Herrington
30. BHS Trophy for most points in Horticultural Classes -Deborah Fladgate
31. Kirkness Trophy for Best Kept Garden
+ £15 Voucher - Margaret & George Brown
+ £10 Voucher - Margot Lithgow
+ £5 Voucher - Sylvia & Simon Herrington
32. George Harley Cup for best exhibit classes 130,133,134,139,140 - Chrissie Robertson
33. The Sunshine Quaich for the most points 5 years and under - Naimh Brown / Emma Mitchell
34. Special Prize by Mrs B Hunter for the best exhibit 5 years and under - Niamh Brown
35. Anne Robertson Cup for most points 6-9 years -Alexander Baird
36. Prize by Margaret Brown for best exhibit 6-9 years -Amber Wilson
37. Loch Leven Cup for most points 10 - 15 years - Victoria Baird
38. Prize by the Society for best exhibit 10 - 15 years - Heather Wilson
39. Barbour-Curtis Family Challenge Shield - no entries

Fossoway & District Horticultural Society

Fossoway & District Horticultural Society held their annual Flower Show on Saturday 21 August at the Crook of Devon. The Show was opened by Mrs Pippa Maitland-Dougall who also presented the trophies. Anna Campbell presented Mrs Maitland-Dougall with a basket of flowers. The Society would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors, everyone who gave donations, attended and exhibited at the show.

The Trophy Winners were:

Ramage Dawson Cup (most points):	Mr L Thomson
President's Shield (runner up):	Mr G Skea
Bob Wilkie Cup (Pot Plants):	Mrs E Johnston
Moir Cup (Cut Flowers):	Mr L Thomson
David De Boer Cup (Gladioli):	Mrs E Harley
Drummond Trophy (Sweet Peas):	Mrs R Carmichael
G A & G Kendrick Cup (Vegetables):	Mr G Skea
J M Fraser Cup (Open Section):	Mr W Bolton
Stalker Cup (Baking & Industrial):	Mrs G Taylor
Barden Trophy (Baking):	Mrs G Taylor
Miss Pirie Cup (Industrial):	Mrs E Alexander
Nicolson Black Jug (Preserves):	Mrs M Wilson
Stewart Rose Bowl (Floral Art):	Mrs M Wilson
Mabel Ross Trophy (Best Exhibit Industrial):	Mrs E Alexander

Children's Sections

Ramage Dawson Cup (most points overall):

Sally Montford

The Aldridge Cup (under 10 years):

Isla Skea

J M Fraser Cup (over 10 years):

Sally Montford

Spinningdale Trophy (article in wool):

Ella Mayne

Good Yarn Trophy (Writing):

Cassie Mayne

Special Prizes:

Best Exhibit Pot Plants:

Mrs E Harley

Best Exhibit Cut Flowers:

Mrs E Harley

Collection of Vegetables:

Mr G Skea

Collection of Potatoes:

Mr G M Harley

Best Exhibit Vegetables:

Mr G M Harley

Best Exhibit Open Section:

Mr J MacDonald

Best Exhibit Baking:

Mrs A Bayne

Best Exhibit Industrial:

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Probus Club



After the summer break the Probus started up again with a meeting on Wednesday 1 September. Ken Morrison, President for the year 2010/11 was in the chair. He welcomed everybody but sadly had to report the deaths of two members, Alex Forrester and Jimmy Knox. The members stood for a minute's silence in their memory.

The speaker for this meeting was Alister Stewart and his subject the Missionary Aviation Fellowship, usually known as MAF. Soon after the war a group of fliers met together wondering if they could use their flying skills for the benefit of the poorer countries of the world. They chose New Guinea and bought a small light plane, but this first effort ended in disaster when the plane crashed. The two survivors came back to this country and founded the Missionary Aviation Fellowship which is a Christian organisation. Now over 60 years later MAF works in 38 countries, uses 130 aeroplanes, employs over 1,000 professional people (pilots, engineers etc.), and lands at over 2,500 airstrips. Basically they are like an airline company which uses light aircraft to transport specialist people, such as doctors, and vitally important supplies, quickly over rugged terrain where roads are few and very rough, and journeys by road would take days or not at all. They work in close partnership with national churches, government departments, missions, local aid workers and large international aid agencies. To end his talk, Alister Stewart showed two short videos of MAF planes at work in various parts of the world. Alistair Hutton gave the vote of thanks for a most informative address about an organisation which expends itself in the service of others. The speaker for the Probus meeting on Wednesday 15 September was Bob Duguid and the title of his talk was "Ethiopia, Past and Present." His talk was illustrated by a series of lovely slides which were taken during a three week holiday in Ethiopia. Ethiopia is mainly known in this country because of its long distance runners and the famine in 1984 which resulted in a series of concerts to raise funds for the victims. But there is much more to Ethiopia than that. It has a rich cultural heritage stretching back for millions of years. The oldest skeletons of a human being have been found in Ethiopia. The fossilized bones of a female, named "Lucy" by the experts in the scientific community, have been estimated to be 3.2 million years old. She is one of the first true "Hominids" (ancestors of the species "Homo Sapiens"). The city of Gonder in the west of the country has many medieval treasures including several churches cut out of the solid rock and the oldest illustrated Bible in the world – Bob Duguid had a lovely picture of this book. Despite the problems that Ethiopia faces, the capital Addis Ababa is a modern bustling city with a lot of building taking place. It is the headquarters of the Organization for African Unity, and a centre for several United Nation agencies. Mike Thom gave the vote of thanks for an interesting and informative talk. The members now have a much clearer picture of "Ethiopia, Past and Present".

Visiting Kinross-shire?

For information on Eating Out, Parks and Gardens, Historic Buildings and more, visit

www.kinross.cc

Click on "Visitors" then "Things to See and Do"

Portmoak Film Society

Rats – Pixar and political!

"Ratatouille", the first film of the new season, went down well with an 82% result on the bean count (our very own ingenious audience-satisfaction rating system). 31 people including five children saw the film, including some new members, and guests were very impressed with the technical set-up. We have had higher audience ratings, but I guess some people don't like animations and others don't like rats! The animation was superb, with the attention to detail by Pixar showing how far computer-generated images are improving. As a cartoon it was great for all the family with plenty of laughs.

Our next film, to be shown on **Saturday 9 October** at 7.30pm in Portmoak Hall, Scotlandwell, will be "In the Loop", written by Armando Iannucci of the TV show "In the Thick of It" fame. It's not a film for the faint-hearted, with very many swear words, but it is a laugh-a-minute if you have a political appreciation of the set-up in Downing Street and the dark art of spin-doctors. Peter Capaldi is the star of the show, as a foul-mouthed Scottish PR attack dog in the run-up to the Iraq war in the USA, and the throes of an election campaign back home. For all its obscenities, it's a bit too close to the truth for comfort.

Seasonal membership cards for £24 are still available from Stuart MacKenzie at the Pottery on the Main Street, Kinnesswood (840638). You can join part way through the season at a reduced rate.

To see the rest of the season's programme, please visit the website at: www.portmoakfilmsociety.org.uk

Dyslexia Perth and Kinross

Monthly "Drop-in" sessions for anyone with an interest in dyslexia have started in Loch Leven Community Campus Library. We started at the end of August and the meeting was well attended. Most of those attending were parents with concerns about their children, and there was a lot of useful discussion between the parents. A support teacher with a special interest also came along, and a member of staff from Community Education and Adult Literacy. I had received some information about free memberships of Listening Books which I gave out. I am also able to pass on information on dyslexia-related events which people could easily travel to. We have access to computers to print out leaflets from helpful websites.

Come along and join in any month. Adults with dyslexia are particularly welcome.

The "Drop-in" is in the library on the Last Tuesday of the month between 6.30 and 7.30 pm. The local branch is part of Dyslexia Scotland.

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Kinnesswood in Bloom

Several members of Kinnesswood in Bloom group attended the TAPIP awards in Perth and were delighted to hear that they had gained a Gold Award in the small village category as well winning the small village trophy. The judges commented favourably on the success in fundraising, the community involvement and the planned programme of maintenance and development activities in the village.

They were particularly impressed by the links between the environmental and historical aspects including continued work at the Michael Bruce garden and the booklet "A Walk in Kinnesswood" which encouraged villagers and visitors to appreciate and enjoy the village environment past and present. Many people have been seen over the summer walking round the village with the book in their hands, including grandparents helping their grandchildren to complete the trail devised by Portmoak schoolchildren.



Kinnesswood in Bloom awards, proudly displayed by Shelagh Goudie, Alison Roberts on, Carol Vance and Jan Marshall

Local residents were praised for their well maintained gardens and their support for the group. The group know that their hard work is appreciated when they receive positive comments from the public. The Friends of Kinnesswood Appeal has now raised £435, more than double the amount raised last year.

The season is definitely changing when the watering rota comes to an end. The drivers and waterers are an essential part of the success of Kinnesswood in Bloom. Gradually the hanging baskets are being taken down. Work parties continue to tidy up the tubs and garden areas. It is also the time of year to review what went well and draw up plans for next year. Thankfully there is a bit more time to relax and plan the winter social events.

The Beautiful Scotland Awards are presented in the Rothes Halls on 22 September so next month there will be an update. Look up the very informative and colourful website www.kinnesswoodinbloom.org to see what is happening. We are always pleased to see new members, even if they can't attend the monthly meetings. You will be made most welcome.

Kinross-shire Visitor Information Points

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

Kinross Pipe Band

That's the competition season over for this year, and altogether the Pipe Band has fared well again in Grade 4A, picking up three firsts, (Lothian & Borders Mini-Bands in Peebles, Cupar Games and Thornton Games), a second at Crieff Games and a third at Markinch Games. We can do better yet, though, and we're therefore once again on the lookout for experienced pipers and drummers in the community (we know you're out there!) to come along and support your friendly local band.

With just a small increase in the number of experienced side drummers and pipers we would expect to do well at not just the minor Games competitions, but also all five Major Championships in 2011. And of course all band members have the added bonus of free entry to T in the Park where we play every year!

So - come along to our weekly practice on Thursday nights in the Masonic Hall at the Muirs - you will be very welcome - and help Kinross & District as we move onwards and upwards!

For further information, please visit the website www.kinross-pipe-band.co.uk, or contact Nigel Kellett (Secretary/Pipe Sergeant) on 01577 863738.

Kinross-shire Historical Society



The first of the 2010 - 2011 winter programme of talks will be held on **Monday 18 October** at 7.30pm.

It should be of great local interest to members entitled 'Channel Farm - This Is Your Life' by well known local farmer Sandy Braid, on 200 hundred years of farming and Loch Leven.

Annual Membership costs £6 [senior £5], under 18 no charge. Visitors are always welcome, cost £2.

Meetings are held in Kinross Parish Church Station Road Kinross.

We look forward to welcoming existing and new members and visitors to the start of the new season.

See also Notices, p91.

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Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation



Film 'How to Train Your Dragon' at Community Campus

The next film we show at the Community Campus on **Friday 1 October** is the film 'How to Train Your Dragon.' A hapless young Viking who aspires to hunt dragons becomes the unlikely friend of a young dragon himself, and learns there may be more to the creatures than he assumed. Films start at 7pm (doors open at 6.30pm).

Tickets (£3 for 18 and under and £5 for adults) are available at the door on the evening.

Sun shines again on Gazebo Gathering

For the second year in a row the Gazebo Gathering was blessed with wonderful weather. Families came with their gazebos and picnics to enjoy a great day out filled with music and family entertainment at Kinross House, with the crowd numbering around the 1,500 mark. The wonderful weather helped but without the great support of the Kinross audience we couldn't have done it all.

Local bands Beautiful By Design, Mama Kin, Well Known Strangers, Handle With Care and Blue Fuse put on a fantastic show as did the many dancers from the Nikki Mathews Dance Academy. The Zumba Dance and The Gary Sutherland Ceilidh Band had the crowd dancing in front of the main stage. The main acts Them Beatles and Lois Page's Diva Act (Madonna, Shakira, Shania and Lady Gaga) were very successful, both acts sounding like the real thing!

There were plenty of activities for the children which included a mini-fairground and bouncy inflatables, face-painting, craft tents and Radio Lollipop provided some children's activities. A beer tent and various food outlets were available and these included a hog-roast provided by the local butcher "Hunter's of Kinross."

We would like to thank Jamie and Lizzie Montgomery very much for the use of their lawn. This wonderful setting made a spectacular back-drop to our event.



Were you at the Gazebo Gathering? Fill in a Feedback Form!

There were numerous people who helped us out. A big thank you to Stuart Skinner who kindly lent us his truck; Bob Watson from the Scottish e-Bike Centre who let us sell tickets through his shop; the Rotary who helped with the parking; the staff of the Kinross Estate Company who cut the grass, lent us a gator, and offered assistance every time it was asked for; David Sands Ltd who sponsored the T-shirts for the volunteers; the Green Hotel who provided us

with the bar staff and wherewithal to run the bar; The Army cadets who provided us with equipment and willing, helpful recruits; the Community Learning Team who ran the street football and young adults area; the Round Table who helped the day after the event, by assisting with the clear up of the site. We couldn't have done this without all the help from all the volunteers who helped out to make the site ready and helped during the event. A special thanks to all the local volunteers as well as those from Scottish Hydro Electric who have provided many of the helpers at the Gazebo Gathering through their 'Community at Heart' project. This is an amazing project and our thanks goes to SSE for all their help.

We would like to have **feedback** on the Gazebo Gathering, so we can take that into account if we have the opportunity to organise another similar event. Please download the feedback form on www.kleo.org.uk or www.kinross.cc or contact KLEO at info@kleo.org.uk

Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

Enjoy the colours of autumn! Whether you're new to walking, returning to walking or a regular walker, try out a walk or two to see if you'd like to join. Walks are led by volunteer leaders from our group members. We have two interesting weekend walks this month.

Sunday 10 October: Kinnoull Hill, 4½ miles. A circular walk with some street walking, a cliffside path and a steep climb to the top of the hill. Returning through birch woods on mostly good paths. Some sections can be muddy if wet. Fine views of the River Tay and beyond.

Saturday 23 October: Glen Artney and the foothills of Ben Vorlich, 11 miles. A long day out following road, estate tracks and paths of varying quality from Glen Artney to the corries behind Ben Vorlich and Stuc a Chroin. Looping up over the bealach down to Arivurichardich and back. Superb views and the chance of seeing the deer rut.

For all walks you do need appropriate clothing (not jeans) and equipment, including boots and waterproofs. Walks can be of up to seven hours duration and a packed lunch, warm drink and water should be brought.

For further information on walking with the group, including further details of the above walks and where to meet, call our group Secretary Edna Burnett on 01577 862977. Or check our website koramblers.org

Alzheimer Scotland



Alzheimer Scotland has a brand new Dementia Advisor network and there are two new posts in Perth and Kinross. Dementia Advisors are available to give completely confidential advice and support to people with dementia, their families and friends in the community and will help them to access other support services that may be available. They will also link with other local groups, organisations and services to help the community become more dementia-friendly.

We believe that no-one should go through dementia on their own.

The posts in Perth and Kinross are funded by NHS Tayside and Alzheimer Scotland as part of a collaborative project to support family and friends caring for someone with dementia. They are based at Murray Royal Hospital. For more information, call Fiona Matthews on 01738 562 358.

Kinross High School Parent Council



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The Parent Council held its first meeting of the new academic year on 31 August. The minutes of the meeting would normally be placed on the Parent Council's website but the site is currently undergoing development so please contact the Parent Council Chair if you would like a copy.

Role of the Parent Council

The Parent Council is in place to represent 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.

Our success is totally dependent upon the input of parents and guardians and so we want to hear your views, good and bad, so that we can help to improve the performance of our school. Please, if you have anything to contribute, contact any of the Parent Council or you may write to the Chair care of the school address noted above. Better still come along to any of our meetings where, I can assure you, you will be warmly welcomed. **Our next meeting is on 2 November at 7.15pm.**

Who are the Parent Council?

The Parent Council office holders for the 2010/11 academic year are:

Chair:	Brad Wood - 01577 850 767 brad@madandbrandy.co.uk
Vice Chair:	Andy Williams - 01577 861682 a.b.williams@btopenworld.com
Treasurer:	Denis Sweeney - 01577 861651 sweeney5@tiscali.co.uk
School Uniform:	Dora Smith - 01577 863565 dorajsmith@btinternet.com

The Events and Fundraising Team

So far this year we have raised over £2400 for specific school funding requests such as Positive Behaviour Awards; Learning Support Equipment and Sports Strips.

Our annual "K-Factor" talent show in February once again hit new heights with music, dance and comedy acts nurtured by our fantastic new school facilities. For the first time ever our capacity audience could see all that was happening on stage from the new tiered seating, and the standard of performance tested our judges powers of appreciation to their limits!

In April we hosted the Kinross 10K Road Race and despite the new schools comparative distance from the start/finish, and a few teething problem with our new results system, our runners enjoyed themselves and were well fed by the committee members and other helpers. We look forward to welcoming you all back in 2011.

Our next event is a **Family Ceilidh on 3 December** with a live band, halftime stovies and a bar! Watch out for details in next month's newsletter.

As ever we need helpers to run these events. The Events and Fundraising Team have short (1hr) targeted meetings about once or twice a term, depending on need. We are practical, not political!! Please come and join us by calling Niall Simpson, Chair, on 07778 772354 or niall.simpson@hotmail.co.uk or contact Elaine Carruthers, Vice-Chair at Kinross High School office.

Our next meeting in on **Tuesday 26 October** at 7pm at Loch Leven Community Campus.

Handling Teenage Behaviour Training

The aim of this training is to let adults take control of teenage behaviour, build confidence, self esteem and skills. This course offers a practical, down-to-earth approach to managing teenage behaviour.

"It doesn't solve every problem but it helps to point you in the right direction. It definitely helped me".

(Mum, Milnathort)

The training is available Tuesday Mornings **2 November to 7 December**, 9.00am-10.30am at the Pupil and Family Support Area, LLCC. **Creche provided.**

For further information please contact:

Virette Swift, School Health Nurse 865335 or **Pat Doran**, Community Link Worker 867180 (07922 092720) or email pdoran@kinrosshigh.pkc.sch.uk

Common Grounds



We have our log fire burning brightly on most days now that autumn is with us, so please come along and enjoy. We have got lots of space for children to revel in. All are most welcome.

Project: Our latest project is "Riders for Health". The key work is motor cycles. In Africa where roads are often very poor, especially out in the bush, health professionals meet with real difficulty in getting drugs and vaccines to patients in these outlying areas. Motor cycles are maintained by technicians employed in each region. Our donation will help with repairs and fuel costs for these motor cycles in rural areas of Kenya.

Project Supper: Our Project Supper will be held in the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort on **Friday 1 October** 6.30pm for 7pm. A finger buffet will be provided. We are delighted that our speaker will be Robin Waugh from "Riders for Health". Please come and join us.

Book Club: The book club usually meets on the first Tuesday of the month but currently it is looking for a new venue.

Pot Luck Supper: A pot luck supper took place at the home of John and Claudia Pleass, and our thanks for their generosity in opening their home to some 30 plus people. A great night was had by all with lots of things to do, all splendidly organised by Claudia and her helpers. A raffle took place and made well over a £100 for our funds.

Website: Our website is up and running and you can find us at <http://commongrounds.org.uk>

Our greatest needs are still as follows: Treasurer, Volunteers and Customers. Please think about helping, we would be most grateful. Contacts are listed below.

Our **AGM** is on **Friday 22 October** at 7pm in the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

For the present our opening hours are still 10am – 1pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

Contacts outside of opening hours are James Henry (Convener) 01577 864452 and Linda Freeman (Secretary) 01577 865045.

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Kinross-shire Residents Association

Kinross-shire Residents Association have held a couple of Annual General Meetings which were poorly attended and could not proceed and the committee feels they need better support as they are a useful pressure group. Such issues as grass cutting by the council, pot holes and the general appearance of the area and feedback on the fitted kitchen project have been issues brought up at meetings over the past year.

The Association was successful in getting pot holes filled in at Marshall Place and Bridgefauld Road, Milnathort, much to the delight of local car owners. We were sorry to see Mark Henry, the Council representative who took minutes and generally liaised between the Federation and us, leave for pastures new. The Vice Chairman now sits on the committee of the Tayforth Association, which is discussing the Social Housing Charter and the Housing (Scotland) Bill. A presentation at the Salutation Hotel, Perth was held recently attended by the Secretary and Vice Chairman. We wish to thank all the council employees who have attended our meetings in past year. We would welcome more residents to our meetings.

Robina Smith, Chairperson/Secretary
Mike Twaddle, Vice Chairman

Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme



We have not had a notice in the Newsletter for a few months which means there are several items of interest/information to let you know about.

As the cost of providing our service is ever increasing the Management Committee has reluctantly decided to increase the charge to Service Users.

The full list of new charges is below:

Perth, Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy	£10
Stirling	£12
Dundee, Edinburgh	£18
Strathro	£25
Loch Leven Health Centre, local area	£3
Loch Leven Health Centre, outreach area	£5

These changes will take effect from **1 October 2010**.

An evening of excellent entertainment will take place on **Friday 22 October** when the **EAST FIFE MALE VOICE CHOIR** will sing in **Kinross Parish Church**. Kelvin Reay, our Immediate Past Chairman, has organised this concert as a fundraiser to help boost our funds. **Tickets, priced £6**, are available from Kelvin, phone number **01577 864147** and also at the door.

We must thank the members of Kinross Inner Wheel for a generous donation of £500 towards our funds, as always our local community is very supportive of our work and we are grateful.

Advance notice of another evening of excellent entertainment, our **Burns Supper** will be held on **Monday 17 January 2011** in the Windlestrae Hotel.

Portmoak Hall 100 Club

August Draw

1st No. 112	Fiona Mead, Kinnesswood
2nd No. 28	John Hunter, Scotlandwell
3rd No. 102	Jayne Buchan, Kinnesswood

Milnathort in Bloom

It has been a busy and challenging year. We lost the roof in the poly tunnel not once but twice but thanks to the generosity of Kinross in Bloom we were still able to bring on our plant plugs. The very dry weather in June also wasn't the best for new plants but despite these setbacks the tubs and baskets looked wonderful and the consensus was that the baskets were amongst the best we have done. I am sure they helped us win a silver medal at the recent 'Take a Pride in Perthshire' competition awards night.

Even though the baskets and tubs are still full of colour, the gardening year is drawing to a close. However, that does not mean we put our feet up, far from it. For the proposed community orchard in South Street, MiB has raised over half the money needed and we should know by the end of September if we have raised the remainder. If yes we will start immediately on creating the orchard as the best time for planting the fruit trees is apparently November.

We have also agreed with the Council that MiB, in conjunction with other community groups, will maintain two of the beds at the War Memorial with the Council doing the two others. The work on this will probably start in October but it is still to be confirmed. We will also be finishing the new Heather Garden at the bottom of Old Perth Road and planting crocuses in Stirling Road. Add to this the removal of the basket, tubs and you can see we will be busy. If you want to help with any of these then please get in contact with Graeme Stewart, 864357 for details. All are welcome.

On 11 October, we will be holding our **AGM** at the Scout and Guide Hall, Church Street, Milnathort. The meeting will start at 7.30pm and afterwards we will be holding the first meeting of the 2010/2011 year. Everybody is welcome to attend and all suggestions and ideas for next year are welcome.

You can contact Milnathort in Bloom at graemehs@yahoo.com or 01577 864357.



Lomond Antiques and Collectors Club



The 2010-11 programme started with a talk entitled "An Emperor's Furniture With a Scottish Connection." The emperor in question was Napoleon and the Scottish connection the houses of Abbotsford, Dalmeny House and Blair Castle. We saw examples of Napoleon's furniture while he was in power, and learned that the Prince Regent wanted the Emperor to be kept in style although a prisoner of the British. A house was ferried out in pieces for him, and much of the furniture was by George Bullock, who also designed pieces for great houses in Scotland.

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Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club



The October meeting will be held on **Thursday 7 October** at 2 pm in the Millbridge Hall. The speaker at the meeting will be Lieutenant-Colonel Mary Lockhart, Territorial Army, who will give a talk on her experiences as a War correspondent in the former Yugoslavia.

At the September meeting Avril Baird gave a very interesting talk on her experiences as a commercial airline pilot. The unusual topic was very welcome and enjoyed by the members.

Away Days October

Thur 14 Oct: Mitchell Library

Thur 28 Oct: Three Glens.

Theatre Outing: "Half a Sixpence" **30 September 2010.**

The minibus will leave from the Green Hotel at 6.30 p.m. Contact Edith Oswald 01577 865731.

Friday Hill Walkers:

8 Oct: Enocdhu, nine miles & 2000 ft of ascent, new walk for the group with stunning views.

22 Oct: Ben Chonzie, 7.5 miles & approx 2500 ft of ascent, a well kent walk but a new route.

Please note this membership list is currently fully subscribed.

Friday Walkers:

1 Oct: Comrie and the Maam Road, a circular 6 mile walk along the path past the Deil's Cauldron, up and over the Maam Road and back through Twentyshilling Wood.

15 Oct: From the Factory Outlet Centre, Tillicoultry, another popular circular walk past Drummie, Coalsnaughton and Gartmorn Dam, not much more than 5 miles, along way-marked paths.

29 Oct: Our annual outing trip to Pitlochry to enjoy the autumn colours, starting from the Dam, going past Coronation Bridge, over the suspension bridge at Killiecrankie, and back near Dunmore Loch. This takes you up and down several steep sets of steps, and is at least 8 miles.

Please note that the walkers' membership list is currently closed.

Christmas Shoeboxes for Third World Countries: A number of members brought in shoe boxes for this appeal at the September meeting but it would be appreciated if more members would support this very worthwhile cause by bringing in more boxes at the October meeting. Many thanks.

Activities: The Club's other activities, which include the following, are open to all members of the Club:

The following groups are now finished until the autumn: - **Craft Group, Fly Tyers, Keep Fit, and Smiddy Singers.**

Carpet Bowls: This will re-commence on **Monday 25 October** at 2 p.m. All Club members are welcome.

The Line Dancers: The Dancers swing and sway every Tuesday and Friday at 10.30 a.m. in the Millbridge Hall.

L.U.S.T. The slimmers meet each Thursday, 9.30am to 10.30am in the Millbridge Hall.

Kinvest Investment Club: The Club meet once a month. New members, who need only a general knowledge of investments, will be made most welcome. The meetings are normally held the first Monday of each month at 1.30pm. Club members wishing to take part should contact John Dryburgh on 01577 862555.

Kinross Boys & Girls Brigade



The new session has started well for the Kinross Company with a number of new members in the ranks of all three sections. Mr McDonald has stepped down as officer in charge of the Junior Section with Mrs Mair taking over this position.

The company has entered national BB competitions in badminton, table tennis, chess, 5-a-side football and masterteam quiz, but as yet the first round draws have not been announced.

The company had hoped to use Kinross Primary School on Friday evenings but their let application has been knocked back by Perth and Kinross Council as part of a council cost cutting exercise. As there is no other town centre facility to play badminton should the company have a home draw in the National Badminton competition.

Battalion competitions are due to start in October with Junior Section members practising badminton for this although it is difficult to play without marking lines in the Church Centre.

Membership is still open for the new session with both boys and girls welcome:

The Anchor Section meets on Friday evenings from 6 till 7.15pm in the Church Centre and caters for boys and girls in primaries one, two and three.

The Junior Section meets on Friday evenings from 7 till 9pm in the Church Centre and caters for boys and girls in primaries four, five and six.

The Company Section meets on Friday evenings from 7 till 10pm in the Church Centre and caters for boys and girls from primary 7 up to the age of 18.

Marquee Hire – the two 40' X 20' white marquee tents have been well used throughout the summer and are available for hire during the winter months at the usual price of £180 per occasion. Contact Company Captain David Munro (01577 862126) for further details.

Kinross & District Town Twinning Association



Following a very successful twinning visit which saw around 40 Gacéans hosted by Kinross-shire families, the Association is holding a "Hosts' Thank you Evening" at St Paul's Church Hall on **Tuesday 5 October** at 7.30pm. Old and new members are welcome to attend this evening of shared experiences and photographs.

Gacé school visit: around 20 students from Gacé secondary schools will have visited Kinross from 21 - 28 September with three accompanying members of staff: Madames Goron and Verges from College Jean Moulin, and Monsieur Blot from College Tregaro. Whilst in Kinross, the French students stayed with Kinross-shire families and will have visited Falkland Palace on the Friday and Edinburgh on the Monday. A farewell Ceilidh on the Monday evening would have been enjoyed by all before the early departure on the Tuesday morning of the 28th.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will take place in St Paul's Church Hall on **Thursday 23 November** at 7.30pm. Old and new members welcome as we prepare for our next visit to Gacé in the summer of 2012 (plenty of time to get involved). For further details contact chairperson Jean Paterson (tel 862159).

Kinross Army Cadets

What a Year this has been...

It is the year of the Cadet 150 and what a year it has been. Our cadets have reached new heights and they continue to show their commitment to the Cadet Force and their local community. This year the cadets from Royal Signals (Kinross) Detachment have played at Edinburgh Castle and have represented their Battalion at Buckingham Palace and Balmoral Castle.

As the year progressed we found a champion, Corporal Caitlin Barnes, who represented Fife and Kinross in the Royal British Legion (Scotland) National Standard Bearers Championship in Perth.

During the Edinburgh Military Tattoo Cpl Barnes carried the Banner for the Army Cadet Force. In front of thousands of onlookers, alongside cadets representing each branch of the Armed Forces, Caitlin marched onto the Esplanade at Edinburgh Castle, the accolade of the celebration of the Cadet 150.

Caitlin returned to the Detachment with great enthusiasm and lots of pictures.

As the year has progressed new recruits have joined the Detachment and two of our recruits, Cadets Erin Crawford and Jordan Gilchrist, both aged 13 years, completed their training and have been awarded their blue star.

As Erin and Jordan begin their training for their next star level, fellow cadets Lance Corporals Jordan Nelson, Ian Somerville and Josh Gray have had a great year receiving their 1 star award and promotion. As junior NCOs they will take on new responsibilities within the Detachment.

"It's great the Detachment is going from strength to strength and we are really excited to welcome potential new instructors to the Detachment," said Lieutenant Larry Jenkins.



Parking Perfection...

Cadets from Royal Signal (Kinross) Detachment have been busy over the past few weekends. As everyone came together for the Kinross Show, which was quickly followed by the Gazebo Gathering, the cadets were willing volunteers to assist with marshalling.

With a break in the traffic, Cadet Erin Crawford (13) and Civilian Assistant Linda 'Yogi' Crammond took a well earned break.

"It is a long day when you are standing most of the time, but we get to see all the different attractions and you meet loads of different people," said Cadet Erin Crawford.

If you would like to find out more about the cadets or becoming an instructor, visit our Detachment on Tuesday or Thursday evening between 7 – 9pm.



Cadet Erin Crawford with CA Linda 'Yogi' Crammond, in Kinross

Seamab School

The children came back to school having had a full and active summer holiday.

Each bungalow had its own programme of activities and everybody had a great time.

We are well and truly back into the routine of school. Prior to going on holiday in July, the children took part in the Sports Day and Swimming Gala. It was very impressive that these children, who have previously not been able to take part in any such group activities, prior to coming to Seamab, all took part in the various races. Well done to them all. We also held a Seamab's Got Talent which both children and staff took part in very enthusiastically.

At the beginning of September we had a three-day inspection from the Care Commission. Our Care Commission Officer was most impressed with the work we are doing and has recommended, once again, that we receive Grade 6 (which is the highest grade) for the areas she inspected. We look forward to the report being published in due course. This will be the last announced inspection by the Care Commission in its present form.

As part of our Eco School programme we are launching a Road Safety Awareness Initiative in conjunction with the Tayside Road Safety Programme. We look forward to all the exciting activities and training planned for adults and children alike. The first of these is the training of our

candidate for Junior Road Safety Officer. This pupil will be training along with children from other schools within Perth & Kinross. This will be a major achievement for him and we wish him well. We are now working hard to gain our Green Flag.

Since we do not take the children on holiday during the school summer holidays we are organising holidays for some of the children during our caravan break. Some of our children will be going to our caravan in Crail and others to the more remote parts of Scotland.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking Portmoak Football Team, as part of the Portmoak Festival, for their very kind donation. We have added it to the children's fund. We would also like to thank Sainsbury's once again for choosing us to be their charity of the year.

We have had two more children joining us over the summer holidays and they are settling in to Seamab well. Our two children who moved on at the end of last session have also settled into their new schools and we wish them well. Fortunately the school is full with 15 residential pupils and two day pupils.

Anne W Anderson, Principal of Seamab School

**Deadline for all Submissions
2.00 pm, MONDAY 18 October
for publication on Saturday 2 October**



The Kinross-shire Civic Trust



This Year's Autumn Talk

John Pelan, the Director of the Scottish Civic Trust will be speaking at the Kinross Community Campus on Wednesday 27 October at 7.30pm

The Scottish Civic Trust has appointed a new Director, John Pelan. For our Autumn Talk the Kinross-shire Civic Trust has invited John Pelan to come and talk to us about his aims for the Scottish Civic Trust and the other Trusts throughout Scotland. We are making this a joint venture and we have invited Perth Civic Trust and Dollar Civic Trust to join us on that evening. The Kinross-shire Civic Trust is affiliated to the Scottish Civic Trust and it is important that all the Trusts unite together. There are many occasions when it will be important for all the Trusts to express a single opinion. Therefore we look forward to hearing from John where he sees the vision for Civic Trusts in Scotland leading.

The Civic Trusts have a very important role to play in the future of Scotland and it is vital that we make sure that we in Kinross-shire play our part in that.

We welcome non-members to this meeting, so please make a note in your diary now. Please let Margaret Wilson know (01592 840071) if you are able to come, so that we have an idea of the numbers attending. There will be coffee and tea after. Tickets are available at the door, £2 per head.

New Local Development Plan

Perth and Kinross Council will be issuing the next stage of the New Local Development Plan. This will be in the form of a Main Issues Report (MIR). At the moment the Council intend to issue the MIR on Friday 8 October and all responses will have to be with the Council by Friday 11 January 2011.

The Council intends to have two Public Exhibitions in Kinross for the MIR which will be attended by officials. However these will be the only occasions when officials will be present. (See page 8.)

You, the Public, MUST TAKE PART. It is your opportunity to express your opinions. You must do this now. Land owners and Developers have already lodged their Proposals as to where they would like development to take place.

Kinross-shire Civic Trust supports development, but it must be appropriate to the environment within which it sits. The Representations for development in the next Plan far exceed the requirements of Kinross-shire. This must be controlled and you the Public must help in this context if the County is not to be covered in development.

The rural setting of Kinross needs to be recognised as adding value to the attraction of the county. By ensuring that the agricultural land that surrounds Kinross is designated as such and its erosion protected, this will limit urban sprawl as well as conserve productive farmland for future generations.

Good agricultural land **MUST** be retained for the future so that as a country we are self-sufficient. That was a vital lesson we learnt from the Second World War. We must not forget that and resist short term exploitation.

Full information is available on the Council web site www.pkc.gov.uk/Developmentplanscheme or at the County Buildings, Kinross or Pullar House, Perth.

Annual Best Kept Village Competition

The presentation for the Best Kept Village Awards took place on a perfect Summer's evening down by the Well and



The presentation for the Best Kept Village Awards by the Well at Scotlandwell



The Kinross-shire Civic Trust (continued...)



Wash House at Scotlandwell. There are three cups presented, the Lena Graham Cup for the Best Kept Village, the Donald Erskine Cup for the Best Kept Hamlet and the Sir Robert Stewart Cup for the Most Improved Village. In addition, Robertson's of Milnathort award vouchers to each of the three winning teams.

It was very appropriate to have the ceremony at Scotlandwell as this is the 150th anniversary of the building of the Well and Wash House by Thomas Bruce of Arnot, the Well in 1858 and the Wash House in 1860.

These two very important historic buildings are now in dire need of restoration and repair. Scotlandwell in Bloom have started Phase 1 towards this restoration and the Civic Trust is very pleased to support this endeavour.

After the Awards, everyone retired to Portmoak Hall, where the two winners, Scotlandwell and Kelty and Maryburgh, had laid on a tremendous spread which everyone enjoyed.

The Best Kept Village Competition was founded in 1967 by Sir Robert Stewart when he was County Convenor. This is now the 44th Year of the Best Kept Village Awards and it is very encouraging that it continues to be so well supported by the villages and hamlets of Kinross-shire. Kinross-shire Civic Trust is very pleased to be associated with this annual award, as it gives the Trust a closer relationship with local communities, giving them tangible support, and encouraging the care and conservation of the places in

which we live. There is of course a tremendous amount of work that goes on behind the scenes, and the Trust would like to thank all those in the communities who work so hard to keep them tidy and well landscaped, encouraging a community spirit.

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- Publish information and guidance leaflets on architectural or planning issues
- Research environmentally friendly building methods and the new planning guidelines
- Produce an historical map of Kinross-shire
- Organise more displays of topics of interest and events

Can you help with any of these? We know that our members have many skills and a wide variety of experience. If it is to be effective, it needs your active participation to help campaign for better design in contemporary architecture, and respect for our existing architectural heritage.

Contact the Chairman, Alistair Smith on 01592 840215

Buildings of Interest in Kinross-shire The Sluices, Loch Leven

On 26 June 1829 an advertisement appeared in the *Fife Herald* inviting tenders to construct the "intake sluices and spill-water or waste weir, at the head of the New Cut for the River Leven." This structure was to be an important element in the ongoing management of the River Leven as envisaged in the ambitious Leven Improvement Scheme aiming to lower Loch Leven by 4½ feet so that land could be reclaimed for farming. Initiated by the Kinross Estate, this massive engineering project was put into action following an Act of Parliament passed almost exactly two years earlier on 27 June 1827.

Robert Hutchison, a stonemason from Coaltown of Balgonie who had already secured the contract for building new bridges over the Leven at Auchmuir and The Gulleets near Lochend Farm, submitted a quote for just over £1,009 and was offered the contract to build the sluices that would ultimately control the outflow of water from the south-east corner of Loch Leven. The first problem he encountered was the softness of the ground on which the project engineer James Brown had proposed the sluices be built. This was soon resolved by moving the site a short distance to the north, hence the bend in the New Cut as it leaves the sluice gates.

The coarse rubble used to create the foundations was obtained from a quarry opened up on the south side of Loch Leven but the five solid arches and building above it were constructed of fine, dressed sandstone from Mr Curror's freestone quarry at Nivingstone near Cleish. Immediately above the arches the interior flooring was laid with Arbroath pavement stone. The construction of cast iron sluice gates and the hand-operated machinery to control them fell to Alexander Russell, a founder in Kirkcaldy who charged £274

for his part in this elegant structure. A hall for meetings, including the annual River Leven Trust whisky tea, a house for the sluice keeper, a spillway and two sizeable piers to protect the sluice gates from winter ice completed the building of "The Sluices" which still control the outflow of water from the loch 140 years on, delicately balancing the interests of farmers, conservationists and millowners downstream.



The Sluices, from Loch Leven Cut



Sports News

Kinross Road runners

Now that the days are getting ever shorter the winter training season is underway. This does not mean that training slackens off in fact, quite the opposite. The cross country runs on Wednesday summer evenings are replaced by speed sessions which help to build fitness and stamina over the winter months in preparation for the new race season in the Spring.

Towards the end of the summer season the Road Runners were well represented at local events as follows:

Forth Road Bridge 10K - 8 August

This race is acclaimed as being one of the most scenic and memorable in the Scottish Road Running calendar with over 300 runners completing the out and back course over the Forth Road Bridge. There were 10 entries from the Kinross Road runners all of whom completed the course successfully. In particular Maureen Hill finished in a time of 41:55 which won not only the 1st FV40 but also the first lady overall and was a pb for Maureen. Other pb's on the day were Struan Robertson 54:22 and Lisa Hill 60:11. Both Struan and Lisa joined the club this year and with dedicated training are going from strength to strength. The fastest KRR male was Ronnie Ritchie in a time of 41:56.

Perth 10K - 29 August

11 members of KRR completed the race which has changed its route over the last few years but starts from the George Duncan Memorial Stadium in Perth. There were a few personal best performances on the day from Alan Kemp 38:55 (fastest KRR male), Graham Kemp 45:07 and Struan Robertson 51:48. Our fastest lady on the day was again Maureen Hill in a time of 43:30.

Graham Clark Memorial Race 31 August

This a novel event which is held at the Knockhill race circuit and involves 3 circuits of undulating track, making a total of 4 miles. It is always a popular race but this year the club had over 20 entrants. Our youngest competitor Gregor Malcolm (11) achieved a pb of 29:10 convincingly beating his mum



Ann Malcolm 30:52! Further achievements went to Roger Stark 30:04 2nd MV70, Maureen Hill 25:18 2nd F40, Christine Myerscough 27:00 2nd F50 and Peter Edgerton 23:49 2nd M50. Our fastest male on the night was Andy Laycock in an amazing time of 21:55 and our fastest lady was again Maureen Hill 25:18. The race was enjoyed by all who took part and is definitely a club favourite.

Glasgow Half Marathon - 5 September

Starts at George Square and takes in the Kingston Bridge, Bellahouston Park, Pollock Country Park before finishing at Glasgow Green. All who compete in the event talk of the fantastic atmosphere throughout the race. This year 7 KRR members competed in the event, all of whom are currently training for either the Dublin or Loch Ness marathons in October. Maureen Hill 1:32:56, Ronnie Ritchie 1:36:34, Julie Rose 1:51:09, Michael Cafferkey 1:59:44, Gillian Black 2:00:15, Fiona Kemp 2:05:40 and Anne Macintyre 2:15:09.

In addition to races we meet regularly on a Wednesday evening at the old doctors surgery at 7pm for speed and fitness training. We welcome new members of all abilities, so come along and join us. We guarantee a warm welcome and lots of encouragement.

Further information on the club can be found on our website www.kinrossroadrunners.co.uk



Kinross Road Runners at the Graham Clark Memorial Race on 31 August

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Kinross Cricket Club

Third League Title for 1st XI

In last month's Newsletter we mentioned that it looked good for Kinross to win our third successive league title and gain promotion to the Premier division. As many of you may have seen in the national press, we did it with some style. We needed a win against St Modans and having bowled them all out for 81 we never looked in doubt. The required 82 runs came in 17 overs, with James Ross finishing his innings on 44 not out. This innings brought his total runs for the season to 1033, the first Kinross player ever to pass 1000 1st XI runs in a season. This has been a season of record breaking achievements and we all look forward to the review at the senior awards dinner at the Green Hotel on **13 November**.

The 2nd XI finished the season strongly and can look back on some very much improved performances. While the league figures show 4 wins out of 12 this doesn't reflect the fact that 3 matches were decided on the last ball and it could easily have been 7 out of 12. Everything looks positive for the coming season.

Ladies Section

The planned Women's Scottish Cup Final between Kinross Ladies and Stirling was scheduled for Saturday 18th September but it was postponed due to five Kinross players becoming injured in the week before the game. Few of these were cricket injuries but Cricket Scotland, the championship organisers, allowed Kinross to delay the game to allow player to be ready. We hope to get the game played in early October.

Juniors

The annual Junior awards night was held at the Windlestrae Hotel on Monday 13 September. Over 150 people came to see the season review and the individual prize winners. 51 children were awarded ECB Kwik Cricket Awards across 4 categories with the players shown (top right) receiving individual performance awards.

Indoor winter training starts **25 October** and full details of all upcoming events can be found on the club website www.kinrosscc.co.uk



Kwik and Inter Cricket Skills Award - Best Performances

- Bronze - Abigail Hall & Alex Turlik
- Silver - Elliot Hogg, Daniel Reilly, Jamie Roberts, Daniel Sproul & Jamie Gibson
- Gold - Hannah Peedle & Sean Keegan
- Inter - Jack McCreanor & Stuart McCreanor

Under 11 Awards

- Batsman of the Year - Stuart McCreanor
- Bowler of the Year - Jack McCreanor
- Fielder of the Year - Ryan Shah
- Effort Award - Lewis McLaren
- Effort Award - Katy Robson
- Effort Award - Sally Weir
- Most Improved Player - Hamish D'Ath
- "Spirit of Cricket" Award - Hamzah Ulla

Under 13 Awards

- Batsman of the Year - Robert Tree
- Bowler of the Year - Callum Gosse
- Fielder of the Year - Fraser Gosse
- Effort Award - Connor Emslie
- Effort Award - Kirsty Clarke
- Most Improved Player - Rory Cooke
- "Spirit of Cricket" Award - Gregor Stewart
- Player of the Year - Fred Culley
- Special Awards - Robert Watson

Under 15 Awards

- Batsman of the Year - Fraser Gosse
- Bowler of the Year - Fraser Gosse
- Fielder of the Year - Fred Culley
- Effort Award - Nicholas Diston
- Effort Award - Zoe Conway
- Most Improved Player - Mark McLaren
- "Spirit of Cricket" Award - Cameron Prentice
- U15 Player of the Year - Mark McLaren

Loch Leven Community Campus Football League



Live Active Leisure will be hosting football leagues at the community campus on a Thursday evening from 7pm to 9.30pm and are looking for locals to get together and make up a team to compete in the first league at the campus. We are looking to start this in October once a sufficient number of teams have submitted an application form which can be found at the campus reception or at Live Active Loch Leven. Games will last for 40mins and will be refereed by an affiliated SFA referees. The games will cost £12.50 per team per week and all results and fixtures will be posted on the Live Active Leisure website on a weekly basis.

If you are interested in putting together a team, then fill in an application form and hand back as soon as possible or if you would like further information then contact Live Active Loch Leven on 01577 863368.

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Kinross Cycling Club



It has been a busy spell for the club over the past few weeks with the third and final Loch Leven Time Trial at the end of August seeing our defending champion and Vintage category member Ken Ogilvie romping through with a cracking time of 35.12 for the 12.6 mile course that runs south from The Loch Leven Mills along the bottom of the Loch and back via Scotlandwell to the finish outside the Loch Leven Community Campus. Top three were: 1. Ken Ogilvie (Vin) 35.12, 2. John Gallacher (SnV) 36.07, and 3. Robbie Sanghra (Sn) 36.32. Ladies Champion was Gillian Corsie with an impressive 36.33, only one second off third place for the overall event. Highly creditable performances from new members to club included those of Stewart Herd and Angus McCulloch.

We also had our 2nd annual 'end of summer hill climb' held on the hill from Seggie Bank up to Stronachie at the beginning of September. The competition was balanced nicely over the decades as from the entry list of 8 riders we had 2 Senior Category and 2 Vintage category. The winner was the defending champion Peter Owen (senior cat) who travelled up from the Lothians (where he is now a full time student) especially for the event. Peter smashed the course record by over 30 seconds with a time of 7m.46s. Ken Ogilvie took Silver (8m.03s), and our own Pyrenean explorer Trev Keer took Bronze (8m.27s). Three of our new ladies members turned out for the event, Veronica Duncan, Morag Bruce and Carolanne Cappie with Carolanne winning the ladies competition in a time of (10m.20s). A special hats off to the ladies as after the exertions of the Hill climb they then took on the ride of the day which involved crossing Path of Condie, Rossie Ochil, descending Glenfarg and coming back into Kinross via Abernethy Glen, which gave them a tad short of 3000 feet of climbing over a 34 mile course that day. A special mention of the club's very own El Presidenté and local GP, Doc Roddy, who is fighting back to fitness after injury with an excellent time of just 10 seconds off his posting from last year.

Elsewhere, the club was well represented in the 90 mile Tour of Peebles cycle sportive with 4 KCC riders taking part in field of around 200 on a dry, sunny but slightly windy day. The guys turned out in full KCC kit, even catching a compliment or two along the way. Two of our riders broke 5 hours for the 90 mile route, turning in the 5th and 6th fastest times of the day. Overall KCC riders filled 4 of the top 11 slots.

And finally we made a brief presentation to Kinross Community Council who generously awarded the club's sportive event the sum of £300. You can see the movie the community council viewed designed to promote Kinross and Sportive Kinross online at www.sportive-kinross.co.uk.

Orwell Bowling Club

Our annual Fun Night on Saturday 14 August attracted many visitors, some trying their hand at target bowls, others participating in the soaking of our very sporting Vice-President Diane Foster, firmly clamped in the stocks. The Tombola as usual proved popular, as did the delicious burgers and sausages. With minimal hangovers the morning after, an Orwell team went to Luncarty, where it won by 7 shots.

On a hot Sunday 22 August, the Invitation Triples resulted in Bill Smith, A Gannon and Jim Longmuir winning Section A, Vic McKechnie, Mima Petrie and Brian Cook in Section B and Sandra Fullerton, Margaret and Iain Ferrier in Section C. Well deserved victories in a very competitive event. The away Friendly on Saturday 28 August resulted with Orwell gaining 73 shots against Perth West End's 40, our Seniors having also been victorious on 10 August at home to the same club, winning by 7 shots when rain stopped play - quite a feat against this prestigious club. Our team for the home game against Kingseat on Saturday 4 September produced a score hardly fitting for a "Friendly" match: 102 shots to the visitors' 58. A benign breeze on Saturday 11 September blew heavy clouds away, resulting in a lovely afternoon's home game - Orwell again triumphed with 69 shots to Aberdour's 47.

At the Senior hat game on Thursday 9 September, it was particularly pleasing to see our nonagenarian, Donald Rose, on the green rolling up some very respectable bowls again - well done Don! As the season draws to its close, entrants in ties and finals remaining to be played fervently hope that both weather and evening light continue to be kind, in spite of the promised "Barbecue/Indian summer" not materialising.

Kinross Volleyball Club

The season has started well for the Kinross Club following their bronze medal finish in the De Haan Tournament in Belgium. This has been followed up by the Kinross Scotrange team retaining the Perth Premier League Cup for a fourth successive year, narrowly pipping local rivals Kintronics in a close match 25-23; 25-19. Young Connor Boyle and Roy Munro starred in the Scotrange ranks with Peter Eade making his height and jump count in numerous attacks for Kintronics.

The Recreational League Cup reaches its conclusion on Sunday 26 September with holders Kinross BB already through to the semi-finals. Kinross Scotrange II and Kinross BB (Girls Association) are also in with a shout of reaching the semi-finals when they play their round robin games in the second qualification section.

New members are always welcome at the local volleyball club which has been involved in recreational and competitive volleyball for 30 years (founded in 1980) so if you fancy a wee bit of exercise and a lot of fun come along on a Monday evening at the Community Campus from 8 till 10 (juniors P7 to 18 from 8 till 9). For further details telephone Dave Munro (862126).

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Déjà vu....

The season started in September, and has a familiar feel to it already. Kinross are showing that they have all the capabilities to do well in the league, but inconsistency of squad and level of play has meant defeats both close and otherwise along with the one healthy victory.

28 Aug	Blaigowrie	Away	38 - 10
04 Sep	Madras	Away	38 - 5
11 Sep	Crieff & Strathearn	Home	31 - 0
18 Sep	Alloa	Away	52 - 3
Sat 25 Sep	Fife Southerm	Away	15:00
Sat 02 Oct	Carnoustie	Home	15:00
Sat 09 Oct	Arbroath	Away	15:00
Sat 16 Oct	Blaigowrie	Home	15:00
Sat 23 Oct	Madras	Home	15:00
Sat 30 Oct	Crieff	Away	14:00

A short trip to local rivals Fife Southern starts the next set of matches and Kinross will be keen to put into practice the strategies of new coach Sean O'Reilly.

Were you once a participant in rugby?

Have you let your affiliation with Kinross Rugby Club or with rugby in general drop? There are so many former rugby players and former Kinross rugby club-members in the community, we could probably set up a second rugby club of the same size! **Kinross Rugby Club needs you.** We enjoy seeing all the old faces down recounting tales of how rugby used to be in their playing days but are frustrated by seeing those of you who still have good playing days left in them not joining in. We know there are lots of you out in the community who once took an active part in rugby, not necessarily at Kinross, who will feel there is something missing on a Saturday afternoon. If only to take advantage of our new fitness coach, come down on a Tuesday from 7pm, or skills coaching with our new coach (ex Richmond) on Thursdays from 7pm, we would like to see you down. Let's make it worthwhile for these guys who are showing a commitment to rugby.

Give us a try. **Come and meet us at our next home game on Saturday 2 October.** The clubhouse is open from 1pm. We are a great social club, with regular events to participate in.

We need YOU, who once had an interest in rugby, or YOU who feels they'd like to try the ultimate TEAM sport. We run teams for a wide range of ages and abilities, so five-year old to veteran, novice to expert, spectator to pundit, we can provide rugby for you and the social facilities to enjoy it in. Be part of Kinross Rugby Club and enjoy the very best of what the game has to offer.

Kinross RFC Midis

Combined High School and Club Rugby Squads

Under 18s

The Kinross Under 18s (combined S5 and S6) team plays in the Caledonia Midlands Division 2 (Development) League. League matches take place on Saturdays with kick-off at 1pm. Players born 01 September 1992 and after are eligible to play.

The Kinross Under 18s Squad fixtures for October 2010 are:

Saturday	2 Oct	League	Kinross v Strathmore
Tuesday	5 Oct	School	Kinross v Glenalmond
Saturday	9 Oct	League	Grangemouth v Kinross
Saturday	23 Oct	League	Kinross v Perthshire
Saturday	30 Oct	League	Glenrothes v Kinross

Under 16s

The Kinross Under 16s (combined S3 and S4) squad plays in the Caledonia Midlands Division 2 (Development) League. League matches take place on Sundays with kick-off at 1pm. Players born 01 September 1994 and after are eligible to play.

The Kinross U16s Squad fixtures for October 2010 are:

Sun	3 Oct	League	Kinross v Glenrothes
Sun	10 Oct	League	Crieff & Strathearn v Kinross
Sun	24 Oct	League	Kinross v Clackmannanshire
Thu	28 Oct	School	Crieff v Kinross
Sun	31 Oct	League	Strathie Sharks v Kinross

Under 14s

The Kinross Under 14s (combined S1 and S2) squad plays friendly games against other local sides. Club matches take place on Sundays with kick-off at 1pm. Players born 01 September 1996 and after are eligible to play.

The Kinross U14s Squad fixtures for October 2010 are:

Thu	7 Oct	School	Crieff v Kinross
Sun	31 Oct	Friendly	Hillfoots v Kinross

Training for all the youth squads takes place on Monday evenings 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm at the KRFC clubhouse at the King George V playing field in Kinross. Training also takes place at Kinross High School after classes throughout the week.

Kinross RFC Minis

The KRFC junior club trains and fields mixed boys and girls Minis primary school children teams, P4 through P7, and trains children P1 through P3. The Minis team plays friendly games against other local sides.

The KRFC Minis fixtures for October 2010 are:

Sunday	3 October	Kinross Tournament
Tuesday	26 October	Linlithgow v Kinross

Training for the Minis takes place every Saturday morning 10.30am to 12 noon at the KRFC clubhouse at the King George V playing field in Kinross.

For further information about the Kinross RFC Midis and Minis rugby please visit the KRFC junior website at www.kinross-rugby.com or contact Andy Williams the KRFC Youth Convenor on 07855 807634 and a.b.williams@btopenwotrl.com.

Social Club

A Gentleman's Evening at Kinross Rugby Club, **Saturday 2 October** from 7.30pm, first performance 8.30pm. Tickets only £5, but only limited numbers still available at the clubhouse. Why not warm up for the evening by coming to watch Kinross play Carnoustie at the KGV kick off 3pm, bar open from 1pm.

Autumn Internationals

Scotland have matches coming up against New Zealand, South Africa and Samoa in November. Kinross RFC are offering discounted ticket prices for all new members.

Come along to watch Kinross play in October and as well as the free entertainment and banter at pitch side – you get the opportunity to join a great social club, and see Scotland play the best teams in the world at low prices.

Business opportunities

We are keen to hear from local businesses who would be interested in supporting our club either financially or with advice or specialist services. In return we can offer physical and web based advertising opportunities, access to meeting facilities, corporate memberships and many other ways to work together.

For more information about any aspect of Kinross RFC, playing or social, please contact the Club President Ollie Cox on 0774111219 or at Ollie.Cox@virgin.net.

Kinross Curling School



KCS has a new Development officer, David Jones. He has taken over from

Ena Stevenson, who has retired from the post.

The ice rink opened on **20 September** and a few of the courses have already started. The Monday and Thursday after school clubs are up and running, Mondays from 3.30pm – 4.30pm, Thursdays 4pm – 5.15pm, children from 8 to 12 years of age.

Kinross High School After School Club is on a Monday 4.30pm – 5.30pm.

The first **Curling Clinic** is on **Friday 22 October** at twelve noon.

For more information on any of above courses or coaching, please contact David Jones:

Email: kinrossdev@royalcaledoniancurlingclub.org

Mobile tel: 07834 321222.

Kinross Curling School Thursday After School Club



The 2010/2011 session begins on **Thursday 18 November 2010** 4.00pm to 5.15pm. This is for the age group 8 to 12 yrs.

Enquiries to Anne Porter 01577 864018.

For application form, send S.A.E. to Middle Balado House, Kinross KY13 0NH.

Kinross Junior Curling Club

Calling all curlers aged 12 – 21. Note the age range – you can still play once you have left school! **The club resumes on Sunday 3 October at 5pm.** Newcomers to curling as well as experienced curlers will be welcome.

There will be no club on Sunday 10 October as the Kinross Junior Classic is taking place all weekend. You are welcome to come and support our young curlers as they take on rinks from across Scotland.

Some of our curlers have taken part in events since the season closed in March.

An under 15 rink took part in a Funspiel at Braehead, having qualified to represent East of Scotland.

A group took part in the RCCC Newcomers Competition at Greenacres. All the players were mixed into teams with others from all over Scotland. Six curlers from Kinross won through to the final stages including two from the After School Club, Ben Cormack in the winning High Road rink and Niamh Mullen in the winning Low Road rink. Finlay Campbell was in the High Road runner up rink, while Anna Sutherland was in the rink winning the Hotshots challenge. Hamish Geyer was in the winning rink at the Dumfries Junior Open.

Over the summer Grant Barr and Fraser Thomson took part in the RCCC Summer Camp for young curlers aged 13 – 17 at Galleon Ice Rink, Kilmarnock.

Our President and Vice President, Iain Wilson and Fraser Thomson have been selected for the RCCC Regional Curling Academy. The aims of this programme include encouraging developing potential to achieving excellence by providing training and preparing athletes for international and world-class level.

The club meets at the Green Hotel curling rink most Sundays from 5pm – 7.15pm. For further details contact Elaine on 01577 864713.

Kinross Wheelchair Curling Club

The Kinross Wheelchair Curling Club held a very successful fundraising Ceilidh event in the Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross which realised the magnificent sum of £950.70 for club funds. The members are indebted to over 100 people who attended and expressed their goodwill in such a generous way. They were entertained by Donny & Diane's Ceilidh Band along with folk singers Anne, Stan and Duncan, which was greatly appreciated. Kinross quilters donated a beautiful quilt whilst local businesses, shops and individuals supported the event with different gifts. The evening was wonderfully organised by Vi Todd who is the grandmother of Ross Hatten, the young and enthusiastic president of the club.

The KWCC welcomes new members at any of its sessions. Meetings are held on most Saturdays from late September 2010 until late March 2011, either between 10am and 12 noon or from 12 noon to 2pm. To confirm the time, please contact Archie Bogie (01383 824902) or Ross Hatten (07804 595875). This is a great opportunity to see what wheelchair curling is all about. No previous experience is required. This is the opening event for the new season and the members want to welcome newcomers to a sport which is growing worldwide and featured in the Winter Paralympics at Vancouver this year.

Wheelchair Curling is open to any person who has a significant mobility impairment and usually requires a wheelchair for daily use. The sport is played with the same stones and on the same ice as regular curling. The only exception to the game is that no sweeping is allowed. The club would be encouraged if readers would pass this information on to disabled individuals or groups. Further information can be found on the club's new website www.kinrosswheelchaircurlingclub.co.uk

Fossoway Curling Club

New and experienced players welcome.

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Milnathort Golf Club

Centenary Year 1910 – 2010

As the season draws to a close, this report dwells mainly on results and highlights achievements by a couple of individuals. The two are Ian Brown, who won one of the handicap finals (Dziennik Trophy) and lost in the final of the other (Donaldson Trophy), against the same opponent, Derek Allan. He also won the men's four ball (Dearing Trophy) with his father Donald and the mixed final (Harvey Trophy) with fiancée Tracy Kendrick. The other star is veteran Christine Dick who had a great week at the start of the month winning the mixed Jubilee Trophy with partner Colin Gibson, and the next day the Centenary Ladies Invitation with Jeanann Lauder from Dunfermline. This followed success in the Abbey Quaich at Dunfermline earlier in the week.

Other knock-out winners are Jim Handyside and Keith Tolson in the men's two ball final (Swan Trophy) and in the Ladies' finals Myrian Read won the Rose Bowl and Sue Jones and Jackie Sneddon won the two ball Roberts Cup. The Junior Handicap Trophy was won by Benji McColl from Sam Craigon. Sam is also in the final of the Scratch knock out against 14 year old Russell Malcolm.

Our Juniors' success in inter club competitions continues. The Bell Trophy final at Gleneagles (Queen's course) against Kinross was won 4½ to ½ with Johnathon Bradley-Parish, Charles Cooke, Peter Henderson, Chris Ness and Thomas Wood-Goulbourn representing Milnathort. Our Juniors are also in the final of the Perth and Kinross Scratch League against Blairgowrie, again at Gleneagles on the long PGA course.

The Centenary Dinner taking place on 2 October at the Thistle Hotel is a sell-out – speakers are the renowned Emil Pacholeck and Ethel Jack from the SLGU. Entertainment is by our own Gordon Menzies.

Two Centenary Opens were scheduled recently. The Gents Senior Open was abandoned due to a waterlogged course – all players, including the bedraggled six who started in wind and rain, will be entered for next year or receive a full refund. The Ladies Open was played in much better, though breezy, conditions – results follow:-

Pearl Murphy Trophy - (handicap) K. Allen 71

Milnathort Trophy - (scratch) K. McGann 77

Silver Division: **Scratch**, J Milne 79. **Handicap**, 1 C Thomas 74, 2 B Brannan 75bih, 3 M Farrow 75, 4 L Murray 76.

Bronze Division: **Scratch**, 1 S McMorris 98, 2 A Crawford 99. **Handicap**, 1 M Jones 73, 2. J Moir 74, 3. M Forbes 75bih, 4. T Kendrick 75.

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Senior Section

The inaugural Seniors match versus the Ladies was played in great spirit, and apart from a smirr of rain on a couple of holes, in good weather. It was, as far as I can ascertain, (and I stand to be corrected on this) the first time that a Gents v Ladies event had been staged at the Club. It was a good fun day, enjoyed by all who participated when the overall score was of little consequence and we look forward to a repeat match next year when the Ladies will host the event and dictate the format.

We had a good turnout for the fifth round of the Seniors Quaich on 26th Aug, when the winner with a nett 66 was Donald BROWN, followed home by John DONALDSON and John MURRAY each with a 68.

After the horrendous weather on 7 September caused the unfortunate cancellation of our Senior Open competition, we were blessed on Thursday 9th with grand weather for the final of the Charlie Macari Senior's Trophy. The winner of this trophy in its inaugural year was Bob TOLSON, with Willie REID as runner-up and Ron MACDONALD in third place.

Thursday 16 Sept was a Stableford, sweep game, which was won by Jim JOHNSTON with Bill KAY coming in as runner-up.

To end the month we have a Friendly Match with Dundas Park Seniors on 23rd and the last round of the Senior Quaich on the 30th. More about both in the next issue).

Dates for your Diaries: On 7 **October** we host the Centenary Seniors Invitational Tournament when a good turnout of members and visitors is hoped for. Then on 14 **October** we have the final game of the season which will be a Texas Scramble sweep event, so let's close the season with a flourish and get your names down for this one. 'Senior Player of the Month' for August was Bob Christie.

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Kinross Tennis Club

Our season is drawing to a close. The Tennis Tayside mixed leagues are complete, our 1st team finished runners-up in Division 3 and our 2nd team won Division 5 after entering the league for the first time – well done to both teams on promotion earned for next season!

The senior club championships took place on Saturday 4 September. The results were:

	Winner/s	Runner/s up
Gents Singles:	Paul Deas	Grant Clunie
Ladies Singles:	Gail Nelson	Rachael Campbell
Gents Doubles:	Paul Deas & John Brown	Grant Clunie & Lex Aitken
Ladies Doubles:	Aileen Jones & Elaine Jessop	Maggie Byford & Rachael Campbell
Mixed Doubles:	Susan Scougal & Grant Clunie	Maggie Byford & John Cameron

The junior club championships took place on Saturday 18 September. The results were:

	Winner/s	Runner/s up
U10 Singles:	Andrew Thornton	Daniel Reilley
U11 Singles:	Greg Stapleton	Kirsty McCloskey
U12 Singles:	Alasdair Bennet	Cameron Black
U14 Singles:	Cameron McCloskey	Alasdair Bennet
U16 Singles:	Rory Irwin	Andrew Sorbie
U12 Doubles:	Callum Buchanan & Cameron Banks	Josh Anderson & Alasdair Bennet
U14 Doubles:	Michael Drysdale & Craig Edwards	Kyle Brouwer & Toby Irwin
U16 Doubles:	Finlay Young & Ruaridh Stevenson	David Black & Andrew Greener



Kinross Tennis Club senior club members

Mini tennis winter coaching for children aged 5-9 yrs will take place at Loch Leven Community Campus on Tuesdays and Fridays from 26 October to 10 December. Enquiries and bookings can be made directly with coach Laura Grimmond, tel. 07786 563209.

Adult club sessions will continue throughout the winter on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings.

Finally we wish our secretary Aileen Jones all the very best as she leaves us to return to Holland; she has worked extremely hard for the club and will be sorely missed. Enquiries in the meantime can be made to Gail Nelson, Tel 07703 132105 or visit our website www.kinrosstennisclub.org



Kinross Vaulting Club

2010 British/Scottish Championships.



On the 4/5 September 21 vaulters, 3 horses (Max, Robbie and Blue), 3 coaches and numerous parent volunteers attended the 2010 Championship at Rowallan Equestrian Centre, near Kilmarnock. It was a very busy weekend enjoyed by all and with some success too, as follows.....

Lesley Campbell achieved 4th in the British and Scottish Senior Female Individual.

Aidan Crichton won 3rd in the British 14-18 year old Individual and 2nd in the Scottish Individual.

Novice team came 4th in the Scottish and the British. The team consisted of Hannah Ballantyne, Kirsty and Emma Paterson, Kirsten Henderson, Aidan Crichton, Atholl Pettinger and reserve Hannah Henderson.

In the Parent and Child Class, "The Sunshine Specials" won 1st prize; well done to Liz Mackay and Lesley Campbell.

Canter Individuals Section A: Kirsty Paterson was 5th and in Section C Luke Crichton was 2nd and Mark Porteous came in 4th place.

Fun Walk Section: Our Pre Novice team made up of Hannah Drew, Fiona Gardiner, Ailsa Thomson, Duncan Lewis, Heidi Ballantyne, Joanne Drysdale, Aimee Roberts and Mark Porteous achieved 6th place.

Walk Pairs: Emma Paterson and Hannah Ballantyne achieved 4th place.

Walk individual: Heidi Ballantyne came in 4th place.

Pre Novice Individual: Ailsa Thomson achieved 3rd place and Fiona Gardiner came in 5th place.

The Vaulting group were invited along as part of Milnathort Primary School's Health Week in June. We brought along 3 coaches, several of our vaulters, 4 training barrels and also our horse Blue. We spent a morning with about a 100 kids, who were given a taster session of vaulting on Blue and the barrels.

We had a visit from Celine Michel from Switzerland who came to stay with Liz Mackay to train with and coach our vaulters from 20 June until 20 August. Celine was one of the senior performers at Kinross Show.

On July 16 we held a day camp for all of our vaulters, where we invited experienced international vaulter Ross Foreman to come and coach and help with training for the day. Later on, parents joined the vaulters in the evening for a BBQ.

A former European Champion, Petr Eim held a clinic for our vaulters. Kirsty and Emma Paterson, Hannah Ballantyne, Aidan Crichton and Hattie Nicol travelled to the borders to attend, where they practised their more complicated moves with him and worked on their fitness and aerobics.

Many thanks to Kinross Community Newsletter Fund for their very generous cheque which will go towards some new much needed vaulting equipment.

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Kinross Squash Club

The winter monthly squash leagues are now up and running. Kinross squash club has very healthy leagues of six divisions with over 35 members participating. If you wish to join the leagues, please add your name and telephone number on the bottom of the squash league which is located on the notice board at the rear of the squash courts in the leisure centre. Please try and indicate the level you can play. An ideal way is to arrange a match against somebody already playing in the leagues so as to gauge your standard. Peter Hookham has stood down as league coordinator after six years of shuffling players up and down the divisions. The club owes him a big thank you and wishes him the best with his all his well earned free time. John Carr has kindly volunteered to take over the helm as league coordinator and I am sure all players will support him whilst he finds his feet with this task. This year Kinross has reformed its team to play in the Fife Squash League. Jim Blyth is the new team manager and with the first match against Dalgety Bay to be played towards the end of October the squad is putting in a serious amount of training to ensure success. At the recent AGM it was agreed to maintain the subscription level of the last 6 years, ie just £12 if paid by the end of November. Surely a bargain in these hard pressed financial times. Joining forms will be placed in pouches on the notice boards. These need to be filled in by all members and returned with payment to John Coleburn, the club's Treasurer. Joe Crawford has agreed to act as the new club Chairman and his support is greatly appreciated. Mark Beaumont continues as Junior convenor and also the club coach. Crawford Herriot is taking on the role as tournament director and will coordinate this season's annual club championship which is likely to take place on a weekend in February 2011. Our thanks go to Kinross Community Council for allocating funds from the sale of the community newsletter so that a trophy can be procured which is to be awarded to the player who wins the most points in the winter monthly leagues.



Winners of the last Summer League Aug / Sept 2010

Premier League David Beaumont
 League 1 Crawford Heriot
 League 2 Drew McQuillan
 League 3 Alister Johnston
 League 4 Andrew Sorbie

Kinross Junior Squash Club

Andrew Roberts has currently slipped out of the rankings as he has not been able to play due to injury....however, he is planning to return to competition in October and will soon be appearing back in the rankings. We all wish him well with his recovery

Elsbeth Young, David Beaumont and Calum Johnston are all part of the Scottish squad travelling to Malmo, Sweden for the Nordic Junior Open at the end of September. A report on their achievement will follow in the next newsletter.

Selected Results from Juniors

Heriot Watt junior open
 Under 13 boys Tino Mackay Palacios 2nd
 Under 15 girls Elspeth Young 1st

Scottish circuit events:

Tayside and Fife Junior graded in Perth
 David Beaumont 4th div 4
 Elspeth Young 2nd div 4
 Calum Johnston 6th div 2
 Tino Mackay Palacios 5th div 6

September

West Junior graded in Glasgow
 Calum Johnston 6th div 1
 Elspeth Young 4th div 3
 David Beaumont 6th div 3
 Tino Mackay Palacios 6th div 7

Current Scottish rankings

Calum Johnston 2nd under 17 boys
 David Beaumont 5th under 15 boys
 Elspeth Young 1st under 15 girls
 Tino Mackay Palacios 5th under 13 boys

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Kinross Otters

Fins Graded Meet

21 & 22 August

With the summer break out of the way, Kinross Otters blew the cobwebs away with the Fins Graded Meet in Kirkcaldy on 21 and 22 August. It was the 12-13 yr old girls who very clearly showed the way this time.

The most impressive Kinross swimmer was **Iona Elder** who smashed all her personal best times and somewhat altered the balance of power within the club. Things could get interesting this year!! She won gold medals in the Girls 12-13 yr old 100m Backstroke and Freestyle events in 1.21.49 and 1.09.20 secs respectively, whilst securing a bronze medal in the 50m Freestyle.



The Kinross Otters Team at the Fins Meet

Rachel Brisbane continued the good form she showed last year with a clear gold medal in the Girls 12-13 yr old 50m Breaststroke (41.39 secs) ahead of team mate **Vicki Reid** who claimed the silver in 42.21 secs. Rachel also won the bronze medal in the 100m Butterfly in 1.26.33 secs.

Mhairi Boyle won silvers with personal bests in the Girls 12-13 yr old 50m Freestyle and Butterfly (31.80 and 36.96 secs) and a bronze in the 100m Freestyle (1.10.29 secs).

Ruairidh Haig got bronze medals in the Boys 14 and over 50m Backstroke and 100m Freestyle (35.87 and 1.05.30 secs) whilst in amongst a bunch of 16 yr olds.

The only other top three medal of the day was won by the youngest member of the team, **Conor McCormick**, who claimed a silver in the Boys 11 and under 100m Breaststroke in 1.40.94 secs.

Other top six finishes were achieved by **Fiona Thomson, Rebecca Thomson, Conor McCormick, Vicki Reid, Kayleigh Reid, Clare Moloney, Ellis Johnston, Ruairidh Haig** and **Rachel Brisbane**.

This was a good start to the year and hopefully this form can continue to improve as the swimmers get fitter with the increased training ahead.

The Midland District Sprint Swimming Championships 4 September, Olympia Pool, Dundee

This annual Midland District (Tayside) event seeks to identify the fastest of the fast. And so it was that every club in the District turned up at the Olympia Pool in Dundee on 4 September with the intention of being just that.

Kinross Otters entered a large team of over 20 swimmers and came away with a very impressive 25 medals,

compared to six in 2009. David Haig (Head Coach) and his team have clearly been doing something right in the last year despite some very significant transfers and retirees.

In a day of so many superb results it is difficult to pick out individuals but the Otters three gold medallists certainly do deserve special mention. **Ewan Simpson**, Otters Captain and Male Swimmer of the Year, led by example to win the Boys 15-16 yr old 50m Freestyle and Butterfly in 25.90 secs and 29.10 secs respectively. Not only was he a clear winner in both but won the Freestyle by over a second! These times now rank him third and sixth fastest respectively in Scotland. He also claimed bronze medals in the 50m Breaststroke (35.60 secs), 50m Backstroke (33.44 secs) and 100m Individual Medley (1.08.08 secs).

Next up was the fast improving **Cameron Nelson** who simply destroyed his 50m Butterfly time in the 12 yr old Boys race by eight seconds to claim a very safe silver medal in 33.85 secs which ranks him 5th in Scotland. To the delight of the Otters fans, Cameron also won a much unexpected gold medal in the 50m Breaststroke in 42.87 secs where he increased his stroke rate significantly in the last 20m to overhaul the leader in a very exciting finish. He completed his day with another silver medal in the 100m Individual Medley (1.20.41 secs) and a bronze medal in the 50m Backstroke (37.45 secs).

Cameron McCloskey produced a superb display in the 12 yr old Boys 50m Backstroke to claim the gold medal in 34.70 secs and can now claim (however briefly), to be the fastest 12 year old boy in Scotland over this distance. He also won a silver medal in the 50m Freestyle in 31.12 secs having recorded a personal best of 30.98 secs in the heat. The friendly competition between the two Camerons is reaching a very interesting peak, with each pushing the other to new heights.

Laura Manson won silver medals in the 12 yr old Girls 50m Freestyle (31.78 secs – dead heat) and Backstroke (35.76 secs – personal best) and bronze medals in the 50m Butterfly (36.60 secs) and 100m Individual Medley (1.19.93 secs).

Ruth Miller claimed three silver medals in the 17+ yr old Girls 50m Butterfly (34.59 secs), Freestyle (30.75 secs) and 100m Individual Medley (1.16.40 secs). She also won a bronze in the 50m Breaststroke (39.55 secs).

Aaron Gillon was the Otters youngest medal winner with a silver in the 11 yr old Boys 50m Backstroke (39.66 secs) and three bronze medals in the 50m Breaststroke (46.44 secs), 50m Freestyle (33.42 secs) and 100m Individual Medley (1.26.62 secs)

Rounding off the medals tally was **Eilidh Gibson** in the 13-14 yr old Girls 50m Freestyle (30.59 secs) and Backstroke (34.57 secs) where she won bronze medals.

There were many other excellent performances with many personal bests too numerous to mention, but the Otters proved yet again that they can sprint!

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Kinross Ladies' Hockey Club



The first outing for the club was the Corporation Cup which took place on Sunday 5 September at DISC, in Dundee.

Only 4 ladies teams took part this year – Dundee Wanderers, Madras, Brechin and Kinross. Round robin matches of 12 minutes one-way were played first of all. Kinross played Brechin in their first game winning 1-0 with the goal coming from Gail Nelson. The second game was another 1-0 win against Wanderers with Lynn Paterson scoring the winner. The final round robin game was against Madras with AJ Combe putting away 2 goals in a 2-1 win. After the round robin matches the first placed team then played third placed, and second placed played fourth place in semi-finals with the games again being 12 minutes one-way. Kinross went up against Madras with the score after normal play finishing 0-0. Libby Simpson, AJ Combe and Gail Nelson went forward to take the strokes, netting all 3, taking Kinross through to the final with a 3-1 win. The final saw Kinross go up against Wanderers with the game being 15 minutes one-way. Kinross went up 2-0 with 2 goals from Vicky Carver. Wanderers came back with a goal but the game ended 2-1 Kinross. Kinross were delighted to retain the silverware.

The Bell Trophy took place on 11 September at Kilgraston School. Seven teams took part this year including both Kinross teams. In the group stages the 1XI drew both games 0-0 against Brechin and Strathallan in 12 minutes one-way games to make it through to the semi-finals against Perthshire 1XI. Perthshire won the game 1-0 knocking the 1XI out of the tournament. The 2XI played Perthshire 1XI and 2XI and Madras in the group stages. They drew 0-0 with Perthshire 2XI and lost 1-0 to both Perthshire 1XI and Madras. This meant that the 2XI didn't make it through to the semi-finals.

Training is every Wednesday 6:30-8:00 at the astro pitch at the KGV. Remember to bring plenty of water along with shin pads and a gum shield and £2. All new members welcome at the club.

If you would like any further information on Kinross Ladies Hockey Club please visit our website at www.kinrossladieshockey.co.uk. We also have a new Facebook page, so join up now!

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Kinross Men's Hockey Club

The pre season friendlies went well with 3 wins out of 3 and finishing in 3rd place at new club Dunfermline City's 5 team tournament.

Training is on Tuesday nights at KGV from 7.30 to 9.00pm and all are welcome. We have players of all ages and skill levels, so why not come down and give it a try. Kobras (Under 14) train at KGV on a Thursday night from 6.30 to 7.30pm and again all are welcome. Training is free as the club aims to encourage interest in enjoying hockey for all ages.

Kinross has 2 teams in the East District Leagues. The 1sts play in Division 2 and the 2nds in Division 4 which has a lot of youth and development teams. League games start on 25 September with both teams up against Falkirk opposition.

League games in October are as follows:-

2 Oct: 1sts v WITrinity 3rds (A) & 2nds v WITrinity 4ths (A)

9 Oct: 1sts v Edinburgh University 12pm at KGV & 2nds v Fidora Lions 2nds at KGV

16 Oct: 1sts v Carnegie 4ths at KGV & 2nds v Carnegie 6ths at KGV

30 Oct: 1sts v Watsonians 3rds at KGV & 2nds v Inverleith Development at KGV

The club also organises a number of lively social events throughout the season.

For further information either contact Chris Benningwood on e-mail: captain@kinrosshockey.co.uk or Gordon Balfour: secretary@kinrosshockey.co.uk or visit our website at www.kinrosshockey.co.uk or come along to a home match, your support would always be welcome.

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Kinross AFC



Kinross AFC are delighted to report that their annual summer tournament was an outstanding success. Keenly fought games excited a large crowd of mostly local spectators. Food and drink were on sale, which enabled the crowd to watch football from 11am-5pm. The visitors from Dunbar and Glasgow had a thoroughly enjoyable day out in Kinross, as did Fossoway AFC.

Kinross, who fielded three players from the under 19 squad, are in a transitional period at the moment, giving their new Coach, Tom McKenna a challenge in his first year in charge. Our strengths and weaknesses were clearly visible on the day.

Local side Fossoway AFC were deserved winners, narrowly beating Kelvinpark in a penalty shoot out. Congratulations must go to their goalie, "Begsy" for an outstanding display between the sticks. Fossoway will now retain the trophy for the coming year and we look forward to trying to win it back next year!

Top goal scorer was awarded to Iain (Robbo) Robertson of Kinross. Player of the tournament was decided by our referees, Dave Chapple & Barry Reid. It was awarded to local boy Iain Fraser now playing with Kelvinpark. Our Club Chairman was delighted to present the award to his son. Many thanks to our local refs for handling the ties with skill and patience.

We are holding a Snail Race Night on 30 October at Lodge St Serf, Kinross at 7.30pm. This is always an enjoyable night for everyone concerned and is normally a sell out. Get your tickets early to avoid disappointment. Tickets available from Alan Fraser on 01577 862018.

As always if you require any information about the Club please contact Alan on the above number or Chairman, Sandy Fraser on 01577 865762

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Kinross Golf Club

What an excellent season our Juniors have had, finishing first in their Section of the Scratch League and will play Blairgowrie in the semi final. Considering this is their first season in the League it is a tremendous effort. The Juniors also reached the final of the Bell's Junior Trophy, having beaten Blairgowrie in the semi final. In the final, played over the Queen's Course at Gleneagles, we met our near neighbours, Milnathort, who were the winners. Congratulations to Milnathort, especially as the Club celebrates its Centenary this year. Kinross-shire is certainly making its mark on Junior golf within Perth and Kinross County; well done to all the Juniors and their coaches.

Men: Having reached the final of both the Scratch League and Coronation Trophy, Kinross were beaten by Blairgowrie in both finals at Gleneagles. Good News though, Kinross has won the Ochil League.

Ladies: Congratulations to Alison Houston and Anne Moore who are the Scratch and Handicap Championships for 2010.

The Ladies' Open saw 77 participating with a number of home winners in the prizes. The Beeches Park Salver for Best Scratch was won by Lorna Fury (Thornton) with a 79, Lynne Sharp (Dunning) won the Revie Memorial Rosebowl for the best net with a score of 70.

Seniors: G Naismith won the August Medal with a net 71 over the Montgomery course; second equal were G Thomas and R King with net 74's.

Inter club matches against Aberdour at home and away match at Balwearie resulted in wins for Kinross.

Juniors: 51 players took part in the recent Junior Open over the Bruce course, with home players, Stephen Harrower winning the U18 section and Christopher Harrower winning the U15 section.

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Cycling Fit

After learning to walk, probably the next skill we learn in the great outdoors is how to ride a bike. It's a defining moment in childhood and one that can herald great freedom. With that experience behind us, why is it that so many of us never feel the need to get on two wheels again in our later life as a means of improving our physical and psychological wellbeing, helping the environment and saving us money?

Despite cycling offering a broad appeal to all sections of society, and being the third most popular recreational activity in the UK, only 3.1 million people will ride a bike at sometime this month. That's less than 5% of the total UK population.

Whatever your preference for the type of cycling you may do, be it commuting, recreational, off road, or road biking and racing, the basic health benefits are the same.

Firstly, it's a weight bearing form of exercise. It does not have the impact on the joints that jogging or some aerobic exercises do, and is therefore ideal for those who are overweight and looking to lose a few pounds.

Secondly, it will help you get into shape, being particularly good at toning the legs and bottom. Riding offroad and up hills also works the upper body. Pedalling uses all the big muscle groups; the quadriceps at the front and hamstrings at the back.

Thirdly, it's an efficient form of exercise. An 80kg person who cycles for an hour will burn approximately 650 calories. It is a sustainable exercise as the gearing on the bike allows you to ride the terrain and maintain speed and cycle for longer. Cycle six miles in 30 minutes, at a moderate 12 mph, and you will burn 254 calories. This is equivalent to running 2.5 miles in 30 minutes at an average speed of 5mph. Running is likely to seem much tougher.

Fourthly, your lungs and heart will become stronger. Lung capacity is improved, resulting in the more efficient use of oxygen as it gets to those working muscles. The sustained nature of cycling makes it particular good for conditioning of the heart, making the heart muscles stronger. The average resting heart rate of an individual is between 60 to 80 beats per minute but it may come down to 50 in a regular cyclist and as low as 40 in an elite sports person.

What are the downsides? Well, pollution has been a concern to cyclists in cities in particular. However, the body has

natural barriers in the form of nostril hair and mucus to trap pollutants and the overall health benefits far outweigh the effects of the pollutants.

A greater concern may be road safety. Whilst improvements are being made to accommodate both cars and bikes on UK roads it's fair to say that we lag far behind our continental partners in this regard. Cycling in a group helps here and Kinross has its own Cycling Club:

www.kinrosscyclingclub.co.uk

However there is an extensive and ever growing network of perfectly safe cycle ways and paths. We have a lovely flat, safe eight-mile heritage trail on our doorstep!

From a practical point of view the most important factors for a trouble free ride are that:

- The saddle height is correct for you. Adjust it so that when the pedal is at its lowest position your leg still has a slight bend in it when you sit upright in the saddle.
- Your tyres are correctly inflated; it's much harder work when they are not and of course your brakes work better! Look after your bike and it will look after you.
- Riders at night need good lights at both front and back.
- Finally, I would advise you wear a cycling helmet and some bright clothing, not necessarily Lycra! Padded cycling shorts are a must for regular riders!

For me there is something missing when you do your cycling in the gym. Although in theory the gym bike can do the same, it's just not the same as being out in the fresh air and being challenged by the changes in terrain or the wind in your face! So next time you are thinking about the gym, combine the benefits of outdoor exercise (see last month's article) and the bike and ride in the real world!

Finally, cycling is great fun; a cheap, eco-friendly way of enjoying the fresh air and the countryside. The body releases endorphins during exercise and these make you "feel good." Ride twice a week for an hour at a time and not only will your cardio health will improve but so will your spirit!

Good training and nutritional advice is available from the Cycling Scotland website for those starting or wanting to develop their cycling www.cyclingscotland.org Give it a go – remember that it's one of those skills which, once learnt in childhood, is never forgotten!

Note: It is important that anyone considering taking up an exercise regime should consult their GP before doing so, particularly if it has been some time since you last exercised or if you are on any form of medication or suffer from a chronic illness or high blood pressure

Next month: Getting the best out of the gym.

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News from the Rurals

BISHOPSHIRE – President Sylvia Herrington congratulated all those who had done well at Kinross Show, and thanked everyone for their help there and at the Portmoak Festival. She then introduced Corinne Craig, who gave an excellent demonstration on Chinese cooking, with some easy to follow recipes, which the members were then able to sample.

Competitions:

Decorated fan - Gwen Poole
Raspberry Jam - Jane Martin

GLENFARG – President Ursula Stewart welcomed both old and new members to the first meeting of the session and congratulated everyone on their successes at both Perth and Kinross Shows during the summer.

She then introduced Mrs Claire Paton whose talk on “A Day in the Life of a Jar of Honey” was an enjoyable mixture of facts and figures and anecdotes interspersed with recipe demonstrations and tasting sessions. Maureen Lambie was tea hostess and gave the vote of thanks.

Competitions:

Flower of the Month - Sheila Harley
Victorian Kitchen Utensil - Lesley Murison
Slice of Victorian Sponge - Ursula Stewart

BLAIRINGONE – Blairingone WRI members enjoyed a pleasant afternoon trip in June to the Klondyke garden centre then had a lovely tea at the Hollybank Hotel, Bannockburn.

Kinross Show – Blairingone won the Benarty Trophy, being 2nd overall in the community competitions.

In the sponsored marmalade competition, Martha Warnock was second.

President Fiona Clark welcomed a good turnout to our first meeting of the season. A Chinese cookery demonstration was given by Corinne Craig and everyone enjoyed tasting the results.

Competitions:

Pancakes - Kate Croy
Teapot - Mary Croy
Flower of the Month - Fiona Clark

A vote of thanks was given by Jean Broom.

CROOK OF DEVON – Mrs Margaret Arbuckle presided over the first meeting of the new session. After business was concluded she introduced Isabel Robertson who gave us a very interesting talk on the SWRI. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs Margaret Arbuckle.

Competitions:

Craft item - Mrs J Jackson
Flower of the Month - Mrs S Lamont

CARNBO – President Eileen Thomson welcomed everyone to the first meeting. Our guest speaker for the evening was Mr Iain Hunter, our local butcher in Kinross. He gave a very informative talk on his life in butchery, and an insight to the amount of rules and regulations that are required in order to allow him to sell his meat, pies, etc. It was a very enjoyable evening and everyone went home with lots of new recipes and new ideas.

Competitions:

Flower of the Month - Mrs Josephine Paterson
Small dish of pâté - Mrs Eileen Thomson

MILNATHORT – At the first meeting of the new session members enjoyed a talk and demonstration by Aileen and Ilona from Daft for Crafts, Dalgety Bay and members were able to have a try at one of the crafts. Ena Thomson won the Kinross Show cup for most points gained by a Milnathort Member.

Competitions:

Rice Dish - Fiona Hynds
Oriental Card - Jessica Munro
Flower of the Month - Ena Thomson

CLEISH – President Mrs Dorothy Morris welcomed members to the September meeting. She thanked all who had contributed to the Perth and Kinross shows and offered her congratulations to all prizewinners.

Mrs Morris introduced our speaker Mr Donald and “Waffle” his guide dog puppy. His very interesting talk gave us an insight into the history of the guide dog charity, how the dogs are trained and how each guide dog and their eventual owner are individually matched. Mrs E Wallace gave the vote of thanks.

Competitions:

Flower of the Month - Ms F Gibb
Photo of a Dog - Mrs A Morris
Jar of Jam - Mrs F Barnfather

At the 2010 Handicrafts and Housewives Conference in Troon, Cleish did very well in the competitions. Mrs Dorothy Morris won the Whitecross Trophy for knitting (three golf club covers); and was Very Highly Commended in the North East Trophy for three items in different crafts displayed on a cake board and Highly Commended in the Playfair-Hannay Competition for a knitted hat and jacket for a premature baby. Mrs Alison Morris took 2nd place in the Blackwood Trophy for embroidery.

POWMILL – President Mrs Janie Buchanan welcomed members and friends to the first meeting of the new session on Wednesday 15 September. Mr Colin Shaw, from RSPB at Vane Farm, gave an illustrated talk entitled “Birds on the Island of Mull” with some superb pictures of various birds and some of the wildlife on the island. He also showed some wonderful pictures and a short film of Sea Eagles and spoke about the East of Scotland Sea Eagles Project, which is a partnership of RSPB Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Forestry Commission Scotland, to reintroduce these magnificent birds to their former haunts. Vice President Mrs M Thorn gave the vote of thanks and Mrs E Shand and Mrs C Stewart provided a very nice supper.

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Hall Centenary Coffee Morning (in aid of CHAS) on Saturday 18 September in Moubray Hall, Powmill. The total raised was £451.23 and congratulations to Mrs R Eadie, Milnathort, who won the Raffle Quilt.

Competitions:

Bird Ornament - Mrs M Broomfield
3 Seeded bread rolls - Mrs M Wilson
Garden Gem - Mrs M Wilson



Out & About

Vane Farm



Och weel anither month past 'n' it looks like winter is on the way. The pinkfeet startit tae appear back fae Iceland on 15 September wi about 20 tae 30 seen ower oan Carsehall bog and St Serf's. Numbers r noo up tae about 200-300 and will keep building up till they peak in the teens o thousands in October 'n' early November.

It's been like bird central oan the reserve lately, wi waders like Greenshank, Dunlin, Ringed plover, Ruff, the rarer yins like Little stint, Pectoral sandpiper, a couple o' Black terns, Marsh harrier, Hen harrier alang wi the selection o' oor usual assortit ducks 'n' the like. Some o' ye micht mind a pickly years back we hid a regular Little Egret thit we nicknamed "Egbert," a popular wee chiel he wiz tae cos awbody used tae ask about him when they were in the centre. Onywey yin hiz appear back on the reserve in September, no awfa shair i f it's the wee guy or no' but it's the same species so ti micht jist be?

Twa ither returnees hiv been the couple o' White tailed eagles X 'n' H wha hung about the biggest pair o' last winter feedin' oan the bountiful supplies o' grub thit the Loch leven area hiz tae offer. Geese were yin o' the prey items 'n' richt oan cue when the geese stertit tae come back the eagles materialised at the same time, spooky or whit? Onywey wi oany luck they will hing around fur the winter again which will keep wur visitors happy.

The tree fellin' is noo complete oan the new bit o land we r managin doon by the loch shore, and whit a difference it's made. Ye kin noo see areas ye couldnae see before which helped us tae see the sea eagles when the came back whaur as before they wid hae been hidden by the trees.

Centre stuff noo. The shop still continues tae hae special offers o' sum kind or ither, this month's bein buy a coconut wi ony purchase fae the shop fur 50 new pence.

Vicki the mad rabbit wummin is back pairt time efter been aff fur a couple o' months no awfa weel. Say hello next time yer in. Wee Andrew wha worked in the shop 'n' coffeeshop hiz lef tae gan back tae his native habitat o Kikcudbright but will keep a link wi the RSPB by volunteerin' at Mersehead, yino' oor reserves oan the Solway Firth.

Sandy and the teachin lassies hiv a big load o' kids fae the High skail S1 classes comin' oot tae the reserve bit, also tae Castle Island in partnership wi Historic Scotland and SNH tae learn about the local environment. They will be studyin' birds 'n' ponds and will also be daen a bit o' poetry wi weel kent poet Jerry Cambridge. It's awe connectit wi the GULL project which is Growing up with Loch Leven in langer speak.

Vane teachers will also be startin' a new project wi the Perth skails supported by the Gannochy Trust at a place cried Quarrymill to enlighten the kids oan environmental subjects roond that area – michty me it's awe go in Education!

We hiv distributit oor upcoming October kids events leaflets roond awe the local skails tae let ye see whit we hiv gawn oan fur the bairns durin the holidays. Loads o' excitin stuff tae keep them amused. If ye dinnae hae a copy, contact us at Vane fur mair info or if ye wid like tae book, usual number 01577 862355. Richt then that's it again till next time.

Ta ta,

Colin

Loch Leven NNR



It's been easy to notice the change in seasons with all the windy wet weather we've had recently. Once again, the sand martins, swallows and other summer migrants have headed back to their African wintering grounds.

In contrast, now is the time when tens of thousands of pinkfooted geese descend onto the reserve, after an exhausting voyage down from arctic regions such as Iceland, Greenland and Svalbard where they have spent the warmer months breeding. Loch Leven is a prime destination for them to take advantage of the abundance of food and sanctuary. The rich shallow waters and protected roosts are a haven for geese that will use the reserve to rest and refuel on their journey, much in the way that we use motorway service stations.

On 18 September, the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) ran a "birdtrack" recording session on the loch. It was a great day for bird watching with good numbers of tufted duck and coot along with shoveler, goldeneye and whooper swans. There were also a few unusual sightings including: guillemot and gannet (sea birds), little egret, black tern, arctic tern, white tailed sea eagle, slavonian grebe and red breasted merganser.

Thank you to those who gave up their time on 11 September to help reserve staff with mowing and raking at Mary's Knowe. Many hands certainly made light work! This was part of our continued habitat management to retain areas of species rich wet grassland and prevent them being lost to dense grasses, scrub and woodland. By mowing and removing the cuttings in this way we attempt to replicate grazing. Letting the light in and taking the nutrients away encourages wild plants and flowers to grow, such as the nationally scarce Holy grass known in this area.

The ever popular **Loch Leven Photography Competition** is running again this year, so get snapping! There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs courtesy of The Camera Shop Perth, RSPB and Historic Scotland (full details on request). Professional photographer **Laurie Campbell** will be judging the entries before giving an evening **Talk on 26 October**. The venue for the talk **has been changed** from the Millbridge Hall to **The Loch Leven Room in the Green Hotel at 7.30pm**.

Fungal Forays: Reserve staff will be joined by Tony Wilson from the British Mycological Society for a walk in search of all types of fungi. With so many species recorded here previously we have a great opportunity to learn more about this fascinating seasonal group of organisms. Meet at Burleigh Sands car park on **Sunday 3 October** at 2pm, finishing at 5pm (free event).

Dawn goose watches: SNH reserve staff are running two free events to watch the spectacular sight of thousands of geese leaving their night-time roosts. **Saturday 9 and Sunday 24 October**, meeting at 7am in Kirkgate car park (the end near the watch tower).

Sturdy footwear and outdoor clothing are recommended for all outdoor events. Open to all, binoculars and telescopes can be provided. To book a place on any of our events please call 01577 864439 or email ian.jamieson@snh.gov.uk

Hope to see you there,

Iain

Farming



Bringing in the sheaves...

Harvest is the time of year that conjures up images of combine harvesters steadily eating their way through fields of cereals with the stoor fleein' during the long, sunny days of August and September. The resulting heaps of golden, plump grain and fields scattered with bales of crisp, fresh straw being a signal that autumn is nearly upon us, and the growing season is nearly over.

Unfortunately, these images of an idyllic, if hectic, harvest-time are rarely played out in reality, and that has certainly been the case this year.

Broken, unsettled weather has been to the fore, with only one week of drouthy days which came too late for some and too early for others, resulting in many crops being harvested in far from ideal conditions.

Very dry weather during May and June resulted in many crops (grass included) failing to realise their full potential yields, although freak weather conditions world wide have resulted in a rise in prices which is good for those who sell on the 'spot market' (the price on that particular day), but frustrating for those who agreed a contract price earlier in the year.

A tricky situation which can arise in unsettled weather at harvest time is when to bale the straw. Combines can get going reasonably well between showers, but the straw they leave behind can be damp. This is used for feeding and bedding livestock during the winter and does its job best if it is dry and mould-free. Modern, monster combines leave a big thick row of straw but sometimes it needs to be left to let the wind blow through it for a day or two until it is safe to bale. The question is what do you do if a field is combined one day but rain is forecast the next. To bale or not to bale – that is the question.

I would admit to being quite picky when it comes to the baling of straw (as I am sure some of my suppliers would confirm), but there is nothing worse than trying to spread out mouldy, caked bales through the winter, never mind the potential health implications for both man and beast.

Here, at backward farm, we got our cereals combined a few days ago (16 September). The yields were very respectable by our standards and the condition of the grain was reasonable. I even got about two thirds of the straw baled. We also still have a couple of fields of third cut silage to do, as well as some straw on other farms still to bale. Hopefully by the time you are reading this, the Indian summer will have come and saved the day.

Harvest is a time of the year when a lot of food is eaten in fields and the fayre on offer can range from simple 'pieces' to much more elaborate feasts. I witnessed a barbecued dinosaur in one field which was at risk of being seriously charred until the timeous intervention of the local fire service – well done, lads. I also heard of a green monster which was cooked in another field not far away – the leftovers can still be seen! Finally, I seem to remember writing about straight tramlines and drilling mistakes back in the spring. I would like to make it clear that I didn't suffer a seeder malfunction when sowing my (as it would have to be) roadside field of winter barley the other week. It is deliberately sown that way to accommodate my newly acquired six metre unicycle sprayer – honest!

John

Weather



August Weather Report From Carnbo

The weather of August this year was rather a letdown after such a promising start to Summer during June. Although rain fall totals were not large, most days had some rain.

Rainfall for month	77 mm (102% of normal)
Heaviest fall	12.9 mm (5th)
Dry days	9
Highest temperature	21°C (15th, app 70°F!)
Lowest temperature	4°C (30th)
Average temperature	12.3°C
Ground frost not recorded	
Cloud cover	62%
8 days complete cloud cover	
4 cloudless days	
1 day with thunder (9th)	

Local Attraction Opening Times



Lochleven Castle, Kinross

Lochleven Castle, famously where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned in 1567, is in the heart of the beautiful Loch Leven National Nature Reserve. Historic Scotland runs a regular boat service, which departs from the fishery pier. Opening times for 2010 are:

- 1 April to 30 September: Daily, 9.30am to last outward sailing at 4.30pm.
- 1 to 31 October: Daily, 9.30am to last outward sailing at 3.30pm.

Admission prices (includes boat trip): Adult £4.70, Child £2.80, Concessions £3.80, HS members free.

There are car parking facilities, toilets and a café close to the ferry departure point. The boat is not equipped to carry passengers in wheelchairs. There are benches, lawns, a gift shop and toilets on the island. Larger groups should contact the site manager on the island (phone 01577 862670) beforehand.

Hill of Tarvit mansion house

Hill of Tarvit, a fine Edwardian mansion house near Cupar, was designed by Sir Robert Lorimer to house the superb collection of furniture and artwork of a Dundee industrialist. Lorimer also designed the garden. The grounds contain a recently reinstated nine-hole hickory golf course. The summer-autumn opening dates are:

- 17-22 June 15-20 July 29 July-2 August
- 26-31 August 16-21 September 14-19 October

The house, tearoom and shop are open 1pm to 5pm on these dates. The garden and grounds are open all year, daily, closing at dusk. See Gardens Open chart for admission details. Hill of Tarvit is off the A916, 2 miles south of Cupar. KY15 5PB. Tel: 0844 4932185.

Balvaird Castle, near Glenfarg

A late 15th century tower on an L plan. Refined architectural details. View exterior only. Open days for internal viewing are advertised on the Historic Scotland website: www.historic-scotland.gov.uk

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Gardens Open

Gardens, and some properties, open regularly not too far from Kinross	Opening Arrangements	Admission		Disabled	Contact Number		
		Adult	Child	Access			
Falkland Palace & garden (NTS)	to 31 Oct	Mon-Sat	1100-1700	£10.50	£7.50	gdn only	0844 4932186
		Sun	1300-1700				0844 4932186
Hill of Tarvit mansionhouse & gdns (NTS)	14 - 19 Oct	Thu-Tue	1300-1700	£8.50	£5.50	gdn	0844 4932185
Grounds only at Hill of Tarvit (NTS)	all year	daily	to dusk	£2.00		yes	0844 4932185
Kellie Castle & garden, Pittenweem (NTS)	to 31 Oct	Thu-Mon	1300-1700	£8.50	£5.50	partial	0844 4932184
Garden & Estate only at Kellie Castle (NTS)	to 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.00	£2.00	yes	0844 4932184
Culross Palace, study, town hse and gdns (NTS)	to 31 Oct	Thu-Mon	1200-1600	£8.50	£5.50	no	0844 4932189
Gardens only at Culross Palace	all year	daily	1000-1800			difficult	0844 4932189
Branklyn Gardens, Dundee Rd, Perth (NTS)	to 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£5.50	£4.50	partial	0844 4932193
Scone Palace grounds only	1 Apr-31 Oct	daily	0930-1745	£5.10	£3.50	limited	01738 552300
Braco Castle gardens, Braco, FK15 9LA (SGS)	1 Feb-31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.00	free	partial	01786 880437
Drummond Castle Gardens, Crieff	1 May-31 Oct	daily	1300-1800	£4.00	£2.00	restr	01764 681433
Pittencrieff Park, Dunfermline	all year	daily	dawn-dusk	free	free	yes	01383 720285

Notes: Other prices may be available, eg Concessions, Family. NTS = National Trust for Scotland (entry free to members). At some gardens there are plants for sale and refreshments available. Some gardens do not allow dogs.

Scotland's Gardens Scheme

Around 475 gardens (mostly private) in Scotland are opened to the public for a day or more each year under the auspices of SGS to raise funds for charity. 60% of entry fees benefit SGS's chosen charities* and 40% of entry fees go to a charitable cause chosen by the garden owner.

Full details of all gardens are available in the handbook *Gardens of Scotland 2010* or on the website www.gardensofscotland.org

*Principally: The Queen's Nursing Institute, Gardens Fund of the National Trust for Scotland and Maggie's Cancer Caring Centres. The Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society and The Royal Fund for Gardeners' Children also receive support.

Special Days Open in October

The annual **SGS Plant Sale and Fair** at **Hill of Tarvit** takes place on **Sunday 3 October**, 10.30am – 4pm. Admission: £1 (40% to Seasons of Ceres). Two miles south of Cupar off A916.

The gardens at **Cambo House, Kingsbarns** (near St Andrews), featured in magazines and on television, are open on **Sunday 17 October**, when they will be ablaze with late flowering perennials and autumn colours. An **Octoberfest** will also take place. Make traditional corn dollies, Halloween lanterns and apple pigs. Press apples for juice. Sylvia Troon story-telling. Enjoy seasonal baking and homemade jams. Open 12pm – 4pm. Admission: £4, children free. All proceeds to SGS beneficiaries. Plant sales, wheelchair access, dogs on leads welcome. KY16 8QD. Route: A917.



Culross Palace, study, town house and gardens, open until 31 October (gardens open all year)

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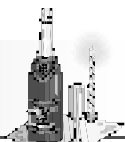
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Giacopazzi's	New Road, Milnathort
Milnathort Post Office	New Road, Milnathort
Stewart & Smart	Stirling Road, Milnathort
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Shop	Main Street, Kinnesswood
Fossway Store	Crook of Devon
Glenfarg Shop	Ladeside, Glenfarg
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• Gardens info on our website •



More information about gardens open can also be found on our website, www.kinrossnewsletter.org

Congratulations



SARAH HAXTON and **JOHN SINCLAIR** were married by the Reverend Alan Reid on Saturday 24 July 2010 in Kinross Parish Church. Congratulations from both families.

Congratulations to Jonas and Aileen **CEDERVALL** (née Smith) whose son **BENJAMIN** was born on 9 September 2010, a brother for Joshua. Both well.

HUDSON – In Cairns, Australia on Wednesday 11 August 2010, to Chris and Darani, the gift of a daughter, **UALANI ROSE HELEN**, a baby sister for Leathan and second grandchild for Derek and Rosemary Hudson, “Craigwell”, Kinross.

NORMA & RAYMOND CRAWFORD celebrated their Silver Wedding on 14 September 2010.

CLAIRE STEWART graduated from Strathclyde University in July with a Master of Science with Honours in Forensic and Analytical Chemistry, the reward for five years hard work. Her Mum, Dad and sisters are all very proud of her and wish her all the best in her new house and job.

CAMERON BARR, a second year pupil at Kinross High School, came second place in the Scottish Quad Racing Championship. His final race of the season was at Duns in Berwickshire where he had a fourth and second place in his races.

Thanks



On Saturday 11 September, **CATRIONA UPCROFT** and **REBECCA ROUGH**, both Primary 5 pupils at Milnathort Primary School, held a stall in their street to raise funds for the Pakistan Flood Appeal.

They had been motivated by a talk from their teacher and also television appeals. They decided they wanted to organise a home baking stall and a lucky dip. They were also lucky enough to have donations of home-made jams and sweets to sell from their kind neighbours. Friends and neighbours all came along to support them and they were able to raise the grand total of £160. They presented their Acting Head Teacher, Mrs Williamson, with a cheque at the school assembly on Friday 17 September and the money will be passed to the Appeal Fund.

Catriona and Rebecca would like to thank all their neighbours, friends and relatives who helped make this venture such a success.

LUCY RAMSAY and **KIRSTY SKEA** would like to say a big thank you to all our kind neighbours in Balado who bought our friendship bracelets and painted stones. We raised £29.01 for the Scottish Cot Death Trust. For more thanks concerning the **Scottish Cot Death Trust**, see report on page 33.

Thanks (continued)



MTKY would like to thank everyone who supported us in our recent production “Back to the 80’s.” We hope you enjoyed it, and look forward to seeing you again.

Thanks are expressed to the **Orwell Old Folks Committee** members for providing a much appreciated outing. On a beautiful day in late August, we travelled via St Andrews and the coastal route to Anstruther, where we had a break before heading to Lundin Links for a lovely meal. We returned home via Leslie and the south side of Loch Leven, completing an enjoyable day.

For thanks from **Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation** for the Gazebo Gathering, see page 43.

Kinross Teenagers’ Charity Golf Marathon Raises £740 For Cancer Research

On 22 July 2010, in aid of Cancer Research, local schoolboys **IAN DUNNETT** and **OGILVIE ROBERTSON** (both 14) got up at 4am to play 100 holes of golf in one day at Kinross Golf Club. The boys completed the 100th hole at 8pm and raised £740 in the process.

Ian and Ogilvie would like to thank everyone who donated so generously for such a worthwhile cause and to everyone who gave them such fantastic support along the way. Special thanks to Kinross Golf Club and staff who pulled out all the stops to make sure the ‘100 holers’ were given priority on the course and every possible assistance on the day. A very big thank you to all!



Ian (centre) and Ogilvie present their cheque to Pat Hughes, Cancer Research representative for the Kinross Area

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.

Kinross-shire Churches Together



Kinross Parish Church of Scotland

Station Road, Kinross (Charity number SC012555)
 Rev Alan D. Reid MA, BD Tel: (01577) 862952
 Reader: Margaret Michie Tel: (01592) 840602
 Session Clerk: Jaffrey Weir Tel: (01577) 865780
 Church E-mail: kinrossparishchurch@hotmail.co.uk
 (**Note:** the above is the new church email address)

Church website: www.kinrossparishchurch.org

Church Office open Mon-Fri 10am - 12 noon. Tel. (01577) 862570.

All Sunday morning services include a crèche, Junior Church and, for secondary age, Jam Pact. All events are in the church unless indicated otherwise.

Regular Services

Sundays 10.30 Morning Service
Sundays 19.30 Church Centre : Crossfire, for S1 age upwards
Tuesdays 10.00 Pram Service
 2.30pm Whyte Court - Service
 (First Tuesday of month)
 2.30pm Causeway Court - Service
 (last Tuesday of month)
Wednesdays 10.45 Midweek Worship: Reading Room, Church Centre, 30mins.
 12 noon Mid-week and Mid-day: Time to Pray: 30 mins

Other Services for October

Fri 1 7.30pm Home Bru concert
Sun 3 10.30am Morning Service, including Guild dedication and followed by informal communion
Mon 4 8am Meditation (30min.)
 8pm Heaven and Earth café, Muirs Inn
Thu 7 7.30pm Thursday Group Church Centre: Haven Association – Domestic Abuse
Sat 9 8.30am Prayer Breakfast – simple breakfast and share areas of concern for prayer (1 hr.)
Sun 10 10.30am Morning Service, including attendees from Clan Davidson annual Gathering
Tue 19 7.15pm Guild, in Church Centre.
 Subject: 'The Language of Flowers'
Thu 21 9pm Time to Pray – 'Compline': a short service with readings and responsive prayer
Sun 24 10.30am Morning Service
Tue 26 2.30pm Service in Causeway Court
 8pm Prayer Meeting (1 hr.)
Sun 31 10.30am Morning Service with Brigade Enrolment
 6.30pm Informal Evening Service for All Hallows Eve

All are welcome to any of these services or prayer times

Saturday break Most Saturdays mornings at the Church Centre, there is a second hand book stall and café serving tea, coffee and fresh baking 10a.m. -12 noon.

Housegroups meet on Wednesday and Monday evenings (contact Margaret Michie 01592 830602).

Premises to lease. The church welcomes the use of its premises by the wider community. It provides a suite of halls, meeting rooms and a kitchen at the church centre and the main auditorium and two meeting rooms at the church (contact Helena Cant, tel 862923 or email helenacant@aol.com)

Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church

Church of Scotland

Interim Moderator - Rev Alan Reid
 Locum Minister - Rev Duncan Stenhouse
 E-mail: orwellportmoakchurch@yahoo.co.uk

Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:

10am Portmoak Church, 11.30am Orwell Church

Prayer Meeting held 30mins before each service

United Service 6.30pm in Orwell Hall

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

Services at Levensen: first Tuesday of the month at 4pm

Joint Worship Service on Sunday 10 October

10.30am Orwell Church.

Harvest Weekend

Harvest Home on Saturday 23 October.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services 24 October

10am Portmoak Church & 11.30am Orwell Church.

Come and visit our shop at 29 South Street, Milnathort. Open Mon – Sat. 10amtill 4pm. We have a selection of bibles, books and gifts for sale. Printing & copying facilities available, Meeting room to let. Recycle your Stamps, Batteries, Ink/toner cartridges, Spectacles.

Contact Janice in Office 01577 861200
orwellportmoakchurch@yahoo.co.uk



Portmoak Parish Church

St James's R C Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY 13 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.

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Cleish Parish Church**Church of Scotland**

Rev Joanne Finlay Telephone: (01577) 850231
 E-mail: joanne.finlay196@btinternet.com
 Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie Telephone: (01592) 840823

Sunday Services 11.15am
Crèche 11.15am
Junior Church 11.15am

October

Sun 3 11.15am Rev. Joanne Finlay
Sun 10 11.15am Guest Preacher
Sun 17 10am - 10.30am Early Birds Family Worship
 11.15am Sacrament of Baptism
Sun 24 11.15am Harvest Sunday
Sun 31 11.15am Rev. Joanne Finlay

31 October, 7.30pm - Joint Church Choir concert.

St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church

Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AY

Rev Dr Marion Keston Telephone: (01577) 866834
 Website: www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk

October Services

Sun 3 Pentecost 19, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
Sun 10 Pentecost 20, 8.30am, Morning Prayer.
 11.00am, Family Communion Service.
 Preacher Rev Gavin White.
Sun 17 Pentecost 21, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
Sun 24 Bible Sunday, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
Thu 28 9.15am, Prayers for Healing.
Sun 31 All Saints' Eve, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.

Sunday School and Crèche during the 11.00am Services.

Thursday Morning 10.15am, group Bible Study. Everyone welcome. For further information, please contact Sarah Oxnard, telephone (01577) 864213.

Kinross Gospel Hall

Montgomery Street, Kinross

Website: www.kinrossgospelhall.info

Sunday	10.30am	Breaking of Bread
	12.00pm	Sunday School
	6.00pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30pm	Gospel Meeting
Monday	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting
	8.15pm	Bible Study
Wednesday	6.30pm	Children's Club (term time)

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Fossoway Parish Church**Church of Scotland**

Rev Joanne Finlay Telephone: (01577) 850231
 E-mail: joanne.finlay196@btinternet.com
 Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie Telephone: (01592) 840823

Sunday Services at 9.45am
Junior Church, crèche,
"Wrigglers Group" (0-3 year olds) at 9.45am,

Choir rehearsals: Wednesdays, 7.30pm
Tots Music: Friday mornings in hall, 9.30am
Café Refresh: Every Thursday, church hall, 2-4pm
Yoga classes: Mondays 7-8.30pm

October

Sun 3 9.45am All Age worship service
Sun 10 9.45am Guest Preacher
Sun 17 9.45am Rev. Joanne Finlay
Sun 24 9.45am Rev. Joanne Finlay
Sun 31 9.45am Harvest Sunday

Saturday Night Worship

Last Saturday of each month, 7.30 – 10pm

Milnathort Town Hall

Heartfelt praise and worship Prayer for healing
 Opportunity for testimony Refreshments
 Books and resources Open to all

For further details contact Sarah Corsar 07795313864

Kinross Christian Fellowship

Further information: (01577) 863509

Jesus said, "I come among you as one who serves."

Church and Children's Sunday Club

Every Sunday at 10.30am

in the Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.

During each service there will be a time for
 ministry and prayer for healing.

**Kinross Christian Fellowship
 Second Sunday Evening Service**

We do apologise, but for the month of **OCTOBER ONLY** the service will take place on the **third** Sunday, 17 October. This is due entirely to diary clashes with worship leaders and normal service will resume in November. We do thank you for your patience and understanding. However, the service will be the same and is open to all. Be sure of a warm welcome and the opportunity to join with others in praise and worship of the LORD our God, in an atmosphere of freedom and joy

We look forward to seeing - and hearing - you.

1 Corinthians 14:26

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Obituaries

ROBERT (Bob) ROBB of 50 Muirs, Kinross died peacefully at the Cornhill Macmillan Centre, Perth on Tuesday 14 September 2010, aged 80.

Bob was brought up in Leith. He studied to sixth year at Leith Academy, gaining Highers, and on leaving in 1947 did two years' national service with the RAF. On returning to Edinburgh he began training as an assistant Weights and Measures Inspector. He married Margaret Fitzsimmons in 1953 and in 1957 they moved to Lancashire for seven years with Bob's work.

They were delighted at the opportunity to return to Scotland in 1964 when Bob secured an Inspector's post with Perth County Council. They settled in Scone with their three children, in the house that would be their home for 45 years.

Bob was a loving, caring father and husband who spent a lot of time with his family. He took his children swimming every Saturday morning, followed by a visit to the library. Summer evenings were spent at the putting greens on the North Inch, or the pitch and putt course in Craigie. He was a quiet, contemplative man who read widely on subjects such as philosophy, religion and science. He and Margaret were loving, devoted grandparents who took great pride in their grandchildren's achievements.

Bob was diagnosed with cancer in 2009 and in April 2010 he and Margaret came to live with their daughter, Eileen Thomas and her family, in Kinross.

Bob knew Kinross-shire well from his 28 years in the Perth and Kinross area as a Weights and Measures Inspector (later renamed Trading Standards Officer), which involved travelling to businesses in towns and villages all over the local authority area, checking that shops, pubs, garages etc were using correctly calibrated equipment and otherwise complying with trading laws.

Margaret, Bob's beloved wife of 57 years, died suddenly on 4 July 2010. Bob continued to be cared for by Eileen and son-in-law Gareth at their home until his admittance to the Cornhill Macmillan Centre a few days before he died.

Bob is survived by his three children, Dennis, Valerie and Eileen and nine grandchildren.

The following two obituaries are reprinted from the Cleish & Blairadam Newsletter.

SANDY WOOD – late of Balado Home Farm. Sandy was a well known and much loved gentleman who was Manager at Balado Home Farm for many years until his retirement, and a constant and faithful member of Cleish Church where he was an elder. He took part in many Cleish activities and it was a real joy to see him around. He was involved in so many activities locally, too many to detail here, but chief of course was Kinross Show. To his wife Reina and his daughter and son, Audrey and Alastair, we all send our heart felt sympathy. What a privilege to have known him.

JOHN THOMSON, Watergate Cottage, Cleish. John was also a well known and much loved gentleman who until recently lived at Watergate Cottage. What perhaps not everyone knows was that John was a Glider Pilot with the 1st Airborne Division who took part on the Battle of Arnhem and who was rescued and taken care of by a Dutch family when he escaped. Always a modest person he did not speak of this to everyone unless asked.

For many years John delivered Newsletters to Watergate and the neighbourhood, always cheerfully and willingly, and contributed to the Sunday newspaper rota. To his wife and family we give our affectionate condolences.

Acknowledgement

PATERSON – The family of the late Mrs Rubina Paterson would like to thank most sincerely all relatives, friends and neighbours for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and letters received following their sad loss; special thanks to Mr Harry McLennan and Miss Pat Eadie for their support and comforting service and to all who paid their last respects at Orwell Church.

ROBB – Eileen Thomas would like to thank all those who sent cards, flowers and other expressions of sympathy following the sad loss of her father, **Robert Robb**. She would also like to thank, most sincerely: all the wonderful district nurses who tended Bob, particularly Carolyn and Amanda; Drs Richmond, Pattison and Allott for their prompt attention and professional care; Karen Rice, Macmillan Nurse, whose advice and support were a lifeline; dietitian, Jenny Squires; carers, Debbie and Roberta; the staff at the Cornhill Macmillan Centre for their gentle care; Newsletter colleagues for their understanding, and close friends for their constant support and encouragement over these past difficult months. Thanks to Jamie Pennycook of McEwan & Son, Funeral Directors and to Fr Shields, Fr Doherty and Fr Cassidy for another beautiful concelebrated mass at St John's R.C. Church, Perth. Thank you to all who paid their last respects at the church and graveside and donated generously to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Healing Rooms Kinross

The Healing Rooms (part of an international organisation) takes place every Thursday from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm in the Millbridge Hall. Healing Rooms is manned by a team of Christian volunteers from every denomination freely offering their time and prayers. Everyone is welcome and no appointment is necessary.

For further information please call 07766515950 or 07773717339 or visit www.healingrooms-scotland.com

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Playgroups & Nurseries

PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

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

Babies and Toddlers (birth – 3yrs)
Tues 10:00am - 11:30am

Playgroup (2yrs onwards)
Mon & Fri 10:00am – 12noon

Contact Carolyn Robertson 01383 831129

LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Session times

Tuesdays 9.30 - 11.15, Fridays 9.30 - 11.15
Contact - Caroline 07507 204731

All Mothers, Fathers, and Carers with children aged birth to 3 years are welcome to attend.

LOCHLEVEN TWOS CLUB

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Thursdays 9.30 to 11.15 (term time only)

Suitable for children from about 18 months to preschool with their parent/carer. Contact Sophie Irvine on 01577 863288 if you would like your child to have a place next term, or if you would like more information.

We have lots to offer including playdo, painting, craft, dressing up and a variety of toys. A snack is also provided. This is also a great place for parents and carers to have a coffee and chat whilst their children play. Younger siblings welcome.

Contact Sophie Irvine on 01577 863288
for further details.

FOSSOWAY TODDLERS

The Institute, Crook of Devon

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.15 am

All Mums to-be and Mothers, Fathers and Carers with children aged birth to 3 years are welcome to attend.

Contact - Fiona Eastop 01577 864194

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



SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

21-23 Swansacre

Kinross-shire Playgroup Association
Aka Swansacre Playgroup
Registered Scottish Charity Number SCO17748



TEL: 01577 862071

Swansacre Playgroup provides a warm, friendly, and stimulating environment in which children can learn and develop through play.

Playgroup sessions

Mon to Fri 9.15-11.45am and Fri 12.45-3.15pm

Children from the age of 2 yrs welcome.

Rising Fives sessions

Mon & Wed 1.00-3.15pm, with Lunch Club beforehand.

This is complementary to morning Nursery.

Spaces available for both Playgroup and Rising Fives.

For more information, please contact

Julia Slater 07810 742046 or Playgroup 01577 862071

Baby and Toddler Group – Thurs 1-3pm

Ante-natal to pre-school.

Fun for children; coffee and chat for the parent/carer.

For more information, please contact Diana 07514 999192.

The premises are available to hire for Private Functions.

For more information, please contact Denise 07780 612201.



MILNATHORT BABIES & TODDLERS

Orwell Church Hall, Milnathort

Milnathort Babies and Toddlers offer a relaxed, friendly environment.

Tea/coffee for mums, dads and carers, healthy snack and fun for the children.

Children aged birth to 3 years (5 years if attending with younger sibling) are welcome.

Thursday & Friday, 10am – 11.30am.

For more information please contact Susan Britton on
01577 863385, 07737 461 293
or e-mail susanjbritton@yahoo.co.uk.

GLENFARG BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

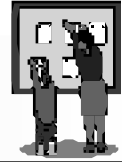
Village Hall, Greenbank Road, Glenfarg

9.30am to 11.30am during term time

A healthy snack is provided for children and tea/coffee and biscuits for carers. We also provide a craft activity each week.

First session free and £2 thereafter
(£1 for second child). All welcome.

Contact Jenny Holt-Brook on 01577 830577,
email jennyholtbrook@yahoo.co.uk
or just come along.



Notices

By popular demand, the hugely successful

CHARITY COMEDY NIGHT

is coming to Portmoak Hall, hosted by Kinross-shire Ladies Circle. With fantastic acts from the Glasgow and Edinburgh comedy circuit, Billy Kirkwood, Gary Little, Keir McAllistair and Barry McDonald

2 October
Doors open 7.30pm

£10 per head, food and drink available,
seating first come first served.

This event has sold out when held in Milnathort for the last two years and, due to demand for tickets, we are adding another night in Portmoak. Tickets sell out fast, so get yours soon.

All proceeds going to local charity, PLUS

Contact Kinross Ladies Circle www.kinrossladiescircle.co.uk
Tel: 07759213289 or 07845976666



Kinross Garden Group



The Garden Group will commence its 2010/2011 Autumn/Winter talks programme on **Thursday 14 October 2010** with Mr Simon Crutchley from the Horticultural Division of The Royal Botanical Garden, Edinburgh, giving us a talk on "The Queen Mother's Memorial Garden". The meetings will be held as usual in the Millbridge Hall Kinross at 2pm. New members will be made most welcome.

Know Your Community



Perth & Kinross Council
Housing & Community Care
and
Community Learning and Development

invite you to

Kinross Primary School
Thursday 7th October 2010

3pm - 5pm

Children's Activities



Face Painting

This is a great opportunity for you to meet and talk with other people living in your community.

People from SCARF, Tayside Police and Fire Service, Youth Services, Adult Learning, The Housing Repairs Service and The Environment Service will be there to give you advice and help.

You can learn about Home security, energy saving, fire safety and road safety. You can also meet other people living in your area.

Please join us - we look forward to meeting you!

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

The next blood donor sessions at the Millbridge Halls, Kinross will take place on

Monday 18 October 3.30pm to 8.00pm
Tuesday 19 October 5.00pm to 8.00pm

The Service is most grateful for the support received from Kinross-shire

Milnathort FILMHOUSE

The 'Big Screen' has returned to Milnathort!

'The Filmhouse for the whole family'

Come and enjoy our Saturday Night Cinema and Family Friday Sunday Matinee at Milnathort Town Hall.

Oct (Halloween Weekend Special)

Sat 30th 8pm Beetlejuice (15) **byob**
Sun 31st 3pm Casper (PG)

Dec

Sat 4th 8pm The Shawshank Redemption (15) **byob**
Fri 24th 5pm The Polar Express (U)

byob - bring your own bottle

Doors open 45 mins before screening. Tuck Shop. Tickets available from Heaven Scent and Milnathort Post Office (2 weeks before the film).

Ticket prices (* indicates on the door Price)

Adult £4 (*£5); Child/Concession/Student £2 (*£3);
Family £12 (*£15)

milnathortcinema@btinternet.com or
Kathleen on 01577 862805/07849 766243.

*All proceeds to Milnathort Town Hall Refurbishment
Supporting your Town Hall*

Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation FILM

'How to Train Your Dragon'

at Community Campus

FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER

at 7.00pm (doors open at 6.30pm)

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www.kleo.org.uk

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Masonic Hall, Kinross

Saturday 16 October

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or call in and ask for Margaret at MacBeth Currie Solicitors,
High Street, Kinross



Changes to wet grassland at Vane Farm PUBLIC CONSULTATION



Saturday 9 October, 10am – 5pm

RSPB Scotland wishes to restore and improve 25 ha of wet grassland at RSPB Vane Farm Nature Reserve (address below). Our objective is to improve our ability to manage the area for the benefit of wildlife, such as breeding and wintering waders, and wildfowl. We will achieve this by re-profiling the current wet grassland and existing shallow water bodies that have deep undulations, to wet grassland with shallow undulations. We will replace existing, and install additional, water control structures such as sluices, buds and ditches. The overall appearance of the site, i.e. a mosaic of pools and wet grassland, will remain similar to that at present.

As part of the pre planning consultation, RSPB Scotland will hold a public event on Saturday 9 October 2010 in the education room at Vane Farm Nature Centre. There will be a display of our plans and staff will be on hand to answer questions. The event will be open to all members of the public from 10am until 5pm. The education room is fully wheelchair accessible.

For additional information please contact:

Uwe Stoneman, Site Manager
RSPB Vane Farm Nature Reserve
Kinross, KY13 9LX.
Tel no 01577 862355.
Fax 01577 862 013

E-mail: uwe.stoneman@rspb.org.uk

Persons wishing to make comments to RSPB Scotland relating to the proposal may do so by writing or emailing the Vane Farm Site Manager, Uwe Stoneman (see above for contact details). Please note that comments made to RSPB Scotland are not *representations* to the planning authority (Perth & Kinross Council). If RSPB Scotland submits an application there will be an opportunity to make *representations* on the application to Perth & Kinross Council.

Lodge St Serf No 327

Regular Meeting **Tuesday 5 October** at 7.15pm.
Regular Meeting **Tuesday 19 October** at 7.15pm.



Lancastria Association of Scotland

Reg Scottish Charity No SC039936

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 23 October

10.30am – 12.30pm in the Institute, Crook of Devon

Lancastria Display, Stalls, Raffle, Lucky Ticket Draw

All proceeds for The Lancastria Memorial Fund

Tickets £2.50 at the door or contact Mrs F Symon,

Hawthorn Vale, Gairney Bank, Kinross tel 01577 863879

Kinross Garden Group

Bus Outing to the Enchanted Forest, Pitlochry

Wednesday 27 October

Tickets £17.00

For more details, contact:
Mrs Rodger 01577 863785

Kinross Floral Art Club

will meet in
The Windlestrae Hotel

on

Thursday 28 October
at 7.15pm prompt

Title – “Come Let Us Dance & Sing”

By Demonstrator – Alyson Christie

All welcome to come and join us for a fun evening

Are you young at heart?

Do you want to try out different exciting activities?

**Do you want to feel like you have
achieved something great? Aged 18 – 65?**

Girl Guiding Movement in Milnathort

**If you have an hour to spare each week then you are just
who we are looking for!!!**

We are looking for someone to help with a new **Brownie Unit** in Milnathort. The current waiting list for a place in Brownies is now so big that we need to open a new unit. If you are interested in helping us out, contact Alison on 01577 864262.

Brownies is our section for girls aged seven to ten.

Brownies follow a programme called the Brownie Adventure. Girls can participate in a wide range of activities at their regular meetings, and at special events. They can find themselves trying out arts and crafts or recipes, playing energetic games or taking part in community action projects. Girls can also extend their knowledge and abilities by working towards Brownie interest badges covering many different hobbies and activities. The Brownie Adventure is divided into three areas: You, Community, World.

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*

Pre-school activities

at Loch Leven Leisure Centre

Wee Springers is a fun gymnastics based activity run on the following days and times:

Monday	10.45 - 11.15am	18 months – 3 years
Monday	11.30 – 12 noon	18 months – 3 years
Monday	1.00 – 1.45pm	3 – 5 years
Monday	2.00 – 2.45pm	3 – 5 years
Wednesday	10.00 – 10.45am	3 – 5 years
Wednesday	11.00 – 11.30am	18 months – 3 years

Kiddie Kickers is a football based class:

Friday	12.30 – 1.15pm	3 – 5 years
Friday	1.30 – 2.15pm	3 – 5 years
Friday	2.15 – 2.45pm	18 months – 3 years

Please contact 01577 863368 for further details and to book

THE ALPHA COURSE

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INVITATION

You are cordially invited to join us at an
Alpha Invitation Supper

Monday 1 November
7:30pm, Kirklands Hotel
Kinross

Buffet £10

RSVP Tel: 01577 862262
e-mail: alisdairstewart@yahoo.com

Concerts in Kinross Parish Church

- Fri 1 Oct Home Bru Concert in Kinross Parish Church 7.30 pm (postponed from 17 Sept). Tickets £2. Varied Programme.
- Fri 22 Oct East Fife Male Voice Choir 7.30pm in Kinross Parish Church in aid of KVG. Tickets from committee.
- Fri 12 Nov Concert by young clarinetist and flautist from RSAMD in Glasgow. Accompanist Scott Mitchell. Tickets £5.
- Wed 24 Nov Kolevets Quartet: Russian Orthodox Singers come to Kinross Parish Church to sing Russian music. Tickets £5.

Funding Alert!

P&KC produces a huge list summarising funding opportunities for the voluntary sector. There are dozens of Trusts and Foundations giving away grants.

The list will be posted on www.kinross.cc or go to www.pkc.gov.uk and look for the voluntary sector page.

Contacts:

The P&K Grants Direct Team 0845 605 2000
Steve MacDonald, P&KC External
Funding Officer 01738 477963

(Contact Steve MacDonald if you would like to subscribe to P&KC's regular e-funding bulletin.)

Public Display

of proposed redevelopment of

The MOTO Service Area, Turfhill, Kinross
including new buildings and changes to the A977 junction.

Information and images regarding the above
will be on public display on

Monday 1 November
from 1pm to 8pm

at the Church Centre, High Street, Kinross.
Representatives of the applicant will be available to
answer questions and comments are welcome.

Further information and artist's impressions can be viewed
on www.kinross.cc and more information will appear in the
November issue of the Newsletter (published on 30 October).

Kinross-shire Historical Society



Meetings are held in Kinross Parish Church, Station Road, Kinross at 7.30pm, usually the third Monday of the month. Membership £6 (Seniors £5); Visitors £2; eighteen and under free.

Programme for 2010 – 2011

- 18 Oct Channel Farm This is Your Life:** 200 Hundred Years of Loch Leven and Farming. Sandy Braid of Channel Farm.
 - 15 Nov The Fife Coastal Path 2:** From Largo Bay to the Tay Bridge. Dr Hamish Brown MBE.
 - 13 Dec They Came By Train:** The Railways of Kinross-shire 1850-1970. Professor David Munro MBE.
 - 10 Jan The Loch Leven Heritage Trail:** The story of creating the Trail and the importance of the Natural, Built and Standing Heritage involved. Neil Kilpatrick.
 - 21 Feb Through the Great Glen:** A photographic journey from the North Sea to the Atlantic through the Great Glen. Willie Shand.
 - 21 Mar The Work of Historic Scotland Conservation Group:** An Overview of Research and Practical Projects currently undertaken by this Group. Ali Davey BA(Hons INTL), MUBC.
- Annual General Meeting**

Thursday Group

This is a Women's Group which meets the first Thursday of each month in the Lower Hall, Church Centre. Meetings are usually talks on various subjects, ending with refreshments and a chance to talk to friends. New members would be made very welcome. If interested, contact 01577 863625.

Forthcoming meetings:

2010: 7 Oct, 4 Nov, 9 Dec

2011: 6 Jan, 3 Feb, 3 Mar, 7 April, 5 May, 2 June



JOB SHOP

? Are you aged between 16 and 25?

Need help searching for jobs?

Want to write a C.V.?

Staff from various agencies will be available to help on

Friday mornings
10.30am – 12noon

Loch Leven Community Library ICT Rooms
No need to book – just drop-in.

*Support with anything job related -
internet searches, newspaper adverts, form-filling, CV writing*



youth services

If you need any further information please contact
Rhona Thom (Youth Worker) – 01577 867106
Shona Fowler (IT Tutor) – 01577 867218

**Kinross-shire Volunteer Group
and Rural Outreach Scheme**



Fund raising concert by



EAST FIFE MALE VOICE CHOIR
in Kinross Parish Church
Friday 22 October at 7.30pm

Tickets £6 available from Kelvin Reay, 01577 864147
or at the door

Michael Bruce Trust

Illustrated Talk

Thursday 21 October

The annual Michael Bruce Trust illustrated talk will take place in Portmoak Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 21 October. Trust Chairman Professor David Munro will give a talk entitled "Where Poets Dream'd – The Michael Bruce Way." Entry £4 (children £1) in aid of Trust funds. Coffee and tea will be served after the talk. All are welcome.



Friends of Kirkgate Park



Notice of AGM
Wednesday 27 October

There will be an Annual General Meeting of the Friends group in the Church Centre, on Wednesday 27 October at 7.45pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend, and in particular anyone who is interested in taking an active part in the group. The current committee are expecting to close the group down as soon as the forthcoming Phase 2 work in the Kirkgate Park is completed by the Council, unless a new committee can be formed. If anyone wishes to make contact before the AGM, please call Bill McDiarmid on 01577 865943.

See also Community Engagement article, p 7.

The Combined Choir of
Cleish and Fossoway Churches and Friends

ANNUAL CONCERT

to be held in Cleish Church
Sunday 31 October
at 7.30pm

Admission: £5.00

(tickets available from choir members or at the door)

Hobby Crafts & Crafts for Christmas

SECC GLASGOW
Sunday 31 October

Entrance Seniors £4.40, Adults £5.40

Bus Fare Approx £7.50

For more details contact

Mrs Rodger 01577 863785

Perth Association for Mental Health

PAMH is a community based non-profit organisation providing services for people recovering from mental health problems. PAMH offers Counselling, Day Services and hosts a Depression Support Group and Bipolar Support Group. For more information telephone (01738) 639657. Website: www.pamh.co.uk

Health and Well Being Charity Day

to support breast cancer charities
by Zoe Tod of Body Inspirations

Sunday 24 October

11am till 4pm, Windlestrae hotel, kinross
(registration for sessions starts at 10.30am)

Entry £5 and includes entry into prize draw
and glass of bubbly! Tickets are on sale at

The Complete Look Beauty Salon, High St, Kinross

The Shop at the Green, Muirs, Kinross

or from Zoe Tod - tel 07974075086

Zumba, pilates, yoga and boxerercise classes

Clairvoyant demonstration, Pamper chef cookery show

Many stalls available to shop around for christmas!

Taster sessions of many therapies

The Complete Look - nails and spray tan

A great day out for men and women for a worthy cause –
just ask anyone who was there last year and they will tell
you they had a ball!


Anyone wishing to donate a prize or have a stall on the day,
or offer a therapy session, please contact

Zoe 07974075086

Loch Leven Community Campus Partnership

Next Meeting **Thursday 11 November**

If you wish any further details or have any comments,
please contact the partnership on
campuspartnership@kinrosshigh.pkc.sch.uk





All voluntary organisation and community group members
are invited to come along to our first workshop in
Bridge of Earn

- ? *Guidance on how to be better at seeking funding.*
- ☑ *An opportunity to explore different funding options.*
- ☑ *Practice in completing application forms.*
- ☑ *An opportunity to find out who can support you.*

Bridge of Earn Institute
Thursday 28 October 2010
6pm – 8pm
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

To book your place please contact
Tracey Ramsay tramsay@pkc.gov.uk 01577 867124
Senior Community Capacity Building Worker
OR
Shona Fowler sfowler@pkc.gov.uk 01577 867218
Community Learning Assistant

Grants and Funding Websites

www.pkgrantsdirect.com

www.scottishcfc.org

Community Councils

Kinross: Secy: Mrs M Scott (01577) 862945
 KinrossCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk
Cleish & Blairadam: Secy: Mrs M Traylor (01383) 830059,
 CleishCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk
Milnathort: Secy: Mr J Giacopazzi (01577) 864025
 MilnathortCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk
Fossoway & District: Secy: Trudy Duffy-Wigman (01577) 840669,
 FossowayCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk
Portmoak: Secy: Mr J Bird (01592) 840368,
 PortmoakCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

Kinross Community Councillors

Margaret Blyth	6 MuirGrove	
David Colliar	10 Rannoch Place	864037
Dave Cuthbert	Highfield Circle	861001
Barry M Davies (Vice Chair)	60 Lathro Park	865004
Ian Jack (Treasurer)	Burnbrae Grange	863980
Laura Mackay	Brunthill Farm	07872 499145
Dot Mackay	29 Green Park	864635
Joe Richardson	47/49 High Street	863152
Margaret Scott (Secy)	21 Ross Street	862945
Campbell Watson (Chair)	7 Gallowhill Gardens	861544
Bill Freeman	64 Muirs	865045

Perth and Kinross Councillors

Kathleen Baird, Easter Clunie, Newburgh, Fife, KY14 6EJ
 Tel (home): 01337 840218.
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Michael Barnacle, Moorend, Waulkmill Road, Crook of Devon,
 Kinross, KY13 0UZ. Tel/Fax (home): 01577 840516.
 Email: Michael@mabarnacle.freeserve.co.uk
Sandy Miller, c/o Perth & Kinross Council, 2 High Street, Perth,
 PH1 5PH. Tel (business): 01577 840462.
 Email: SMiller@pkc.gov.uk
William Robertson, 85 South Street, Milnathort, Kinross,
 KY13 9XA. Tel (home): 01577 865178.
 Email: wrobertson@pkc.gov.uk

Kinross Recycling Centre, Bridgend

Opening Times: **Mondays to Fridays 9am to 7pm**
Saturdays and Sundays 9am to 5pm

Aluminium & Steel Cans, Car Batteries, Cardboard, Engine Oil, Fluorescent Tubes, Electricals (inc Fridges, Freezers, Televisions & Monitors), Garden Waste, Glass Bottles & Jars, Inert Waste, Metal, Paper, Phone Directories, Plastic Bottles, Textiles, Wood.

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: fcoffice@btinternet.com

Regular Library Sessions for Young Children

At Loch Leven Community Library.
 No need to book, just come along.

Story Telling

every Monday morning 10.15 – 10.45 am
 and every Thursday afternoon 2.15 – 2.45 pm

Bookbug Rhymetimes

every Saturday 10.30 – 11 am
 and every second Wednesday 2.00 – 2.30 pm
 (next Wed session: 6 October)

Bookbug Library Challenge: For children aged 0 to 4: On each visit to the library, children are given a sticker. After collecting four stickers, they are awarded a certificate.

Member of Parliament for Ochil & South Perthshire Constituency Gordon Banks MP

www.gordonbanksmp.co.uk
 Email: constituency@gordonbanksmp.co.uk
 For dates and locations of regular advice surgeries, or to raise any concerns you may have, please contact the constituency office: telephone 01259 721536, fax 01259 216761 or write to 49-51 High Street, Alloa, FK10 1JF.

MSP for Ochil Constituency Keith Brown MSP

will be holding regular surgeries throughout his constituency area.
 For information on dates, locations and to book an appointment time, please contact his assistant on **01259 219333**.
 Keith can also be contacted by email at **keith.brown.msp@scottish.parliament.uk** or by writing to **80 Mill Street, Alloa, FK10 1DY**

Members of the Scottish Parliament

All MSPs can be contacted at the following address:
 The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP
MSPs for Mid Scotland and Fife Region
Claire Baker MSP (Scot Labour) Tel: 0131 348 6759
 Email: Claire.Baker.msp@scottish.parliament.uk
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Mobile Library – Blairingone and Milnathort

Every Second Wednesday

Next visits: 6 and 20 October

Blairingone 9.30am - 9.45am
 Westerloan, Milnathort 2.10pm - 3pm
 Bridgefauld Road, Milnathort 3.05pm - 4pm
 Any queries telephone AK Bell Library 01738 444949

Loch Leven Community Library

Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ
 Telephone: 01577 867205
 Email: kinrosslibrary@pkc.gov.uk

Opening Times

Monday 10am – 6pm
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am – 8pm
 Friday 10am – 6pm
 Saturday 10am – 3pm

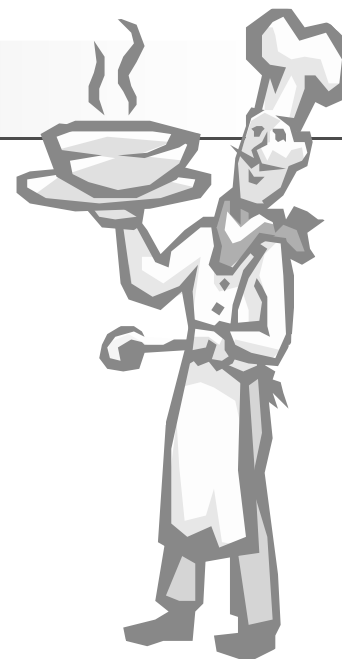
Kinross District Counselling Services

Kinross District Counselling Services offers a new, fully supervised, confidential counselling service brought to you in association with The Web Project.
 It is open to all-comers.

To make an appointment call Hilary 07930 682902 or Wendy 07762 892252 (donations welcome to cover costs).

You can see us at “The Web”, 28 New Road, Milnathort, KY13 9XA.

Kinross-shire *Day Centre*



**Table Tennis • Videos • Cards • Dominoes
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises**

Weekly Programme

Monday	Elderberries	1.30 pm	
Tuesday	Bingo	1.30 pm	
Wednesday	Morning Service	10.45 am,	Quiz Afternoon 1.30 pm
	Dominoes	1.30 pm	Scrabble 1.30 pm
Thursday	Art Class	1.30 pm,	Film Afternoon 1.30 pm
	Dominoes	1.30 pm	
Friday	Scrabble	1.30 pm	

Monday 4 October, Day Centre will be CLOSED - public holiday



**Coffee Bar open 9 am - 4 pm, Senior Citizens Lunches Daily
Telephone: 01577 863869**

LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross (opposite David Sands)

Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 6.00 pm
Saturday: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Sunday: 12.00 - 1.00 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



Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme

Registered Charity No. SC015642

Charges to service users (as at 1/10/10)

Perth, Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy	£10
Stirling	£12
Dundee, Edinburgh	£18
Stracathro	£25
Loch Leven Health Centre, local area	£3
Loch Leven Health Centre, outreach area	£5

Co-ordinator: Ann Munro 01577 840196.



School Holidays, Academic Year 2010 - 2011

Academic year	Wed 18 Aug 2010	-	Fri 1 Jul 2011
Autumn Holiday	Mon 11 Oct 2010	-	Fri 22 Oct 2010
In Service Days	Thu 18 Nov 2010	-	Fri 19 Nov 2010
Christmas Holiday	Thu 23 Dec 2010	-	Wed 5 Jan 2011
In Service Day	Wed 16 Feb 2011		
Occasional Holiday	Thu 17 Feb 2011	-	Fri 18 Feb 2011
Spring Holiday	Mon 4 Apr 2011	-	Fri 15 Apr 2011
Easter Break	Fri 22 Apr 2011	-	Mon 25 Apr 2011
In Service Day	Tue 26 Apr 2011		
May Day	Mon 2 May 2011	(tbc)	

Dyslexia Drop-in Session

Last Tuesday of the month, 6.30pm
Loch Leven Community Library
A local branch of Dyslexia Scotland



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.kinross-shirefund.org or contact Annabel Bath
on 0131 524 0300
or email Annabel@scottishcf.org



Mindspace

Mindspace is the counselling service for Perth Association for Mental Health (www.pamh.co.uk). We have Young People's Counsellors working in Kinross one day a week. Clients can self-refer via email to info@mindspacepk.com; by telephone on 01738 631639, or by visiting our website at www.mindspacepk.com and filling in a referral form. Clients can also be referred by their GP. Mindspace also offers counselling to adults (18+) at their offices in Perth.



Perth Citizens Advice Bureau

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.

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.

Situations Vacant

In conjunction with www.kinross.cc, the Newsletter is pleased to publish local situations vacant. Please go to the [kinross.cc](http://www.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').

After School Child Care (part time), Craig Machan

A position exists for an individual to collect a child from local school and bring back to house and look after there. Must have driving licence and available Mon to Fri 3pm to 6pm, up to 15 hrs per wk. Hourly rate £8 - £10 paid. Require Enhanced Disclosure Check and Medical Reference. Experience of child care is not essential but favourable.

For an informal discussion please phone 07743 694462

Cleaner (part time), David Sands, 52 High St, Kinross

Based in Kinross the cleaner will be expected to clean surfaces, floors and toilets. Required for 2 hrs every day, 6 days a week. Main location is Kinross Store and kitchen located above it. Email your interest/cv to sbrown@david-sands.co.uk

Perth & Kinross Council	www.pkc.gov.uk
Kinross Area Office	Tel: 01577 862351
21 High St, Kinross	
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

Milnathort Community Council

The composition of Milnathort Community Council as of the election of 24 June 2010 is as follows:

Bruce Hamilton (Chairman)	Newhill Farm, Glenfarg
David Cottingham (Vice Chair)	Middleton House, Milnathort
Joseph Giacomazzi (Secretary)	1 Greenbum Field, Milnathort
Lynne Bennet (Treasurer)	1 Reid Crescent, Milnathort
Patrick Milne-Home	Craigow, Milnathort
Sandy Smith	21 Church Street, Milnathort
Robert Halford	Nether Tillyrie Cottage, Nether Tillyrie, Milnathort
Dorothy Thomson	Tillyrie House, Milnathort

Recycle your waste and help the Friends of Wumenu Community Farm (Charity No SC037724)

www.friendsofwumenufarm.org.uk

The charity will take: old agricultural tools, bikes, clothes, fabrics, old sewing machines, art materials, duvets, curtains, blankets and bedding, kitchenware, toys, clothes, play equipment, power tools, garden tools and unwanted electrical goods in any condition. All goods can be collected.

Telephone Amu-Logotse on 07985 623870 or Barbara Willey on 01577 863063.

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**.

Classified Adverts

The Newsletter publishes items for sale listed on the [kinross.cc](http://www.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.

Items for Sale

Jodphurs	£20 for both
Two black jodhpur trousers for ladies, 26", Rhinegold. Both new and never used, one with tags on.	
<i>Seller details: Trudy Duffy-Wigman</i>	<i>01577 840669</i>
<i>duffy-wigman@btinternet.com</i>	
Domain name – Kinross.co for sale	£250.00 ono
Excellent domain name for any company in Kinross – or the Kinross clan. Available immediately.	
<i>Seller details: Jeremy McCammon</i>	<i>jerenymccammon@gmail.com</i>
Qualcast Trojan 18 petrol lawnmower	£20.00
Excellent working order.	
<i>Seller details: Natalie Smith</i>	<i>01577 866752</i>
<i>nataliesmith@hotmail.co.uk</i>	

Dementia Café for Perth & Kinross



A "Drop in" Café is held on the first Wednesday of every month, 10am-12.30pm, at The North Church Hall, High Street, Perth.

This service aims to offer information, support and a chance to have a chat for people with dementia, their carers and families. Volunteers along with professionals from health and social work are available each month.

For further information contact:

Jackie Daly 01796 474818, Andy Bennet 01738 636358, Debbie Howie 01738 562201.

Blythswood Care

(The Newsletter does not always have space to publish the full details regarding items which can and cannot be accepted, so readers may wish to cut out this Notice for future reference)

The Round South Truck accepts small items of furniture, clothing and bric à brac. The uplift of any larger items of furniture (e.g. sofas, beds, wardrobes etc) can be arranged by phoning Hillington on 0141 882 0585. All soft furnishings (e.g. beds, sofas, three-piece suites etc) donated to Blythswood Care must have a fire label with the British Standards code (BS7177) attached to it.

We regret that the Round South Truck cannot accept books. We are also unable to accept bikes, carpets, coat hangers, gas appliances, prams, televisions, small electrical appliances, exercise equipment or wall units.

The next collection will take place on

Tuesday 19 October

between 10.30am and 11am

in Sainsbury's car park

(if car park is full, van will park nearby,
e.g. Park & Ride or Ochil View)

Diary

*A more extensive and regularly updated
Diary of Events can be found on www.kinross.cc*

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