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Letters

Editorial

Left Handers at the Helm

This month sees the 30th anniversary of the founding of the Newsletter. Although the Newsletter has changed quite a lot in appearance over the last few months, we are still guided by the aims set out in the 1970s (see article, p 6) and hope that our founder, Mrs Nan Walker, would be pleased with it. I was going to say it is an honour to follow in her footsteps, but I think that should be handprint! It is a curious fact that all the editors the Newsletter has had – Mrs Walker, Ian Thomson, Isabel Gillon and myself – are left-handers!

Park & Ride

Well the Park & Ride has been running for a month or so now, and has drawn some comments on the Bulletin Board on the www.kinross.cc website. One writer feels the P&R is encouraging people from the south end of town to use their cars, now that Edinburgh buses don't serve the Town Hall stop. Another contributor thinks the overall improved service is worth that sacrifice. We now have a greater choice of buses, including late evening ones serving Kinross from Perth and Edinburgh. The Bulletin Board is a great place to have your say on local issues, and of course the Newsletter always welcomes letters too!

T in the Park

There should be a Residents' Leaflet with your July Newsletter, letting you know about traffic arrangements and so on.

Letters Policy

We reserve the right not to publish any letter. Letters will not be published unless the sender's name and address are supplied and they are prepared to have them published along with their letter. Please note that the Newsletter does not necessarily agree with any of the views expressed on these pages.

Clarification

In last month's Newsletter, reference was made to P&KC's decision to cease collection of waste from the Grouse & Claret Restaurant due to a concern about the safety of heavy vehicles crossing the bridge in the establishment's grounds (April meeting of Kinross CC, p 12).

The Newsletter would like to clarify that the Council's decision was based solely on the opinion of the driver of the refuse lorry. P&KC has not instructed an engineer to inspect the bridge and no written report has been made. P&KC has apologised to the proprietors of the Grouse & Claret for misleading them with regard to this.

Another contractor, who sees no problem with the safety aspects of access to the establishment, has been engaged to collect the refuse.

Abbreviations Used

P&KC = Perth & Kinross Council
CC = Community Council
Cllr = Councillor
CCllr = Community Councillor

A Vote of Thanks

15.05.07

I would like to you pass on the sincerest thanks from **Children's Hospice Association Scotland (CHAS)** to Valerie Birrell.

As you may already be aware, Valerie, a former pupil of Kinross High School, scooped a National Award for her volunteer work. Alongside helping several other organisations, Valerie has dedicated her time to supporting young people in Rachel House Children's Hospice where she volunteers as a Young Befriender.

Whilst at school she was a member of the Kinross High School's Young Friends of CHAS group which organised various fundraising activities in aid of CHAS and raised awareness of the charity within the school.

As part of her prize Valerie was awarded a sum of money to donate to organisations of her choice. She kindly donated £2000 to CHAS.

The Spirit of the Community Award is presented to young people in recognition of their outstanding voluntary work. Valerie is a most worthy winner and everyone at CHAS would like to thank her for her generosity and kindness.

Well done, Valerie, and thank you.



Children's Hospice Association Scotland
Sharing the Caring

Nicki Brodie
Fundraiser
CHAS,

3 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Loch Leven Heritage Trail Leaflet

07.06.07

Many congratulations to the producers of the Loch Leven Heritage Trail Information leaflet which was enclosed with the June issue of the Kinross Newsletter. The stunning picture of the Castle on the Island positively COMPELLED the recipient to open it and investigate. The map, detailed descriptions and further superb shots of features along the Trail, encapsulated in such a high quality leaflet, speak volumes for the thought and investment which went into its production. The rewards for such advertising will surely be manifested in the numbers of appreciative and caring visitors to our beautiful part of Scotland.

Marie Young
South Cottage, Meikle Seggie, Milnathort, Kinross

Millbridge Hall, Kinross

16.06.07

In response to the letter from the Millbridge Hall Management Committee in the June issue, I would like to make a few comments. Why is it assumed that because someone walked their dog in the garden they allowed it to defecate there and why do they assume that if it did, the owner would not remove the excrement? This attitude victimises responsible dog owners. I have been in the garden; I have seen no excrement there. But plenty of other refuse: broken glass, empty beer bottles, cans, cigarette packets, broken lighters, and lots of other refuse. If the Committee is concerned for the health of the children using the garden, why don't they have this refuse cleared up? Why is the gate usually left open? Surely this encourages stray dogs, which are more likely to be a problem.

Ann Harley
2 Hatchbank Road, Kinross

In Defence of Motorcyclists**17.06.07**

In response to the Police Box article on motorcyclists, Newsletter June 07:

I was very disappointed to see this forum used to publish such a one-sided view on the motorcycling community.

Motorcyclists, recreational or otherwise have as much right to use the Queen's highway as anybody else, regardless what day of the week it is. It should be noted that the vast majority of motorcyclists also drive cars too, and have therefore passed not one, but two driving tests, making them more qualified to be on the road than the average driver.

The article points out that the increase in motorcycles has lead to a corresponding increase in the number of collisions involving them – how long did it take to research that little gem? Unfortunately the author didn't bother to qualify this statement by telling us how many of these are actually the fault of the rider.

Figures from the National Statistics Office indicate that motorcycles are involved in 6% of accidents on Scotland's roads. As a motorcyclist, I believe that is 6% too much, but when compared to the 17% of road accidents that involve pedestrians and the massive 63% involving cars, it appears that the police should be focussing their efforts in other areas before pointing the finger at bikers. If the figures published elsewhere in the same issue of Newsletter are anything to go by, seatbelt and mobile phones offences might be a good place to start.

As for the noise they produce, ask any two-wheeled road user (petrol or pedal), how many near misses, or worse, they've had because a driver didn't see them, or more accurately, didn't even think about looking for them.

If the only chance I have of being noticed by some idiot in their tin box who's too busy on their mobile / lighting a cigarette / shouting at the kids / fiddling with the stereo to concentrate on the road is by the noise my bike makes, then sorry, but I don't care how anti-social it is.

Instead of encouraging everyone to turn amateur detective to catch those nasty bikers, the police should be using this space to remind everyone who uses the road to do so safely and with consideration for others, especially those whose only protection is some leather, a few bits of carbon fibre and their observational skills.

K Marshall

Tummel Place, Kinross

Renewing Contact**17.06.07**

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Janet Duncker (now married and surname forgotten), please email ochils@msn.com.

My sister, Margaret Ann Hutton (now Squire), would like to renew contact with her. They attended Kinross Secondary School together in the 1960s and Janet's parents owned the Kirklands Garage in Kinross.

Any information, address, email address, etc, would be much appreciated.

Cherry McNaughton (nee Hutton)

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Kinross Motorcycle Club**17.06.07**

The first meeting of the Kinross Motorcycle Club took place last month and the 7 members organised the first ride out. The members have bikes varying from tourers to supersports. The club will continue have monthly meets (venue to be confirmed) and arrange monthly ride outs, so if you need an excuse to get on yer bike then you are more welcome to join us.

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Save NHS Dentistry Campaign

According to the Daily Mail recently, two thirds of over-60s and one in three youngsters do not have access to an NHS dentist. Scotland is 120 dentists short; a gap that will not be filled until 2012.

Meanwhile, dentists are deriving more income from private patients (52%) than NHS ones for the first time since the NHS was set up in 1948 - but less than half the population has an NHS dentist. Are you one of those and are you, like us, worried that things are going in the wrong direction?

If so, please contact us because one and a half years ago we set up a community campaign to try and improve local NHS dental services. We meet monthly and are in regular contact with the Community Health Partnership (CHP) responsible for dental services in Perth & Kinross.

Our representative recently met with Gordon Banks MP and the CHP and we can report that things are slowly starting to improve. The CHP has agreed to consider Kinross for a mobile dentist's van which could come to Kinross for those people who are unable to travel to Perth, where two new full time salaried dentists have recently been recruited. A "Link Line" is very soon to become operational which will enable patients in our area to register their need for an NHS dentist. We were also told that those Kinross/Milnathort residents who are already on the waiting list would be contacted when appointments are identified. You can register your need of a dentist by phoning Drumhar Health Centre on 01738 464261.

The CHP also agreed to do a better job of communicating with people who are waiting for a dentist and will write to the Newsletter direct.

Finally, we have decided to re-advertise the existence of our group, so keep your eyes open for leaflets at the Kinross Show in August!

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday 1 August** at 7pm in the Church Centre. Please feel free to come along or phone Felicity Garvie on 01592 840825.

Road Reports

At the June meeting of Kinross CC, P&K Cllr Willie Robertson asked that members of the public contact him with details of any defective areas of road which need resurfacing. Cllr Robertson's contact details are in the Notices section of the Newsletter on page 38.

Overhanging Bushes and Trees

Also at the Kinross CC June meeting, the problem of trees and bushes from residents' gardens overhanging pavements and causing an obstruction was raised. Gallowhill Road and Station Road were mentioned in particular. Residents are reminded that it is their responsibility to cut back any vegetation which is causing an obstruction.

Kinross Town Hall and Library

At the time of writing the legal case involving Kinross Town Hall and Library was due to return to the Sheriff Court on 26 June. It is expected that both sides, P&KC and Kinross CC, would present rewritten pleadings to the Sheriff.

Kinross CC By-Election

As reported last month, there are four vacancies on Kinross CC and nominations to fill these vacancies are invited until **Tuesday 30 July**. If more than four valid nominations are received by that deadline, a ballot will take place in September.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Kinross CC Secretary, Mrs Margaret Scott, telephone number 862945, e-mail address mbs@scott21.fslife.co.uk or downloaded from the community website, www.kinross.cc

Halls for All Campaign Launched

The Scottish Executive is being urged to tackle a crisis in Scotland's Village Halls by boosting financial support and cutting red tape.

The Halls for All Campaign highlights the vital role that village halls and community buildings play in Scotland's rural communities, and emphasises that investing in their survival must be a key part of the Executive's Rural Development policy.

The Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) has launched an e-petition to the Scottish Parliament.

The petition calls on the Executive to:

- Create a Scottish Halls Fund to refurbish or modernise community buildings to increase the level of community use and improve the range and quality of services provided.
- Fund a Village Halls Support Service.
- Establish a fair relief scheme for water charges for all charities that will maintain the exemption beyond 2010.
- Work with appropriate partners to cut regulatory burdens and support the interests of Hall Committees.

The petition will be hosted as an e-petition on the Parliament's website until 27 July before being formally submitted to the Public Petitions Committee.

SCVO's Rural Information Officer Sandra Hogg said, "Village and community halls in Scotland are inclusive community spaces that perform a vital role in rural areas. They are valued public assets, a focus for community activity and house a range of community services. But they face a slow-burning crisis with poor funding, rising costs and too much red tape.

"The volunteer committees that run these halls are finding it difficult to keep them running as funding has been cut and costs rise. It is time that their value was recognised by putting a new grant scheme and support service in place.

"It's vital that this petition gets wide support so that we can show the Scottish Executive the strength of feeling throughout rural Scotland."

At the time of writing this campaign is featured on the home page of www.kinross.cc and the easiest way to find out more and sign the petition is to log on there and click on the links.

Alternatively you can log on to the appropriate section of the Scottish Parliament website:

<http://epetitions.scottish.parliament.uk>

This campaign is organised by SCVO, website www.scvo.org.uk, telephone 0800 169 0022.

Loch Leven Heritage Project

by Felicity Martin

"Since the opening of Phase 1, we've been really impressed with the immense level of usage the Loch Leven Heritage Trail is receiving and the enthusiasm of the people using it," says Neil Kilpatrick, the project director. "Go out along it any day – particularly at weekends – and you will find everyone from toddlers to grannies on it."

The smooth surface is proving ideal not just for walkers, but also for wheelchairs, pushchairs and bicycles, including tricycles and children's bikes with support wheels. Many family groups can be seen taking advantage of the trail. At the east end, the grassy link available across Channel Farm's fields is making Loch Leven's Larder an attractive target for many who set out from Kinross or Burleigh Sands.

Phase 1 of the trail has also provided access to new parts of Loch Leven's shore for bird watchers and the recently built hide near Kinross House gives a superb prospect over the loch. Even without binoculars, trail users can see a wide variety of species, including moorhen, coot, widgeon, shelduck, tufted duck, black-headed gull, cormorant, great crested grebe, greylag goose and mute swan.

TRACKS is in the process of starting up Phase 2, which is the section of the trail from Vane Farm to the west end of Levenmouth Wood. A new contractor, Gordon MacLarty of Crieff, will be undertaking the groundwork.

This section will require a new 25m long pedestrian bridge over the River Leven cut at Findatie. TRACKS have chosen a design for the bridge and are about to appoint the contractor to build the bridge, which will be 400m downstream from the sluice house.

There has been one dark cloud over the project. "We were very disappointed that the Burleigh Sands bird hide was burnt down during the night in late May," Neil Kilpatrick comments. "We are hoping that Scottish Natural Heritage will rebuild it, as it was proving extremely popular with all types of visitor."

The development of full, permanent signage is underway at the moment. This will include interpretation of the various heritage sites around the loch. Meantime, some temporary signage will soon be installed to indicate where the trail and its offshoots are going. Summer visitors to Kinross will find the trail a magnificent addition to the local facilities.

Disabled Ramblers Try Out the Trail

by Jan MacDonald

I am a member of Forth & Tay Disabled Ramblers (FTDR), a countryside access rambling group for people with disabilities. It seems a long time since I met Janet Croft at an event in Kinross High School about the proposed TRACKS path around Loch Leven. Since then I have been watching the progress of the path with interest as I knew it would make an ideal outing for our group.

Three of us parked at Burleigh Sands on 3 June, having heard that the path had recently opened. I used a Lomax outdoor power chair to recce the route for FTDR's 2008 ramble programme. The surface of the path is excellent. There are a number of seats along the way and we stopped and had a picnic overlooking the loch.

Along the way I met many, many people - families out walking, people exercising their dogs, and numerous



cyclists of all ages and even a tandem. Everyone I spoke to commented on the quality of the path - and they were all very positive. I stopped to chat to a family who are about to move to Kinross. They were very excited about having such a wonderful resource on their doorstep.

There were no access barriers along the entire route between Burleigh Sands and Kinross and it has all been laid out carefully to minimise impact on the abundant wildlife in the area. On reaching Kirkgate I turned back towards Burleigh, stopping off at the accessible bird hide first. I did not linger as the rain was not far off but it is an ideal spot for disabled ornithologists. From Burleigh we drove round to Kirkgate and checked out the car parking and disabled toilets at the pier as these are essential for a Forth & Tay outing. On the way home we stopped off at the Loch Leven Farm Shop for coffee and cake - an absolute must and very disabled-friendly. An accessible path from the café down to the loch would make it an ideal starting point for scooters and wheelchair users.



*FTDR member Kitty Walker enjoys the new trail
Photo: Jan McDonald*

Forth & Tay will definitely use it for a ramble next season, starting at the Kinross end. Congratulations to everyone involved in this excellent project. I hope other areas follow your lead.

For more information on Forth & Tay Disabled Ramblers visit www.ftdr.com or phone Jan or Kitty on 01333 320864.

Kinross Learning Centre - Viva Italia!

A brand new course on offer at the Kinross Learning Centre this summer is sure to be a big hit with lovers of all things Italian.

Running from 25 July for eight weeks, Viva Italia will give you an insight into the lifestyle, history and culture of this fascinating country as well as improving your language skills in a relaxed and friendly environment.

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And if you're thinking of finding your very own "place in the sun", perhaps an ancient Tuscan farmhouse, the course will examine the jargon involved in property sales, pitfalls and red tape to be aware of, as well as finding a job, living and working in modern Italy.

Starts **Wednesday 25 July** for 8 weeks, 7 - 9 pm, cost £52.

To find out more or to book your place contact Maureen Ross on 01577 863863, or alternatively e-mail pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk

Newsletter 30th Anniversary

The Kinross Community Council Newsletter is thirty years old this month. Many of our readers will know how the Newsletter started up, but for those who are newer to the area, and for those of us who enjoy a good old reminisce about times gone by, we'll tell the story again!

Community Councils were set up in 1975 as part of local government reform. In that year Kinross went from having its own Burgh Council to becoming a small part of Perth & Kinross District Council within Tayside Region. One of the former Burgh Councillors, Nan Walker, became a founding member of the Community Council.

Kinross-shire had already suffered a blow to its identity five years earlier, when the last dedicated Kinross-shire newspaper, the "Kinross-shire Advertiser", a thin weekly broadsheet published since 1847, was taken over by a Fiè newspaper. In that, Kinross news was reduced to about half a column.

When the CC had been running for two years, Mrs Walker complained at a CC meeting that no-one knew what the CC was doing or discussing, so she was given the job of producing a Newsletter, with the warning that "it would have to wash its face financially." Fellow Community Councillor Rosemary Sowerby offered to help and be responsible for the finances. One Community Councillor was heard to whisper to his neighbour, "I'll give it six months."

The first issue of the Newsletter in July 1977 cost 5p and ran to 12 small (A5-sized) pages. Almost 500 copies were sold. By 1979 the Newsletter had grown to 28 small pages selling 700 copies at 10p. By then the main aims were becoming more distinct:

1. To tell the community what the CC was doing
2. To keep the name of "Kinross-shire" alive
3. To help local organisations to let everyone know about their activities
4. To be a link between individuals and the community - this included letters, congratulations and obituaries

In 1984 the first illustrated cover appeared. June 1989 saw the last of the wee fat issues as the Newsletter changed to A4 format.



Nan Walker in the 1990s with fellow Community Councillors George Lawrie and Sir Alan Smith

In 1997, after 20 years as editor, Nan Walker retired and Ian Thomson and Isabel Gillon took over as joint editors. Ian and Isabel had both been involved in the Newsletter since 1992, in the roles of layout assistant and editorial assistant respectively. Isabel retired in 2005 and Ian in 2006. There

have been many, many people involved with the Newsletter over its thirty-year history, performing roles such as typist, treasurer, assistant editor, lay-out assistant, distributor and advertising manager. We are indebted to them all.

Mrs Walker was an amazing lady whose enquiring mind, dedication and hard-work made a lasting impact on the Kinross-shire community in a number of ways. Apart from ensuring the continued success of the Newsletter, she was President of the Kinross-shire Historical Society for 30 years, wrote numerous books and leaflets on local history, served on the Community Council for 23 years and encouraged many people to get involved in the local community. She was presented with a Community Service Award by the Rotary Club of Kinross & District in 1996 in recognition of her special service to Kinross-shire. In 1997 she was honoured by Her Majesty the Queen at Holyrood with the MBE. Mrs Walker died on 7 August 2003 aged 88. There is a bench dedicated to her memory situated by the wall of Loch Leven Castle, looking back over the loch towards Kinross.



Inscription on the Nan Walker memorial bench by Loch Leven Castle

Castlemilk Community Group Visit to Kinross – Saturday 14 July

The Heaven and Earth Club is hosting a day visit to Kinross and Milnathort by families of asylum seekers from the Democratic Republic of Congo, Iran, Afghanistan and Nigeria. The families are members/friends of Castlemilk Community Church in Glasgow.

A wide range of activities focused on the natural environment and history of our local area are planned. Activities include: trips to Loch Leven Castle, talks and a barbecue at Vane Farm, a time to chat at Fair Break Coffee Shop, an evening service at Kinross Parish Church led by members of the group, a trip to a local horse stable and also cycle rides around the loch (bikes and cycling guides needed!!)

Volunteers are sought to join a team of hosts. If you think you can help in any way please contact Alisdair Stewart. Telephone 01577 862262

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News from the Health Centre



On Thursday 26 July a new clinical system called Vision is being installed at the Health Centre. This is a very exciting project for us which will bring many benefits to both the clinicians in their consultations with patients and the administrative staff in their support role. We will try to minimise any disruption which may be caused, but some changes to our usual service may be noticed. During July, all the staff and GPs at the Health Centre will be attending training courses for the new software, and patients may have to wait a bit longer to see the GP of their choice. Whilst we will endeavour to learn as much as possible before we go live, we anticipate that it may take us longer to make appointments, look up results, record consultations, issue prescriptions and so on. We would ask all patients to please bear with us during the weeks following the installation and allow us a bit of extra time to help you. Unfortunately, we cannot set up the appointment books in advance of the transfer and this will all have to be done on 26 and 27 July. We are not therefore making any appointments now for on or after 26 July. We will start taking bookings again on Friday, 27 July. The phone system is likely to be very busy on that day and we would ask patients to delay phoning for an appointment until sometime during the following week if possible. We should be contacted if an emergency arises and an appointment will be arranged when necessary.

It would assist us if patients did not order repeat medication in the week prior to the transfer. If medication is due to run out during that time, please submit a request prior to 16 July and two months supply will be issued. When we move to the new system, each item on each prescription will have to be checked against the old clinical system to ensure that it is correct. This is a very time consuming, but necessary check and during August and September it will take the GPs longer than two working days to authorise repeat medication. During those months, we would ask patients to order their repeat medication at least a week before it is due to run out to allow the GPs time to check the request thoroughly. If any patient notices any errors on their prescription or the repeat request slip, a member of the Health Centre team should be notified.

This is the biggest single challenge we have faced for some years and we would ask patients to bear with us whilst we transfer to and master this new software.

Loch Leven Leisure – Energy Saver

A new water treatment system, which will significantly reduce energy bills, has been installed at Loch Leven Leisure. The Ultra Violet Water Treatment System replaces the old ozone generator and reduces the need for pool



chemicals. The new system is expected to result in savings of approximately £5,000 per year in electrical costs and £4,000 per year in service charges, with the bonus of a significant improvement to the air quality in the pool hall.

Serious Fun at Kinross Estate

A Team and Corporate Development Centre is being set up at the Kinross Estate. Teammania is the team-building and events company behind the initiative, and they say they are serious about fun!

Teammania has created a unique centre which accommodates a specially designed aerial learning facility. Built into the surrounding forest, this course is the ultimate experience for all levels of ability and can be used to assess, develop and evaluate. The idea is to combine purpose-built challenges within a naturally stunning environment.



For those who would rather keep their feet on the ground, Teammania has also developed a programme of unique, creative and high energy events such as 'the complete Robin Hood experience', including rescuing Maid Marian, storming a castle, crossbow and archery.

Teammania is a sponsor of Kinross Cricket Club and hopes to continue to support the community and bring business to Kinross.



Live Active this Summer with PKL



Perth & Kinross Leisure's Summer Programme for pre-school and school-age children runs from Monday 2 July to Friday 10 August. Log on to www.liveactive.co.uk for full programme details or contact Loch Leven Leisure on 01577 863368.

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Since September last year, there has been a large earth wall built along the side of the A977 between the "Golf ball" and Balado Crossroads. The question is, "What is going on behind these screens?" Is it a housing development? Is it an extension to T in the Park? Or is it just the farmer ashamed of his crops? It is, in fact, a

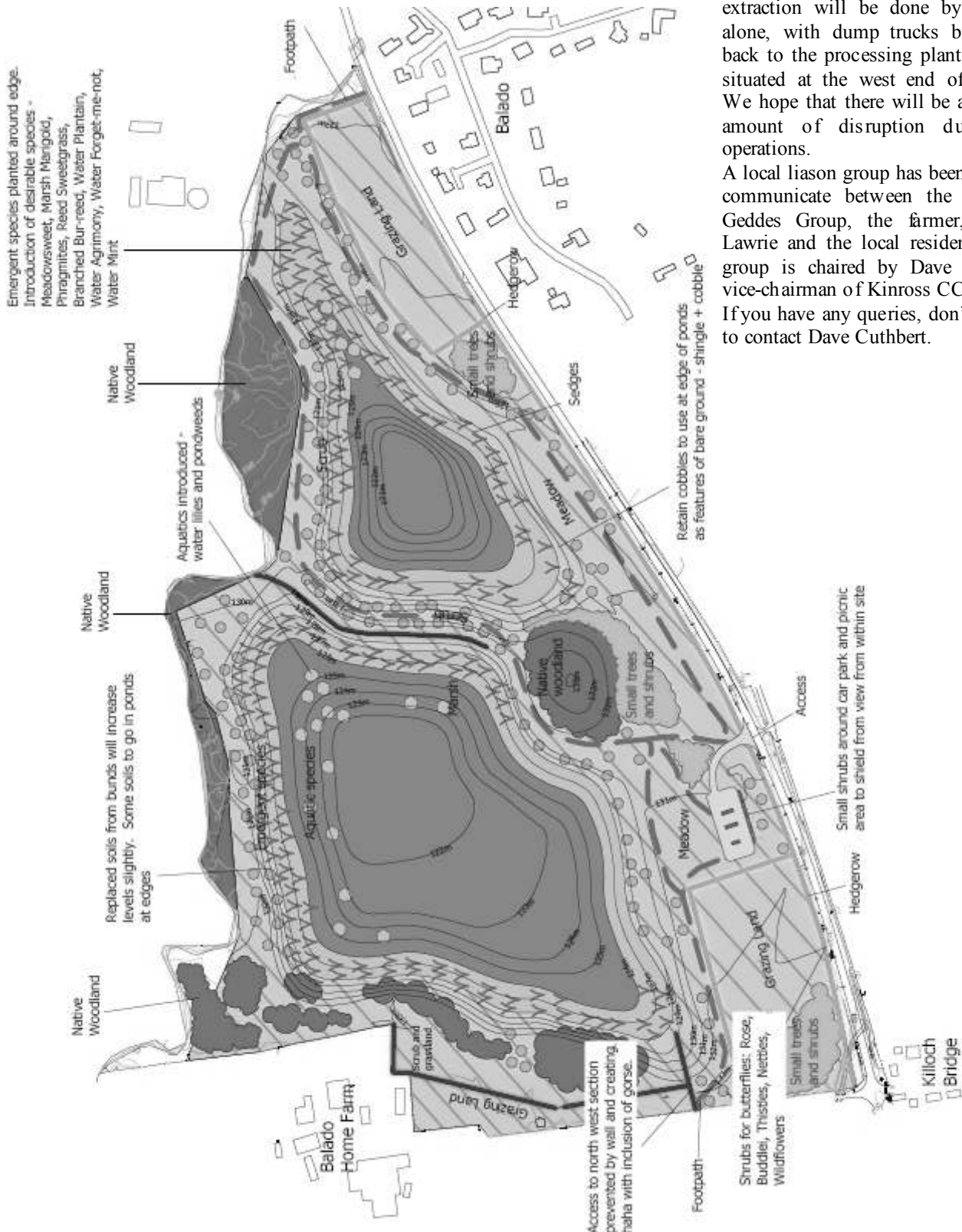
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The area has a large deposit of sand and gravel and during the sixties, seventies and eighties, there have been two of these quarries between Kinross and Balado – one at Heatherford and one at Easter Balado. Unlike previous quarries, the workings will be carried out under water, so the land will not come back into agricultural production, but will be left in two man-made lochs, extending to

approximately sixty acres. This means that after the initial disturbance, the landscape will be enhanced with wildlife and there will be walkways created round one of the lochs for the use of the local community.

While carrying out this operation, which will last approximately twelve years, there will be no access allowed onto this site as it is a dangerous environment with unstable workings and open deep water. The quarry extraction will be done by diggers alone, with dump trucks bringing it back to the processing plant which is situated at the west end of the site. We hope that there will be a minimal amount of disruption during all operations.

A local liaison group has been set up to communicate between the operator, Geddes Group, the farmer, George Lawrie and the local residents. This group is chaired by Dave Cuthbert, vice-chairman of Kinross CC Council. If you have any queries, don't hesitate to contact Dave Cuthbert.



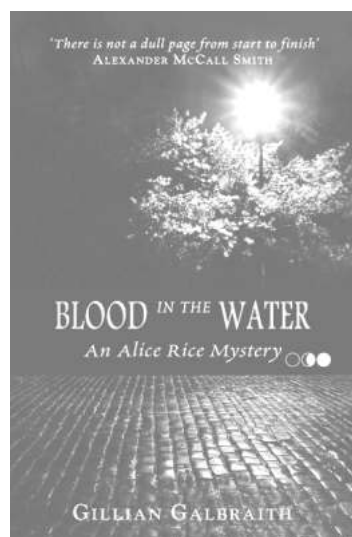
LOCAL AUTHOR'S NOVEL SUCCESS

Watch out Ian Rankin! In her debut novel, *Blood in the Water*, Gillian Galbraith brings a new detective to the streets of Edinburgh.

When one Edinburgh citizen after another is murdered in the same bloody manner, the newspapers buzz with talk of a serial killer. Smart and capable, but battling disillusionment and loneliness, Detective Sergeant Alice Rice races against time and an implacable killer to solve this series of seemingly random grisly murders.

Gillian has drawn on her professional experience as an Advocate in writing *Blood in the Water*, which differs from other Edinburgh crime novels in having a female protagonist. Gillian explains, "I used Alice Rice as I wanted to write from a woman's perspective; her sensibilities, strengths and weaknesses as a policewoman. Brute force will never be an option for her. She is also somewhat of an outsider because of her university education and class."

Popular crime writer Alexander McCall Smith, who also has a legal background, has praised *Blood in the Water*, saying "This is a vivid and exciting story set against the background of Edinburgh's legal and medical circles. There is not a dull page from start to finish".



Although, as the Edinburgh Evening News puts it, the novel "positively reeks of Edinburgh", it was actually written in the quiet countryside of our own Kinross-shire! Gillian stopped working full-time as an Advocate a few years ago and finds that writing combines more easily with family life. Although this is her first novel, Gillian started her writing career in the most Scottish of traditions with DC Thomson publications, under a variety of guises. She has written horoscopes for the *Courier* and masqueraded as an agony aunt, doc and agony uncle for a teenage magazine. Her novel-writing seems set for success, though. A second Alice Rice mystery, *Where The Shadow Falls*, is due to be published in the Autumn, and Gillian will be appearing at this year's Edinburgh Book Festival – a terrific accolade for a debut author. Gillian will be at the "Writer's Retreat" at the Festival at 6pm on Monday 13 August.

Readers might like to note that this page is also downloadable as an Adobe Acrobat file (pdf) from our website, www.kinrossnewsletter.org, for those of you who don't wish to damage your Newsletter after completing the crossword!



Gillian Galbraith

PRIZE COMPETITION

Win a copy of *Blood in the Water* by Gillian Galbraith

We have two copies of *Blood in the Water* to give away, courtesy of Mercat Press. For your chance to win, you can either complete the cryptic crossword below (beware, there are a lot of anagrams!) or, if you prefer, you can answer the following question:

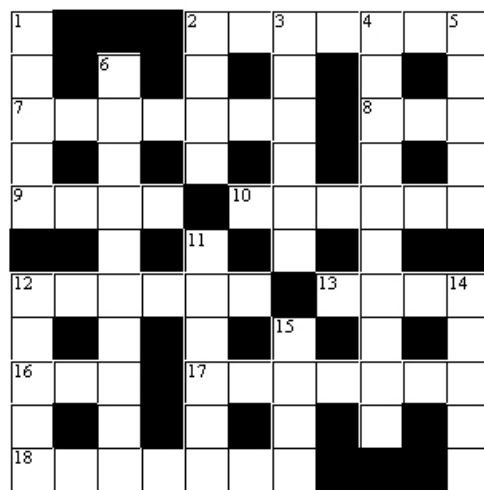
What will be the title of the second Alice Rice Mystery?

Send your answer, or completed crossword, with your name and address to:

Book Competition, Kinross Newsletter, 50 Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AU

by **Tuesday 31 July**.

As this is a new venture for the Newsletter we would particularly appreciate your comments.



ACROSS

2. Show all around, but superficial (7)
7. Nothing orange about this herb (7)
8. Pull back, insides out (3)
9. Quick punctuation mark (4)
10. Often nervous hiding money (6)
12. Anemic? No, he's cold for other reasons (6)
13. He gets a record to assist (4)
16. Whichever way you look at it, it adds up (3)
17. Arum is a confused Japanese warrior (7)
18. Urge pal to stop the noise (7)

DOWN

- 1, 12d, 5. What the 14 down is! (5, 2, 3, 5)
2. Friends run up to smack (4)
3. Partly, a tone did make up for it (6)
4. Longer bray about a fruit (10)
5. See 1
6. Novel correspondence gets the point in this publication (10)
11. Medals for distressed lady (6)
12. See 1
14. What you might get for finishing this crossword (5)
15. Smashes mugs to be complacent (4)



KINROSS-SHIRE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY FLOWER SHOW**Sponsored by****DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRE, TURFHILLS, KINROSS****SATURDAY 11 AUGUST 2007****KINROSS HOUSE GROUNDS, KINROSS**

Convenor: Mr Tom Webster, 12 Gallowhill Road, Kinross

Committee: Jean Webster, Cath Mearns, Margaret Kilpatrick, Ann Munro, Robert Campbell, Ian McDonald, Cathal Gowdy

Flower Section Judge: Mr Bob Maxwell, Beechgrove, The Pleasance, Falkland, KY15 7AN

Floral Art Judge - Mrs Jenny Blair, 18 Willow Crescent, Southparks, Glenrothes

Children's Section: Mrs Jenny Blair & Mr Bob Maxwell

JUDGING COMMENCES 10.00am. ENTRIES: 20p per Adult Exhibit and 10p per Child Exhibit

Only one exhibit per person in each class will be accepted, on Show Field until 9.00pm on Friday 10 August, alternatively from 7am until 9.30am on Saturday 11 August - entries can be uplifted at 4.30pm.

CLASSES

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| 1. Pot Plant – Geranium | 12. Best Single Rose |
| 2. Pot Plant – Foliage | 13. Vase of Five Sweet Peas |
| 3. Pot Plant – Flowering | 14. One Gladioli any variety |
| 4. Pot Plant – Begonia | 15. Hanging Basket |
| 5a. Pot Plant – Fuschia | 16. Patio Planter |
| 5b. Pot Plant – Standard Fuschia | 17. A miniature arrangement in a Thimble |
| 6. Pot Plant – 2 Cacti or Succulents | 18. Bowl of Flowers from an Open Garden to be viewed overall |
| 7. One vase mixed Herbaceous | 19. An exhibit of Flowers with a theme of a 'Scottish Song' on a base not exceeding 30 cms in diameter |
| 8a. Vase of Three Dahlias - Decorated | 20. A Floral Arrangement the theme - "300 years Union of Parliament" |
| 8b. Vase of Three Dahlias - Cacti | 21. A Floral Arrangement for a coffee table not exceeding 25cms the theme - "In a single candlestick" |
| 8c. Vase of Three Dahlias - Ball/Pom | 22. Pretty as a Picture - arrangement using picture frame, accessories allowed - no larger than 40cms x 30cms |
| 9. Four Marigolds, any variety, to be shown on a board* | |
| 10. Four Pansies to be shown on a board* | |
| 11. Vase of Three Roses | |

*Boards available on request – with a refundable deposit of £1.00

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

23. A picture on A4 paper depicting "Scooby Doo" exhibited by a Boy or Girl age 5 years and under
24. A picture on A4 paper depicting "Scooby Doo" exhibited by a Boy or Girl age 6 to 8 years
25. A model of children's TV character using recyclable materials exhibited by a Boy or Girl, age 5 years and under
26. A model of children's TV character using recyclable materials exhibited by a Boy or Girl, age 6 to 8 years
27. An arrangement of "Garden Flowers" in a Children's Wellie Boot shown by a Boy or Girl age 8 and under
28. A decorated paper plate to be hung, "Theme - a view from a Window" exhibited by a Boy or Girl age 9 to 14 years
29. A "Garden in a Seed Tray" shown by a Boy or Girl age 8 and under not exceeding 40cms x 25cms
30. A "Garden in a Seed Tray" shown by a Boy or Girl age 9 to 14 years not exceeding 40cms x 25cms

PRIZE MONEY

In all Classes 1st: £1 2nd: 50p 3rd: 25p

The Prize Giving will take place within the Flower Show Tent at 3.30pm on Show Day. Prize Monies to be collected on the day.

TROPHIES

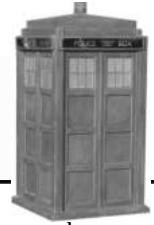
The Trophies for the most points, Classes 1 to 16 and 17 to 22 inclusive, will be assessed 3,2,1 for the first three prizes

CAIRNS CUP for the most points overall, + Rosette**BALADO SALVER** for the most outstanding entry in Classes 1 to 16 + Rosette**FISHER BOWL** for most points in Dahlias**CAESAR TROPHY** - Sweet Peas**THE KIRKNESS TROPHY** for the most points in the Floral Art Section + Rosette (Classes 17 to 22 inclusive)**THE RENTON TROPHY** for the most outstanding exhibit in the Floral Art Section + Rosette (Classes 17 to 22 inclusive)**THE GAVINE LINDORES TROPHY** for the best Single Rose (Class 12)**THE SCOTT-DAVIDSON CUP** presented by the late W Scott-Davidson Esq., of Dowhill, Cleish, for the winner of Class 22**LENA GRAHAM QUAICH** (small) winner of class 29**LENA GRAHAM QUAICH** (large) winner of class 30**THE MAISIE PIRIE CUP** + Rosette & £3 for the most outstanding exhibit by a child under 8 years. Sponsored by Miss Pirie**THE C PIRIE CUP** + Rosette & £3 for the most outstanding exhibit by a child age 9 to 14 years. Sponsored by Miss Pirie**MAWCARSE SALVER** - Overall Best Exhibit in the Show**SPECIAL PRIZES**

Vouchers for the best exhibit in Classes 1 to 14, 17 to 22 inclusive

Rosettes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places will be presented in Classes 23 to 30

Schedules available from: Willie Robertson's, Milnathort; Dobbies Garden Centre; Newsplus, Kinross, or can be downloaded from the Kinross Newsletter website, www.kinrossnewsletter.org



Police Box

Parking at Kinross Primary School

Complaints have been received regarding indiscriminate parking at Kinross Primary School and persons driving the wrong way in the one-way system.

The overall consideration in parking is road safety, and in particular the safety of children. Local Police Officers will, in the remaining days of the school term and at the start of the new term, be enforcing road traffic legislation.

Drivers are reminded of their responsibilities and that having a Driving Licence is a privilege and should not be abused.

Home Security

With the summer approaching it is common for doors and windows to be left open. Unfortunately this can attract opportunist thieves and it is important in order to protect your home to have internal doors locked and take reasonable security precautions. If you have an alarm fitted use it.

As always, if you are suspicious of anyone at or near your

house, please call the Police, any time, 24 hours a day.

We would rather prevent crime than deal with the aftermath.

CRIME STOPPERS - Telephone Number 0800555111

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 will not be contacted if you choose to remain anonymous.

Community Crime Officers can be contacted at Kinross Police Office on 01577 863571.

Kinross - Constable Ronnie Child. Milnathort, Kinnesswood & Scotlandwell - Constable Graham Stephen. Cleish and Blairadam. Crook of Devon. Powmill. Blairingone. Cambo and Glenfarg areas - Constable Lynne Petrie.

Sky-diving Shaun raises £500 for Alzheimer's Charity

When 17-year old **Shaun Masson** launched himself out of a plane in a tandem parachute jump, he earned an impressive £100 a minute for Alzheimer's Scotland. The jump lasted 5-6 minutes with a terrifying 30 seconds or more of freefall at speeds of 120 mph. Shaun lives in Milnathort with Mum (Mary), Dad (Steve) and sister (Leigh-Ann).

Shaun's Mum has been caring for a lady with Alzheimer's for nearly three years now and over that time the two families have grown quite close. Shaun says that dementia doesn't really get the attention that other illnesses do, and he was keen to do something to help.

Although the damp, cloudy weather on the day was not ideal, Shaun thoroughly enjoyed his amazing experience and would be happy to do it all over again!

Shaun's Mum and Dad are rightly very proud of their courageous son, and now it seems that sister Leigh-Ann who this time was busy with exams, is also keen to have a go!



Shaun Masson, safely back down to Earth after his parachute jump

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Community Council News



Kinross Community Council

News from the June Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 6 June were: CCllrs D Colliar (Chairman), D Cuthbert, M Scott (Secy), M Blyth, C Drummond and D Mackay. Also in attendance were P&K Cllrs W Robertson and S Miller, Police Superintendent Ian Bell and PC R Child, Ann Chandler from the Anti-Social Noise Team in Perth and seven members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from CCllr Ian Jack and P&K Cllr K Baird.

Police Report

Superintendent Bell explained that he was currently attending CC meetings in all districts covered by Western Division. He informed those present that the Command Team in Perth is represented by the Divisional Commander Chief Superintendent Matt Hamilton, assisted by himself as the Officer in charge of operational activity within the division and Chief Inspector Hamish Macpherson who is responsible for support functions. Detective Chief Inspector Roddy Ross is in charge of the Criminal Investigation Department. There has been a reduction of 75% in house breaking in our area in the last ten years. Recorded motor thefts have also reduced by 87% in Perth & Kinross. Last year reported crime was down by 4%. Kinross is the quietest area in the Western Division, however the recent seizure of heroin in Kinross was the largest recorded in Tayside. Cannabis use has also been reported. The public are reminded that information received from the community assists the police in addressing these issues. Analysts are now engaged to assess data, compare the figures and reports from previous years and a predicting policy is now in place which greatly assists in the policing efforts.

CCllr Cuthbert raised the matter of the recent arson of the bird hide, vandalism at Kirkgate Park and to the floral displays in the town. Superintendent Bell confirmed that vandalism occurs on a daily basis at a rate of 10/20 incidents on average. Drink offences are also occurring on a regular basis. Car crime is increasing, the majority of which are related to drug issues. The cars are broken into, items stolen and sold for cash. Members of the public are reminded not to leave personal items on display in their vehicles.

CCllr Cuthbert also raised the subject of noisy vehicles on the roads and was informed that this matter is the responsibility of P&KC Behaviour Team.

PC Child reported that five cars were broken into on one night recently. There was also a report of bogus workmen in the area. If anyone has suspicions relating to workmen/tradesmen they should alert the police to their presence.

The Police confirmed that there was an increase in the number of police vehicles patrolling the area.

Finally, it was reported that youths were racing cars around the Park and Ride late at night; this was noted by the Police. CCllr Colliar thanked both Officers for their presence this evening.

T in the Park

Representatives from T in the Park/Big Day Out were unable to attend this evening. The meeting has been rescheduled for 4 July.

Matters Arising

Acknowledgements from P&KC were received regarding the following:

Planning application for floodlighting at tennis courts: the CC's letter would be taken into consideration when the application is being determined.

Re-surfacing of area in front of County Buildings: The CC's communication has been passed to Housing.

Planning

07/01117/FUL Land near T in the Park, Balado Bridge Poultry Farm, Kinross. Upgrading of existing field access to form new access to potential car park.

07/00834/OUT Balthree Farm, Hatchbank (formation of four residential development plots in outline) – application withdrawn.

Land at Tillyrie Farm, Milnathort (wind farm) – Letter received from P&KC advising that an Appeal has been lodged with the Scottish Ministers. The Appeal will be disposed of on the basis of written submissions.

A member of the public questioned the timescale involved in the CC being notified of planning applications. He explained that an application was on display at the Town Hall [County Buildings]. The CC receives notification approximately two to three weeks in advance. This application is in respect of the properties at Gellybank.

Planning Applications Determined

Approval by P&KC of various domestic alterations noted.

06/02648/NID P&KC, Depot at Clashburn Close, Bridgend Industrial Estate. Extension to existing Recycling Centre for additional containers for general waste/green waste/timber/metal/inert: approved.

07/00389/FUL Rachel House Erection of a Garden Pavilion: approved.

07/00705/FUL Carlin Maggies Restaurant, 191-193 High Street Change of use and alterations to form 3 bedroom flat: approved.

05/01453/FUL Erection of 3 dwellinghouses at Hawthorn Vale, Gairney Bank, Kinross – Letter received from P&KC advising that after considering the proposal, including the CC's letter, a decision has been reached to approve the application.

Report from Perth & Kinross Councillors

The Chairman explained that the recent election has provided us with four new Councillors representing Kinross, namely Kathleen Baird, William Robertson, Mike Barnacle and Sandy Miller. Cllrs Robertson and Miller were present and the Chairman welcomed them to the meeting.

Cllr Robertson said that the first section of the Loch Leven Heritage Trail has now been officially opened and was pleased to report that the track is being very well used. The second phase to Vane Farm is now underway. Thereafter the two routes will be joined together to complete the track early next year.

A number of roads in Kinross, including Springfield Road, require to be resurfaced and these will be included in future programmes. The pools of water that lie in the High Street after rain fall will also be addressed. Scottish Water are to look at the drainage/sewage problem in Kinross.

The fountain at the Town Hall will be maintained by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust.

The Chairman mentioned that the crash barriers supporting the wooden posts at the flyover (M9) were to have been replaced by BEAR Scotland. Cllr Robertson advised that he had written to BEAR regarding this matter and that they were currently working their way down the motorway and would attend to this when funding is available.

Cllr Miller mentioned that the barrier on Gallowhill Road was also collapsing. He was concerned that this may cause injury to pedestrians and had asked that this matter be dealt with promptly. This will be followed up.

Cllr Miller updated those present on the position of the new school. It is hoped that negotiations would be completed shortly and the matter resolved by the end of this month.

The position relating to the cutting back of trees was raised. If the tree is located on private property, this is the responsibility of the occupier and should be cut back by them. If a tree/hedge is causing an obstruction and the situation is ignored by the occupiers, the Council will contact them requesting that they cut back the foliage and if this is not carried out within eight weeks, the Council have the right to carry this out and charge the occupier for the service. It was agreed that a Notice should be inserted in the next issue of the Newsletter to this effect and Eileen Thomas agreed to print same. It was also noted that the trees on the roadway at Somerfield have been cut back. CCllr Mackay also mentioned the trees in Station Road.

Cllr Drummond raised the subject of litter control. Cllr Barnacle attended a recent meeting involving the School etc. and a programme is being put together to address this problem. It was noted that the mattress, which had been reported previously to BEAR, has not been removed from the motorway embankment. As BEAR have been non-responsive in this matter, an approach has been made to Environmental Services with the request that they uplift this item.

General Correspondence

Rural Community Wheels – This leaflet was handed over to CCllr Colliar.

Mortuary – A communication from the Council was received in relation to Light Up Kinross and the use of the Mortuary. They have requested that we now complete and return the letter dated 21st August 2006. Ross McConnell is to be asked to attend to this.



The Tourist Office at Turfhill

Tourist Office – The Chairman had been advised that Dobbies were to relinquish the lease on the Tourist Office. The CC wrote to Visit Scotland for confirmation on the position. They have confirmed that Dobbies wish to reclaim the building for their own use. The County Buildings was mentioned as a suitable site and Visit Scotland are to consider this in determining a location for a new Office.

Kinross Leaflets – Communication received from Susan Bathgate advising of distribution of leaflets around the Town. A new project is planned, using area based funding, to

publish a leaflet listing walks around the Kinross area.

Tourism Report – It was noted that there was no information about Kinross in this Report.

T in the Park – email received from Susan Bathgate/David Cuthbert in relation to request for sponsorship/guarantee from CC for hire of official photographer to take photographs at T in the Park. 500 photographs would be available and could be published on the Website and Newsletter. The photographer would require a Pass and, of course, this proposal would require to be approved by T in the Park Officials. CCllr Blyth will speak to their representatives in this regard.

Deer Commission for Scotland – Invitation for a representative of the CC to attend an Open Event at Hilton Dunkeld House Hotel on 11 June.

Anti-Social Noise Team

A representative, Anne Chandler, was present this evening and explained the work of the Anti Social Noise Team. The team of six was formed approximately one year ago, and are funded by the Scottish Executive. They are involved mainly with residential complaints, i.e. neighbours causing problems. They work from 4 pm to 2pm six days a week. Previously the Police would be called out to incidents. Most of the incidents involve parties and loud music. They call at the property and ask the occupier to turn down the volume. In most cases people will comply with this request. Their remit also covers gardens and garages on property. There are three categories, i.e. from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (under 41 decibels), from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. (37 decibels) and from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. (31 decibels). They are allowed to hand out warnings and, if necessary, a fixed penalty of £100.00. From around 1600 calls received in the last year, only six fixed penalties were issued. If required, the Police can also assist and the equipment can be removed. If there is a persistent problem there are other avenues which are in force to resolve this. Mediation meetings can be arranged between neighbours and have proved to be quite successful. The Anti-Social Noise Team telephone number is 01738 476173. Anonymous complaints are accepted, however these can prove to be less effective. Leaflets were circulated around those present. The Chairman thanked Anne for her attendance.

Other Business

Parking in Muirs – Cars were being parked in the Muirs up to the Business Centre. Cllr Robertson advised that he has written to the Council in relation to this matter. Vehicles entering the Muirs have restricted visibility due to the parking of cars in this area. The cars are blocking drives and gates. CCllr Colliar suggested that parking should be restricted to one side of the road only.

Blackfriars Development Centre, Perth – Notification of a variety of Seminars being held on 15 June providing information on how to apply for funding.

Council Members – Cllr Robertson advised that the Committees each member of the Council sit on are listed on the Council Website. Each Council member would attend meetings in Kinross as and when available.

The next meeting of Kinross CC will take place on Wednesday 4 July at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall.

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

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

Milnathort Community Council

News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 14 June were: CCllrs Giacopazzi (Chairman), Porter, Ross, Cottingham and Thomson. Apologies were received from CCllrs Bennet and Smith. Also in attendance were minute secretary E Rougvie, P&K Cllrs Robertson and Barnacle, two representatives of Tayside Police and 18 members of the public.

Police matters: Inspector Patience reported 'a couple of alarming trends' in relation to vehicle crime. Some vehicles in Kinross had been broken into, and he asked people to contact the police immediately if they saw anything suspicious. He also urged people not to leave valuables in their cars in Burleigh Sands car park, even under the seats, since a crime pattern was developing here. The police were following up a number of leads, but it would be better to prevent these thefts in the first place.

Inspector Patience then reported an incident of housebreaking in Milnathort the previous night, and stressed that although the village had a relatively low crime rate there was still always a risk. CCllr Giacopazzi said that entry may have been gained via an unlocked door. No-one should be complacent and should keep their front doors locked at all times.

In answer to a question by Mrs Cathy Watt, Inspector Patience said that the police were keeping an eye on properties that had been empty since last December's floods.

Planning matters: The following applications were noted: Upgrading of existing field access to form new field access to potential car park west of the junction of the A91 with Gallowhill Road; erection of a house at plot 1, Mawburn, Mawcarse; erection of a house and garage at plot B, Mawcarse; replacement of existing porch with new extended porch at 7 Reid Crescent; erection of a house on land to the rear of 38-40 New Road.



The garage on Wester Loan, subject of a planning application

Wester Loan: The application to demolish the garage and erect a retail unit and two flats at 2-12 Wester Loan prompted a lengthy discussion. CCllr Giacopazzi said he had received objections to the proposals and read out some extracts. Among the concerns were: this was an exclusively residential area; the application did not meet a local need and there was no justification for siting a unit of this size there; the site was next to the Town Hall and a number of other listed buildings; the proportions of the development were not in keeping with the surroundings; there were concerns about traffic congestion and the safety of pedestrians; since the site was used as garage there may be ground contamination; there was no provision for parking.

It was generally agreed that the application was an improvement on the previous one that was subsequently withdrawn, but the proposed development still dominated the landscape. After further discussion, the CC agreed to raise concerns on the following issues: the development's size; the lack of parking provision; its suitability in terms of servicing a retail outlet; its potential for flooding.

The issue of flooding led to a discussion about the application for land to the rear of 38-40 New Road. CCllr Giacopazzi withdrew at this point, but speaking as a member of the public he said that this was a re-submission; it had been brought forward by five feet and the question of flooding had been addressed by SEPA, who had passed it.

Flood report: CCllr Giacopazzi summarised Atkins' report into the failure of the flood defence system on 13 December 2006 and a lengthy discussion followed. It was agreed that the report was 'flawed' in terms of the timescale of events.

Among the concerns raised were: the service ducts had not been removed; the design by Arup Scotland and the construction by Byzack appeared to 'chop and change' as work progressed; SEPA was not contacted prior to work starting; villagers should have been shown a model of the flood defences before work began; someone must be held liable for the failure of the scheme.

Mrs Cathy Watt, whose home was one of the worst affected, said she would not be returning and that the house would be left as 'a monument' to P&KC for what they had done. She added that she would not be paying her council tax and would be prepared to go to jail.

CCllr Ross said that P&KC's executive director Jim Irons had shown no empathy in terms of the human cost of the floods and he would be demanding his dismissal.

CCllr Giacopazzi said there was no confidence in P&KC and that this must not be allowed to happen again in the village.

P&K Cllr Robertson indicated that a public meeting was to be held in the Thistle Hotel the following Wednesday which local MPs and MSPs would attend. It was agreed that the CC would meet beforehand to crystallise their thoughts and identify the key points they would raise.

The next meeting of Milnathort CC will be held on Thursday 12 July at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall.

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Portmoak Community Council

News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting on 12 June were: Wendy MacPhedran (Chairwoman), Sue Mitchell-Henry, Jo Morrell, Jim Shepherd, Alistair Smith, P&K Cllr W Robertson, Inspector Patience, PC Stephen and several members of the public.

Police Report

The police reported that there had been a series of break-ins to cars in Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell. They advised owners to be careful about leaving valuables in obvious places in cars. They should be removed and everything locked up.

There have been more incidences of youth vandalism in the community in the last month. The police emphasised that the public should phone straight away if they see any signs that cause them concern.

Chairwoman's Report

1) The Chair and CCllr Mitchell-Henry attended the Scottish Executive/Friends of the Earth Training session for CCllrs on the aspects on the new Planning Act for Scotland that will be coming into force.

2) Update on Stephens Field ownership: The Chair and Secy attended a meeting with Jim Lochhead of Stephens regarding the transfer of ownership of the field above Kinnesswood. Stephens have written to the CC explaining their reason for retaining a piece of the land for a possible house plot in the future. Stephens accept that the CC has the full right to object to anything that Stephens may propose in the future.

3) New CCllrs and creation of new sub-committees: The Chair emphasised that at present there are only five CCllrs, with vacancies for three more. The CC wishes to develop new sub-committees, such as Planning, and needs more CCllrs to fulfil this.

Secretary's Report

Annual Accounts and Annual Grant: the Treasurer has received the Annual Grant of £300.00 from P&KC.

Planning Application, Bowhouse by Leslie: the Secy had been informed that this Application had been granted consent.

The Secy had received a letter from the Kinross-shire Tourism Group enclosing a leaflet highlighting tourist paths and attractions around Kinross. The Group are proposing a similar leaflet for Kinross-shire and are asking all the CCs for proposals for their areas. The Secy will write in response, as there are a number of routes in Portmoak.

Paths Group

The Secy had received a draft copy of the Minutes of the last meeting. He had also been informed that P&KC had awarded the Paths Group £3,000.00 for the production of new leaflets and route signing for the re-named Michael Bruce Trail.

The Chair had received a letter from the Portmoak Woodland Trust asking for assistance in financing much needed repairs to the Tetley Trail as it passed through Kilmagadwood. The CC agreed to grant £250.00.

Kinross-shire Fund

The CC needs to appoint a new representative on the Kinross-shire Fund Committee.

Planning Matters

07/01076/FUL Erection of a single storey detached dwellinghouse, Kingsbank, Leslie Road, Scotlandwell: The CC had no comments to make on this application.

07/01172/FUL Wellside Motors, Main Street, Scotlandwell: The CC will write commenting that the application is next to the proposed Conservation Area in Scotlandwell and also asking that the height of the new house is checked against the heights of the houses around.

Housing in the Countryside Policy

The Secy had received a letter from Mr John Wheatley regarding the amended Housing in the Countryside Policy in which he expressed great concern about the relaxations in the policy. The CC is wholly supportive of this concern as it is being taken advantage of by developers already in the community. The Secy will write, stressing again the CC's great concern and asking that P&KC revisit the Policy and revert to the original Policy 64 in the current Local Plan. Cllr Robertson proposed that he and Cllr Barnacle arrange another joint meeting of all the Kinross-shire CCs and the Civic Trust and FORK.

P&K Councillor Robertson

Cllr Robertson presented an e-mail from Cllr Barnacle regarding progress on the new playground above Kinnesswood.



The new playground in Kinnesswood

Cllr Robertson intimated to the meeting that there had been a meeting today about the new High School. He anticipated that the contract could be signed before the end of the month.

Cllr Robertson also reminded the meeting that Phase 1 of the round the Loch Trail was now open. A member of the public asked about car parking facilities. Cllr Robertson suggested that people should wait until the autumn when more of the path will be opened before submitting comments on the facility. Loch Leven's Larder has cut a path through the fields to the start of the path at the Pow Burn. Lochend Farm has also cut an informal path from Scotlandwell to the Farm.

Other Matters

A member of the public asked about builder's rubble that had been left at the corner of the site by the new Car Park and playing fields at Kinnesswood. The Secy will write to P&KC.

The next meeting of Portmoak CC will be on Tuesday 10 July at 7.30pm in the Portmoak Village Hall.

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Cleish & Blairadam CC

News from the May Meeting

The CC met in Cleish Village Hall on 21 May and was attended by four CCllrs, P&K Cllrs Mike Barnacle and Kathleen Baird, PC Lynne Petrie, and thirty members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from Richard Jeffrey, Margaret Taylor and the Editor of the C&B Newsletter (Catharine Erskine).

Crime Prevention: PC Lynne Petrie has replaced PC Toni Pedersen as our Community Police Liaison Officer and she was warmly welcomed to the area and to the meeting. She reported that there had been no serious crime since the previous meeting apart from three house break-ins in March. Some items had been recovered but investigations are continuing. She highlighted the continuing Road Policing campaign which recently has focused on increasing complaints about motorcyclists.

She reminded the community to be particularly vigilant about bogus workmen and asked that any suspicions should be reported to Kinross Police Station with details on vehicle registration, makes and models and descriptions of the individuals involved. Similar information is required if anyone witnesses fly-tipping in the area.

Modernising the Planning System - Presentation by Peter Marshall, Planning Officer, Perth and Kinross Council: An excellent and timely presentation was given by Peter Marshall and the salient points are summarised below:

This is the first fundamental review of the planning system in Scotland since 1947 and is encompassed in the Planning etc. Scotland Act 2006, which was preceded by a more expansive White Paper in 2005.

The Act calls for a "culture change" in planning. The current National Planning framework is focused primarily on the cities of Scotland but the new administration may change this.

The act gets rid of the Structure Plans and is now based on four 'city regions'. We fall into Dundee City region plan. Within this there are currently six Local Development Plans (may be reduced to five). The act documents that there will no longer be a requirement for a Draft Plan, but this will be replaced by an Issues Paper which will require public consultation.

The Local Plan will by statute be updated every five years and be deliverable.

In the event of a public enquiry the power of the local authority to choose to disregard the recommendations of the Reporter will be curtailed. Reporters will be appointed by the Scottish Executive.

The hierarchy of planning decisions will be broadly:

National Development, e.g. New Forth Road Crossing - decision by Scottish Ministers.

Major Developments, e.g. Large scale housing/wind farms - dealt with by Council Officers.

Local Developments - delegated to the planning officers with appeals to the Council.

Minor Developments, e.g. Extensions to houses - no applications required.

There has been little guidance as to what defines each category, but the last one is expected to take out 10,000 applications per year, thus speeding up the process for more major developments. The Council will be required to be more accountable with documentation as to how and why they reached their decisions. There will now be 21 days

(currently 14) to lodge an objection.

Neighbourhood Notification will become the duty of the Council and not the developer. There will need to be greater community consultation and "good neighbour agreements".

Enforcement: This has always been limited by the number of officers, but in the future the date of commencement of a development will need to be notified to the Council to facilitate enforcement.

Peter Marshall took a number of questions from the floor. We are grateful for the time he took to attend the meeting.

Planning

Sunnyside Farm Cottages: raising of the roofline by approximately 4 feet - no objection from either the neighbours or the CC.

West Mains, Cleish: Erection of three dwelling houses and associated access: A number of comments were received from the floor. Whilst there was no outright objection to development on this site there were considerable concerns about the design of the houses, the number, the positioning within the site and the linear nature of the development, the lack of natural boundaries, the proximity of one plot to neighbouring house (8 metres), the style of the development being out of keeping with the cottage type dwellings in the area. As the application stands it was agreed that the CC should oppose this development.

Land at Moreland Farm, Cleish: Four separate applications for four houses. The main concerns were with regard to the number and siting of the units as there were no details as to the design. Until there are further plans it is difficult to comment further. The overall impression, however, was that this was not the right development for that area.

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Boreland Farm, Cleish: Proposed demolition of redundant farm buildings and outbuildings and erection of ten steading units and three dwelling houses: There were unanimous objections to this development from the CCllrs, echoed by many comments from the floor. Whilst it is recognised that the steading conversions can be an enhancement (Blairfordel Farm) the proposals for Boreland Farm contravene the Housing in the Countryside policy. The density of the development is unacceptable, given the road access and local infrastructure. The development does not comply with the footprint of the existing structures and the three dwelling houses replace a tied farmhouse. The architecture is not sympathetic to the surrounding buildings and is more in keeping with an urban estate, deemed completely inappropriate for the rural landscape. The CC will object to this development. The developer was given an opportunity by the Chairman to speak, and it is proposed to convene a community meeting in Cleish in the near future. The developer asked that the letter of objection from the CC be delayed until after this meeting. The Chairman indicated that this would not be possible because of time limits given by P&KC to respond.

Planning Applications Pending: Birchwood Cottage, Blairadam - House and garage on site of former cottage - to be determined. Flockhouse - erection of new farmhouse - approved. Greenacres - land to south of plot 2 and land to north - declined. Kinnaird - erection of dwelling house - approved. Templeton - erection of 1 dwelling house - yet to be determined. Sunnyside Farm - erection of 6 stable blocks - temporary approval for 3 years. Sunnyside - 12 houses - decision awaited. Nivingston - erection of 16 dwelling houses - application withdrawn. Tillyrie - 5 wind turbines - has not yet been to committee.

Housing in the Countryside: Cllr Barnacle indicated that there had been a meeting to discuss how this policy was panning out in practice. Cllr Barnacle is now a Vice-Convenor of the Development Control Committee.

T in the Park: Following a meeting with the organisers and Cllr Barnacle, it is reported that there will again be routing of northbound traffic off the M90 towards Crook of Devon along the B9097 (Jct. 5) and back towards the site. The organisers are aware of local concerns and will leaflet the area 10 days before the event with information about road closures and how to obtain residents' permits/passes. A meeting was due to take place on Monday 18 June.

The next meeting of Cleish & Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 20 August in Cleish.

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Fossoway & District CC

News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 5 June in Moubray Hall, Powmill were: I Booth (Chair), F Saunders, H Wallace, L Stronach, I Farquhar, T Duffy-Wigman, A Morrison, P&K Councillor M Barnacle and 35 members of the public. Apologies were received from L Boulter.

Community Policing: The Community Police Officer reported that there had been a theft from a compound at Drum and from Moubray Hall; in addition five cars had been broken into in Kinross in one evening. He urged people to be vigilant and not to leave property in cars.

There had been complaints about speeding, particularly by motorcyclists, and the Police had instituted mobile speed traps in the area.

A member of the public reported a 'Beware of the Bull' sign had been removed. This was condemned as being very dangerous and the Community Officer urged members of the public to report these incidents.

ASBO Noise Team: A very interesting presentation was given on this matter and leaflets were distributed to all present. The key points which arose were that the team dealt only with anti-social noise and not with anti-social behaviour. The noise had to originate from a house, garden, etc and must be heard in another house.

Matters Arising

Devonshaw Quarry: A letter was sent to the landowner. The preferred option was a leisure amenity. Cllr Barnacle emphasised this would mean the area would become a managed environment.

Fossoway Primary School: A letter was sent to the Head Teacher who had issued a letter to parents regarding the parking problem. The parents had been requested to sign and return the letter.

Solsgirth Mine Site Development: It was understood that Clackmannanshire Council had deferred the decision.

T in the Park Event: Buses on the last night will leave at 1am instead of 3am. There would be more toilet facilities on the route to Balado.

Air Show at Balado: It was intended that the traffic management would be dealt with in the same way as T in the Park.

Fossoway Community Website: CCllr Trudy Duffy-Wigman gave a brief presentation on the possibility of developing a Fossoway Community Website. The price for a 150MB website was approximately £40 per year. A letter was being sent to all community groups asking them if they wished to participate. There was a general feeling of support for the initiative. A member of the public pointed out that there were already some links to the Kinross website.

New Drainage System, Crook of Devon: Kevin Bell plus two colleagues from Scottish Water and two representatives from McAlpines gave a presentation on the new drainage system and the problems they had encountered. The original cost was scheduled at £3.3M but because of delays and problems the cost was now over £5M. All properties were scheduled to be on the new system by the end of August 2007. There was considerable debate on the whole topic and a large number of questions from the public, particularly on the continual delays, the disruption to people, the cost overrun and the apparent lack of co-ordination and control of the project. There was particular disquiet that the Village Institute, which is used very

regularly by the community, was not being connected, whereas the Scout Camp which was not related to the community had been included. Scottish Water stated they had approached the scouting community and that was why it had been added.

It was pointed out that a number of houses which, like the Scout Camp, drained into the River Devon had been included and yet around eight houses in the main village and the Institute had been excluded. In the case of the Institute it did not even drain into the Devon and should have been included in the original environmentally based scheme.

Scottish Water replied that the eight houses and the Institute were not within the scope of the scheme and there was only funding for the existing numbers. Scottish Water was then asked about spare capacity and could these houses and the Institute be given priority for this spare capacity. Scottish Water responded that applications would be on a first come first served basis. There was general disquiet with this response.

Cllr Barnacle pointed out that a great deal of money had been provided to deal with a local problem. He had been informed that there would be a review after the system had been in operation for 12 months. After that review he would like to see the Institute and the eight houses added. There was also the outstanding issue of roads, particularly Station Road and the road to Broomhill Kennels. He had organised a meeting for 6.30pm on 20 June in the Institute with interested parties to try to find a way forward.

Core Path Network: Bronwen Wheatley gave a presentation on the progress of the Core Path Network. The project commenced in summer 2005 and a number of people and landowners signed up to the group. In 2006, four consultations took place in each parish within Fossoway. Over the last year considerable progress has been made and paths proposed which will allow connections between villages and walks from each village. Maps will be issued in the next few weeks. The landowners affected by the proposed paths will have the opportunity to discuss the routes. Then the plans will be issued by P&KC. Around November there will be community consultation. The results of this have to be with the Scottish Executive by February 2008. Landowners will have the ability to challenge the routes formally after this and these objections would then go to a public enquiry.

Perth & Kinross Council Business: Cllr Barnacle reported there were four local members for Kinross-shire and Glenfarg: W Robertson, M Barnacle, K Baird and S Miller. He attended a meeting on 4 June with FLAG who wound themselves up. The Community had raised £72,000 to set up Waulkmill Park and now it would be run by Environmental Services.

As a result of CC pressure there were traffic counters at Cambo. Speed signs were now up west of Powmill for 40 MPH. Also 20 MPH signs in Back Crook and part time in Main Street were to be erected. There had been objections raised about 40, 30 and 20 MPH signs in Crook of Devon as it would be confusing. There was support from the CC for 30 MPH level to the end of the settlement at Craighead and to Brigland's Lodge.

A member of the public said in addition to 30 MPH signs there was a need for double white lines.

Cllr Barnacle stated he had asked for this before but it had not been taken up because of the problem of passing slow

moving agricultural vehicles. A member of the public pointed out the Highway Code stated you can pass if it is safe to do so. There was general support for a 30 MPH extension as previously stated.

Cllr Barnacle was trying to obtain funding for a roundabout at Fossoway Garage.

The Council had to respond to the Scottish Executive on speed controls on A & B roads by August. He had attended his first meeting of Forth Estuary Transport Authority. P&KC has a long-term position of eliminating tolls on the Forth Bridge. He had moved an amendment to this position to ask if the toll plaza could be used to control traffic at peak times.

Planning Reports: Cllr Farquhar reported on his meeting with a senior member of planning regarding CC's concerns over lack of transparency, lack of trust and confusion over policies. The person shared our concerns and advised that the new Planning Scotland Act 2006 has addressed these concerns. The Scottish Executive has initiated community engagement. There will be enhanced community involvement. It had been a very constructive meeting.

07/00319/FUL - Residential dwelling at Hilton of Aldie. Recommend deferral to determine full extent of reusable structures and establish a sustainable design for the site more compatible with traditional stading development.

07/00741/OUT - Erection of dwelling house, The Brae, Rumbling Bridge. Recommend refusal on account of over-development of an established and balanced housing group, the loss of amenity to neighbours, it is a detrimental development within a well balanced grouping. Other reasons – inadequate drainage provisions, risk of well contamination, traffic congestion at road junction with A823.

07/00767/FUL – Extension to Craighton bungalow. Recommend approval subject to satisfactory drainage provisions and services.

07/00814/FUL – Alteration to previous plans for redevelopment of Wester Muirhead. Recommend refusal pending resolution of outstanding matters in original application.

07/00872/FUL – Extension to Garden Room and Greenhouse at Blairingone Mains – Recommend approval.

07/00944/LBC – Extension at Bridge House, Naemoor Road. Recommend refusal/deferral for a reworking of the design to realise a simpler plan and a more appropriate design.

07/00956/FUL – Change of use to Model Aircraft Flying Site at South Kilduff. Recommend approval.

07/00995/FUL – Change of use to stables and livery at Craiglaw Farm. Recommend deferral for discussion to determine any requirement, forecast requirement to make site secure, the provision of fencing, clear visibility sight lines for vehicles with horseboxes and trailers and sewage disposal. Mr Harley pointed out the site was not Craiglaw Farm.

General Correspondence Received

Letter from Councillor Kathleen Baird - Introductory letter asking for a copy of last Minutes and list of meetings and venues. Information sent.

Jim Irons - acknowledging letter re Devonshaw Quarry – passed to I Sleith, Head of Development Standards.

Perth & Kinross Community Transport Group – Information on Perth & Kinross Community Transport issues. Availability of public transport maps call 0845

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Mrs Walker – copy of our letter to parents.

Copy of Frank Wellman letter to Scottish Water CEO re delay to Drum sewage scheme.

Clackmannanshire Council – Details of reasons for deferral of decision on Solsgirth Mine Site

T in the Park Team – Minutes of Meeting re T in the Park arrangements.

Fossoway & Cleish Community Office – Nomination of Councillor to be a representative of Community Office Committee – seek volunteer.

P&KC Traffic & Road Safety Principal Engineer – Traffic Survey for 1st week in June corresponding with event at Knockhill and indicates Cambo will be included in assessment of sites with a widespread disregard for speed limits, part of a Scottish Executive initiative on speed management.

Deer Commission for Scotland – seeking a representative to attend open event at Dunkeld House Hotel on 11 June.

Any Other Business

J Farquhar – Dog Bins. Support for suggestion they be placed between Moubray Hall and Gairney Burn.

Member of public pointed out the abuse of the 10T weight limit on Naemoor Bridge by buses and refuse lorries.

Parking in streets at Church time on Sunday.

Cllr Barnacle had raised the matter of refuse lorries with Environmental Services previously and will do so again. He had also previously written to the Congressional Board about Sunday parking.

CC to discuss matters with Head of Scripture Union and write to Environmental Services.

There were a significant number of members of the public who raised the subject of planning applications at Pitfar and Barnhill. There were major concerns in respect of these developments and there were at least six objections to both applications. There was concern that concerns over a previous development, at Tethyknowe, had been ignored and that presentations to the Planning Committee were taken at face value and not properly investigated.

Cllr Barnacle stated he was the new Vice-Convenor of Development Control. He had requested that the department look at housing in the countryside policy look at how it has been applied since inception.

After considerable debate it was agreed that the objections should be given to I Farquhar and, if necessary, a special council meeting would be convened to discuss the matter.

The next meeting of Fossoway & District CC will take place at Carnbo Village Hall on Tuesday 7 August at 7.30pm.

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Club & Community Group News

Kinross Potager Garden

The Kinross Potager Garden in Bowton Road is a community garden which provides a pleasant place where people can learn about and enjoy gardening. The garden is open to the public every day from April – September and is run by a small group of volunteers. 2007 has been a wonderful year with many new volunteers and groups enjoying the garden.

Perth College ran a 10 week course in Horticultural Practices from April to June. This course had only been run in Perth before and all those taking part were impressed that such a wonderful venue was available on their own doorstep. Hopefully this is just the first of many courses and workshops on a variety of gardening topics that will be run in the garden. Also new this year was an After School Club for pupils attending Kinross Primary School. The club is run by a group of parents and meets weekly to offer a range of gardening and craft activities.

The garden has close links with Kinross Primary School. Every year we are amazed at how well the children work in the garden but this year Mrs Bradley-Parrish's class excelled. Not only did they work hard in the garden they also found time to produce some wonderful signs for the garden and organise a plant sale.

The Grow Your Own Grub project was a joint venture between the P5 class and the After School Club. They were



The After School Club scarecrow!

all enjoying growing their own food so much that it seemed like a nice idea to let more people join in. A range of vegetables were grown at the Potager to a stage where the pupils from the Primary School could buy the plants to take home and grow on in their own gardens. They included boxes of mixed salad leaves, beans, courgettes, pumpkins and herbs. All the plants were sold in record time and £150 was raised for the garden. Hopefully this is something that can be repeated in future years.

Many of the people who use the garden have previously had no experience of growing their own food and they derive a huge sense of achievement from this. They are also surprised at how easy it is and we hope that the basic skills and knowledge they gain will give them the confidence to carry on gardening.

Barbara Graham has been the Chairman of the Potager committee for the last four years. She is moving out of Kinross this summer and would like to thank all those people who have supported the garden during this time. Whilst

being sad to leave the garden she is sure that it will continue to thrive in the very capable hands of its new Chairman, Michelle Hardaker.

If you are interested in getting involved or finding out more about the garden please contact Michelle Hardaker, Tel: 01577 862622, email dhardaker@tiscali.co.uk

Library - Latest News

As the summer holidays approach there is something for everyone at Kinross library. Each week sees additions to the library book stock. If you are unable to find the latest title by Wilbur Smith, Jodi Picoult, Stuart McBride or your own favourite author on the shelf, please ask at the desk to have it reserved for you. Alternatively you can request it on line by accessing www.pkc.gov.uk and selecting the quick link to Libraries and Archives. There are also many new non-fiction titles including a wide variety of travel guides which should prove especially useful at this time of year. New multimedia items, DVDs, CDs, videos and audio books are also available and there is no hire charge for the over 60s.

For junior readers this summer's reading challenge is "THE BIG WILD READ" which is part of BBC's Breathing Places. There are folders, cards, stickers and other goodies to collect. The aim is to read six books from the library. By reading books, you can open your mind, help save the planet – and have loads of fun. The start date for enrolling at the library is Wednesday 27 June and it will run until the beginning of September. Throughout the summer the *Story Telling Sessions* for under 5s will continue to be held in the library each Tuesday morning from 10.30-11.00 am. The *Rhythm & Rhyme* sessions for babies and toddlers will also continue to meet on the last Thursday of the month at 2 pm at the Millbridge Hall, Kinross.

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May Draw

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2nd	No 4	Shelagh Goudie, Kinnesswood
3rd	No 29	Frieda Irving, Kinnesswood

Fair Break Café News

The Coffee and Book Shop in Milnathort has been raising funds this past month for the Emergency Darfur Appeal. Thanks to all who baked, performed, served or came to the Sunday Strawberry Cream Teas which helped us raise £250. We will continue with this worthwhile project during the month of July. While Sundays have been quite busy, the evening hours (Monday-Friday, 7-9pm) have been fairly quiet so we would like to encourage the locals to come along for a coffee or a good book and please bring or tell your friends. Fridays are "Open Mic" nights for any budding artist. The shop is also available for hire during the day or on Saturday or Sunday evening for a meeting, activity, or lessons. ie. Any interest in classes on parenting skills or baby-sitting skills for the teenagers? Your ideas would also be appreciated. Thus far we have a Scrabble group that meets on Thursday from 2-4.30pm and a meditation group that meets Thursday 6.00 -6.30pm. All are welcome. On **Saturday 14 July** Fair Break will be welcoming some of the 80 Asylum Seekers from Castlemilk in Glasgow who are coming to Kinross and Milnathort for a day out in the country (C in the Park!) You are warmly invited to join them for a coffee and a chat between 1-5pm. For any further information about these events or about volunteering at Fair Break please contact Marg Meade on 01577 863557 or Meg Cowie on 01577 864762.

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Scotlandwell in Bloom (on behalf of SCIAF) together with the Well Country Inn held a 'Bloomin' Great' Race Night on Friday 30 March to raise funds to buy a well for the people of Cambodia. The race was sponsored by local businesses (Wellside Power Wash, Sandy Baird Refrigeration, Network Distribution, Kinnesswood Garage, Lomond Country Inn, Colin Kerr (Chartered Accountant), Rock Leven Events and Scotlandwell in Bloom). The restaurant area of the Well Country Inn was transformed into a racecourse and Scotlandwell in Bloom committee members became 'bookies' for the evening. The roof was raised as everyone cheered and shouted their horses to the winning post.

The SCIAF project is in Cambodia in the Siem Reap province and exists to support 14 villages to improve the availability of clean water and food, improve their income and protect their health. The villagers are mainly rice farmers and their families.

We had a very successful race night and as such are able to give the people of Cambodia a real gift of clean water. The excess money raised will go towards the restoration of the Wash House in Scotlandwell which is Phase 2 of our Well Enhancement Project.

A cheque for £557 was handed over to Peter McMillan, a SCIAF representative on Wednesday 30 May at a small reception in the Well Country Inn. Peter was absolutely overwhelmed with what we had achieved.

A huge thank you must also be extended to the Well Country Inn who organised the raffle of a giant Easter Bunny to raise funds for Scotlandwell in Bloom's flower fund. The winner of the bunny was Jim Smith.

Once again, thank you to everyone who supported our events.

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Projects. While in this past month there have been no special events on our calendar, and a few of our Volunteers have been away enjoying well-earned breaks, the work of Common Grounds has been steadily ticking over. Thanks to the continuing support of friends and customers, the Volunteers were able at their May meeting to approve the payment of a £500 donation to the leprosy programme in the Andhra Pradesh region of India. In addition, this programme seeks to help manage existing disabilities and promote selfhelp in the community.

The project chosen to follow this is in support of the Mary Slessor Foundation in raising funds to purchase a machine to extract pine kernel oil. This will be a third machine in a Nigerian self-sustaining project which will give employment to a number of people. The Foundation also aims to encourage crop growing and bee keeping in the area to introduce further sources of income.

Book Club. More new members were welcomed to the club's June meeting. It meets in the Church Street Hall on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 7.30pm. Anyone wishing more information should contact Marlene Whyte on 01592 840371.

Pay Us a Visit. As all Newsletter readers should know by now, Common Grounds is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm in the Church Street Hall, Milnathort. Offering refreshments, home baking, Fairtrade goods craftwork and good company.

Contacts outside opening hours are - Pat Payne on 862715, Jim Henry on 864452 or Shirley Morgan on 864745.

Stop Press. Another of Common Grounds' popular folk music evening is being arranged for **Friday 20 July** in the Church Street Hall, Milnathort. Look out for further details.

Inner Wheel Club of Kinross & District



Inner Wheel has now come to the end of their meeting year.

Over the last ten months we have had some very interesting and informative speakers and we thank them all for coming along and giving their time. Our final meeting on Monday 11 June was also our change-over of President and Office Bearers. Outgoing President May Paterson handed over the chain of office to new Club President, Linda Bayne.

New Committee for 2007/2008:

President – Linda Bayne Vice President – Alison Reid

Secretary – Fiona Mapp Treasurer – Grace George

We have dispersed our charity fund for the year 2006/2007 to the following: Kinross Day Centre, Princes Royal Trust for Carers, Friends of Kirkgate Park, The Boys' Brigade, The Volunteer Group Rural Outreach, The Royal National Lifeboat Institute and Water Aid, an overseas charity.

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Kinross-shire Historical Society

Summer visit



Following a popular talk given by Mr Jamie Montgomery to the Kinross-shire Historical Society during the winter of 2005-06, society members were given the privilege of visiting Kinross House this summer. On a beautiful sunny May afternoon, Mrs Lizzie Montgomery welcomed us and gave us a very interesting conducted tour of their magnificent historic home.

Kinross House was designed and built by the architect of Holyrood Palace, Sir William Bruce, for his own family in the mid-seventeenth century. Bruce designed his home to be centred on the view of Loch Leven castle with the island half a mile away across the water to the east and the town of Kinross is half a mile away, to the west.

While half the group was shown round the house, the other half was taken round the beautiful gardens by Historical Society member and retired Head Gardener Mr Bobby Campbell. We were lost in admiration for the superb upkeep of the very extensive gardens and enjoyed hearing how they had developed through the years.

May we thank our hosts Mr and Mrs Jamie Montgomery for their hospitality and remind readers that the first meeting of the Historical Society for the winter season will be held at the church in Station Road, Kinross on **Monday 15 October**. Everyone welcome.

Kinnesswood in Bloom

Firstly, we'd like to thank the locals for their continued support especially David Buchan, John Bird, George Frew, Peter Anderson and Lesley Johnston. Your donations and goodwill are very much appreciated.

April and May have been a busy time for the KiB team. Not only have we been working hard to maintain the areas established last year but we've almost completed work on the new garden around Mrs Clydesdale's bench. June will see the arrival of the hanging baskets and the re-planting of all the tubs and containers. The team was invited to Falkland this year to learn a few of their planting secrets so we're expecting great things!

Our new watering system will be a real bonus this year though we would still welcome volunteers willing to take on the odd shift here and there. If you would like to help or contribute in any way please come along to our meetings on the first Thursday of every month in the Lomond Country Inn or have a word with Dave Goodwin at Buchan's Garage. Attending meetings isn't a must, so even if you can only spare an hour to help with strimming, weeding or grass-cutting, it would really help. You never know, you might actually enjoy it!



Lomond Antiques and Collectors Club



At the AGM the President reviewed another successful year for the club before the programme convenor outlined the proposed programme for 2007-8. Yet again, the committee stood down and promptly popped up again. As ever, members generously offered to host meetings. Proposed venues for a visit were discussed but no decision made. Items brought along by members ranged from a vinaigrette to drinking glasses, from a jug to Mauchline ware featuring Loch Leven Castle and from a tiny spoon for opium use to the joy stick of a pre-World War I plane. Members then enjoyed strawberries and cream courtesy of Madam President.

Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club



At the June meeting the speaker was Alistair McNeil. Accompanied by slides and music, Alistair gave a most enjoyable talk on his journey from the Orkneys, down the east coast, to as far as North Berwick. A vote of thanks was given followed by a hearty applause.

Friday Walks

13 July: Blair Atholl and Glen Banvie, a circular walk of 10 miles from the car park in the woods near the Glen Tilt walk. This is along estate roads with some steady climbs, and **leaves Kinross at the earlier time of 9am.**

27 July: Bishop Hill from the Holl Reservoir, this is a circular walk of about 9 miles, also with some climbing. Cars will be needed, since the minibus is not available for this walk. This time we leave at 9.30am as usual.

Hillwalkers: On 25 May our group tackled the walk from Kinaird to Loch Skiach and Little Loch Skiach for the first time, this was accomplished in mixed but mainly dry weather.

On 8 June we undertook another favourite walk of the group's, from Dunkeld Sawmill to Loch Ordie. Despite the forecast, the weather stayed dry and we were rewarded with a magnificent display of rhododendrons around the Loch Ordie Lodge.

On 6 July we will walk Glen Almond from the Sma' Glen through to Loch Tay at Ardtainig, a walk of approximately 10 miles. We venture closer to home on 20 July when we will hike through Pitmedden Forest. Members should be aware that the minibus is not available on the 20th.

Please note that our membership list is currently closed.

July Meeting: The speaker on **5 July** will be Judith Fairley on "Malawi".

Swansacre Playgroup



Enrol your child now!

You can enrol your child now for playgroup sessions after the summer holidays. Sessions are Monday to Friday 9.00 – 11.30 am. Children from the age of 2 years are welcome.

You can also enrol your child for the afternoon sessions of Storycraft (Monday), Rising Fives (Wednesday), Babies & Toddlers (Thursday) and Wee Swans (Friday).

During the holidays our Babies and Toddler session will continue on the Thursday afternoons from 1-3pm. Older children are welcome and weather permitted we'll have a play in the garden. If you would like to see the premises and have a chat about playgroup or the other groups please come along.

For an information pack, an enrolment form or more information please contact Bouwien (863107) or Gillian (865069).

Kinross High School Board



At the final meeting of the present Kinross High School Board, members were joined by representatives of the school's P.T.A. Yet again there was disappointment at the lack of progress towards financial closure for the proposed new school. Final details for the Board's Award for Citizenship Quaich were ironed out and members hope the school and wider community will have come forward with nominations in time for the Awards Evening.

Kinross in Bloom



If you are enjoying the lovely baskets, planters and barrels all around the town, why not support what we do by joining our 200 Club? (£1 a month, and half the proceeds paid out monthly as prizes). Just phone Diane McDiarmid on 865943. June winners will be announced in next month's Newsletter.

Our team of volunteers is now busy keeping all those flowers watered (yes, even when it has rained).

If you see our watering buggy (hard to miss, with flashing orange light!) out and about round the town, do give us a wave of encouragement.

If you'd like to get involved, please ring us, or to find out more see www.kinrossinbloom.co.uk

Our **AGM** is on **Wednesday 25 July** at the Green Hotel.

There is still time to enter our gardening competition...

Gardening Competition 2007

Thanks to all who have posted their entries in the KIB box at Sands post office, but we need more!! All those who have entered in past years have received an entry form, so please fill them in and post at Sands. All entrants will receive an acknowledgement. We have even more prizes to award this year, just look at the categories - something here for everyone:

Best Kept Garden, Best Container, Best Business Display, Best Junior Entry, Best Small Garden, Best Garden Design, Best Senior entry (over 60 yrs), Best Vegetables and the Kinross Community Council Award. You can enter as many categories as you wish, and entry is free.

The cut off date for entries is Saturday 14 July.

Judges this year are David Roulston of Wester Dalqueich, and Euna Scott of P&K Environmental Services, and **judging** will take place on **Tuesday 17 July**, with prizes awarded at the Kinross Show in August.

Please support the good work of Kinross in Bloom by entering the Gardening Competition. Entry forms are available alongside the box at Sands.

A partially completed form has been received, name and details missing so if you have completed a form and haven't received an acknowledgement, please phone Carole on 01577 850214.

Milnathort School Association

We recently held a very successful Summer Fair at the school, in association with other organisations involved with the Milnathort Family Festival. The Fair was extremely well attended, thanks no doubt to the wonderful weather, and we raised £950, bringing the total raised during the year to around £4000. The funds will be presented to the school shortly and will be put towards the installation of electronic whiteboards in the school, to enhance the children's learning experience. Some will also be used to provide new storage facilities for outdoor toys at the nursery. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the local businesses, families and individuals who have supported the MSA this year by donating items for raffles etc and attending events, thus helping us to raise this phenomenal amount.

Kinross & District Rotary Club



The Rotary Month

Dick Crichton was the speaker at the Club Meeting on 14 May. He related many an amusing tale from his wanderings throughout Europe, asking the President to select a letter from the alphabet to prompt his memory and an appropriate story.

A request for a bale of pink string back in 1997 led to well known local ironmonger, Stewart Skinner, becoming increasingly involved in the organisation of the annual T in the Park Concerts at Balado. Stewart explained to the Club Meeting on 21 May that the organisers increasingly called upon him to supply a variety of different pieces of equipment often at very short notice. He went on to recount some of the unusual incidents and problems that occurred before, during and after the concert. The average daily attendance last year was 80,000 and tickets for this year's event were over-subscribed 47 times. Serious thought is now being given to ensure the local supporters receive a larger share of the available tickets. The vote of thanks was given by Rotarian Jim Paterson.

At the meeting held on 28 May the members had the pleasure of presenting Alex Murphy with the Rotary Citizen of the Year Award. The award was given in recognition of Alex's 61 years promoting the Kinross & District Pipe Band and for his work in introducing piping to countless young people. One of his star pupils, 13 year-old Douglas Weir, led in the top table and played some pipe tunes during the evening.

The meeting also enjoyed a lively presentation from Alasdair MacDonald on Scone Palace. A retired head teacher and now Head Guide at the Palace, Alex recalled parts of the history of the Palace from the days of the first King of Scots, Kenneth McAlpine. Alex also spoke of his own thoughts on the tale of the Stone of Destiny and the developments through out the years at the Palace which now attracts over 100,000 visitors a year. The vote of thanks was given by Rotarian Kelvin Reay.

On 30 May the team from Kinross Primary School had a convincing win in the inter school quiz held in early June and now go forward to the district final with runners-up Morrison's Academy from Crieff.

At the Rotary Club of Kinross & District meeting held on 4 June Rotarian John Stewart was presented with a Paul Harris Award by the District Governor Elect, David Rankin. The Paul Harris Award is the highest honour the Association can bestow on one of its members and was awarded to John for his long and outstanding service to the movement. John joined the Rotary Club of Monifieth in 1982 and after some time at the Perth St John's Club joined the Kinross Club in 1993 following his appointment as manager of the local Bank of Scotland. John is well known in the area as he is, amongst other positions, the current treasurer of the Kinross Curling School, an elder in the Parish Church and a Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Perth & Kinross.

On the sporting front, the Kinross Rotary Golf Team took second place in a Scottish Golf Event run by the Haddington Club that attracted over 60 entries. A putting competition held prior to the meeting on 11 June was won by President Elect, Barry Davies.

Kinross Boys & Girls Brigade

The annual display and presentation of awards was held at Kinross Church Centre on Friday 1 June and was well attended by parents and friends alike.

Award winners:

Anchors Section

Best Squad

Wallace Nelson, Ben Cormack, Lewis Bathgate, Aaron Stanfield, Ewan Thomson, Wilson Baillie, Shannon Fleming & Claire Wilson

Best Anchor:

3rd Year

1st Douglas Mair, 2nd Wallace Nelson, 3rd Faye Mathieson

2nd Year

1st Matthew Hendry, 2nd Arran Smedley, 3rd Jack Watson

1st Year

1st Claire Wilson, 2nd Abbie Watson, 3rd Emma Bathgate

Junior Section

Best Squad

Lewis McKenzie, Kathryn Spain, George Dick, Christopher Austin, Mark Barron & Adam Sweeney

Best Junior

3rd Year

Kathryn Spain, Lewis McKenzie, Lewis McArthur

2nd Year

George Dick, Duncan Lewis, Amy Bryson

1st Year

Mark Cathro, Mark Barron, Adam Sweeney

Company Section

Promotion to Lance Corporal: Mark Smillie, Andrew Morris, Hannah Lopez, Abi Clark, Lauren Bell, Rebecca Hutt.

Promotion to Corporal: Andrew Hutchison, Nicholas Lauener, Alice Eade & Neil Boath

Trophies Won

Perth Volleyball Recreational League Cup

Most Improved Volleyball Player – Jamie Booth

Ten Pin Bowling Cup: Officers – Mr Rodney Thomson
Brigaders – Andrew Hutchison

Perth Battalion Trophies

Chess: Andrew Lauener

1500 metres: Peter Eade

Badminton: Andrew Lauener, Andrew Hutchison,
Sam Dick & Peter Eade

Basketball: Andrew Lauener, Andrew Hutchison,
Sam Dick, Peter Eade & Jamie Booth

Volleyball: Andrew Lauener, Andrew Hutchison,
Sam Dick, Peter Eade, Jamie Booth
and Nicholas Lauener

Swimming Cup – Peter Eade

Individual Shield – Douglas Weir

Pullar Inkstand – Ross Mathieson

Senior Scripture Search – Sam Dick

Intermediate Scripture Search Medal – Andrew Morris

Junior Scripture Search Medal – David Johnstone

Target Scripture Search – Douglas MacKessack



Company Awards

Best Squad – Squad 3: Sam Dick, Jamie Booth, Rebecca Hutt, Blair Brown, Matthew Campbell & Frances Lopez.

Best Camper – Alice Eade

Neale Trophy (Citizenship) – Sam Dick

Best Recruit - 1st Blair Brown; 2nd David Wilcox; 3rd

Douglas MacKessack

Melville Trophy (Best Brigader) – Andrew Lauener

President's Badges – Nicholas Lauener, Andrew Hutchison & Neil Boath

Annual Summer Camp

The Company is preparing for annual summer camp at Lebhall near Ballater on the banks of the River Dee. This will be an adventure camp with hillwalking, mountain biking, canoeing, rock climbing and abseiling and take place during the last full week of July.

Diabetes UK (Scotland)

Kinross Voluntary Group

At our last meeting of season on Saturday 16 June Angela Ellingford from the Diabetic Retinopathy National Screening Programme gave us a very informative talk on the importance and benefits of regular eye screening for diabetics. She also showed us some of the digital photography showing damage to the back of the eye caused by poorly controlled diabetes and explained how treatment can slow down the deterioration - a completely pain free undertaking, she assured us.

Our thanks to her for giving so freely of her time.

Safoni-aventis UK are again sponsoring Walk in the Park 2007 to help raise funds for research into diabetes. Our own walk this year will be held in Lochore Meadows, Lochgelly Fife on **8 July** from 11am-1pm. You can walk anything from 1 to 3.6 miles. If you would like details of this please contact Sara Ling Diabetes UK Scotland, Savoy House, 140 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, G2 3DH, or telephone 0141 332 2700 or email scotland@diabetes.org.uk

We have started compiling the programme for the next session. If you have any ideas on what you would like included as points of interest we shall be pleased to hear from you.

Our next meeting will be on **Saturday 22 September**.

Venue: Millbridge Hall Kinross. Time: 10.15 am for 10.30 am.

If you need any further information about the group please contact;

Vivian - Area Liaison Volunteer Diabetes UK
01738 635826, or Linda 01577 861217

Kinross & District Art Club

KADAC members held their final meeting of the spring term on 29 May and will re-commence for the winter term, at 2pm on **Tuesday 5 September** in the Millbridge Hall.

Our future calendar includes an outdoor painting day in July and the Club's **Annual Art Exhibition 13-15 September**. Visitors should please note that the exhibition venue this year will be the Parish Church, Station Road, Kinross.

Work by Club members will be on display and some offered for sale. Opening times and more detail will be given in the August edition of the KCC Newsletter and local press.

It is hoped that, following last years success, a craft exhibition will also form part of the event.



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Sports News

Kinross Road Runners



Runners were faced with a choice between the Edinburgh Marathon and the Dunfermline Half Marathon on 27 May. The races clashed this year as the Edinburgh Marathon moved to the earlier date in an attempt to avoid the hot weather experienced by runners at last year's race. This year's cool and windy weather caused different problems for the Marathoners as they had to run into the wind for several miles as they headed along the coast from Cramond to Port Seton. However the windy conditions didn't seem to bother Trish Milne who finished 25 minutes faster than last year in 3:30:41. Personal best times were also recorded by Ross McConnell (3:53:13), Chris Hills (3:56:36) and Lynn Whisker (4:08:36). Isabel Carmichael did well to finish in 4:19:14 as she was running on tired legs after completing the London Marathon a month earlier. Chris Pratt, Hazel Porter, John Myerscough, Gordon Donnachie and Geoff Bilton opted to run the Dunfermline Half Marathon, which was also the Scottish Championship race. Chris' time of 1:30:50 was almost 2 minutes faster at the Dunfermline than the Loch Leven Half Marathon the previous week whilst Hazel's time of 1:37:26 was just 3 seconds faster. John, Gordon and Geoff were unable to run Loch Leven as they were too busy organising the race so ran Dunfermline instead and recorded times of 1:40:51, 1:49:28 and 1:50:42 respectively.

Roger Stark and Sue Whisler both enjoyed Laggan 10K on 26 May which they completed in 47:07 and 57:14 respectively. They were both racing again at Strathallan 5 mile race a week later on 7 June where they were joined by Andy Johns, Norman Smith and John Myerscough. Andy Johns was the first Kinross Road Runner to finish this demanding 2 lap course around the grounds of Strathallan School in 33:40. He was followed by John Myerscough (36:54), Roger Stark (37:41), Sue Whisler (45:24) and Norman Smith (46:45).

John Myerscough was the only Kinross Road Runner at the local Hill of Tarvit race on Wednesday 6 June. His time of 45 minutes 40 seconds found him placed in the top 75 of the field. The out and back course starts in Ceres and is on a mixture of terrain including tracks, trails, road and fields and provides some great down hill sections towards the finish. The warm summer's evening made for ideal running conditions and the view from the top gave spectacular vistas of the Howe of Fife.

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Kinross Ladies Hockey Club

The club's most successful season ever is now over - both teams doing well in Midlands Division 1, winning the League Cup, reaching the final of the Midlands Cup and being the first midlands team to reach the final of the Scottish Districts Cup, sadly beaten on penalties by East Kilbride.

The club celebrated in style with a weekend in Milan where we played three games and enjoyed superb hospitality from a local club. Our rendition of Flower of Scotland and demonstration performance of The Dashing White Sergeant were particularly well received and happily no injuries occurred when we taught the Orcadian Strip the Willow! However the bus journey out to the airport the next morning wasn't without incident!

We look forward to another great season next year, pre-season training will start in August and new members will be made very welcome

Kinross Curling Club



The ice at the Green may have melted and the stones placed in storage but twelve of Kinross Club's curlers turned to golf for their annual outing. Playing on the harder Montgomery Course with a Stableford format, Jim Taylor proved equal to the course and conditions and scored 38 points, having a better inward half on runner up Tom Graham. The usual 19th hole hospitality followed.

Dunfermline Curling Club played hosts to Kinross CC on 24th May and used home advantage to gain a 3-1 victory. Despite the disappointing result the usual curling fellowship was much in evidence during the event.

Anyone who is keen to join the Kinross Curling Club are encouraged to contact Alistair Wood on Kinross 862749.

Kinross Volleyball Club

Three Kinross teams participated in this year's Scottish Open Volleyball Tournament at Perth's North Inch.

Kinross ScotRange competed in Men's Division Two and having won all their games on the Saturday qualified for the Cup Competition on Sunday. They were unlucky not to qualify from their section, losing out to the Edinburgh National League side which dumped them out of the Scottish Cup last season.

Kinross Kintronics had a mixed day on the Saturday and on the Sunday just failed to qualify on set points difference having won three games and losing just one.

Kinross BB fielded a young side whose inexperience was quite clear but they performed admirably and were rewarded by winning their first set on Sunday morning's play.

Outdoor play continues at King George V Park on Monday evenings from 7 till 8:30 p.m. - all welcome.

Two Kinross teams have been entered in the De Haan European Tournament which takes place during August.

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Kinross Cricket Club

Community 6S

Kinross Cricket Club proudly hosted their inaugural Community Sixes Tournament in brilliant sunshine on Saturday 9 June. 6 teams took part – The Kinross-shire Churches, Kinross Hockey Club, Kinross-shire Ladies humorously calling themselves “The Old Bats”, Sport Scotland Admin, the Kinross Boys Brigade and a second Hockey team calling themselves “The West Indies”.

The aim of the tournament was to get the local community together to take part in a sport they wouldn't normally play, and to have lots of fun. The cricket club did all the organising and umpiring but were not allowed to play.

The morning was spent playing the group matches where each team played 4 games on two different pitches. After barbeque and picnic lunches, the play-offs for 6th, 5th, 4th and 3rd position were played. The final between the Hockey Club and the “West Indies” was very hotly contested in a tense game full of drama and excitement. It came down to the final over with Kinross Hockey Club eventually scoring the required two runs to win off the last ball of the match.

Cricket Club chairman, Ken Reilly gave thanks to all who took part and praised the teams for their efforts and competitive spirit. He applauded the great sportsmanship and camaraderie he had seen throughout the day.

Michael Wilson replied on behalf of Kinross Hockey Club thanking the cricket club for organising such a fantastic community event and presenting them with the proceeds from their BBQ sales. This is being shared between the cricket club and CHAS at Rachel House.

The cricket club intends to make the community sixes an annual event and looks forward to even more local clubs and businesses taking part next year.

Scottish Cup

The Club is extremely proud to advise that our under-13 and under-15 teams have made the semi finals of their respective Scottish Cup tournaments. The semi finals and finals will be played on Sunday 24 June at Glenalmond College. Kinross under 13s are current Scottish champions and look forward to defending their title. This is the first time the under 15s have reached the semi finals and our strong batting line- up combined with an excellent bowling attack gives us a lot of confidence as we progress to the final stage of the tournament.

Official Opening

The date of the official opening of our new ground has had to be changed. This will now be held on **Saturday 30 June** at 12 noon. Sir David Montgomery will cut the ribbon of the pavilion. There will then be a celebration match – the captain's XI versus the chairman's XI which starts at 1pm. Members of the cricket club, their families, friends and the whole community are very welcome to come along and enjoy what we hope will be a wonderful day in the history of Kinross Cricket Club.

Senior Leagues

Our 1st XI is progressing well within the Strathmore Union division 3 having won four of the first six matches. As we go to print, we are currently 2nd in the league. The 8-a-side mid-week league team are top of the table after 3 matches.

Kinross Rugby Club



After a fifth place league position, Kinross still had three home matches left against the touring teams of Woodford and Myndd-Y-Garreg respectively as well as the annual challenge match against the Edinburgh Borderers. Kinross managed to win the first two games in emphatic fashion and whilst the Borderers game was a far more competitive affair the home side came out on top with a well deserved 29-24 victory. The performance in the last game was one of the best all season and bodes well for the forthcoming league campaign.

Kinross's league next season comprises of Orkney, RAF Kinloss, Aberdeenshire, Gordonians, Mackie Acadamey FP, Waid Academy FP, St, Andrew Uni, Stirling Uni and Crieff. The Annual Club Dinner and Awards night took place on 25 May and the winners were as follows:

Player of the Year: Tom Coll

Most Improved Player: Gordon Wood

Over 35's Player of the Year: George Smith

Young Player of the Year: Keith Bird

Special Award for 25 years service to the club: Alan Fraser

This was closely followed by the AGM on the 28 May where a number of new office bearers were elected:

President: Dougie Cruickshank

Vice-president: Elton Prince

Captain: Keith Tolson

Vice-captain: Euan Fraser

2nd XV Captain: Craig Purvis

Match/Fixture Secretary: George Harley

Pre-season training begins at 7pm on **3 July** at the KGV and will continue every **Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday** thereafter. As always everyone is welcome and further details and contact information are available on the club website at www.kinross-rugby.com.

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News from the Rurals

CLEISH - President Dorothy Morris welcomed members to the AGM. She also welcomed the two tellers from Blairadam. Satisfactory reports were given by Secretary, Alison Morris, Treasurer, Ann Bayne and President Dorothy Morris. The new committee was then elected - President Margaret Kilpatrick, Alison Morris, Ann Bayne, Marion Bisset, Helen Buchanan, Chris Pilling, Effie Wallace. Competition winners for the Year

Points - Sandra Webster
Flower of the Month - Joint - Margaret Kilpatrick & Marion Bisset

Cleish Rural had their annual outing on 11 June to the Lomond Country Inn where twenty members enjoyed a pleasant evening of good food and company.

POWMILL - At Powmill's AGM, president Mrs Mary Wilson gave an interesting and excellent talk and demonstration on soft furnishings. A lovely tea was provided by Mrs J Buchanan and Mrs M Broomfield. The points were awarded and results as follows:

Points Cup - Mrs E Johnston
Miss Jessie Gibson Clock - Mrs J Mitchell
Pat Reay Quaich - Mrs C Stewart
Eileen White Trophy
(competition holiday snap) - Mrs E Johnston
This month's competition
Open sandwich - Mrs J Mitchell.

CARNBO - President Rosemary Hudson welcomed members to a well attended June meeting. She introduced Mr David Torrie who addressed the meeting on the history of The Beano and The Dandy. His talk and slides were very amusing and enjoyed by all. The Vote of Thanks was given by Mrs Ann Munro.

A Sales Table raised money for Aid in Liberia.

BISHOPSHIRE - Mr Jack Blair of Tay Valley Family History Society spoke about genealogy. He explained how he had researched his own family tree, and gave many hints for those wishing to find out more about their own families. This was a fascinating and interesting topic, and inspired many to go and do their own investigations.

Competitions:

Antique Jewellery - Wilma Barclay
Old Toy - Brenda Bird

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Nature

Vane Farm



As Colin has deserted us all at Vane Farm for three months and headed up to Orkney, it has fallen to me to resume journalistic duties and keep you all informed of all the latest goings on with us at Vane Farm.

The last of the summer migrants have now returned from Africa; on 3 June a spotted flycatcher was seen in the Visitor Centre grounds – fingers crossed they will choose to breed with us again this year. Many of our residents are well ahead of the game though, and have already produced broods of young, with newly hatched lapwing and oystercatcher chicks being seen on the reserve. As well as that, blue-tit, great-tit and great spotted woodpeckers have all successfully bred in the woodland area at the back of the Visitor Centre.

Mute swans have produced two broods of cygnets so far this year. The cob (that's daddy for those of you who don't know) of one of the pairs is particularly fearsome and a very protective father (a bit of a thug really) and has been involved in a couple of scuffles with rival males recently, which has entertained the visitors and the staff alike from the observation room and the hides.

At time of writing we have seen no tufted duck broods as yet, but they are later breeders than some of the other ducks. By the time you read this we will no doubt have loads of fluffy wee ducklings swimming around the wetlands though.

Some of the Vane team visited Gardening Scotland at Ingliston (1-3 June), where we had a very good few days with lots of people visiting the RSPB Scotland stand. Elaine and her team did well in the shop with lots of people buying all manner of things birdy. This was probably due in part to a certain slightly eccentric bloke called Bill Oddie, who had been on the telly the week before bringing us Springwatch.

The 'skooshy, wooshy' (as described by Colin in last month's newsletter) coffee machine has now been installed and for those of you who couldn't join us at our Open Day celebrations on 17 June and didn't get a chance to sample its drinks for yourselves, now is your chance to come along. Our ever popular **"Go Bats at Vane"** event is on **Thursday 5 July** from 9.00pm – late, when you will be given a slide show and talk on these fascinating little mammals. The evening will include a guided walk on the reserve to look for bats with the aid of bat detectors, and a chance to look for their nocturnal prey – the moths of Vane Farm. Places can be booked by contacting Vane Farm – **advance booking essential**.

I'll be back next month to update you all again on all things Vane, so until then enjoy the start of your summer holidays.

Jayne

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

Loch Leven NNR



It was of course a terrible shock for us to see the Burleigh Hide destroyed by fire in the manner that it was and I expect that many people are wondering whether we shall be replacing it soon. Whether we will be replacing the hide like-with-like, I can't say for now, but we are committed to providing a viewing facility at the site to go alongside the other improvements to the habitat at Burleigh, so as soon as I have some news for you all I'll let you know.

The new "Boat House Hide" on the west shore, just north of Kirkgate, was the venue of our latest Meet the Wardens afternoon and Jeremy was really pleased to see a lot of new faces as well as catching up with many familiar ones. The new hide is set within a reed bed and if you approach the hide quietly you can see Coot nesting in among the reeds and also a huge Mute Swan nest. Great-crested Grebes also nest among the reeds and you can still see them displaying to each other around the hide.

Burleigh was the venue for the latest event in our calendar with nine people joining Lynne Farrell, one of Scotland's leading rare plant specialists for our Burleigh Botany walk. Highlight of the trip was the discovery of Greater Spearwort which is a common species in the south but is very rare in Scotland and has not been recorded in this area for 150 years!

Keep an eye out for forthcoming events by checking the Tayside and Clackmannanshire pages of the website on www.snh.gov.uk or by popping in to the office here at the Pier in Kinross. See you all soon, Paul and Jeremy.



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Farming



Spot the difference

Each country lane in Kinross-shire is bordered by a fence, hedge or dry stone dyke. Peering over the dyke into the field is a favourite pastime of many farmers. A bit like a shopkeeper checks out the competition when visiting another high street. At this time of year most fields will be green and what exactly is growing in the field can be a mystery to the untrained eye. In this area a green field is likely to be grass or cereals. I'm going to have a go at explaining the subtle differences so that next time you are up and down the country lanes you can have a go at identification for yourself.

Firstly, (the easy one). If there is livestock in the field, then they will be grazing grass. The hungry cattle and sheep will keep the grass trimmed so it will be a short crop with very even coverage due to years of grazing.

However, if the farmer has shut out the livestock and allowed the grass to grow, it will be a thick, green and lush crop that will be cut to be made into silage or hay. This green field will also be well covered due to the special way in which grass spreads its roots.

Winter Wheat, as the name suggests, has been in the ground since last year, growing over winter. At this time of year it is also a very dark green colour with lots of leafy stems hiding the emerging seed head. It will still be possible to see the crop growing in the rows that it was planted in. Ripening changes the wheat field to a golden brown colour. Winter Wheat is in the soil for nearly a year and is the last of the combinable crops to be harvested.

Spring Barley has only been in the ground a few months but grows quickly so can be the same height as wheat. Barley is less dense and a much lighter colour of green than wheat. As it grows the seed head emerges with soft green seeds. Each seed head has an awn that gives barley its distinctive whiskers. During ripening, barley heads fall right over and this movement is the indicator to the farmer that the crop is ready for harvesting.

Oats is also a lighter shade of green during the growing season but unlike wheat and barley the oat seeds do not form in neat rows. You can recognise a field of oats by the way the grains appear in clusters on graceful nodding stems. A green field that has been left to regenerate naturally may also be spotted when playing this game. Natural regeneration usually means lots of wild grasses and a few dockens, thistles and nettles, but if you are lucky you may see some wild flowers too. This is called "setaside". It simply means that the land has not been used for production this year. The break will allow the soil to replenish its natural supply of nutrients and this rest also benefits the structure of the soil making it an ideal field to use for production next year.

Hope this helps to sort out the porridge from the weatabix. Please drive carefully!

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Phone Mrs Ann Harley on 01577 864512,
or email subscriptions@kinrossnewsletter.org

Weather



May Weather Report From Carnbo

The weather in May this year turned out to be a great let down after the wonderful, summer like weather of April. Rainfall was higher than normal, temperatures were lower than April but of course the high temperatures of April were exceptional.

Rainfall for month	88 mm (120% of normal)
Heaviest fall	19 mm (18th)
Highest temperature	17°C (31st)
Lowest temperature	0°C (15th)
Average temperature	8.6°C (April 8.8°C)
2 days with a maximum above 15°C	
Air frost	1 night
Ground frost	9 nights
Cloud cover	75% (April 62%)
One day with thunder	(30th)

Vital Statistics of Spring 2007

The weather of Spring 2007 was very variable, with a near normal March, a very dry warm April, followed by a rather cool wet May.

Rainfall total	196 mm (85% of normal)
Snow days	5
Highest temperature	19°C
Lowest temperature	-4°C
Average temperature	7.2°C (Spring 06, 5.8°C)
Air frost	5 nights (very low)
Ground frost	30 nights
Cloud cover	70%
West wind component	48 days
East wind component	27 days

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Guided Walks in Perth & Kinross

Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust has organised a series of guided walks under the banner "Exploring Perthshire's Past". There are dozens of walks planned, covering some of the most beautiful parts of Perth & Kinross, some as far north as Highland Perthshire and taking in old favourites as well as some hidden gems. Some walks are building-specific e.g. to a castle or longhouse, others are walks around a village or town, others involve general landscapes or archaeological sites, e.g. hill forts. All will be enhanced with the addition of historic information.

Full details can be found on the Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust website: www.pkht.org.uk or telephone Steven Timoney on 01738 477089 for a leaflet.

Some walks planned close to home in July are:

Kinnoull Aisle and Medieval Perth

Explore some aspects of the medieval archaeology and later history of Perth and its people. This tour will visit key sites and locations around the Medieval Burgh, before finishing with a visit to the Fair Maid's House, one of the oldest buildings in Perth. Made famous by Sir Walter Scott's romance *The Fair Maid of Perth*, the building is set to become the new headquarters and archive building for the Royal and Scottish Geographical Society. Distance: approx 2-3km. Date: **Tuesday 17 July**. Duration: approx 2 hrs. Cost: Free, but spaces limited – *booking essential*, telephone 01738 477089. Event Time: 1.30pm. Location: Kinnoull Aisle.

Balvaird Castle

This visit provides a unique opportunity to see inside the fully conserved 15th century L-shaped tower house, where experts from Historic Scotland will provide a guided tour explaining more about the life and times of the castle. Please note the castle is not open to the public. Only those booked on the EPP visit will be given access to the site. Date: **Saturday 21 July**. Duration: approx 2-3 hrs. Cost: £5 per person. Spaces limited – *booking essential*, telephone 01738 477089. Two sessions: 11.00am and 2.30pm. Note: this visit is scheduled to start by minibus from the Library Lodge, Perth.



Balvaird Castle

For details of other attractions in and around
Kinross-shire
see our Notices on page 37.

Barry Hillfort, Alyth

The fort sits as a crown on Barry Hill overlooking Glen Isla and Strathmore. This walk visits the fort, looking at its construction and redevelopment over a number of periods. Find out about the changing use of the hill as well as myths which have developed linking the fort to Arthurian legend and a burial mound in the graveyard at Meikle. Binoculars recommended. Grade: 3, Distance: c.1.5km, Date: **Friday 6 July**. Duration: approx 3 hrs. Cost: £5 per person. Spaces limited – *booking essential*, telephone 01738 477089.

Event Time: 1.00pm Location: Library Lodge, Perth

Pole Hill and the Carse of Gowrie

Discover the rich history of Pole Hill above the Carse of Gowrie, and travel through time as we discover evidence of prehistoric life and death, as well as a prehistoric hill fort with excellent views of the Tay Valley, and a ruined 16th century tower house. Join this walk and find out more about the hill and its importance in the Carse landscape. Binoculars recommended. Grade: 3, Distance: c.4km, Date: **Sunday 22 July**. Duration: approx 3 hrs, Cost: £5 per person for minibus Spaces limited – *booking essential*, telephone 01738 477089

Event Time: 10.00am Location: The Library Lodge, Perth

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Gardens Open



Gardens open regularly not too far from Kinross

Opening Arrangements				Admission	Disabled	Contact
				Adult	Child	Access Number
Kinross House gardens	1 Apr - 30 Sept	daily	1000-1900	£3.00	free	yes 01577 862900
Arnot Tower Gardens by Leslie	10 May-27 Sept	Tues only	1000-1700	£3.50	U10 free	01592 840115
Braco Castle gardens, Braco	1 Feb - 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.00	free	partial
Falkland Palace, garden & Town hall (NTS)	1 Mar - 31 Oct	Mon-Sat Sun	1000-1700 1300-1700	£10.00	£7.00	yes(gdn) 01337 857397
Hill of Tarvit Mansion & gdns, Cupar (NTS)	1 Jun - 31 Aug	daily	1300-1700	£8.00	£5.00	yes 01334 653127
Pittentree Park, Dunfermline	all year	daily	dawn-dusk	free	free	yes 01383 726313
Cherrybank Gardens, Perth (Europe's largest heather collection)	Mar - Oct	Mon-Sat Sun	1000-1700 1200-1700	£3.75	U12 free	yes 01738 472800
Scone Palace gardens	1 Apr - 31 Oct	daily	0930-1730	£4.00	£2.75	partial 01738 552300
Branklyn Gardens, Dundee Rd, Perth (NTS)	1 Apr - 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£5.00		partial 01738 625535
Drummond Castle gardens, Crieff	May - Oct	daily	1300-1800	£4.00	£1.50	partial 01764 681433
Culross Palace and gardens (NTS)	1 Jun - 31 Aug	daily	1200-1700	£8.00	£5.00	partial 01383 880359
Kirklands Garden, Saline	Apr - Sept	Fri-Sun	1400-1730	£2.00		partial 01383 852737
Walled garden, Wemyss Castle, East Wemyss (SGS)	1 May - 31 Aug	Thur only	1230-1800	£4.50	U10 free	yes 01592 651327
Cambo House, Kingsbarns, by St Andrews	all year	daily	1000-1700	£3.50	free	partial 01333 450054

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

Scotland's Gardens Scheme

The gardens Open by Appointment and in the Special Days Open section are all members of Scotland's Gardens Scheme. 60% net of each admission charge goes to the SGS charities of the year and 40% to the other charities named. The information about these gardens is taken from the *Gardens of Scotland* handbook published by Scotland's Gardens Scheme. Dogs are not allowed unless specifically mentioned.

Special Days Open in July

Myres Castle, Auchtermuchty has formal walled gardens laid out in the style of the Vatican gardens. It is open on **Sunday 1 July**, 2pm to 5pm. Admission is £5 (40% to Rachel House). Refreshments and cake included in the entry price. Plant stall. Disabled access (gravel drive). Route: B936, off the A91. Postcode: KY134 7EW.

Aytounhill House in Newburgh is open on **Sunday 1 July**, 11am to 5pm. It has a wide variety of shrubs and herbaceous plants, a traditional vegetable garden and a new arboretum. Admission £3.50 (20% to Dunbog Village Hall, 20% to Abdie Church), children free. Plant stall. Route: off A913, 7 miles from Cupar and Newburgh. Postcode: KY14 6JH.

Hollytree Lodge, Pool O' Muckart is a one and a half acre garden containing many rare and unusual trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants. There are woodland areas, a fernery, moorland bed, formal areas and a bed of ornamental grasses. There are water features and a rock garden, a Japanese courtyard garden and a semi-formal potager. The garden at Hollytree Lodge is open on **Sunday 29 July**, 2pm – 5pm. Admission is £3 (40% to Thrive), children free. Plant stall. Refreshments in village hall. Partial disabled access. Route: off A91 down lane opposite the Inn at Muckhart. Park on the main road. Postcode: FK14 7JW.

Craigfoodie in Dairsie has a formal walled garden, parterres, clock lawn, dry mill and vegetable garden. There is also a newly created woodland garden. It is open on **Sunday 29 July**, 2pm-5pm. Admission is £3.50 (40% to AICR), children free. Refreshments available. Partial disabled access. Dogs allowed, but not in walled garden. Route: on A91 from Cupar to St Andrew, turn left at Dairsie School, then follow signs. Postcode: KY15 4RU.

Gardens Open Regularly By Appointment

The Bank House, Glenfarg (Mr & Mrs Lascelles). Mid May to 31 August by appointment only, tel 01577 830275. A tunnel of apple trees leads to a garden of shrubs and unusual herbaceous plants. Raised bed vegetable system, advanced compost-making equipment, organic methods throughout. Fountains, pond and sculpture. Admission £5.00 (40% to The Phoenix Prison Trust.) Mostly accessible for disabled visitors.

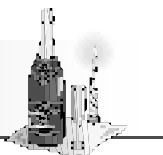
Wester Dalqueich, Carnbo (Mr & Mrs Roulston). May to August by appointment only, tel 01577 840229. A wide range of herbaceous, rock plants, shrubs and trees in a series of interconnected gardens by the Ochil hills. Admission £3.00 (40% to Chest, Heart & Stroke, Scotland.) Partial disabled access.

• Gardens info on our website •



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

Congratulations



SCOTT GORDON, who left Kinross High School last year to commence a Modern Apprenticeship with the Defence Logistics Organisation in Rosyth, was presented with the Babcock Engineering Services Award for Engineering Studies by Lauder College Principal Professor Bill McIntosh at the awards ceremony held in the Carnegie Hall, Dunfermline on 31 May 2007. All his family and friends congratulate him on this tremendous achievement.

NATALIE SMITH, Lindisfarne, Milnathort graduated LL.B.(Hons) on 20 June 2007 at Dundee University.

DEBBIE SMITH, Church Street, Milnathort and **ALLAN KENNEDY**, Inverness celebrated their engagement on 19 April. Congratulations also to Debbie on gaining an Upper Second Class Honours degree in History and to Allan on gaining a First Class Honours degree in Scottish History, both at Stirling University.

At the Scottish Primary School's Cross Country Championships, held in Kirkcaldy, **MILNATHORT PRIMARY** won the P7 boys team race, with **RORY MUIR** taking individual gold.

At Perth & Kinross Primary Schools Orienteering final, held in Scone Palace's grounds, The Dambusters from **KINROSS PRIMARY - ROBERT CAIRNS, MATTHEW KILBY** and **JAKE BAGLOW** - were runners-up in the event which involved 123 teams.

PAUL COULTHARD, CLAIRE MUCKERSIE and **PAULINE BRYSON** of Glenfarg RDA have achieved success at the North West Equestrian Championship of the Special Olympics, competing for the first time at a higher level. Claire competed at A1, gaining 2 Bronze medals and a gold. Paul was placed 4th, 5th and 6th in the A2 competition. Pauline, at level B1, won 2 Bronze medals and a gold.

At the end of the curling season **MARY WHITE**, manager of the ice rink bar at the Green Hotel, retired after 26 years at the Green. Sir David Montgomery presented Mary with a pair of curling stones from her fellow curlers and all the staff at the Green Hotel.

The picture shows Mary delivering one of her retirement gifts, assisted by sweepers Debbie Knox and Rhona Martin, Olympic Gold medallists.



In H.M. The Queen's Birthday Honours, **Dr ALASTAIR LAVERY** of Cambo has been awarded an OBE for services to education in Scotland and to arachnology

JOANNE, youngest daughter of Jen & John **BASHFORD**, 1 Emslie Drive, Kinross and **KEVIN**, eldest son of Lesley & Martin **McLAUGHLIN**, 19 Bridgefauld Road, Milnathort were married in the Windlestrae Hotel by the Rev John Munro on Saturday 16 June 2007.

PAUL HUDSON, younger son of Rosemary and Derek Hudson, "Craigwell", Kinross and **JULIE ANDERSON**, younger daughter of Linda and Derick Anderson, Kells, near Ballymena were married in Knock Methodist Church, Belfast on Monday 28 May 2007.

Congratulations to **KATHRYN ROBERTSON** of Whitecraigs, Kinnesswood, who recently graduated from the University of St. Andrews with a BSc (Honours) degree in Zoology. Well done from all family and friends and good luck for your forthcoming gap year experience in Australia.

Thanks



MARIE CURIE SUPPER DANCE: I would like to thank everyone who attended the Charity Night on 2 June and helped make it such a success. Through everyone's generosity we managed to raise £1662 for a very worthy cause. I would especially like to thank Kevin Maclean and Robyn Shaw who provided our music for the night and did so free of charge.

Ann Adams

I would like to thank all of those people who supported Reiki Awareness Week and my associated fund-raising for the **Wormit Hedgehog Care Centre**. Between us, we raised the grand total of £250.00! Special thanks goes, of course, to Hattie - who still comes back most nights (to my delight!) to have her supper and a quick trot round the garden, before heading back to the peace and tranquility of the golf course!

Lyn Haworth

SALLY JONES would like to thank everyone who came to support her in her charity fundraising event at Orwell Bowling Club on the evening of 7 June in aid of Cancer Research (UK) Scotland and Macmillan Cancer Relief. I would particularly like to thank Julia from Just Jewlz, Emma Niven from Loch Leven's Larder, Ann Malcolm of Phoenix Cards, Jane and Vic Thomson, Lyn Hardie, Emma Broadhurst, and Sandra and Dave (behind the bar) for all their help on the night. A big thank you too to Somerfield in Kinross for donating a fabulous buffet, and finally special thanks go to all those who were so generous donating prizes for the auction and raffle and then spent lots of money on the night (this included several bowlers!). In total we managed to raise an amazing £1,171.04!! **THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

CONNOR SYME (7), **GYPSY-LEIGH COOK** (4) and **CHARLEY COOK** (7) have raised £150 for Kinross Day Centre by completing the Great Scottish Wee Walk around Perth's North Inch. Their grandmother, Nan Cook, is deputy manager at the Centre.

In the Awards for All Scheme, **KINROSS CRICKET CLUB** has been awarded £10,000 from SportsScotland to fund a synthetic wicket.

Kinross Churches Together



Kinross Parish Church Church of Scotland

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Please note that the Sunday service in Kinross Parish Church from 1 July to 12 August will be at 10am and not the usual time of 10.30am. The service will have a time at the beginning especially for children, with activities for the children during the second half of the service.

July

Sun 1 10.00am Service led by John Munro.
Sun 8 10.00am Service led by Jan Steyn.
Sun 15 10.00am Service led by John Munro.
Sun 22 10.00am Service led by Jan Steyn.
Sun 29 10.00am Service for the beginning of Family Week.

Pram Service: on holiday until Tuesday 21 August. See you all 10.00am in the Church then.

Mid-week Service: Each Wednesday at 10.45pm in the Church Centre.

Family Week in the High School 30 July - 3 August, every morning from 10am. All children welcome.

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 Helena Cant (862923) or e mail: helenacant@aol.com

Saturday break: Most Saturday mornings, tea, coffee and fresh baking are available 10am-12 noon. A second-hand bookstall is usually open.

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

Kinross Gospel Hall Montgomery Street, Kinross

Sunday	10.30am	Breaking of Bread
	12.00pm	Sunday School
	5.45pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30pm	Gospel Meeting
Monday	7.15pm	Prayer Meeting
	8.00pm	Bible Study
Wednesday	6.30pm	Children's Club (term time)

Kinross Christian Fellowship

Further information: (01577) 863509

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

Church and Children's Sunday Club

Every Sunday at 10.30am

in the Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.

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



Kinross Parish Church

Photo: Dave Cuthbert, kinross.cc

St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church

Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AY

Rev Dr Marion Keston Telephone: (01577) 866834

Website: www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk

July Services

Sun 1 Pentecost 5, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
Preacher Rev Ian Watt.
Wed 4 10.30am, Service of Prayers for Healing.
Sun 8 Pentecost 6, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
Preacher Rev Ian Watt.
Sun 15 Pentecost 7. Sea Sunday.
8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Family Communion
Sun 22 Pentecost 8, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
Sun 29 Pentecost 9, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.

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

St James's R C Church

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Father Ken McCaffrey Telephone: (01577) 863329

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Mass Times Saturday Vigil 7.00pm
Sunday 9.30am

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

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 Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie Telephone: (01592) 840823

Sunday Services	11.15am
Crèche	11.15am
Junior Church	11.15am

July

Sun 1	11.15am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 8	11.15am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 15	11.15am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 22	11.15am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 29	11.15am	Rev Joanne Finlay

Fossoway Parish Church**Church of Scotland**

Rev Joanne Finlay Telephone: (01577) 850231
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Sunday Services at 9.45am

Crèche, Junior Church and Teenage Group 9.45am

Evergreens: every second Thursday in the month,
10.30am

Tots Music: Friday mornings in hall,
9.30am-10.30am; 11am-12pm

Community Choir: Wednesday evenings, 7pm-9pm

July

Sun 1	9.45am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 8	9.45am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 15	9.45am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 22	9.45am	Rev Joanne Finlay
Sun 29	9.45am	Rev Joanne Finlay

Family Week 2007

This year family week is from **Monday 30 July to Friday 3 August**. Through all the activities we aim to share the love of Jesus in a fun packed way. The team members are from local churches. The main event in the morning includes singing, drama, stories, quizzes, painting etc. All children are catered for, from preschool to S4. On Mon 30th there will be a parents evening, a sociable opportunity to prepare you for your children's questions! On Fri 3rd the week will culminate with a family celebration and barbecue.

Mon 30	Main event 10.00 – 12.00 Kinross High School Parents evening 19.30 – 21.00 Church Centre
Tues 31	Main event 10.00 – 12.00 Kinross High School Family Letter Hunt 14.00 – 16.00 meet at Gacé Park
Wed 1	Main event 10.00 – 12.00 Kinross High School Family film 14.00 – 15.00 Kinross Parish Church
Thurs 2	Main event 10.00 – 12.00 Kinross High School Family 'Hunt the Scarecrow' 14.00 – 16.00 meet at Gacé Park
Fri 3	Main event 10.00 – 12.00 Kinross High School Final celebration and family barbeque 19.00 Kinross Parish Church and gardens

All Welcome!

Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church**Church of Scotland**

Minister – Rev Robert Pickles 01577 863461
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Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:

10am Portmoak Church, 11.30am Orwell Church

Prayer Meeting held 30mins before each service

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

Services at Levenglen: first and third Tuesdays of the
month at 4pm

@spire: Orwell Hall on the second and last Friday of
the month

Sunday 1 July Annual Michael Bruce Service,
Portmoak Church – 6.30pm.
All welcome

Obituaries

The following obituary is reprinted from the Cleish & Blairadam Newsletter

MRS PAT ANDERSON, wife of Mike, died after a short illness at the end of March, and her going has left a great gap in the lives not only of us in Cleish but her many friends in the whole area and further afield. Pat willingly involved herself in so many activities - for example Kinross Voluntary Group, Children 1st, the delivery of this Newsletter [Cleish & Blairadam CC Newsletter], not to mention her garden which was always a delight. Pat was a generous and fun loving friend, and a hardworking neighbour, washing dishes in the village hall, giving away plants and fruit from the garden, and helping wherever and whenever needed. But of course Pat was a real family person, a loving wife, mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, and her ability to communicate with young and old was evident by the number of people of all ages who came to her Thanksgiving Service.

SHAND – Suddenly, but peacefully, whilst working in his garden on Sunday 3 June 2007, Douglas Anderson, aged 73 years, loving husband of Ella, much loved Dad of Graeme, Dorothy and Lorna, dear father-in-law to Linzie, Gerald and Peter, proud and loving Papa to Craig and Joe. Will be sadly missed by all family and friends.

Acknowledgement

SHAND – Ella, Graeme, Dorothy, Lorna and families wish to thank everyone for the many cards, letters and flowers received on their recent sad loss: special thanks to John Munro for his comforting service and Stewart's Funeral Directors and finally, to all who paid their last respects to Dougie at the church and crematorium. Over £500 was collected for Macmillan House, Perth.

Community Website

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

Playgroups & Nurseries

PORTMOAK UNDER 5's

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

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.

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 TODDLERS

The Institute, Crook of Devon

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.15 am

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

Contact - Alison Smith 01577 862310

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



SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross

TEL: 01577 862071

www.swansacre.co.uk



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

Rising Fives Wed 1.00-3.15pm

This is complementary to Nursery

Wee Swans Fri 1.15-2.45pm

Children from the age 1 1/2yrs with parent/carers

For more information please contact Bouwein 863107 or Playgroup 862071.

Baby and Toddler Group – Thurs 1pm-3pm

Ante-natal to pre-school. Fun for children, coffee and chat for the parent/carers. For more information contact Caron 861607.

The premises are available to hire for **Private Functions**. We now have an Entertainments License For more information contact Kate 863309 .



MILNATHORT BABIES & TODDLERS

Orwell Church Hall

Thursday & Friday, 10.00 - 11.30 am

Contacts: Mary 865932, Rachel 866977

Jen 863200

GLENFARG VILLAGE

PLAYSCHOOL

Greenbank Road, Glenfarg



Come and make some new friends and enjoy a balanced morning of play, fun and learning!
We have a great outdoor play area too!

Monday / Wednesday / Friday Mornings
9:30 - 12:00

Places available for 2 - 4 year olds

For more information or to arrange a visit please
contact Ann McLean
01577 830034



Notices

BERRY FEST

Sunday 22nd July 1pm-4pm

Market Park
(opposite the Green Hotel)

The popular Berry Festival will return in 2007 with a tour around Perthshire throughout July and August. For the third year in a row Kinross is one of the locations selected for this exciting celebration of the Perthshire Berry, with food, drink, live music and fun for all the family. Taste and buy strawberries and raspberries as well as other locally-grown produce. Cookery demonstrations by local chefs will give new ideas and inspiration.

Don't miss this year's Berry Fest!

Glenfarg Tennis Club MULTI-SPORTS CAMP 2007

Monday 6 August to
Friday 10 August

9 for 9.30am until 3.30pm

This year we are organising a Multi-Sports Camp for children from 6/7 years upwards. This will take place at the courts and in the park. The day will begin at 9 for 9.30am and end promptly at 3.30pm.

Children will get tuition in the following sports: American tag, athletics, basketball, cricket, football, hockey, netball, orienteering, rounders, tennis, and touch rugby.

All instructors are fully trained and checked.

Each day we are hoping to have some visiting sports personalities to coach and chat to the children.

For more information or a booking form please contact Sue on 01577 830349 or email sue@foresterseat.org.uk

Prices are: £70 for Glenfarg Tennis Club members, £80 for non-members, or £20 a day.

Volunteers Required for the

T-in-the-Park Drop-in-Centre (6-8 July)

(It's our tenth anniversary, so it's going to be good!)

The shifts that need covering are:

08.30-11.30; 11.00-14.00; and 10.00-13.00.

If you want to volunteer for a marvellous, uplifting, best time of your life experience, then please ring Fiona on 01577 864194. However, if you'd like a tad more information before committing, then please ring Peter on 01577 863509.

Glenfarg Tennis Club

SUMMER TENNIS SCHOOL 2007

Monday 23 July to Thursday 26 July.

9am ~ 9.45am 4 ~ 6 year olds,
£20 for members, £30 for non-members

9.45am ~ 11am 7 ~ 9 year olds,
£20 for members, £30 for non-members

11am ~ 12.30pm 9+ year olds,
£25 for members, £35 for non-members

For further information or to enrol phone :
Sue 01577 830349 or email sue@foresterseat.org.uk

Grand Opening Kirkgate Park Discovery Weekend

31 August – 2 September

Lots of fun activities in Kirkgate Park:

Picnic and play ☼ Family Disco ☼ Youth workshops and music gig ☼ Ceilidh ☼ Ball sports arena ☼ Art Sculpture ☼ Chainsaw sculpture ☼ Wildflower planting ☼ Water colour challenge ☼ Making bird boxes and much more

If you or your local group would like a chance to show what you can...do get in touch!

Also...there is a fully floored 200-person marquee available for the Saturday morning or Sunday evening. If you or your local group would like use this space for your own fundraising or celebration, please let us know.

For more information visit

www.friendsofkirkgatepark.co.uk

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www.kinrossnewsletter.org

Bag a gift and help CHAS



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When did you last visit our **Gift Shop**? We have something for everyone and all occasions. Latest stock received includes the environmentally friendly CHAS cotton shopper bag, which is just the ticket for carrying the shopping and showing that you support the Children's Hospice Association Scotland. With a large range of other new items in stock, we have the lot from baby gifts, children's books and toys to jewellery, candles, gifts and cards.

Also, Bazaar Charity Shops have a huge stock of clothes, books, bric a brac and small items of furniture. Everything you could want at great prices...so why not pay us a visit today?

CHAS Gift Shop, 23 Avenue Road, Kinross
Opening hours 10am to 5pm Monday to Saturday.

CHAS Bazaars, 76 and 88 High Street, Kinross
Opening hours 9.30am to 5pm Monday to Saturday.

If you are interested in volunteering in the CHAS shops, please contact us on 01577 865557.

Children's Hospice Association Scotland
www.chas.org.uk Charity no SC 019724

Orwell Bowling Club SUMMER DANCE & BBQ

Saturday 28 July

7.30pm for 8pm

Dancing to the Balcurvie Scottish Dance Band
Admission £6 per head **by ticket only**
(available from the bar)

Hedges/Bushes/Trees Causing Obstruction

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

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Ferry To Lochleven Castle



The castle is on an island in Loch Leven, reached by boat from the fishing pier. Open daily from 1 April to 30 September. First outward sailing is at 9.30am. Last boat from the island is at 5pm. The journey takes approx 10 minutes and boats operate on a continuous shuttle service throughout the day. Admission prices (including ferry fare): Adult £4.50, Child £2.25 and Concessions £3.50. Historic Scotland members free.

Car parking 90 metres from the ferry departure point. Café and toilets at the Fishing Academy adjacent to the pier. There are benches, lawns and toilets on the island, but access to the castle is not suitable for wheelchairs. Larger groups should contact Historic Scotland's Visitor Services Manager on 01786 431324 or the site manager on the island (mobile 0777 8040483) beforehand.

Burleigh Castle Key

Anyone wishing to visit Burleigh Castle may obtain a key between 9.30 am and 6.30 pm from:-

2 Burleigh Castle Steadings

The castle must be locked up after each visit, and the key returned. Cars should be parked at a sensible distance from the dangerous bend at the castle.

Elcho Castle

A remarkably complete 16th century fortified mansion with three projecting towers, five miles NE of Bridge of Earn off the A912 and close to Rhynd.

Opening times: 1 April to 30 September, Monday to Sunday, 9.30am to 5.30pm.

Admission prices: Adult £3.00, Child £1.50, Concessions £2.50. Last ticket sold 30 min before closing time.

The ground floor of the castle is not suitable for wheelchair access. Dogs (with the exception of guide dogs) are not permitted to this property.

St Serf's Church, Dunning

This picturesque church houses the 9th Century Dupplin Cross, a masterpiece of Pictish stonework.

Admission: free. Open: 9.30am - 5.30pm

Accessible to wheelchairs.

Perth Association for Mental Health

PAMH is a community based non-profit organisation providing services for people recovering from mental health problems. PAMH offers Counselling, Day Services and hosts a Depression Support Group and Bipolar Support Group. For more information telephone (01738) 639657. Website: www.pamh.co.uk

Kinross Royal Signals JUMBLE SALE and COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 30 June

Drill Hall, Swansacre

10am - 4pm

All welcome

Kinross Community Councillors

Mrs M Blyth	170 High Street	
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Fossoway and Cleish Community Office

A service for the Community

Open:

Tuesdays	7-9 pm
Thursdays	2-4 pm
Saturdays	10-12 noon

Out of hours there is an answering machine

Tel: 01577 840185 Email: fccoffice@btinternet.com

Recycling of Waste Paper

P & KC Kerbside Collections

Kinross, Milnathort & Glenfarg

Thursday 19 July

Only paper presented in blue lidded wheelie bins will be uplifted. No envelopes, plastic wrapping or cardboard.

On morning of collection place bin on kerbside by 7.30 a.m.

Gordon Banks

MP For Ochil & South Perthshire Constituency

Regular Advice Surgeries - For dates of the locations, or to raise any concerns you may have, please contact his assistant on:

01259 721536 – Fax 01259 216761

Alternatively, write to Gordon at
49-51 High Street, Alloa FK10 1JF

or **House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA**

Mobile Library, Milnathort

Every Second Wed - next visits 4 & 18 July

Westerloan	1.45 pm - 3 pm
Bridgefauld Road	3.05 pm - 4 pm
Any queries: Phone (01738) 444949	
A K Bell Library, Perth	

Community Councils

Kinross: Secy: Mrs M Scott (01577) 862945
mbs@scott21.fslife.co.uk

Cleish & Blairadam: Secy: Mrs M Traylor (01383) 830059, prvtraylor@ukonline.co.uk

Milnathort: Chair: Mr J Giacomazzi (01577) 864025
joseph.giacomazzi@btopenworld.com

Fossoway & District: Secy: Mrs C Danks (01259) 742633, celia@dawsholm.demon.co.uk

Portmoak: Secy: Mr A Smith (01592) 840215

Kinross Temporary Library

County Buildings, High Street

Tel & Fax: 01577 864202

Email: kinrosslibrary@pkc.gov.uk

Opening Times

Mon	10am - 1pm	2pm - 5pm	
Tue	10am - 1pm	2pm - 5pm	6pm - 8pm
Wed	10am - 1pm	2pm - 5pm	6pm - 8pm
Thu	10am - 1pm	2pm - 5pm	6pm - 8pm
Fri	10am - 1pm	2pm - 5pm	
Sat	10am - 1pm		

Kinross Recycling Centre

Bridgend Industrial Estate

Aluminium and Steel Cans, HDPE & PET Plastic Bottles, Glass, Garden Waste, Metal, Car Batteries, Engine oil, Electrical Equipment, Paper, Fridges & Freezers, Textiles, Phone Directories

Opening Times

	April – Sept	Oct – March
Mon	3 pm – 7 pm	1 pm – 4 pm
Tue	closed	closed
Wed	3 pm – 7 pm	1 pm – 4 pm
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

Kinross District Counselling Services

Kinross District Counselling Services offers a new, fully supervised, confidential counselling service brought to you in association with The Web Project. It is open to all-comers.

To make an appointment call Hilary 07930 682902 or Wendy 07762 892252 (donations welcome to cover costs).

You can see us at "The Web" 28 New Road, Milnathort, KY13 9XA.

Tourist Information Centre

Turfhills, Kinross (Jct 6, M90) Tel: 01577 863680

The Tourist Information Centre re-opened on 7 April after winter closure. Opening hours are:

May, June and Sept:	Mon to Sat	10.30am - 3.30pm
July and August:	Mon to Sat	10.00am - 5.00pm
	and Sun	10.30am - 3.30pm

Kinross-shire *Day Centre*

**Table Tennis • Carpet Bowls • Videos • Cards • Dominoes
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Programme For July 2007

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Elderberries	Monday	2 9 16 23 30		1.30 pm
Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	3 10 17 24 31	10.30 am	
Bingo	Tuesday	3 10 17 24 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



Coffee Bar open 9 am - 4 pm, Senior Citizens Lunches Daily

Telephone: 01577 863869

LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross

(opposite David Sands)

Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 6.00 pm

Saturday: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

Sunday: 12.00 - 1.00 pm

Tel: 862422

Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort

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Phone Mrs Ann Harley on 01577 864512,
or email subscriptions@kinrossnewsletter.org

Support Websites

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Breathing Space	www.breathingspacescotland.co.uk
Childline	www.childline.org.uk
Perth Assoc for	
Mental Health	www.pamh.co.uk

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