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Cllr. = Councillor

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NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY COUNCILS



KINROSS CC

News from the September Meeting

Chairman, D Colliar welcomed Councillors D Cuthbert, Mrs E Thomas (Secy), R McConnell, Paul Zarb, Mrs D Mackay and Mrs M Blyth. In attendance were Mrs M Scott (Minute Secy); Inspector Patience; P&K Cllrs G Hayton and W Robertson; Mr P Gaskell, SNH Area Manager; Mr R Balfour, SNH East Board and approximately 12 members of the public. Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs C Drummond and I Jack and P&K Cllr Barnacle.

Police Report: Inspector Patience reported that his officers had been involved in carrying out various programmes recently including Speed Checks, Highway Patrols, Seat Belts and General Car Safety. One person who was apprehended recently was responsible for a street crime. Figures for assaults were no worse than in the past, and this type of crime was always prevalent. The last serious crime to be recorded occurred at T in the Park.

Crime Figures: Councillor Thomas had contacted the Police requesting details of crime statistics. Inspector Patience advised that from the categories mentioned he could report the following: Causing Annoyance – this is not recorded on the Performance Plan; Vandalism – this is listed on the Performance Plan; Bogus Officials – not detailed on the Performance Plan, however no further reports of this crime have been received since May; Housebreaking – this is again mentioned in the Performance Plan, only one such crime recorded since April. Inspector Patience advised that it would not be practical to prepare a Report on a regular basis as this would involve his Officers in more administration rather than policing, however he suggested that the figures be provided on an annual basis, i.e. those issued in the Performance Plan. We would receive this information at the start of their financial year in April/May, after the figures had been exhibited to Dundee. This was agreed.

Mortuary Rates: Councillor Thomas received various communications from P&KC in relation to the Rates Demand. P&KC advise that we should settle the outstanding sums due now and thereafter raise an appeal against this outlay. The Rating Authority have invoiced the CC from April 2004, as this is the earliest date on which legislation allows liability to be backdated. P&KC advised that there is no provision within current legislation that allows payment to be withheld pending settlement of any outstanding appeal or enquiry, and that there is no provision that allows

the outstanding balances to be written off. They recommend that settlement should be made now to avoid any additional costs being accrued. The last communication received from P&KC informs us that should payment not be forthcoming within fourteen days then they will raise a Court Summons for recovery of this outstanding debt which will involve the CC in further costs. After discussion it was agreed to settle and thereafter raise an appeal against the rates payments.

The Chairman stated that the Light Up Kinross Committee would also have to make a decision with regard to the rates bills, whether to budget for the future or empty the mortuary and forego Christmas lights. The Light Up Kinross Committee has also received a new Lease for signature. Cllr Robertson advised that there are grants available from P&KC.

Kinross High School: A reply has been received from Historic Scotland following our letter asking for more information about their decision not to give Listed Building status to Kinross High School. A more detailed answer was provided; apparently Listed status is given to whole premises, including extensions etc, and accordingly the School is regarded as not sufficient to meet the criteria, even although the façade may be of some interest.

Golf Ball: A letter was received from Historic Scotland advising that in addition to our own submission, a second request was made for the Golf Ball to be granted Listed Building status, and they are assessing this at the moment. Defence Estates have written to us advising that the lights are required for security reasons, however they asked us to mark the areas affected on a map and they will attempt to redirect the glare.

Logo: A letter was received from Kinross Partnership in response to our request that they approach another company for a further design. They explain that the comments received from the Newsletter and at the Kinross Show were taken into account and following on the number of votes received it has been agreed to take forward Logo 4.

Public Access website: In response to our letter, P&KC advised that they are awaiting software to provide this data.

Planning

There were several applications for domestic alterations etc on which the CC made no comment. Also, the CC made no comment on the following: 06/01716/FUL Change of Use from domestic property

to complementary therapy salon at 111 High Street, Kinross.

06/01414/FUL Erection of three detached dwellinghouses on land at Hollow Cottage, Blacknowes, Kinross: The CC agreed to object to this proposal; the construction may impede on the old railway line that runs through this ground.

06/01630/LBC and 06/01629/FUL Erection of a new Church Hall, St. Pauls, Muirs, Kinross: Following examination of the plans, no adverse comments were raised on this application, indeed it was noted that the plans provided for additional parking around the vicinity of the Church.

22 Muirs: A representative from the CC may attend a site meeting regarding the appeal.

Ivy Cottage: A communication was received from the Scottish Executive upholding the applicant's appeal – Wilson Homes Ltd are allowed to demolish the building.

Scottish Natural Heritage

The Chairman welcomed two members of SNH to the meeting. It was explained that SNH are a Government organisation who are responsible to the Scottish Executive and the Scottish Parliament. Mr Philip Gaskell, Area Manager, Tayside and Clackmannanshire, and Mr Robert Balfour, East Area Board member introduced themselves to those present. An apology was received from Paul Brooks, the Reserve Warden, who was unable to attend this evening. They provided a brief presentation on the work of SNH in relation to Loch Leven as a National Nature Reserve (since 1964) and as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (1956). Loch Leven was also designated a Special Protection Area (SPA) in 2000 because of its internationally important bird populations. Mr Balfour mentioned that he was a farmer in Fife, one of two Board Members for the Perth and Kinross area and had been involved in management discussions over the last three years. Various plans have been proposed to improve the site, i.e. at the Pier, Vane Farm, the ground around Loch Leven, Heritage Trail and community paths around the Loch. SNH have consulted with a number of groups regarding this matter and have received some useful ideas. New paths and hides, more information about the Loch and "Heritage" and more events are planned. A volunteer programme is also to be introduced. Mr Gaskell advised that information would be available on the SNH website.

Heritage Trail - Mr Gaskell mentioned that some concern was raised regarding the northeast shore as this was a sensitive area housing a number of birds, however screening people from the birds in an effort to minimise the risk of causing disturbance could mitigate this. It was hoped that work on the ground would commence this October.

A lengthy discussion was held on the decline in fishing on the Loch which some years ago was known

internationally for its fishing. This was one of the main focal points in the area. SNH are focusing mainly on water quality (which has improved) and the brown trout population, i.e. recruitment, brown trout stocks, disease etc., research has been undertaken in the past regarding this subject however has been difficult to operate and proved unsuccessful. However, Mr Gaskell stated that he had received reports that the fishing was improving on the Loch.

The position regarding the Cormorants on the Loch was also raised. They are a wild bird and protected by Internationally Designated Law, legislation is in place which adopts Loch Leven as a Bird Sanctuary and a licence is required to shoot them. It was noted that the Scottish Executive awards Licences, however SNH provide advice to Scottish Executive on such matters. In granting a Licence to control Cormorants the Scottish Executive has to justify that there is significant fisheries damage on the basis of available scientific information. The Scottish Executive recently refused an Application for a Licence to cull the birds. Consideration would be given to looking at management practices, which allow control of birds without having to kill them.

One of the main concerns of the CC is how to improve the fishing on the Loch. There has been a noticeable decline in the fish in recent years. It was mentioned that the Brown Trout is a unique species of fish and also worthy of protection and preservation.

It is difficult to assess the numbers of Cormorants on the Loch since they tend to travel between the Loch and the Forth. However, SNH's opinion is that there has been a decrease since the 90's.

As explained, SNH's efforts have been concentrated on the water quality and there have been definite signs of recovery.

In the 1970's a plant's growth was marked at a metre and the water was cloudy. At present day a plant's growth is recorded as 3 ½ metres and the water is clearer. The feedback they have received is that fishing on the Loch is fairly good at the moment.

SNH hope to encourage people to enjoy the wildlife around the Loch. Two events are planned, Dawn Goose Flights on 8 October and Birdwatching at Burleigh Hide on 21 October. They would like to join up with local organisations in an effort to enhance the ecological features of the Loch.

A member of the public, Mr Campbell, mentioned that he had been fishing on the Loch for over 30 years and, from his experience, could confirm that there was an increase in the Cormorants on the Loch during the fishing season. In addition to the birds eating the trout, damage has been caused to the trees. He also referred to the loss of the jobs at the Pier through closures etc due to the decline in fishing.

It was stated that Loch Leven's fish have long been famous. The native brown trout is so highly praised that anglers have introduced Loch Leven trout to many

different Countries, such as Canada and New Zealand. In closing, Mr Gaskell explained the procedures for providing advice/objections in respect of various matters, i.e. if a matter involves the landscape P&KC would make the decision themselves, no objection being raised; however if it was a matter involving SSI or SPA and an objection is raised by SNH, then the matter would be placed before the Ministers for a decision. A Public Enquiry would be held for a wind turbine, the submission being registered and a decision reached following enquiry.

Mr Alastair Wallace from Scottish Anglers National Association also advised that numbers for birds had increased from 170 to 222 this week. Mr Wallace had been invited to a meeting with SNH the following week.

T in the Park: Comments received to be passed to and discussed with Big Day Out: Traffic worked better; Traders in town disappointed with sales/turnover, not very busy, resembled a summer weekend; Participants kept within arena, not coming out to surrounding area; Communication also received from a local businessman whose complaint was as to the sale of tickets, i.e. via Internet or long queues at Sands Supermarket.

Public Toilets: The new signs have been put in place. Has the sign at the Loch been removed?

Land at Clashburn: It was noted that diggers are on site clearing the area. G S Brown purchased this ground some eleven years ago from P&KC who had earmarked the ground for housing. We had delayed action on this matter until the Report was received from the QC in regard to the Town Hall. After consideration it was agreed that we should not pursue this matter.

Report from P&K Councillors

Trades Report: Cllr Robertson advised that the Report has still to be finalised but it was hoped that this would be available to the Committee by the end of summer.

Scottish Water: The Chairman advised of a meeting on 26 September in Perth, regarding the progress capital investment programme for Central Scotland. Quality of Water - Cllr Robertson has written a letter to Scottish Water informing of complaints he has received about the taste of the drinking water locally.

Cricket Pitch: Cllr Robertson advised that work on the cricket pitch, to be sited in front of Kinross House, commenced this week.

ABI Meeting: Cllr Hayton updated those present with regard to the current position and a Report was circulated to the members of the CC. This provides details of the action plan/timescale and the financial position in some cases. The Reports on the progress of the action plans are to be provided to Alan Livingstone who has asked to be updated on a regular basis. The CCllrs will read the Report and discuss same at their next meeting.

Miscellaneous Correspondence: this included a Recycling Guide; Tayside Safety Camera Partnership Newsletter; Letter from SE regarding Scottish Awards for Quality in Planning; Leaflet from Fire Brigades Union and the following:

KGV: A letter asking for a contribution towards the replacement of the pavilion clocks at KGV. The CC agreed to pledge £500 towards the replacement of both clocks and the addition of a master control at a cost of £1150, to be paid over once the Playing Fields Committee has the balance of monies in hand.

Rural Post Offices: A meeting will be held at Birnam Institute on 22 Sept.

JKA Scotland: A letter of thanks was received for the funding provided.

Investment in Learning: An email was received asking for suggested names for the new School. It was agreed that our recommendation would be "Kinross High School".

Other Business

NHS Dentistry: Cllr Robertson had raised this matter in his recent Newsletter. A register of names/addresses of people who are unable to obtain an NHS dentist is being produced and will be passed to the Directorate of NHS Tayside.

Water stoppage: The recent water stoppage was due to an engineering fault in Milnathort.

Green Road Play Park: CCllr Mackay mentioned that coping stones were loose on top of the wall at Green Park. She enquired if these could be repaired.

Memorial Bench: Various problems were encountered in the completion of the bench and plaque. These have now been rectified.

Swansacre building: Answering a query from a member of the public, Cllr Hayton advised that the prospective purchaser had withdrawn from negotiations, however P&KC were considering other offers received.

20 Miles per hour signs: These are not yet operational, having still to be connected.

The next meeting of Kinross Community Council will take place on Wednesday 4 October at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.

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

Full Kinross CC Minutes are lodged in the Kinross Library and County Buildings.

CLEISH & BLAIRADAM CC

News from the August Meeting

The meeting held in the Tabernacle Hall on 21 August was attended by four CCllrs, Cllr M Barnacle, PC Pedersen, Sgt Steel and three members of the public. The C&B newsletter editor was also in attendance. Apologies for absence were received from Sandy Morton.

Previous minutes: An item relating to Lochran Sidings was incorrect; this was not a new application, but an appeal which has been refused.

Police Report: There was little to report apart from the thefts of floral arrangements; unfortunately nothing had been found. There had also been one or two cases of poaching but these had been resolved. PC Pedersen drew attention to the ongoing Valiant Checks being conducted by the Police throughout the County; these were extremely effective and would be continued. The hill road was patrolled as much as possible and activity seemed to be diminishing on the Kinross-shire side. The Officer who has been working on this matter was about to go on maternity leave and her replacement had not yet been appointed. **T in the Park:** The traffic arrangements for this year were discussed, with particular emphasis on the situation at Drum where traffic had been gridlocked for a few hours. The Police will take this matter on board and it was hoped that this problem will be resolved in 2007, along with other issues.

Wind Farms: The Knowehead application had been withdrawn. There remain four applications for the Public Enquiry on October 24.

Tracks and Trails Group: The map had been sent to Dave Stubbs who had contacted the landowners. There would be a joint meeting on 29 August consisting of the Core Path Groups, Tracks and the Local Councillors. There was the intention that the Core Path Groups should be able to link up. The Keltie Heritage Trails had been opened and it was hoped to form links with them. The question was raised about the path to Dowhill Muir and the locking of the gates. CC members would see if the padlocks had been removed.

Planning

Woodlands, Mawmill: Proposal to erect a second house. It was agreed to acknowledge the letter from Mr Ramsay but to reserve comment until the plans had been submitted.

Flockhouse, Static Caravan: After discussion it was agreed that a static caravan planned for three years was not desirable but if this was part of a longer term project the CC would be glad to reconsider. More information required.

27a Keltiebridge: The application to build a two-storey guest house had been refused with the comment that the site should remain in the village

setting in view of the current Area Plan.

Cleish Mains Steading: Outline planning permission has been granted but the full application has not been submitted as yet.

Dowhill Muir: No application has been submitted yet, although work has begun at the entrance to the track.

Sunnyside Farm: The CC had objected to the density of the housing and the lack of garden space. The road through the farm and the buildings would be maintained.

Flockhouse Farm: There was concern regarding the volume of housing proposed for this site.

Cllr Barnacle said there was now a great worry about the amount of redevelopment of farm sites.

Cllr Barnacle will give clarification to the CC as to when applications are due to be submitted, as the Secretary has been having no response to all her letters to the Planning Department.

Planning Procedures: Cllr Barnacle's advice to the CC was as follows: Anyone who want to comment by letter on a planning application should send copy letters to Councillor Barnacle, to the CC and to all Councillors on the Planning Committee. (He will supply their names to the CC.) The CC cannot make a presentation as a body to the meeting of the Planning Committee but individuals may.

Housing in the Countryside: A meeting has been arranged for 23 August which two CCllrs will attend. Because of the revised population projection, the Council propose to change their ideas on housing volume.

Roads: Notices about the 20mph speed limit have now been posted in the village. The CC had sent their observations re disturbance to verges etc. to the Roads Department.

Fly Tipping between Carsegour and Kinross: As this has happened on land belonging to Baleave Farm it is not the responsibility of the Police but they have contacted SEPA.

Cleish Mill Bends: Lots of yellow paint was administered some time ago, but it is hoped that signs will soon be in place.

Branding Exercise: Four designs had been on show at Kinross Show and had been greeted with different degrees of enthusiasm. However one has been chosen.

T in the Park: It was agreed that there had been a lack of information as to roads and traffic management, and local access had not been considered until the very last moment.

The Secretary will write to the organisers saying that the community welcomes T in the Park but local information is badly needed. A representative should be invited to attend a meeting of the CC well in advance of the event. The matter of litter was raised; there had not been a huge amount but the clearing up was a problem. Perhaps T in the Park should fund litter collection if the Council was to be asked to do this.

Reduce - Reuse - Recycle: The Secy had been sent a very informative booklet and it is thought that a copy will be sent to each household.

Best Kept Village Competition: Great disappointment was expressed at the shortness of notice sent out to the villages as to the date of the judging, leaving little time to organise gardeners and assistants. It is also very discouraging to those who work so hard in their communities. It is sincerely hoped that this will be rectified for 2007, and also that the date of judging should be later in the month as had happened in previous years. There was also little notice of the date of the presentation of awards, this year on 23 August. However, congratulations are due to all those who competed and to the prizewinners.

Middleton Park Lighting: Thus far nothing has been done in spite of Mr Thomson having been sent the name of the contact for supplying proper lighting.

Community Council Member: The meeting was informed that Mrs Trish Kitchin would be willing to join the CC and should be sent the appropriate form. This is indeed joyous news as the CC has been under-represented for a long time, and Trish will be a welcome addition.

The next meeting of Cleish & Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 23 October in Cleish Village Hall at 7.30pm.

MILNATHORT CC

News from the September Meeting

CCLlr Giacopazzi welcomed CCLlrs Porter, Thomson, and Bennet to the meeting held on 14 September in Milnathort Town Hall. Also in attendance were DC Colin Mackay, Community Officer Marissa Hardie and five members of the public. Minute Secretary E Rougvie joined the meeting at 7.45pm, until which time the minutes were taken by CCLlr D Thomson. Apologies were received from CCLlrs Ross and Cottingham.

Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the August meeting were proposed by CCLlr Porter and seconded by CCLlr Giacopazzi, with the following amendment: it was the section of P&KC that dealt with historical buildings that had said it would not recommend a proposed development in Wester Loan, and not the Historical Society, as originally minuted.

Police matters: DC McKay of Command Team reported that there had been no major crime in Milnathort for some time, and there had been no incidents of housebreaking this year. However, in the landward areas, plant and machinery were being stolen and he said that any suspicious actions should be reported. He said that the danger from bogus callers must be stressed throughout the community; it was bad practice to take work from an uninvited caller touting for business as they target and re-target victims. He advised the public to always take references from neighbours and friends before

accepting workers into their home. CCLlr Giacopazzi was concerned about 'hardcore youths and drug taking', which affected the crime rates. DC McKay stressed that details should be reported to the police as they were always welcomed and noted.

Community Officer Marissa Hardie reported the normal speed and road checks were being done. A case regarding a rural building was being dealt with by the Procurator Fiscal's office, and a charge had been made regarding vandalism in South Street. She said that far too many cars and houses were being left unsecured overnight.

Parks: Graham Harbet and Nigel Taylor, from P&KC Parks Dept., were in attendance to talk about the policy with regard to the upkeep and replacement of equipment in the 145 parks within the Council area. Population and park size determined different levels of provision, and they are at present formulating a strategy to maintain and equip parks to a good level. Sites are visited and reported on regularly and equipment is updated, painted, and replaced when bark was renewed. CCLlr Bennet expressed concern about poor play equipment and bark as the protective surface in Donaldson Park, and asked when the climbing frame that was removed 18 months ago as unsafe was to be replaced. The CC was told that the main disadvantage of bark was the ease with which glass and rubbish can be disguised in it. As this was a safety matter, they are looking into other materials. There is no timescale for the climbing frame to be replaced, and it will be financed by capital expenditure. It was noted that Donaldson Park, which is classed as a neighbourhood park in terms of provision levels, is short of a piece of equipment for eight to 14-year-olds. The Old Bowling Green Park, which is a local equipped area on the provision list, and caters for four to eight-year-olds, had passed their strategy standards. At present, 40 per cent of parks do not meet the strategy, and MCC awaits information about where Donaldson Park sits on the strategy list.

Matters arising: CCLlr Giacopazzi said that he had written to Scottish Water following a complaint from a member of the public that the water in Milnathort had a strong 'earthy' and chemical taste, especially in parts of Old Perth Road. In reply, Scottish Water had explained that chlorine was added to the water to destroy bacteria, and a residual amount remained in the pipes. The World Health Organisation stated that the maximum level of chlorine permitted was 5mg per litre, and in Milnathort the level was only .3mg per litre, but the village's proximity to the water treatment plant at Glenfarg could be the reason why the chlorine was more noticeable. The earthy taste was attributed to natural bacterial activity that took place during the summer months; it was a seasonal problem which should improve, and the water was safe to drink.

Correspondence: CCLlr Bennet had received some copies of an A-Z guide on recycling produced by P&KC. It was agreed that it was a very useful booklet, and the public are urged to visit www.wasteawareScotland.org.uk for more

information.

A letter was received from the Scottish Executive inviting local communities to enter a planning awards scheme in which the focus was making communities work better. CCllr Giacopazzi said he would give it due consideration.

CCllr Giacopazzi then referred to a letter from Mr Peter Hessey, who wanted a copy of the CC minutes from May 2005, and said the CC would do their utmost to locate them for him.

Planning matters: the following applications were noted:- 10 Victoria Avenue: extension to dwelling-house; 53 New Road: erection of a garage; The Steadings, Dalqueich: alterations to dwelling-house and conversion of storage areas to form accommodation; land to rear of 38-40 New Road: erection of a dwelling-house; Ledlath Farm, Kinross: erection of a new farmhouse; land at Hattonburn Farm: change of house types; 18 Balfour Crescent: demolition of garage, erection of new garage and extension to dwelling-house; land at Tannerhall Farm: outline permission for two houses.

Referring to the August meeting, at which CCllrs had agreed to ask for more information about the extension of Balado Activity Centre, Mr Douglas Alexander said he was 'disappointed' that the CC had thought that the majority of what was an internationally-known site fell within the Kinross area, when in fact 97 per cent of it was within the boundaries of Area 49 (Milnathort). CCllr Giacopazzi noted his comments and said that the CC would not be pursuing the matter further.

Community Councillors: A discussion followed about the procedure with regard to filling the two seats on the CC that are currently vacant. Since only one member can be co-opted, an election will have to be held for the first time in 10 years. It was agreed that advertisements would be placed in the local press and the KCC Newsletter, and that P&KC would be approached in terms of printing ballot papers. CCllr Porter agreed to find out whether the Town Hall would be available on November 11 for the election.

AOB: North Street closure: CCllr Thomson asked if the CC could write to P&KC Roads Department regarding the recent closure of North Street, which had caused 'chaos'. She said it was done during the only month of the year when one of Europe's largest seed merchants was delivering grain, and when traffic was being diverted through Milnathort because of a motorway closure. After discussion, it was agreed to raise the matter with P&K Cllr Robertson.

JobCentre provision: CCllr Bennet expressed concern that there was no facility for local people seeking Jobseekers' Allowance to sign on. She had had to travel to Perth with two small children and the whole process had taken four hours. She asked that if anyone has similar problems to contact her on 01577 865109.

Lollipop person: CCllr Giacopazzi said that he had been asked why the 'lollipop' person in Milnathort finished at 9am, leaving no cover for the arrival of pre-school children at 9.15. After discussion, it was agreed

that the matter would be raised with P&K Cllr Robertson.

Change of venue: Mr Douglas Alexander asked why the CC had been denied entry to the school that evening, thus having to change the venue to the Town Hall at the last minute. CCllr Giacopazzi replied that it had been an administrative oversight and offered his apologies to the members of the public who had turned up at the school.

Due to school holidays, the next meeting of Milnathort Community Council will take place in the Town Hall on Thursday 12 October at 7.30pm.

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FOSSOWAY & DISTRICT CC

News from the August meeting

The meeting held on 4 August was attended by CCllrs I Booth (Chair), R Dalton, G Pease, A Chappell and F Watt. Also in attendance were P&K Cllr M Barnacle, G Binnie from Tayside Police, Brian Roxburgh from SEPA, Chic Haggart from P&KC Traffic & Road Safety, and 24 members of the public. Apologies were received from C Danks and S Sharp.

Community Policing: Our Community Police representative highlighted the August safe driving initiative attempting to curb the increase in driving under the influence of drink or drugs. They request that members of the public, particularly in more rural areas, take appropriate precautions against the possibility of theft by locking valuable garden and patio equipment or furniture away when not in use. Prudent use of a few securing devices could deter the opportunist thief. Suspicious events should be noted, vehicle numbers recorded, and Crime Stoppers or the police notified if appropriate. Be aware of any vulnerable people in the community and try to keep a watch over them, especially with the previously noted problems with bogus workmen.

Proposed Composting site

Brian Roxburgh, SEPA representative, addressed the meeting regarding Oran Recycling's proposed Composting site at Blairingone. Oran will have the concrete pads but not the fields, and the materials that they hope to compost are: Fine Wood Fibre, Pot Ale, Paper Crumble, Green Waste and Yeast Cell Debris.

Reception of materials will be Monday to Friday 6am to 10pm, Saturday 6am to 6pm and Sunday 6am till 4pm. The aim would be for this site to produce 60,000 tons of product per year.

Members of the public were keen to question Mr Roxburgh and in the course of this covered concerns regarding odour, dust suppression, pad drainage, the storage and re-use of drained liquid, fungal spores, monitoring both by Oran and by independent companies. Planning concerns were highlighted along with the environmental impact from the heavy traffic increase. Brian Roxburgh is happy to answer further queries or concerns and can be contacted by telephone on 01786 452595 or by e-mail at brian.roxburgh@sepa.org.uk

Mitigation Measures on the A977

Cllr Barnacle introduced Chic Haggart, P&KC Traffic & Roads Safety Manager. The Scottish Executive has decided that the A977 can cope with the additional traffic created by the new Kincardine bridge. P&KC has identified measures costing in excess of £1million to minimise the impact and improve facilities. The Executive has offered £250,000 (the original offer was £87,000). Aimed with a shopping list, but not enough money to "buy" all the previously identified needs, Mr Haggart was at the meeting to liaise with the community regarding the way forward. A Table of

Proposals for the A977 Identified Needs was presented:

Improved public transport infrastructure (indicative cost £25,000); improved cycle facilities on parallel routes (£50,000); puffin-type pedestrian crossing in Blairingone and Powmill (£32,000 each); footway link on east verge between A823 and Milkbar at Powmill (£30,000); widened footways and pedestrian cycle crossing points at A977/M90 interchange (£40,000); footway/cycleway in south verge from Balado to Turfhill (£75,000); new roundabouts at A977/B913 junction at Blairingone, A977/B99097 junction at Crook of Devon/Drum, A977 and service station (£250,000 per roundabout).

The money from the Executive is available now and could benefit the Fossoway community well in advance of completion of the new bridge, while efforts continue in order to obtain further funding from various bodies. Mr Haggart and Cllr Barnacle answered a variety of questions and discussion points. Following this, the CC asked the audience to vote on whether it was better to have several items of road improvement benefiting the length of the A977 or only one expensive item of road improvement selected from the Table of Proposals. The response from the audience was an overwhelming vote for the seven smaller items on the list, which are more supportive of the whole A977 community. Mr Haggart will convey the result to the Council and act accordingly. The lobbying and sourcing of funding for the other more expensive identified items will continue.

Other Perth & Kinross Council Business

Cllr Barnacle brought us up to date on the following items: Order for the extension of the Powmill speed limit; Request for the speed limit in the Drum to extend in East past the line of the settlement; Letter relating to speeding on the Vicars Bridge Road in Blairingone; Footpath extension in Powmill to the Bus Shelter; Cambo Bus Shelter; Community Recycling Facility; Kinross Plan; T in the Park de-briefing.

Cllr Barnacle also highlighted two forthcoming meetings, one relating to the proposals for the Strategic Plan re high growth and forward planning, the other a meeting of the Core Path Groups.

Planning

Six sets of plans had been received since the last CC meeting: Erection of a Guest House on land at West Cottage, Wester Fossoway; Erection of a dwelling house on land to east of Carnbo village; Erection of 2 dwelling houses at the Former Station, Crook of Devon; Change of use of steading into 3 residential units and erection of 3 detached dwelling houses at Former Steading, Newbigging Farm; Erection of dwelling house on land to rear of Vicars Bridge Road, Blairingone. Comments as appropriate will be forwarded to the Council.

Windfarms in the Ochils: An update on the situation was given by Cllr Barnacle. Changes to turbine

numbers does not mean a new planning application.

Housing in the Countryside Policy: Debate is required regarding the formation of groups of houses on former steading sites, which is becoming a growing feature in Kinross-shire; should there be “foot print” restrictions?

Procedures re Applications: Concern was expressed at the lack of opportunity for Councillors and public to comment on applications before Councillor Pease (Planning) responds to P&KC on behalf of FCC and meet the Council’s 14-day deadlines. Should all applications come to FCC meetings before replying? If so, this could defeat the object of speeding P&KC decisions, but would be more democratic.

Following discussion it was agreed that, while further discussion on the matter of procedures was required among Councillors, the current procedure for consideration of planning applications should continue.

However, only in cases where the particular planning Application was non-contentious, i.e. when no written objection was received by Fossoway CC, would Fossoway CC immediately report to P&KC their non-objection to the application.

In the event of receipt of a written objection, Fossoway CC would request the P&KC Planning Department defer a decision on the application in order that all Fossoway Councillors be given the opportunity to discuss the issues and views presented by both “objectors” and “supporters” before advising P&KC of their views on the application.

General Correspondence

1. Residents letter regarding Scottish Water and the Drum Environmental Improvements. This has now been at a standstill for some time due to failure to obtain the necessary power. Further updates and pertinent information regarding this matter can be obtained by telephoning 0845 601 8855 and quoting Drum Environmental Improvement Project.
2. Correspondence regarding planning comments both for and against various plans.
3. Letter relating to Blairingone Church.
4. Parks and Open spaces Roadshow.

Report from Reps

Blairingone Church: boring has already started, complete with Channel 5 cameras; it is hoped to have a public meeting when the findings are known.

Concern was raised regarding the possibility of **cancer clusters** within the Fossoway area. The CC Secy will contact Tayside Health Board to request an investigation into this observation.

Concern was expressed regarding the potential danger of the **Quarry** at Devonshaw, which has obvious attractions for children, particularly in the school holidays. The CC will write to P&KC.

It was confirmed that **McDonalds Cottage** at Devonshaw is to be a private dwelling house. The meeting heard from the owners that the delay with construction has been caused by the removal of

McDonalds Filling Station’s old fuel tanks and the obligatory consultant engineer’s investigation of the structure of the ground.

The Bridge to the west of Cambo village is causing concern, in particular the southern side, which appears to be crumbling rapidly.

News from the September Meeting

The meeting held on 4 September was attended by Councillors S Sharp, R Dalton, G Pease (Acting Chair), A Chappell and F Watt. Also in attendance were Constable Binnie and Chief Inspector Ross from Tayside Police and 15 members of the public. Apologies were received from C Danks, I Booth (Chair) and P&K Cllr Barnacle.

Community Policing: The Chief Inspector gave an overview and update, having returned to the division from Dundee. Overall crime is down, detection up, forensic science and advances in technology playing a significant part. The Chief Inspector outlined some of the new initiatives currently being piloted in the division, including a more modern shift system.

They are aware of the speeding issues within the communities across Kinross-shire, as well as the problems created by underage drinking, both of which are regularly targeted.

Constable Binnie highlighted again the need for vigilance and the benefits to us all of reporting suspicious activity.

Planning

The erection of a dwelling house at Tellyknowe Farm, Blairingone, was discussed.

A member of the public questioned the status of planning at Ivybank, Crook of Devon, having had neighbour notification in late July, but nothing further. This will be looked into.

Cllr Chappell attended an unminuted structure plan meeting recently; this caused some concern among the audience, so the Secy will write to obtain a written report.

General Correspondence

Communication from Balado Bridge Military Heritage Group, asking for moral and community support.

Letter regarding Lambhill / SEPA / Snowie information.

Letter regarding a Scottish Water meeting in Perth on 26 September.

Correspondence re the Best Kept Village Competition. Publication entitled What on Earth.

Reduce-Reuse-Recycle Guide.

Response to our letter regarding planning and housing in the countryside.

Letter re the concerns regarding Devonshaw Quarry and Carnbo Bus Shelter.

Correspondence from the representatives of the purchasers of Blairingone Church.

Reply from the Public Health Consortium re cancer

clusters, outlining the way forward for this investigation.

Letter of resignation from Cllr Dalton effective from February.

Other Business

Chlorination of drinking water at present - was it excessive?

Allocation of the monies donated to causes by the Kinross Newsletter - how is this structured?

The next meeting of Fossoway & District CC will take place in the Crook of Devon Church Hall on Monday 2 October at 7.30pm.

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Letters & Articles



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Tin the Park Drop in Centre

28.08.06

On behalf of the Organising Committee, may I thank all the volunteers who worked so hard to make this year's *Drop in* the best yet. As usual the working atmosphere was cheerful, sometimes hilarious, in spite of the heat and high pressure, and the interaction with the *t in the parkers* continues to be great; in many cases it's as simple as welcoming old friends. And again they were as generous as previous years.

As most of you know our prices for breakfast are considered ludicrously low; but just like the volunteers, we aim to provide a service, and not look for profit. But as usual the *parkers* responded to the service they received and the *Drop in* made a profit of £482.55. £175 went to the Church Centre: £50 as a thank you for the use of the facilities, and £175 met the cost of a meal supplied for any of their regular users. (This meal was served by *Drop in* volunteers who had a wonderful time.)

The remaining £307.55 was gifted to the Friday night *Drop in* Centre run for the youth of Kinross. This club is free with refreshments also supplied without charge. (And if I may advertise - we are also looking for volunteers for this work. Ring the number below if your Friday evenings are currently boring!)

So once again thanks to all of you who gave up your time and worked so hard to make the weekend the success it was, with particular thanks to the committee who put in so many hours prior to the event to make sure it runs as smoothly as it does. Thanks.

Peter Flounders (Convener) 01577 863509

We did it!

18.09.06

On 31 August at Strathallan Airfield, Kelly Ross, Yvonne Ross, Kevin Maclean and myself successfully completed our parachute jump (without injury!) to raise funds for the Children's Hospice Association Scotland (CHAS). We managed to raise **£1341.00**.

Many thanks to Kintronics Ltd, Vector, Stirling Blind Company and everyone else who kindly sponsored us. A Big Thanks for all the support and encouragement given to us from CHAS, all at Strathallan Airfield, our friends and our families. I would like to also take this opportunity to say a special "Well done" to Kelly, Yvonne and Kevin for their courage, jumping from 2200ft out of a plane!

Alan Maclean

Dunolly Cottage, Crook of Devon

Loch Leven Angling

13.09.06

It was with much satisfaction that I read the correspondence from Alastair Wallace, SANA. Secy, in the September issue of the KCC Newsletter concerning the demise of Angling facilities on Loch Leven.

I first fished here as a schoolboy at the end of the 1942 season but my serious love for the loch began in the 1950's when I could scrape together enough money to pay for my boat hire.

In these days the angling was so good that the English Confederation of Fly Fishers held their annual Championship on Loch Leven during the week prior to the Four Countries International.

No other water in Britain could provide as good boats or as high a standard of fishing as was available on Loch Leven.

Evening boats at this time were difficult to obtain and booking were over-subscribed all season.

Up to the 60's the loch was open for fishing six days per week, with Leven being rested each Sunday. Latterly, because demand exceeded availability, the loch was opened on a Sunday and two additional early morning sessions were introduced, making an increase from 12 angling sessions to the 16 sessions per week.

The average catch in these great days was around 45,000 trout per season with the best year in my time being 1960, when a total of 85,883 trout were taken. Historically catches have varied greatly with only 2002 trout taken in 1903, but the total rose to 49,044 in 1912.

In recent years due to many problems associated with modern living the catches have been drastically reduced with anglers preferring to visit the many 'put and take' fisheries where the trout are much easier to catch.

The main problems associated with Leven (in my opinion) are as follows:

- 1 Pollution with the resultant loss of fly life
- 2 Cormorants
- 3 Excess growth of blanket weed over large areas of the loch caused by pollution
- 4 Farmers extracting water from the burns and ditches flowing into the loch to increase field of crops by spraying, thus reducing the turn over of water through the loch.

The pollution problem is a difficult one to reverse, but over a period of time, steps should be taken to alleviate the amount of phosphates reaching Loch Leven.

The cormorants should be easier to tackle as seems to be done in England. The cormorant is actually a sea bird and only comes inland because of the lack of food in the sea. Culling seems to me to be the only answer as the number of birds cannot be sustained by the available food.

All of Alastair Wallace's comments concerning SNH are very much to the point. SNH's remit must cover the natural trout for which Loch Leven has been renowned world-wide and must be recognised as a Scottish national asset and as such should be nurtured by SNH.

The fishing has in no way interfered with the bird life on the loch, as over the many years I have fished, there has been a great increase in the number and varieties of birds on the water.

Therefore I would ask SNH to leave the birds to the RSPB who are well funded to look after their own, whilst we as anglers are not at all well represented in the political sphere and depend on SNH to do the job they are appointed to do.

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Fife, KY4 9AZ

A.E. Campbell
Past President
SANA

Retirement of Wood 'N' Things 18.09.06

In view of recent health problems, I am writing this to advise all my customers and friends in Kinross-shire that I will be retiring at the end of October 2006. My business Wood 'N' Things will cease trading.

I would like to say thank you to all my customers of the past 20 years or so. We're sure to bump into each other from time to time, in the shops or walking the dog. I always enjoy a gossip and a cup of coffee!

Once again thanks to everyone and best wishes to all.

Knockando David J Willis
West Crook Way, Crook of Devon

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NAMES SOUGHT FOR THE INVESTMENT IN LEARNING CAMPUS

What's in a name? Citizens of Kinross are invited to give their suggestions for names for the new learning campus to be built at Lethangie, Kinross through Perth & Kinross Council's multi-million pound Investment in Learning Programme.

One of the biggest and most important projects embarked upon by the Council, the Investment in Learning Programme will see six campuses built at locations throughout the Perth and Kinross area by Axiom Education. The new campuses will deliver both 21st century educational provision for children and young people, and a range of amenities and services that will be accessible by the general public including libraries and sporting facilities.

Views are being sought from school users, including pupils, parents, staff and School Boards. Suggestions from members of the public will also be welcomed.

The following guidance has been developed to assist anyone wishing to contribute to the process:

- In the specific circumstances of Investment in Learning, names should take into account the extended role of the new campuses in delivering services and facilities to the wider community, e.g. by including the term 'Community Campus'.
- Names might reflect a local geographical or historical feature (suggestions should not be generically Scottish, e.g. "Thistle Community Campus" or reflect a topical famous person.)
- Support can be expressed for the retention of the existing school name.
- Names should avoid confusion with other schools in the Perth and Kinross area.

Anyone wishing to comment should send their suggestions and reasons for their choice to:

The In School Coordinator, Kinross High School, 8 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW.

Alternatively, you can Fax: 01577 862606 or e-mail: isc@kinrosshigh.pks.sch.uk

The deadline for suggestions is Monday 16 October.

The decision-making process will see all suggestions received first considered by school-based groups, before a final decision is made by Councillors later this year.

More information about the naming process and the six campuses in the Investment in Learning Programme can be found at:

www.pkc.gov.uk/investmentinlearning

DEADLINE FOR ALL ARTICLES

**5.00 pm, MONDAY 16 October
for Publication on Saturday 28 October**

POLICE BOX

Villages in Bloom

Most people will agree that a lot of time and effort is put into making our town and villages look beautiful with the assortment of flower tubs, boxes and other displays. The many, many people who take the time to plant the flowers, make the arrangements, construct the boxes and tubs and continually water the displays should be commended for their community spirit and selflessness for the enjoyment of others.

Therefore, it is understandable when others, with no regard for this time and effort, who pass by these displays and for no apparent reason, disturb them or in some cases destroy the plants and in yet other cases simply steal them altogether, are the cause of upset and annoyance to the people responsible for creating and maintaining the display and to the many others who enjoy them.

One display in particular is 'Roary' (yes the spelling is correct) the topiary style lion, who graces the banking in Main Street, Glenfarg. Locals have commented that its presence there is very pleasing and unusual and that it is popular with the younger children who pass by.

Unfortunately, this sentiment is not shared by all and during the evening of Saturday 9 September and early hours of Sunday 10 September, 'Roary' was moved into someone's garden. There would have to have been several people involved to carry the display any distance, due to the sheer weight of it. Needless to say, a number of other local people had to rectify the problem the following morning, thus disrupting their day. It is very much doubted that the persons responsible for moving the display in the first place would have given any thought to that.

Other displays in Kinnesswood were removed altogether; however, the culprits were caught due to a



routine Police road check in Kinross beat, and the displays returned to their rightful places. A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

Any information received at Kinross Police Office in connection with any such activity already described will be investigated and reported, where there is evidence.

Useful Security Tip

As the evenings become darker earlier, it may be prudent to point out that it would be more beneficial from a security point of view to leave an odd light or two on around your home, if you are out for the evening. This basic tip facilitates an assumption that someone is at home.

There are devices which can be plugged into your electricity supply, which will automatically switch your lights on and off for you, at times set by you. These timer devices are another good way of making your home appear occupied. Most retail outlets selling items pertaining to the home have these devices in stock.

CRIME STOPPERS - Telephone No 0800 555111

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. Community Liaison Officers (details shown below) can be contacted at Kinross Police Office on 01577863571.

Kinross - Constable Ronnie Child.

Milnathort, Kinnesswood & Scotlandwell - Constable Marissa Hardie.

Cleish and Blairadam, Crook of Devon, Powmill,

AUTUMN CLASSES AT KINROSS LEARNING CENTRE

Kinross Learning Centre is offering a varied programme of classes starting in October and November.

If you'd like to improve your IT skills, the 8-week Carry on Computing class could be just what you are looking for. Covering topics such as mail merge, newsletters, household accounts and the Internet and e-mail, the course will take basic skills to the next level.

Or, if you'd like to get more from your digital camera or learn how to manipulate images, why not try one of our Photography or Photoshop courses?

Festive Flower Arranging will help you creating stunning floral decorations for your home. Create a stunning centrepiece for your Christmas dinner table and impress your friends with your own garlands and wreaths.

The full programme is detailed below:

Course	Start Date	Time	Cost	Duration
Aromamagic - Introduction to Aromatherapy	Wed 25 Oct	9.30am - 11.30am	£30	5 weeks
Carry on Computing	Mon 13 Nov	7pm - 9pm	£42	8 weeks
Carry on Computing	Tue 14 Nov	2pm - 4pm	£42	8 weeks
Digital Photography - Introduction	Wed 25 Oct	2pm - 4pm	£35	5 weeks
Festive Flower Arranging	Wed 25 Oct	2pm - 4pm	£30	5 weeks
Local Medicinal Plants	Thu 2 Nov	9.30am - 11.30am	£30	5 weeks
MS Publisher - Introduction	Thu 26 Oct	11.30am - 1.30pm	£30	5 weeks
Patchwork and Quilting	Tue 31 Oct	9.30am - 11.30am	£35	6 weeks
Photoshop/Elements - Introduction	Wed 25 Oct	7pm - 9pm	£35	5 weeks

To find out more about the range of options or to book your place, call 01577 863863 or drop in to the centre at Swansacre, Kinross.

LIBRARY NEWS AND EVENTS

The summer holidays were a busy time for young readers in Kinross. Sixty children joined up for the Summer Reading Mission. Almost half received a Reading Mission Certificate after finishing four books, each by a different author, while a further fifteen completed six books and received a Reading Mission Badge. For younger children, the Bookstart Book Crawl encourages them to visit the library by receiving a sticker for each visit. After collecting five stickers they are awarded a beautiful certificate.

Story Telling Sessions for all pre-school children are being held in Kinross library on **Tuesday mornings** from 10.30am - 11am starting on 19 September. This is a new event for the library following the increase in the number of opening hours and is sure to prove very popular.

The **Chatterbooks** group for children aged 8-11 meets on the last Thursday of every month from 4pm - 5pm in the Millbridge Hall, Kinross starting on 28 September.

Sale of surplus library stock takes place at the **Book Sale** on **Saturday 7 October** at the North Church Hall, 209 High Street, Perth from 9.30am - 3.30pm, £1.00 entry.

The annual **Word's Out!** Festival runs from **23 to 28 October**. Details can be found on the website www.thewordsout.org.uk. There are two events taking place in Kinross. On **Wednesday 25 October** at the Millbridge Hall, Kinross under 5s are invited to come along and meet the **Bookstart Bear at Rhythm & Rhyme** sessions: 10am - 11.15am for 3-4 year olds and 11.30am - 12.15pm for 0-2 year olds. No need to book, just come along. On **Thursday 26 October** at 7.30pm at the Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross an evening of **Crime in Kinross** is scheduled. Denise Mina, the award winning Glasgow-born author, will be the guest. Tickets, priced £4.00, are available from Kinross library and go on sale from 18 September.

Each week sees regular additions to the book, CD and DVD stock in Kinross library. Any item held in any library in Perth and Kinross can be requested free, in person or on-line, to be collected from Kinross.

For any further information please contact the library, phone 01577 864202 or email kinrosslibrary@pkc.gov.uk

TOWN HALL AND LIBRARY

A little progress has been made with the legal case over Kinross Town Hall and Library. In May, P&KC's solicitor and the solicitor representing Kinross CC jointly submitted a remit to a QC, seeking his opinion on certain points of law concerning the Town Hall and Library. This Opinion has now been obtained and is currently being studied by the solicitors.

We hope to bring you more news on this next month.

SPORTS COACHES OR INSTRUCTORS REQUIRED

Are you looking for a part time job or keen to promote your sport? Do you think that you can help children become more active?

Active Schools is a national initiative aimed at getting more children and young people, including those with a disability, get and stay active. It is one of a number of initiatives that had been established with the purpose of addressing Scotland's inactive, unfit and increasingly overweight population. The more children and young people we can encourage to lead active lifestyles today, the healthier Scotland will be as a nation in the future.

Active Schools needs qualified coaches in **all sorts of sports, fitness and activities** to run lunch time (12-1.30pm) or after school clubs (3pm onwards), Mondays to Fridays. Rate of pay is dependent on qualifications and experience.

Alternatively, if you have a junior section in your club and would like to increase the numbers, then we can work together to set up taster sessions in schools so that children get to know your sport and want to join your club. So far both Kinross Cricket Club and Kinross Badminton Club have benefited from this type of programme.

Or it may be that you are looking for a change in career, aiming to get back into employment or wish to enhance your CV. Within Active Schools at Perth & Kinross Council we can help you to explore new career options, learn or develop new skills as well as gaining valuable experience in a new field. In many cases Active Schools can offer you the opportunity to undertake coaching awards free of charge.

I am keen to hear from anyone qualified in sports, activities (including outdoor) and fitness, sports clubs or volunteers that would like to work with primary school children and help get them active.

If you are interested, please contact Cath Devanny on 01577 865408 or

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PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION

To celebrate the launch of the new Photo Library on the community website, www.kinross.cc and the Newsletter invite entries in a Photograph Competition in the following categories:

1. Villages of Kinross-shire
2. Kinross Town
3. Dramatic Kinross-shire
4. Ancient Landmarks of Kinross-shire

There will be a prize and certificate for the winning photograph in each category and also an overall winner prize and certificate. The overall winning picture will also appear on the front cover of the January/February issue of the Kinross Newsletter and the category winners will appear inside subsequent issues.

All photographs submitted will appear on the www.kinross.cc Photo Library. There is no limit on the number of entries per person.

Closing date for entries is **1st December 2006**. Winning entries will be announced in the January/February issue of the Kinross Newsletter and on the website.

One Entry Form must be filled in to accompany each photograph and one Copyright Waiver Form per entrant. Forms are provided on this page. If you need more, you could photocopy this page or forms can be downloaded from www.kinross.cc

All entries to be sent to: Photograph Competition, The Grey House, 70 Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AY or by e-mail to admin@kinross.cc

Rules of Competition:

Closing date for entries will be 1st December 2006.

No art work will be returned.

Photographs may be submitted as hard or electronic copies, although electronic is preferred.

All photographs must be accompanied by an Entry Form.

All entrants must complete, sign and submit a Copyright Waiver Form.

All photographs submitted will be (at our discretion) used on the www.kinross.cc Photo Library and/or in the Kinross Newsletter and be available for download, free of charge.

The decision of the judges will be final and no discussion on the decisions will be entered into.

Copyright Waiver Form

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Category of Entry

- ☐ Villages of Kinross-shire
☐ Kinross Town
☐ Dramatic Kinross-shire
☐ Ancient Landmarks of Kinross-shire

Name or description of photograph _____

I have signed one copy of the attached Copyright Waiver Form to accompany all my entries.

Signed: _____

BRINGING HOME THE HARVEST

by our Farming Correspondent

Harvest is nearly all home. Combine harvesters have spent many long days slowly harvesting the fields of wheat, oats and barley around Kinross. This year they have been lucky enough to operate in ideal conditions. All that lovely summer sunshine that gives us a healthy summer tan also ripens the grain and turns watery green plants into dried up golden heads, ripe and ready to harvest. As the crop is cut and moves through the combine, the seeds fall easily from their stem and into the tank. The stalks pour out the back of the machine leaving long yellow swaths of straw.

This straw is by no means a waste product, it is a valuable resource, which is baled up and stored for winter. It is then be used to provide a clean dry bed for cows and calves housed in the farm steading.

As for the grain, combining is only the first part of the processing stage. In common with all moist products, it will go mouldy and waste if left damp. The first step is to dry to about 15% moisture content. Grain drying is time consuming and costly. Thousands of pounds have been saved in fuel this year due to the dry harvesting conditions.

Much of the barley will be used for cattle feed in the winter. It makes an ideal finishing ration for beef cattle in the months before slaughter. Poultry units are the biggest users of wheat as it is very digestible for hens.

With all grains, price is dependent upon quality. In the case of barley, a round plump seed with good germination potential and a low Nitrogen content is required. Meeting these criteria will mean the barley can be used for malting and will attract a premium price. You might think that Scotch whisky has to be made from Scottish barley but you would be wrong. Most industries now source inputs from around the world and distilling is no exception. If the barley is as good quality in Europe and can be brought in cheaper, then it will be used. Competing in this global market is part of life for a modern farmer, it means farming is now all about driving down costs whilst maintaining quality in order to remain competitive.

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KINROSS GROUP LAUNCHES N.H.S. DENTISTRY PETITION

Campaigners involved in the "Save NHS dentistry" group met again on 13 September and decided to petition the Scottish Parliament about their concerns.

Local man Keith Green who has been involved from the start will request that the Parliament:

- 1) Ensures that emergency dental service be available in the Kinross area
- 2) Ensures that there is provision and entitlement for anyone wishing to have NHS dental services
- 3) Restores NHS dental services throughout Scotland.

The group has already gathered over 1,000 signatures in the immediate Kinross-shire area but you are also asked to sign up to the petition on the Parliament's website. Go to www.scottish.parliament.uk and click on "petitions" to find the petition, and please encourage any family and friends in other parts of Scotland to add their name, as we know there is a generalised problem with a lack of NHS dentists, not just here! We are worried that this is the thin end of the wedge and if no-one protests about the loss of NHS dentists, then the entire dental sector will end up privatised - almost by stealth.

The group will also be speaking to local MSP George Reid again to highlight further worries that dentists' procedures for taking on new NHS patients are totally chaotic and vary from practice to practice. Some Kinross residents have been accepted by NHS dentists in other areas, e.g. Fife but others have been refused on the basis of where they live. Getting a dentist is fast becoming a post-code lottery. If you have any experience of this, please report it to Felicity Garvie (01592 840825) so that we can keep an eye on it.

Also, if you need an NHS dentist, please let Cllr Willie Robertson know (contact details in Newsletter) as he has offered to inform NHS Tayside of the demand for dentists in our area.

We have received a letter from NHS Tayside agreeing that space for a dental suite will be earmarked in plans for the new Kinross Health Centre. Clearly this is good news in the longer term although it doesn't solve the immediate problem.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 18 October** at 7pm in Kinross Church Centre. Everyone is welcome to come and tell their story - it all adds to the body of evidence backing up our campaign!

LOOKING FOR CONTACT DETAILS?

Many of the local organisations, clubs and local hall booking details and other information on Kinross and the surrounding area can be found on the Kinross CC website

www.kinross.cc

NEWS FROM THE HEALTH CENTRE

Flu Campaign

As in previous years, we will be running special Saturday morning flu clinics. These will be on the following dates: **4, 11 and 25 November**. We have not yet been advised of the arrival date of the vaccine but do not anticipate that it will be here until mid-October. We therefore intend to wait until that time before booking appointments for patients. This should prevent the cancellation and re-arrangement of appointments should the vaccine be late in coming.

IT Upgrade

In the July Newsletter we outlined the plans for the upgrade of the IT systems at the Health Centre. The first part of this, upgrading the hardware, was successfully completed in July. The second phase is to change clinical systems. This is a considerable undertaking but we believe that the change will enable us to work more efficiently and thus enhance the services we deliver. We anticipate that the change over will happen towards the end of November. In the week of the change we will have to restrict the number of clinics we are running to allow for adequate staff training, the installation of the new software and the transfer of all the patient information. We may also have to restrict the advance booking of appointments as the appointment books cannot be transferred from one system to another. We hope that this will not be too disruptive, and apologise for any inconvenience it may cause. Further details on the change will be published in the next edition of the Kinross Newsletter and in the Health Centre Newsletter which is available in reception.

Nurse Triage

A couple of years ago, we introduced an innovative system of triage into the Health Centre together with a minor illness clinic run each morning by Lynne Pollock, our Senior Practice Nurse. Calls are answered by our specially trained Triage Assistants, and where appropriate patients are offered an appointment with Lynne. Lynne has dealt with a wide variety of ailments during this time including sore ears, eyes and throats, back pain, head injuries, hayfever, moles, shingles and insect bites and stings. Now that she has qualified as a nurse prescriber, she is able to issue prescriptions as appropriate. This has proved to be a popular service and Lynne's clinics are frequently very busy. We have therefore decided to develop the service further and introduce Nurse Triage and add afternoon minor illness clinics. One of our practice nurses, Janette Petrie, has recently undertaken a minor illness course, and we have appointed another nurse, Theresa Russell, who has considerable experience of both triage and minor illness. Lynne, Janette and Theresa will deal with many of the requests for same day appointments and may be able to offer advice over the phone rather than asking the patient to come to the surgery. Where a consultation

is required, the nurses will make an appointment for the patient at the minor illness clinic or with a GP if that is more appropriate. However, we receive a large number of requests for same day appointments and the nurses will not be able to deal with all of them, so the Triage Assistants will continue to answer some calls. It is anticipated that this new service will start at the end of October and we hope that patients will find the service to be beneficial. We will be conducting a survey to find out your views in due course.

FAIR BREAK OPENS

The Fairtrade Café and Bookshop at 28 South Street in Milnathort opened its doors for business on 2 September. The opening celebrations began with our first customers, young Ewen and Scott Main who kindly cut the ribbon to the newly renovated premises. The event was a joyful occasion with many locals stopping by to sample the gourmet coffees from the new machine, check out the new stock of books and goodies from Traidcraft and support our first project "Positive Help".

Thanks so much to John Meade for the great renovation work and to the new volunteers Meg Cowie, Pat Munro, Jane Matthews, Issy Fraser and Georgina Langdon for their hard work in helping to set up shop. Thanks also to the customers, old and new who have been donating books and giving us such positive feedback for our efforts.

Coming events at Fair Break will include our joining Orwell and Portmoak Churches on 29 September in hosting one of the World's Biggest Coffee Mornings for Macmillan Cancer Research. The special event for October will be a "Taste of Reiki" and coffee evening with Reiki Master Dorothy Howard. All donations for the Reiki will go to our current project. Fair Break is still welcoming new volunteers to serve, bake or sort books.

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Historical Dance Comes to Glenfarg

Kinross Town Twinning Association recently went on a visit to Gacé, our twin town in France. Before departing, we had been practising some dances to perform in a "Son et Lumière" that they were producing. We were a very mixed collection of dancers; some were experienced and grey haired, some had been to a previous show six years ago, some had done no dancing but were full of youthful vigour and enthusiasm.

Our dances were to be a very elegant 18th century dance, and some Scottish Country dances, and our French hosts were doing a selection of dances with dates ranging from the 13th century up to and including the French Cancan.

The show came, and all went remarkably well. We came home again, and next year it will be our turn to entertain the French when they come to visit us in 2007.

With all the interest in Historical dance that our trip has engendered, we are planning on one of the nights during their visit to have an evening of dance and song covering a thousand years, and of course we will need to learn a number of dances for that. We are starting the learning process in **October**, on Sunday **22nd** at 2pm in Glenfarg Village Hall.

As there seems to be no Historical dancing for beginners anywhere in Scotland (except for one group in Dumfries), this is a rare opportunity for anyone who is interested in Historical dance to come along and join us.

One of the surprising things I have found when teaching Historical dance is that by going from the earliest dances and steadily progressing through time, the beginner goes from walking (in 1200 AD) by slow degrees up to the most complex, sophisticated, and elegant of dances (the 18th Century) and that makes a very pleasant way of learning to dance.

The two best Ceilidh dances I know are from the Historical catalogue, and one was in the top twenty for about 500 years! With a thousand years to choose from, one can be spoilt for choice, so it is easy to pick some dances that are both fascinating and easy to do.

Historical dance enables the dancer to appreciate what is Scottish in the two components of our national dance heritage, Country and Highland. There seems to be more fiction produced about our dancing than about the haggis, with the important difference that in the case of the haggis, the speaker usually knows that he is spouting unbelievable rubbish!

If you are interested in joining us, either as a prospective member of the Town Twinning, or just to enjoy some Historical Dancing, please telephone the Secretary of Kinross Town Twinning Association at 01577 862126.

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News of Organisations

KINROSS PIPE BAND

Kinross Pipe Band at T in the Park!

The Band has had a fairly busy schedule this year, having competed at a number of major and minor competitions, culminating in a trophy at Peebles Highland Games in September. In addition to the competitions, we have played at various engagements including Dunfermline and Auctermuchty Galas, Scone Races and even been part of the opening of T in the Park this year at Balado. As the local Pipe Band, we were delighted to play at this now legendary event, particularly as the organisers were kind enough to give everyone "Performers' Passes" to see the whole of the Saturday line up. So quite a few of us trudged home happily in the rain around midnight, having stayed to the end to see the excellent Red Hot Chili Peppers!

We are very keen to do the same again next year, and would really encourage any "closet pipers" in and around the community to come along to practices to boost Band numbers. It's a great way to keep your piping current, let you give the pipes a blow at least once a week, and get you to some great events - T in the Park, Pipe Band World Championships, Cowal and so on.

This month, on **Sunday 15 October**, the Band will be out and about in Kinross, playing at various venues through the town during the day. We hope to have a couple of highland dancers with us as well, and will be performing at David Sands car park, Somerfield car park, Dobbie's Garden Centre, next to Costcutter and finally in the Salutation Hotel courtyard. This will be an excellent opportunity to come along and see the Band in action. Posters are at all these venues advising performance times.

For all queries or information on the Band, visit the website at www.kinross-pipe-band.co.uk or call Nigel Kellett on 01577 863738 or Alex Murphy on 01577 862803.

KINROSS CHESS CLUB

New members welcomed for the coming season - chess players of all abilities from absolute beginners to grand masters. We are a small club with a handful of players who meet on a Monday night at the Inn, Crook of Devon, at 7.30pm onwards to play chess, have a pint and a chat. Not necessarily in that order! If you need an excuse to get out of the house on a Monday night or fancy a pint in different surroundings then come along for a few nights for free and see if it's for you. Contact: Ian Washington, Club Secretary, 01577 865047.

MTKY

Musical Theatre for Kinross Youth



Too soon MTKY's season 2006 has come to an end. We hope you enjoyed watching the show as much as we did making it and we'd like to say thank you to you and everyone else that has helped and supported us this year. Now we do have one question to ask you: have you ever fancied being on stage yourself? If so, here's your chance. MTKY would like to let the adults have a shot at performing. The show would be Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial By Jury" performed late Feb/early March 2007. If you are interested please come along to our first rehearsal on **Wednesday 18 October** in Kinross High School at 7.30pm, or call Lynn on 01577 863271 or Isobel on 01577 862970. It will be the turn of the children to come and see you!

Finally the question we know you've all been dying to ask: what show are MTKY doing next year? Drum Roll, please "Summer Holiday" (remember Cliff Richard!) Rehearsals start on Wednesday 17 January 2007.

JOSEPH AND THE

AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

The first time I saw "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat", I spent the interval queuing for tickets for the next performance. The recent production by MTKY (Musical Theatre for Kinross Youth) would have had me doing the same, had tickets still been available. Everything about this production said "quality", from the glossy programmes to the stunning costumes, from the talented seven piece orchestra to the slick entrances and exits.

OK, we missed the camel and the sphinx, but who cares? We had boundless enthusiasm from the huge cast. The stars of the show were, undoubtedly, Alysha Wood and Grace Reglinski as the Narrators, beautifully complementing each other and carrying the show along. Ruairidh Pattison grew in confidence as Joseph and will be a real asset to the company. All the brothers, in dayglow colours, added more than colour to the evening; with Cameron McDonald, Chloe Evans, Laura Smith and Ian Cairns really throwing themselves into their parts. Cameron McDonald made a fantastic Pharoah, looking surprisingly like Andy Murray in need of a haircut, albeit in the obligatory Elvis outfit. Producers, Isobel Miller and Lynn Caldwell, have delivered a polished delight for the eyes and ears. Thanks to the four choreographers, Sarah Menzies, Louise Scott, Rachel Scott and Jenna Merrilees for much of the movement and action and great to see the boys in the company getting so involved. It speaks volumes for the reputation of MTKY that they can fill Kinross High School Hall four nights running. If you were unfortunate enough to miss this show, you can catch the bus with the talented crew for next September's production of "Summer Holiday".

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ROTARY CLUB

The nautical theme of recent meetings continued at the Rotary meeting held on 21 August, with the talk being on "Admiral Nelson and the Battle of Trafalgar". The talk was given by Roger Guy, a fellow Rotarian from the Howe of Fife Club with 38 years service in the Royal Navy. Recognising that the factual details of Nelson's life have been well recorded, Roger chose to focus on the characteristics that made the man one of the nation's favourite heroes. Roger also spoke of the important part that many Scots had played in the victory over the French and Spanish at Trafalgar. The vote of thanks was given by John Stewart.

The first Kinross Rotary Charity Golf Competition was held over the newly upgraded Montgomery Course at Kinross Golf Club on 25 August. A total of 64 golfers took part in the successful event, which was held in aid of Rotary Charities and the Kinross-shire Fund. The competition was won by the Kinross Seniors B team consisting of John Graham, Eric Smith, Ray Miller and local Rotarian, Bill Sinclair. Runners-up were a team from Gerrard of Edinburgh and in third place were Maintain of Aberuthven. In view of the success of the event, organiser Rotarian Malcolm Mapp said that he hoped the competition would become an annual one.

Daniel Maxton and Andrew Smart from Kinross High School were the guest speakers at the meeting held on 28 August. Both had been selected by the Club to take part in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards camp held at Nethybridge Adventure Camp earlier in the year. Despite having to miss T in the Park, both boys related how the trip had been an experience of a lifetime. Amongst the various activities they had participated in raft building, gorge walking, kayaking, rock climbing, abseiling and climbing in the Cairngorms. Presenting the boys with their Certificates, President Eddie MacKay hoped that others would be encouraged to apply for next year's camp. Working at temperatures of down to minus 50°C is not everyone's preference. However, Graham Burgess, the speaker at the Club's meeting on 21 August, told how he had enjoyed his time with the British Antarctic Survey so much that he went back for a second term.

Graham explained that his principal tasks in Antarctica had been to keep the site generators running in first class order and to repair and maintain the multitude of mechanical equipment that the various research teams employed. Graham had sailed to Antarctica on the Leith built RRS Bransfield, a 4816 ton purpose built ice-strengthened cargo vessel. Graham supported his talk by showing some stunning slides taken during his stay in Antarctica. The vote of thanks was given by Rotarian Annie McRandle. The meeting also heard that the Club had contributed £250 to the Computers for Africa project which was about to send 460 complete systems to Africa in a 60' sea container.

Nationally Rotary have contributed £329,000 to Hearing Dogs and £595,000 to Mercy Ships. A collection for Barnardo's will be held at Tesco stores throughout the UK on the last weekend of September.



KINNESSWOOD IN BLOOM

Many thanks to Peter and Lorraine Gargett for their very generous donation, to the Brown family for their gifts and support, to Bruce and Lindsay Robertson for the much appreciated help with watering and to George Frew and Grampian Growers for their recent donation of bulbs.

It has been a very successful first year, sometimes hard work but always good fun. We have a good group of members but are always looking for more so, if you would like to join us, find out what we have planned or contribute in any way, please come along to our meetings on the first Thursday of the month in the Lomond Country Inn at 7.30pm.

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KINROSS BB

The new session has started and is in full swing with a number of new boy and girl members joining the 1st Kinross Company.

A very successful summer camp held in our twin town of Gacé in Normandy saw the members take part in a two-day production of the French "Son et Lumière" telling the history of the world in relation to both Gacé and Kinross. The costumes were fantastic and we can't wait to see the DVD of the production where everyone was a star.

The Company lifted its first trophy of the season when the BB team lifted the cup at Perth & District Volleyball League's recreational cup competition at Bell's Sports Centre. This is only the second time the company has won this trophy, with the last time being around 12 years ago - well done. Various other competitions will soon be getting underway both at Battalion and National levels. We are still awaiting the draw for the national competitions in badminton, table tennis, chess and the masterteam quiz.

New members are always welcome, boys and girls, from the ages of 5 up to 18. The Anchor Section caters for boys and girls from primary one through to primary three and this section meets at Kinross Church Centre on Friday evenings from 6 p.m. till 7.15 p.m. The Junior Section caters for boys and girls from primary four to primary six and meets at Kinross Church Centre and the High School Games Hall from 7 p.m. till 8.45 p.m. The Company Section caters for boys and girls from primary 7 to 18 years of age and meets at Kinross Church Centre and the High School Games Hall from 7p.m. till 10 p.m.

Both Junior Section and Company Sections will be travelling to Dunfermline soon to start their 10 pin bowling competitions.

PORTMOAK HALL 100 CLUB

August Draw

1st	No 26	Anna Mills, Kinnesswood
2nd	No 36	Maggie Byford, Kilmagadwood
3rd	No 50	Gordon Vance, Kinnesswood

KINROSS-SHIRE 50 PLUS CLUB

At the September meeting, Sheila Hay, a genealogist, gave an interesting talk on the construction of "The Forth Rail Bridge", accompanied with slides which showed us each structure of the bridge whilst being built and giving us an insight into the difficult working conditions for the men building this marvellous bridge. Sheila explained how she went about her research to find the names of those remarkable men who lost their lives doing their job. A memorial could then be erected in their honour. Questions were invited from the audience and then a vote of thanks was given to Sheila for her very informative presentation.



GAMA.: Outing to "Calamity Jane" on **Wednesday 4 October**. The coach leaves at bus stop outside Town Hall at 6.25pm, then Green Hotel 6.30pm and then Milnathort 6.35pm.

Friday Walks: On 8 September we had a gorgeous day for our "Fish Supper Walk" to Anstruther, when 22 of us sat outside to have lunch at the harbour. There was a little difficulty in finding the car park at St Monans, but from there on the day was perfect - a sharp contrast to the pouring rain which greeted us the previous year.

6 October - Falkland House Estate: a circular walk starting with Maspie Den, going on to the Monument, and then all the way round the estate, coming back by the Pillars of Hercules. This is mainly along good paths and country roads, with some ups and downs, and about 7 miles long.

20 October - The Autumn Colours Walk at Pitlochry: our annual walk from the Dam at Pitlochry, to Coronation Bridge and Killiecrankie, and then back along the other side of the river - at least 8 miles.

The Hillwalkers: We are ending our walking season until next year and look forward to seeing you all next spring. Thank you for your support during this year's walks. Bill Gibson.

October Meeting: The speaker on **5 October** will be Mary Reilly on the "Hidden Treasures of Fife".

KINROSS GARDEN GROUP

The Garden Group will commence its 2006/7 session on **Thursday 12 October**. The meetings will be held as usual in the Millbridge Halls, Kinross at 2.00pm. Our opening meeting will take the form of a "Gardeners' Question Time" with Willie Duncan and Bob Mitchell providing answers to members' gardening queries. The Membership Fee remains at £5.00, and it would be appreciated if members could come along a little earlier to the first meeting to pay their subscriptions. New members will be made most welcome.



KINROSS IN BLOOM

We hope you agree that the baskets and planters have been super this year and we'd like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped us with the watering. It's been a hot and dry summer and as we've almost doubled the number of baskets, barrels and planters this year, it takes quite a while to water them.

If you were unable to help us with the watering, you could support us with a £1 a month by joining our 200 Club (half the proceeds paid out each month as prizes). Contact Diane McDiarmid on 865943. September's winners will be in next month's newsletter.

We'd also like to thank the Community Council for their very generous donation and the Rotary Club for their contribution. We are already planning for lots of colour next year and such wonderful local support makes a big difference.

Apologies to Mr and Mrs Hamilton of Montgomery Street who were not acknowledged last month in our list of winners for the Gardening Competition.

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COMMON GROUNDS

Due to the recent upheaval that Common Grounds faced, I must apologise for missing last month's Newsletter. Despite the problems that we were faced with, true to form the volunteers and our many supporters have pulled us through. Heartfelt thanks go to all, with a special thank you to the Guides and Scouts for allowing us the use of their hall. We are using the hall in Church Street on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10am to 3pm.

Common Grounds is all about raising money for charity and to this end we are sending £500 to a project called Hives Save Lives. This project, as well as producing honey, has the added benefit of helping farmers increase their crop yields by having better pollination. For more information, why not pop along to the Scout/ Guide hall when we are there and have a look at our project information. While you are there, have a cup of coffee or tea (still paid for by donation), enjoy the open fire and company. With there being so much space available, if you have children of pushchair age, there is no problem with parking!

Our **music season** begins again on **7 October** with Gil and Dave, singer-guitarists. On **21 October** we have Margot Cook, singer-songwriter and Martin Wardrop, singer-guitarist.

Our annual **Christmas Order event** is being held on **20 and 21 October**, 7pm-9pm. It is a chance to order from the catalogues and see samples of the goods that are available.

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PORTMOAK FILM SOCIETY

New Season of Films Underway at Portmoak

On 9 September a good crowd gathered at Portmoak Picture Palace (aka Portmoak Hall in Scotlandwell) to see the first film of the new season. It was "Hotel Rwanda", a moving and thought-provoking film about the 1994 genocide in Rwanda.

It was the first film to be shown on our new big screen and it undoubtedly added to the enjoyment of your local film experience. As usual afterwards, those who wanted to stay and chat were able to enjoy some drinks and snacks courtesy of Jean and Marion. It's a nicely relaxed atmosphere, not at all like the impersonal, popcom-littered, same-everywhere Odeons of this world.

If you love films, why not become a member of Portmoak Film Society and enjoy the opportunity to see great films without leaving your neighbourhood?

The next will be "Ray", a biopic made in 2004 about African-American soul-singer Ray Charles. Charles, raised in poverty in Georgia, went blind at the age of 7 but defied the cultural racism of America in the 60's (and his own "demons") to become one of the great musical legends of our time. Be assured of a sparkling central characterisation by Jamie Foxx and a soundtrack to die for!

"Ray" will be shown on **Saturday 14 October** at 7.30pm. Please bring your membership card to show on the door, and if you haven't got one yet, they are available from the Pottery, Main Street, Kinnesswood (01592 840638) at a price of £24 for the whole season. There are still seven films to come, the next one after "Ray" being **"The Chorus"** on **4 November**.

If you are already a membership card holder, you can bring a guest on the night for £4 or loan your card to a friend. See you there!



KINROSS AND DISTRICT ART CLUB

The Kinross and District Art Club (KADAC) members continue their routine meetings for the Winter term in the Millbridge Hall, Kinross at 2pm on Tuesdays and this will continue each week until Tuesday 28 November.

Would readers please note that the Club's Annual Exhibition and Sale of Work will be held in the Millbridge Hall, Kinross between **Thursday 9 November and Saturday 11 November 2006** and NOT October as printed in the Diary section of the September issue of the Newsletter. Opening times and further details will be published in the November Issue.

Potential new members for the Club, from the beginner to the accomplished artist, who feel they would like to take up or continue this rewarding hobby are welcome to drop in any Tuesday to meet the members and join. They will be made most welcome. Guidance and advice is available and demonstrations are planned. For details please ring 01577 864391.

SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP



Our Wee Swans group (previously known as Now We Are Two) started up on 2 September. If you have any children from the age of 18 months to 3 years who like to do crafts and get messy with paint and glue, then please bring them along on a Friday afternoon from 1.15 - 2.45pm. This group is run by one of our playleaders. It's also a great place to meet other parents/carers.

Some dates for your diaries:

Monday 16 October - Our Storycraft group starts again. This is aimed at children from 3 - 5 yrs and the group runs from 1.15 - 2.45pm where parents leave their children with the two playleaders who run the group. It's a lot more than just storytelling - the children use their imagination and build up their confidence and skills when they get involved in telling and acting out parts of the stories. They also get a chance to be creative when making props, crafts and puppets relating to the story theme of the week.

Thursday 26 October - Shopping Evening at Swansacre Playgroup from 7.30pm. A chance to start your Christmas shopping and have a chat and a glass of wine while you browse. Stalls include Virgin Vie, Loch Leven's Larder, Bertie Browns, Fun Junction, Este Crafts, Barefoot Books, Phoenix Cards, Thomtons, Iza Jewellery.

Raffle tickets - as part of our 35-year celebrations and fundraising for roof repairs, we will be holding a raffle draw in December. Tickets will be on sale mid-October from Playgroup.

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LOCH LEVEN NNR



Sarah is off to sunnier climes for a well-earned break at the moment so I'll take this opportunity to say hello once again.

Well this has been a rather busy time for us here on the NNR as it's been something of a time of transition during the autumn period when we move from all of the various monitoring tasks associated with our breeding birds into a period when we look to the habitat management tasks around the site.

Levenmouth Pool is sited at the South East corner of the NNR and is the spot where the River Leven left the loch before the water levels were dropped by 4.5 feet back in the 1830's. Jeremy has been concentrating some of his scrub-clearing efforts in this area for the last couple of winters so as to open up the area slightly to make it more suitable for ground-nesting waders such as Lapwings. This will continue during the autumn time.

The project at Burleigh will be entering its next stages this winter too with plenty of planting works planned, including a new reedbed that will be established around the new hide there. There will be more info on that project (and a call for volunteers to help out with planting it!) later in the year.

The team here at the NNR had a very enjoyable day meeting some of you during the Loch Leven Discovery day which was held on 17th August at Kirkgate Park and which was a joint event organized by P&KC Countryside Rangers, SNH and RSPB. The day was well-attended by people from Kinross and from further afield and everyone seemed to enjoy getting stuck into all the activities such as willow-weaving, the water vole game and especially the nest box making.

The nest boxes were designed specifically for Tree Sparrows, a species which has declined dramatically in numbers in the last few decades. We'll be putting all the nest boxes up in areas which are known to hold remnant Tree Sparrow populations and monitoring whether they are used by Tree Sparrows or other birds. As each nest box has been given a unique number the person who made it can find out next spring if their box is being used by visiting our website, where we'll be updating details of each box.

Don't forget that you can keep abreast of all the latest news on the Loch Leven pages of our NNR website at www.snh.org.uk. See you next month, Paul.

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AUGUST WEATHER REPORT FROM CARNBO



August turned out to be a bit more unsettled than July, this leading to slightly lower temperatures and a more normal amount of rain.

Rainfall for month 76.0mm (101% of average)

Heaviest fall 30.0mm (18th)

Highest temperature 21°C (5th)

Lowest temperature 6°C (8th)

Average temperature 13.2°C

2 days with a max above 20°C

Lowest maximum 13°C (8th)

Cloud cover 62%

Thunder not recorded.

This August was the fifteenth driest in 30 years. Note also, rainfall just over 1mm above the 30 year average

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Sports News

KINROSS BOWLING CLUB

Kinross Bowling Club have had a successful 2006 Season - we certainly couldn't have had better bowling weather than this summer has produced.

During the season we played eleven friendly matches - we won about 50% of them but the winning is not so important, it is the friendly atmosphere in which they are played that makes them so enjoyable.

Sheila Rennie reached the finals of the County Single Hand and had quite a few supporters there to cheer her on. The Ladies Open Pairs was won by Jean Allan and Rachel Fairbairn of Tulliallan, Runners-up were Agnes Hutchison and Sheila Rennie of Kinross.

The Open Mixed Pairs was won by S. Pagan and M. Neil of Inverkeithing, Runners-up A White and Partner of Sauchie.

Results of Club Competitions were as follows:

	Winner	Runner Up
Handicap	G.M. Rennie	Jean Cousar
Senior Single Hand	A.M. Buist	Jean Cousar
Renton	P. Allcoat	Betty Paterson
Presidents	P. Allcoat	G.M. Rennie
Montgomery	P. Allcoat	G.M. Rennie
Barnes	P. Allcoat	Jean Cousar
Gents Champion	A.M. Buist	P. Allcoat
Bess Hunter	S.M. Rennie	A. Hutchison
Ladies Champion	S.M. Rennie	Jenny Nelson
E. Ford	S.M. Rennie	Betty Paterson
Cowie Shield	J. Boyle	May Connor
Jim Wallace Trophy	G.M. Rennie	P. Allcoat
Waddell Ford	G.M. Rennie	S.M. Rennie
Ladies Pairs	Jean Cousar / Betty Paterson	Cathy Cochrane / May Scott
Mixed Pairs	S.M. Rennie / G.M. Rennie	Jean Cousar / Jim Boyle
Gents Pairs	P. Allcoat / G.M. Rennie	W. Ross / J. Wilkie
Sunday Competition	Jim Reid	D. Hague / S. Rennie
Wednesday Competition	P. Allcoat	J. Nelson / S. Stewart
Tuesday - Seniors	May Scott	Cathy Cochrane
Gibson Triples	A. Hutchison	S.M. Rennie
	Jim Wilkie	Jim Cousar
	May Connor	S.M. Stewart
George Smith Trophy	Jim Boyle	P. Allcoat
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Many thanks to all Members whose dedication and hard work made it such a successful season. The Green closes on Sunday 1 October.

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Many of the local organisations, clubs and local hall booking details and other information on Kinross and the surrounding area can be found on the Kinross CC website
www.kinross.cc



KINROSS RUGBY CLUB

It's been a difficult start to the new league campaign for Kinross. The club is literally paying a heavy price for missing out on a fourth place promotion slot to Division 3. Certainly the SRU should look at its policy on so called regionalised leagues for the clubs who can least afford it in the lower divisions, it is clearly having a detrimental effect on the game in the lower leagues. Away trips to Aberdeen, Stonehaven, Lossiemouth and Orkney this season have been a trip too far for our players, with a number of players not prepared to have their entire weekend dominated by rugby. With the cost of flying the team to Orkney reaching into the thousands, coupled with coach hire costs to mainland venues, this club needs the support of the local community more than ever.

How can you help?

1. **Come and use our clubhouse facilities**, including function room for parties of up to 100, large screen TV with Sky and Setanta packages.
2. **Sponsorship**: Match balls, advertising, post protectors, post match keg of beer, match day programme etc. Details of our sponsorship requirements and what's in it for you are available from the clubhouse. Just ask for Malky Thomson.
3. **Support**: Take a note of our home fixtures and come along and lend your support to the first and second teams. Numbers were up for our first home fixture, and it really does make a difference to the team. We promise 1st and 2nds to try to play open, entertaining rugby, to please you, the spectator.
4. **Most importantly Players**: We need Rugby players. If you are a former player, current player or merely have an interest in keeping fit – we need you. There must be a significant number of people who have moved into Kinross-shire who at one time have experienced the great game that is rugby. Come on give it a TRY! Training: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7pm – 9pm at the KGV.

Back to team news

The first fifteen scraped a win in their first league game of the season 16-15, away to Mackie, thanks to tries by Spence and Tees. It really was a tense affair with tees crossing the line in the final minute. The match will of course be remembered for the man of the match, try saving tackle, by 'The Wee Man'. His first award in the last ten seasons and likely to be his last due to his incessant bragging about the fact that he beat a nineteen year old over 60metres. A special mention also to that other PE teacher Dave Mackay whose debut for Kinross lasted 4 minutes – did you hear that scream! He was about to be subbed anyway. Speedy recovery, Dave.

Our first home game of the season was even more challenging, with Kinross unusually losing at home to

a robust Aberdeenshire side. I'm sure I heard someone say "they're big!" in true school boy fashion. 14-31 was the final score with tries from Barnstubble and Ross. Man of the match was Ross Campbell – only because no one could stand the thought of the wee man getting it again. Elton Prince rolled back the years to produce a highly aggressive and effective display, obviously buoyed by the fact that Wee Mo was over her recent bout of vertigo.

The second fifteen unfortunately were unable to field a team for their first fixture of the season. I am confident however that the rugby players of Kinross-shire will rally round to ensure we fulfil all our other fixtures.

Kinross RFC – Give It A Try!

Forthcoming Matches

1st XV

Sat 7 October	Panmure	Away
Sat 14 October	Alloa	Home
Sat 21 October	Strathmore	Away

2nd XV

Sat 7 October	Kirkcaldy 2nds	Away
Sat 14 October	Perthshire 2nds	Away
Sat 21 October	Strathmore 2nds	Away

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ORWELL BOWLING CLUB

On 19 July we played a friendly against Perth Caledonian away which we lost 45-62. The 22nd July we hosted the County Four x Four Finals which was won by Clackmannan Bowlers. On the 26th July we had an away game against Glenfarg which we lost 35-51, also on the same night at Orwell we hosted the Top Ten Final won by Alloa Bowling Club. We played against Dalgety Bay on 30 July which we won 81-56, followed by another win on 2 August against Lochore and Crosshill 63-42. The Haig Cup was run on 4 August with the gents winner G Morton and ladies winner K Dougray. The game against Lochgelly away on 6 August was cancelled by them as they were short of players. On 12 August we had a home game against Perth BC which we managed to win 92-58, followed by another win on 20 August away to Luncarty 76-56. On 17 August we hosted our 3rd County final which was the Golden Oldies won by Tulliallan Bowling Club. On 18 August we were supposed to host the County League Final but this had to be cancelled due to torrential rain which flooded the green. The clubs came back on Thursday 24th and played a very close game with the winners Tulliallan Bowling Club winning a couple of shots. The Bells Invitation Triple was run on 27 August which was kindly sponsored by Bells Whisky; the winners were J Paterson & A Morgan & T Cowan, runners up D Winton & V McKechnie & B Brian. 3rd equal were S Fullerton & M Ferrier & J Coyle also W Smith & A Gannon & J Taylor. Our last home friendly of the season was played on 3 September against Aberdour which we lost 65-72, then we finished the season against Kingseat on 9 September which we won 91-60. Over the season we played a total of 18 friendlies, winning 8 and losing 10, but great fun was had by all. This year's major competition winners were as follows:

Competition	Winner	Runner-up
Gents Champion	V McKechnie	D Winton
Ladies Champion	S Fullerton	M White
Senior Champion	V McKechnie	J Menzies
Presidents	J Taylor	V McKechnie

Competition	Winners
Gents Pairs	A Lloyd & J H Taylor
Ladies Triples	J Menzies & S Fullerton & C Legge
Gents Triples	D Winton & W Reid & B Cook
Ladies Rink	C Davidson & J Tomney & I Cheney & J Reekie
Gents Rink	V McKechnie & B Cook & S Greenhill & W J Hamilton

The closing game of the year will be played on the 30th September with a Secretary (M Young) versus Treasurer (S Fullerton).

Hope you all enjoyed yourselves this year and good luck to those bowling indoors.

KINROSS VOLLEYBALL CLUB

The season is now underway and both adult and junior members are meeting at Kinross High School games hall on Monday evenings. Juniors (primary 7 upwards) from 8 - 9 p.m. and adults from 9 - 10 p.m.

The club competed in the Perth & District Recreational League cup competition at Bell's Sports Centre recently and reached the semi-final stages before losing out to eventual winners: Kinross BB.

In the Premier Cup competition the club entered two teams and the first team reached the final for the third season in a row - and lost for the third time in a row. The first team played some amazingly good volleyball in their opening two games but had to admit defeat to a Volley Mixtures side which boasted three national league division one players.

With numbers on the increase the club hopes to enter at least two teams in each of the Perth Premier and Recreational Leagues this coming season. New members are always welcome - just come along any Monday evening from 8 - 10 p.m.

KINROSS GOLF CLUB

Forthcoming social events

Sun 14 Oct	Dancing to Kickback, 7.30pm
Mon 6 Nov	Tickets go on sale for the Hogmanay Dinner Dance
Sat 25 Nov	Ceilidh, 7.30pm
Sun 10 Dec	Children's Christmas Party, 4pm-6pm
Mon 25 Dec	Family Christmas Night Disco, 7.30pm

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KINROSS SQUASH CLUB

The Squash season is starting once again! Now's the time to dust down your racket and dig out your old balls. Squash is a brilliant way to stay fit and is an ideal sport to play during the winter months.



Kinross Squash Club uses the excellent courts at Loch Leven Leisure and welcomes anybody young or old, male or female to join.

We have the popular in-house Kinross Squash Leagues which provide members with competitive but enjoyable games each month against opponents of similar abilities.

Alternatively, we have a ladder structure which allows you to play occasionally as you wish so as to gauge your performance or to provide you with more challenging games to help develop your squash.

Kinross Squash Club enters a team into the Fife Squash league and the club always welcomes new faces to represent Kinross.

Kinross Squash Club also organises monthly club nights which allows members to meet at the courts and play a number of different opponents in a less competitive environment.

If you have played Squash in the past and feel its time to resurface or you are keen to take up a new challenge, why not join Kinross Squash Club and get hitting that ball around the court? To join the Kinross Squash Club only costs £15 for the whole year.

For further details please contact Jim Marshall on jim.marshall6@btinternet.com

Enrolment forms can be found on the notice board at the back of the Squash courts at Loch Leven Leisure.

To have your name included in the local league contact Peter Hookham on petehook@compuserve.com

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KINROSS ROAD RUNNERS



Kinross Road Runners were represented at six races over the last four weeks at venues ranging from Knockhill to Aberfeldy. The first race was Forfar 10K on 20 August where Geoff Bilton ran 49:45, Sue Whisler ran 56:03 and Norman Smith finished in 59:17. This was followed three days later by the Graham Clark Memorial Race at Knockhill. Man power replaced horse power as runners raced round three laps of the race track, a distance of 4.5 miles. Steve Crawford finished 32nd in 24:17, Andrew Johns was 66th in 27:33, husband and wife team Chris and John Myerscough crossed the line together in 29:31.

Twelve Kinross Road Runners ran Perth 'Two Inches' 10K on 27 August. Judith Dobson was 58th in 43:48 closely followed by Andrew Johns who was 62nd in 44:42, Gordon Donnachie was 77th in 45:59, John Myerscough finished 4 places and 16 secs. ahead of wife Christine in 48:00, Roger Stark was 110th in 48:25, Isabel Carmichael was 120th 48:52, Gillian Lopez's time is missing from the results but she finished ahead of Valerie Findlay who was 152nd in 50:40. Sue Whisler and Norman Smith both ran faster at Perth than at Forfar to finish in 54:02 and 57:47 and Catriona Berry crossed the line in 1:02:43. Andrews Johns completed his third run in two weeks in the company of Douglas Leitch at Glasgow Half Marathon on 3 September. Although they crossed the finish line together, chip timing gave Andrew a slightly faster time than Douglas as he started further back. Andrew finished in a personal best time of 1:36:44 and Douglas's time was 1:37:27. Douglas also ran the Aberfeldy Half marathon the following weekend along with five other Kinross Road Runners. Running conditions at Aberfeldy weren't so good as the weather was warm and sunny in contrast to the wet weather the previous weekend. The different weather conditions and the slightly long course (rumoured to be 0.5 miles long) resulted in a slower time for Douglas of 1:44:43, Judith Dobson was 7th lady and 3rd FV45 in 1:39:57 followed by Isabel Carmichael who was 10th lady and 4th FV45 in 1:50:57. John Myerscough was pleased to finish his first Half Marathon in years uninjured in 2:03:30 and was closely followed by a veteran of many races Bill Noullan in 2:05:33. Sandy MacCalman prefers hill running so made a rare appearance in a road race and finished in 2:18:29. Andrew Johns, Isabel Carmichael, Sue Whisler, Geoff Bilton, Judith Dobson and Steve Crawford all ran in the popular Stirling 10K the following Sunday (10 September). Steve Crawford and Andrew Johns both ran personal best times of 38:40 and 43:30 mins on this flat course which starts and finishes at Stirling Albion football ground. Judith Dobson was 3rd FV45 in 42:48, Isabel Carmichael ran 48:30, Geoff Bilton ran 49:18, Sue Whisler finished in 54:48 and Catriona McRobbie finished in 66:18. Kinross Road Runners meet at 7pm on Wednesday night in Loch Leven Health Centre Car Park. We welcome runners of all ages and abilities, the only prerequisite is a desire to run.

KINROSS CRICKET CLUB

The annual junior awards were held at The Green Hotel on 18 September. A round up of this very successful season was given by club head coach, John Ross. Highlights of the year were the under 10 team winning the Perth & Kinross kwik cricket finals, the under 11 team winning the annual Montrose Inter Cricket tournament, the under 12 team winning the indoor Fife Junior Cricket Association final, the under 13 team winning the Scottish Cup and coming runners up in the UK Northern finals and the under 15 team being unbeaten in the Fife Junior League.

Prizes were awarded by Mr Clarence Parfitt, Central District Development Manager and under 15 Scotland Team Coach. All players were praised for their great efforts and commitment.

Thanks were given to those very many parents and players who help the club out with transport to matches, support at matches, scoring, umpiring, making teas, helping with events and setting out the pitch.

The coaches were thanked for all their hard work and dedication.

The following members received certificates of achievement and prizes.

Kwik Cricket Skill Award – Bronze Level

Duncan Lewis, Rory Malhem, Murray Raeburn, Zoe Conway, Andrew McRobert, Gavin Hay, Duncan McDiarmid, Oliver Law, Calum Balmer, Hamish d'Ath, Katy Robson

Winner Of The Bronze Level Best Performance Award: Duncan McDiarmid

Kwik Cricket Skill Award – Silver Level

Adam Shannon, James Hay, Calum Macdonald, Callum Purves, Alexandra Galloway, Ewan Doig, Emily Waterston, Jamie Alexander, Andrew Jack, Mark Cathro, Robert Kinnaird, Hamish Gillanders, Fraser Hammond, Felix Principe Gillespie, Lori Kellett, Sarah Bridgeman, Gregor Stewart, Robert Tree, Sam Hawkins

Winners Of The Silver Level Best Performance Award: Ewan Doig and Hamish Gillanders

Kwik Cricket Skill Award – Gold Level

Benjamin Collins, Jack Finnie, Andrew Pool, Calum Weir, Heather Aitken, Amy Young, Harry Waterston, Murray Cheshire

Winner Of The Gold Level Best Performance Award: Harry Waterston

Inter Cricket Skills Award

Jackson Brown, Martin Mackie, Rory Irwin, Conal Walster, Claire Jackson, Jamie Wyse, Geordie Houldsworth, Murdo Elwis, Max Koronka, Christina Farrar, Mitchell Brown, Grant Doig, Callum Cheshire, Mark McLaren

Winner Of The Inter Cricket Skills Award Best Performance: Mitchell Brown

The Under 13s "MCC Spirit Of Cricket" Scottish Cup winners were each presented with a

commemorative medal. Those players were:

Peter Ross (captain), Alex Scott-Gray, Scott Weir, James Tree, Fraser Stewart, Gavin Lauder, Chris James, Daniel Franklin, George Buchanan-Smith, Charles Beamish, Rory Weir, Nicholas Farrar, Iain Kennedy, Fraser Doig, Murdo Elwis

Under 13 Prize Winners

Most Improved Player	Chris James
Fielder of the Year	Fraser Doig
Bowler of the Year	Peter Ross
Batsman of the Year	James Tree

Under 15 Prize Winners

Most Improved Player	Calum Watson
Fielder of the Year	Cameron Wilson
Bowler of the Year	James Ross
Batsman of the Year	James Ross

Junior Of The Year Prize Winner: Drew Weir

Gifts were presented to parent, Amanda James and junior player, James Ross for scoring. Parent Debbie Weir was presented with a gift to thank her for the enormous amount of help and support she has afforded the club throughout the season.

Winter indoor coaching will be held on Mondays in Kinross High School and Tuesdays in the Millbridge Hall. Players have been given dates and times.

For further information - see the newly completed club website. This was created by club member, Anthony Drew. Grateful thanks go to him for his excellent website and ongoing maintenance and updating. See www.kinrosscc.co.uk

Work has started on the creation of our new pitch and wicket at Kinross House. Many thanks go to local company, TURFFITT for donating their excellent ground laying services to the club. Pictures and updates of the work are available on the website.

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Sandy and Frances **GARDEN** of Crook of Devon are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter **ELLIE** to **MICHAEL OSBORNE** of Newcastle.

CATRIONA MARY, daughter of Pat and John **WHITE** of Freuchie, and **JOHN**, son of Maisie and Tom **REID** of Milnathort, were married on Saturday 2 September 2006 by the Rev David Shepherd at Gaudry.

The wedding of **KIRSTEEN FORBES** and **RICHARD BEESTON** took place at Cleish Church on Saturday 26 August - a sunshine day from start to finish. Special thanks to Thelma for her needlework skills!

Michael and Amanda-Jane **COMBE**, 10 Morlich Place, Kinross are delighted to announce the arrival of **LEWIS JOHN**, born on 13 July 2006. A baby brother for Caris.

Stewart and Melanie **MULLAN** would like to announce the birth of their daughter, **ABBEY ALEX**, born on 24 August 2006. A sister for Sophie.

Eileen and Johnny **GRAHAM**, 11 Seaforth Drive, Kinross are delighted to announce the birth of their first grandchild, **RORY JAMES** on 24 August 2006, to Claire and Graeme (**CONNAL**).

Stephanie and Keith Milne of Levenbank, Wester Balgedie are delighted to announce the birth, on 31 July 2006, of twin grandsons **ANTON DOUGLAS** and **ARRAN JOHN** to Adrian and Maria **MILNE** of Wester Loan, Milnathort.

MRS NORMA ANDERSON is delighted to announce the birth of her third grandchild, **EMILY KATE**, a daughter for Valerie and Dougie on 23 August 2006.

Matt and Janey **SMALLWOOD**, Coolangatti, Milnathort are delighted to announce the birth of **BEN MATTHEW** on 31 August 2006. He is already a much loved brother for Anna and grandson of Jessie Mitchell, Milnathort and John and Anne Smallwood, Kinnesswood.

ALICE GUNN has passed Grade 4 Piano with merit and **LUCY OLDHAM** Grade 5 piano in the recent ABRSM music examinations. They are both pupils of Rosemary Tolson.

CHRIS MALLEY and **LAURIE ESPARON** of Kinross High School are among a group of five secondary school pupils in Perth & Kinross who have achieved the highest exam results in the area. They were commended for their outstanding achievement at a reception held in Pullar House, Perth.

CLAIRE MUCKERSIE, **JENNY MOUG** and **PAULINE BRYSON**, members of Glenfarg RDA, represented the Tayside Team in the Special Olympics Eastern Region Championships held recently in Peterborough. They all achieved great success, with Jenny also being declared overall champion for the Level A Competitors.

At the Blair Castle International Horse Trials, **GRACE MACRAE** of Fossoway was the highest placed Scottish rider in the One-Star class (dressage, cross-country and show-jumping). She was 15th out of 72 starters with her 9 year old Porthill Rusty Nail.

BILLY STEWART of Milnathort has achieved success at the Scottish Junior Solo Piping Championships in the Under-13 category: U-13 Scottish Champion 2006, sponsored by The Piping Centre, Glasgow (1st); Practical Pipers Society Piobaireachd (1st); Talisman Energy UK March, Strathspey and Reel Championship (2nd).

Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of **JENNIFER SPENCE** and **RUSSELL COMBE** on Saturday 9 September 2006 in Orwell Church, by Revd Robert Pickles, followed by a reception at Gartwhinzean Hotel, Powmill.

If you enjoy BBC's "University Challenge", then watch out for Kinross girl, **ISHBEL McFARLANE**, in the Edinburgh University team on 30 October. (Check listings nearer time in case of re-scheduling.) Ishbel is a former pupil of Kinross Primary, Kinross High and Strathallan.

IRENE McFARLANE has achieved two qualifications this summer - an ALCM, a diploma in musical theatre performance, from the London College of Music, and an LLAM, a licenciate diploma in the teaching of speech and drama, from LAMDA, the London College of Music and Dramatic Art. Irene teaches at Strathallan School.

THANKS

ANN MILLAR and her granddaughter Samantha would like to thank everyone who sponsored them in the Great Scottish Walk. Ann raised £514 and Samantha £100. The total amount raised on the walk on behalf of the National Association for Colitis and Crohn's Disease was £2193.41.

Once more, **MILNATHORT'S OLD FOLKS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE** provided a wonderful outing for two bus-loads of senior citizens. It was a glorious day. A pit-stop at Pitlochry was followed by a delightful drive over Moulin Moor, then on to Coupar Angus for an excellent meal. The day ended with a drive over the Tay Bridge. Sincere thanks to the organisers and all who contributed to making this special day.



News from the Rurals



GLENFARG SWRI held its first meeting of the new session on Thursday 14 September. President Margaret Scott welcomed a dynamic duo, Isobel McCallum and Marlene Miles from Scone, to demonstrate floral art and card making to an appreciative audience.

Moir Brady was the tea hostess.

Competitions:

- Flower of the Month - Catherine Fairweather
- Rhubarb and Ginger Jam - Irene Bettany
- Favourite Vase - Lillias Johnson

BISHOPSHIRE – At the first meeting of the new session, the speaker was Mr Paul Adair, a technician at Perth Museum, specialising in old photos. He explained the early techniques of photography and showed some very early photos, from the middle of the 19th century. Many of the slides were by a Perth photographer, Mr Jackson, and the quality was superb, with very clear details. The members enjoyed identifying different locations in and around Perth.

Competitions:

- Rock cakes - Jeanette McLennan
- Carrier bag - Jeanette McLennan

CLEISH - President Dorothy Morris welcomed 28 members and friends to our September meeting. Business was attended to then our speaker Jess Smith was introduced. What an excellent story teller she is, she brought to life her years as a traveller with her parents. President Dorothy Morris gave the vote of thanks. As a change we had a sales table then supper and a raffle was held.

Competitions:

- Flower Month - Ann Bayne
- Photo, country scene - Sandra Webster
- 3 pieces of tablet - Alison Morris

BLAIRINGONE - President Mary Ramsay welcomed a good turnout of old and new members to the first meeting of the season held in Mowbray Hall, Powmill. She then introduced our speaker Mrs Helen Gardener who entertained us with amusing stories of her childhood on the farm. She also sang a few songs. A very enjoyable evening.

Competitions:

- Apple tart - Agnes Murray
- Arrangement of flowers in unusual container - Kate Croy

Flower of the month - Mary Croy

At Kinross Show Blairingone W.R.I. were very highly commended in the Community baking section.

CARNBO - Members, for their first meeting of the new

session, were treated to a lovely illustrated talk by Graham Butler of Rumbling Bridge Nurseries. Graham sells to specialist garden centres and grows herbaceous and alpine plants. He specialises in plants which are difficult to grow or are rare but showed us slides of plants which would be comparatively easy to grow in our area. The elevation of his nursery is 600 ft and suffers, as does most of this area, from tough conditions; depths of frost and high rainfall. The nursery is on a site which was originally used for growing vegetables and fruit for the Briglands Estate and was in a very dilapidated condition when Graham took it over ten years ago. He renovated the gardens and has built up a successful business. One of his specialities is *Primula auricula* propagation and he had slides of some beautiful and rare examples. He has a descendent of *Primula auricula* "True Britain" which was exhibited at Crystal Palace in 1877. Our grateful thanks to Graham and also to Willie Shand who helped with the slide projection.

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tel: 862570

e-mail: kinrossparishchurch@btinternet.com

10.30 am Sunday Services in the Parish Church

(crèche facilities available upstairs at the Church)

Midweek Worship: Each Wednesday in the Reading room of the Church Centre, 10.45 - 11.15 am.

Pram Service Every Tuesday at 10.00 am in the Church Centre led by Rev Evelyn Cairns. All babies or toddlers welcome, accompanied by carers!

Whyte Court: First Tuesday of the month at 2.30 pm.

Causeway Court: Last Tuesday of the month at 2.30 pm. **All are welcome to these services.**

Kinross Church Centre: This suite of halls is the property of Kinross Parish Church. For enquiries and bookings please contact Mrs. J. Erskine (862601).

Saturday break: Most Saturday mornings, tea, coffee and fresh baking are available from 10.00 - 12.00 noon. A secondhand bookstall is usually open.

Enquiries: Session Clerk: Mrs Linda Williamson, 15 St Mary's Place, Kinross (862789)

ST. PAUL'S SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Muir, Kinross

Rev Dr Marion Keston 01577 866834

Sunday 3rd 8.30am and 11am services cancelled to enable St. Paul's congregation to join in a Diocesan Celebration at 11.00am in St. Bryde's Kirk, Kirkcaldy

October Services:

Sun 1 Pentecost 17 8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist Preacher Rev Fiannach Lawrie

Wed 4 10.30am Service of Prayers for healing with Holy Communion

Sun 8 Pentecost 18 8.30am Holy Communion
11.00 am Sung Eucharist

Sun 17 Pentecost 19 8.30am Holy Communion
BIBLE Sunday 11.00am All age family worship

Sun 22 Pentecost 20 8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist (theme One World week)

Wed 25 7.30pm The Wednesday Night Service
"Contemporary Christianity" Worship and Exploration All welcome

Sun 29 Pentecost 21 8.30am Holy Communion
11.00 am Sung Eucharist

Thursday Morning group Bible study. Everyone welcome. For further information please contact Sarah Oxnard Tel 01577-864213

ORWELL AND PORTMOAK PARISH CHURCH

Rev Robert Pickles (01577 863461)

Email: robertpickles1@btopenworld.com

Sunday worship, Junior Church and crèche

10am Portmoak Church

11.30am Orwell Church

Prayer Meeting is held 30mins before each service.

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

Services at Levensen first and third Tuesdays of the month at 4pm

Fusion Club for P5 – S1

For details contact Anne Sutherland on

01577 830442

@spire- Orwell Hall-second and last Friday of the month

Communion at Orwell Church on Sunday 1st October

Harvest Thanksgiving Services –

Portmoak Church Sunday 1st October

Communion at Portmoak – Sunday 5th November

FOSSOWAY PARISH CHURCH

Reverend Joanne Finlay (01577 850231)

E-mail joanne.finlay196@btinternet.com

Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie (01592 840823)

Sunday Services at 9.45 am

Crèche, Junior Church & Teenage Group
in halls at 10.45am

Evergreens, every 2nd Thursday in the month 10.30am

Friday mornings - Tots Music in Hall

9.30-10.30am; 11am-12pm

Wednesday evenings - Community Choir 7-9pm

Friday mornings: 9.30-10.30, 11-12 - Tots Music

Wednesday evenings 7pm - Community choir

KINROSS GOSPEL HALL

Montgomery Street, Kinross

Sunday 10.30 am Breaking of Bread

12.00 pm Sunday School

5.45 pm Prayer Meeting

6.30 pm Gospel Meeting

Mon 7.15 pm Prayer Meeting

8.00 pm Bible Study

Wed 6.30 pm Children's Club (Term Time)

DEADLINE FOR ALL ARTICLES

5.00 pm, MONDAY 16 October

for Publication on Saturday 28 October

KINROSS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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Church and Children's Sunday Club
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Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross

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(Further information: 01577-863509)

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Reverend Joanne Finlay (01577 850231)
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Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie (01592 840823)
Session Clerk: Mr David Adams (01577 850292)

Sunday Services at 11.15 am
Crèche in Village Hall 11.15am
Junior Church - 11.15am

ST JAMES'S R.C. CHURCH

5 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AW

Parish Priest: Fr Ken McCaffrey

e-mail kenmccafrey@btopenworld.com

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Mass Times Saturday Vigil Mass 7.00pm
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Monday 30 October 3.30pm to 8.00pm
Tuesday 31 October 5.00pm to 8.00pm

The Service is most grateful for the support received from Kinross-shire.

BLYTHS WOOD CARE
Somerfield's Car Park
17 October between 10.30 am and 11 am
Further details from 862258

Milnathort Babies & Toddlers PHOTOGRAPHY DAY

Wednesday 18 October
2pm - 5pm
Milnathort Town Hall

Tea/Coffee, Home Baking, Lucky Dip, Usborne Books
(see p 23 for more details)

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2006 -2007

dates are inclusive

Autumn Sat 30 Sept 2006 - Sun 15 Oct 2006
Christmas Sat 23 Dec 2006 - Sun 7 Jan 2007
Easter Sat 31 Mar 2007 - Sun 15 Apr 2007
In-Service Days: Thu 16 and Fri 17 November 2006,
Tue 20 February 2007, Tue 8 May 2007.
Two Days Hol: Fri 16 and Mon 19 February 2007.

Milnathort Town Hall Association EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

to be held at Milnathort Town Hall
on **Tuesday 10 October** at 7.30pm

Our recent AGM and appeal to user groups to come forward to serve on the committee has unfortunately not provided us with enough new members to continue. We therefore call the above meeting to decide the future running of the hall.

**CONTRIBUTORS - PLEASE WRITE OR TYPE
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MILNATHORT LADIES BRIDGE CLUB

will restart on

Thursday 12 October
in the Thistle Hotel Milnathort at 2pm.
Players of all standards are welcome. There is no need to bring a partner.

LODGE ST SERF No 327

Tue 3 Oct Regular Meeting at 7.15pm
Fellow Craft Degree.



Tue 17 Oct Regular Meeting at 7.15pm.
Sat 14 Oct Quiz Night and Disco at 8pm. Tickets £2.00. All proceeds to local good causes. Donations for raffle would be appreciated.

BRITISH SUMMER TIME
ends at 0100 GMT on Sunday 29 October
Remember to put your clocks back one hour

By popular request!
After the lunch-time concert in June, **Tom Adamson** brings back a new line-up for an
EVENING OF JAZZ
in Kinross Parish Church at 7pm on
Friday 20 October
Tickets £4.00 (concessions £2.50 and children free) at the door

Tillyrie Wind Cluster Presentation
in
Orwell Church Hall, Milnathort
on
Wednesday 25 October
4 pm-7pm All Welcome.

KINROSS FLORAL ART CLUB

Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross

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LOCHLEVEN CHAPTER No 148 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday 5 October
at 7pm prompt
in the Masonic Hall, Kinross

At this Special Meeting discussions will be held and conclusions reached regarding the future of our 'Order'. On this occasion a large turnout would be advantageous and your views and contributions much sought after.

OCHIL LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

An evening of
Music / Drama / Poetry

Lomond Inn, Kinnesswood

Friday 20 October
7pm for 7.30pm

Cost £12.50 (including refreshments)
Tickets: M Reay 01577 864147

KINROSS-SHIRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Programme 2006

- 16 Oct** "A Story of Economic Migration". Italian migration to Scotland from 19th century with particular reference to the Giacomazzi family. Joseph Giacomazzi LLB (Hons).
- 20 Nov** "Malcolm, Margaret and Wallace" Their genealogy. Sheila Pitcaim FSA(Scot) LHG. From Dunfermline Historical Society.
- 11 Dec** "The Roads, Railways and Route Ways of Kinross-shire". A study of transport through the County of Kinross over several centuries. David Munro, B.Sc., Ph.D., FRGS, FRSA, FSA(Scot).

The Society meets in the Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross at 7.30pm on the third Monday of each month and the second Monday in December. New members will be made very welcome. Subscriptions: Adult £6.00; Senior Citizen £5.00; Visitor £2.00; under 18 - no charge.

CEILIDH in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief Great Wall of China Walk

Crook of Devon Institute

Saturday 28 October
at 7.30pm

Tickets £8.50 including supper
Bar Raffle
For tickets please call 01577 862615

KGV

The **Annual General Meeting** of the KGV Playing Field Management will be held in the KGV Pavilion on **6 November** at 7.00pm. All are welcome to attend. The KGV Committee is a voluntary group that looks after the facilities used by many of the sporting groups in Kinross-shire and welcomes anyone who may wish to contribute something to the local community.

9 to 14 October is MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

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Childline Scotland	0800 11 11
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Thu	closed	closed
Fri	3 pm – 7 pm	1 pm – 4 pm
Sat	9 am – 7 pm	9 am – 4 pm
Sun	9 am – 7 pm	9 am – 4 pm

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23 June

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Friday 10 November
7.30pm – 9.30pm
Kinross Parish Church

An Exciting Evening!

St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church and Kinross Parish Church together invite you to an evening of entertainment by the choir of the Fair City Singers, dancers, piper and solo instrumentalists. Refreshments will be served before the concert and during the interval.

Doors open at 7pm Half an hour interval
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Tickets will be available soon from:

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Put the date in your diary and please take action – we need your support! Funds raised will be divided between the two churches.

Macmillan Cancer Relief

DANCE

Crook of Devon Hall

Saturday 11 November
7pm – 11pm

with the Glenfarg Scottish Dance Band

Entry £6.00 payable at door Raffle

SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING NIGHT

Thursday 26 October
7.30pm
Swansacre Playgroup

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PROGRAMME FOR OCTOBER 2006

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Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	3 10 17 24	10.30 am
Bingo	Tuesday	3 10 17 24	1.30 pm
Halloween Party	Tuesday	31	1.30 pm
Morning Service	Wednesday	4 11 18 25	10.45 am
Quiz Afternoon	Wednesday	4 11 18 25	1.30 pm
Art Class	Thursday	5 12 19 26	1.30 pm
Film Afternoon	Thursday	5 12 19 26	1.30 pm



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Playgroups & Nurseries



MILNATHORT BABIES & TODDLERS

Orwell Church Hall

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Jen 863200

LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Session times

Tuesdays 9.30 - 11.15, Fridays 9.30 - 11.15

Contact - Shelagh 01577 865456

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

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Babies and Toddlers (up to 2.5yrs)

Tues 10.00am-11.30am

Playgroup(2.5yrs onwards)

Mon & Fri 10.00am-12.00am

Rising Fives (Pre School Year)

Mon 12.45 pm - 2.45pm

Contact Gillian McCloskey 01577 861525

Venue - Portmoak village hall

FOSSOWAY TODDLERS

The Institute, Crook of Devon

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.15 am

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Monday, Wednesday and Friday,

9.30 am - 12 noon

We strive to create a warm, caring and inviting environment, which is stimulating and safe for all children in our care. We are a Partner-provider with P & K Education services and offer three sessions a week for grant funded children. We deliver pre-school education within the criteria set by 'Curriculum Framework for children 3 to 5'. Children aged between 2 and 5 are welcome (those aged 2-2½ if accompanied by an adult). We have two playleaders and an outside play area. For information pop in or call Lousie on 01577 830367 / Carol 01577 830851



SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross

TEL: 01577 862071



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

Playgroup sessions – Mon to Fri 9.00-11.30am

Children from the age of 2 yrs welcome.

Storycraft Mon 1.15-2.45pm

Storytelling, craft & puppetry for 3-5yrs

MusicMakers Tue 1.00-1.45pm and 2.00-2.45pm

Music classes for all ages

Rising Fives Wed 1.00-3.15pm

This is complementary to Nursery

Wee Swans Fri 1.15-2.45pm

Children from the age 1½yrs with parent/carer

For more information please contact Angela 865480 or Playgroup 862071.

Baby and Toddler Group – Thurs 1pm-3pm

Ante-natal to pre-school. Fun for children, coffee and chat for the parent/carer. For more information contact Bouwein 863107.

The premises are available to hire for **Private Functions**. We now have an Entertainments License. For more information contact Sue 862255.

LOCHLEVEN TWO'S CLUB

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Thursdays 9.30 to 11.15am

Parents/Carers can bring their children aged 2 yrs to pre school age for a morning of fun in our stimulating, child centred environment. We have lots on offer including sand and water play, dressing up, crafts, story and song time! A healthy snack is available. We invite you to come along and make some new friends!

Contact Alison Smith 01577 862310 or Jennifer Roy on 01577 862296 for further details"

FOSSOWAY PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

Moubray Hall, Powmill



Partner-provider for P&K Education

Places available for 3-5-year-olds and Rising Fives

Sessions daily 9.15 – 11.45

Contact Pat Irvine 01577 840584 or
www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross

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