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Letters

Editorial

Change to Newsletter Deadlines: As from 17 September, the Newsletter deadline will be 2pm on deadline day instead of the current 5pm. Having said that, we really appreciate it if you send your items in before the day of the deadline itself if at all possible.

New beginnings: Many community groups are resuming after the summer break. If your organisation is listed on the www.kinross.cc website and you have a change of contact person, please remember to let the website administrator know by emailing admin@kinross.cc. If your organisation has a regular listing in the Newsletter (e.g. Playgroups) please inform the Newsletter of any changes too.

Welcome Back: It is great to see the Milnathort Fish and Chip Shop open again after nine months' closure due to flood damage. The flooding of last December has received more coverage in the local press recently with the news that P&KC has appointed Professor Hey of East Anglia University to look into natural flood management options. The **T in the Park** traffic problems and associated difficulties were debated extensively in the Courier and PA throughout August, with many letters on the subject. Only one to the Newsletter this month, but the subject is covered in the CC reports.

One of the functions of the Newsletter is to provide a forum for discussion, so let us know your thoughts on any matter affecting Kinross-shire.

**** STOP PRESS **** New High School

As we go to press, at a special full Council meeting on 23 August, the creation of six new community school campuses was formally approved by P&KC. Council staff and external advisers will now conclude negotiations with Axiom, the project provider, and sign the project agreement. Alan Fraser, the Investment in Learning Co-ordinator for the new Kinross campus, told the Newsletter, "Assuming financial close is reached in the next ten days, the first turf at the Kinross campus will be cut in January 2008, with the school opening in October 2009."

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 Letters will not be published unless the sender's name and address are supplied and they are prepared to have them published along with their letter.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.

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P&KC = Perth & Kinross Council
CC = Community Council
Cllr = Councillor
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Kinross – Dog fouling capital of Scotland? 30.07.07

It is with great frustration and dismay that I have to put fingers to keyboard in an attempt to highlight the problem of dog excrement in the town EVERYWHERE!!!!

Now I know a good number of dog walkers and I must emphasise that this is not directed towards them or their animals but what appears to be the ever-increasing minority of dog owners who allow their dogs to foul on public footpaths and then just leave it there.

Over the last few months I have found some in my garden and driveway, counted seven separate deposits on the road leading to the new park by the loch, and only last week my 18 month old son fell on to one while walking with me in the park. As you can imagine, the air was blue.

I don't want to rant as we all know the health hazards which are attached to dog excrement; disease after disease, blindness....., but the straw that broke the camel's back for me today was something I thought could never happen in this day and age. I was driving home along Station Road, Kinross, when I saw a young woman with two children and a dog. All three watched as the dog proceeded to foul on the pavement at the front of someone's driveway and once it was finished they all just walked away and left it. Come on, is it me or is that just not right? There are two children's nurseries nearby, a dentist and the local convenience store – all main focal points for parents and children alike.

I hold my head in my hands as I know this e-mail will not make the slightest bit of difference, as ignorance is bliss and those who let their dogs do this are just plain ignorant.

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Sandport, Kinross

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Fossoway CC Minutes / T in the Park 19.08.07

As the owner of Balado Activity Centre, which forms a part of the T in the Park site, I attended the August meeting of Fossoway CC following local concerns regarding this year's 'T' which encountered problems due to the unprecedented rain fall that the entire country has endured this summer and additional security requirements following the Glasgow Airport incident some five days earlier.

The circulated Minutes of the Fossoway meeting are incorrect.

The Minutes state that: *"Douglas Alexander who owns the Balado site believes that the organisers should contact Community Councils to discuss the problems."*

This is an inaccurate and untrue statement but perhaps, somewhat understandably, in keeping with the heated nature of the Fossoway meeting.

The reality of my participation in the meeting was:

1. I was happy to apologise for the distress which may have been caused at the beginning of the event, due to a number of unprecedented factors. I also stated that I would personally forward all concerns raised during the meeting to the promoters. (For the record, this was done by 11.00pm the same evening)
2. I corrected some incorrect claims regarding alleged drops in water pressure being due to the event and;
3. I stated that, in relation to local consultation regarding the event, in 1997 I insisted that the promoters publicly approach Kinross CC with their proposals prior to the new location for T in the Park becoming national knowledge. This has been carried on for a decade.

Mr Saunders, whom I believe is the Secretary of Fossoway CC, claimed that DF Concerts only wished to speak to P&KC officials. This is also untrue.

I reminded Mr Saunders that he had been present at a 'multi-CC' meeting (along with Tayside Police, local Police officers, P&K Councillors, DF Concerts, myself and others) as a representative of Fossoway CC on 14 May, some seven weeks before this year's 'T'.

This meeting was initiated by DF Concerts in order to reach out to the entire community of Kinross-shire to discuss issues of local concern.

I then quoted to Mr Saunders and the rest of the meeting the opening paragraph of the Minutes of 14 May discussions, namely:

"Colin Rodger explained this meeting was a way forward for communicating with the community that T touches. Due to the size of the event, and changes to traffic flow, we are now touching different areas and there are concerns people need to raise through these meetings. Historically there has been great co-operation between the event organisers and Kinross Community Council. We always work hard to raise any issues/complaints and take these on board for future years. There is a need to continue with this good working relationship with Kinross and the surrounding areas."

Minutes of any meeting must be an honest, truthful and accurate record of proceedings. Whilst never expecting the above paragraph to be quoted verbatim in the Fossoway meeting Minutes (despite the fact that Mr Saunders should be in possession of a copy having attended the meeting), the content of the above confirms that DF Concerts has been at the heart of facilitating local discussions for a decade. The Fossoway Minutes have been structured, for whatever reason, to exclude this legitimate contribution to the meeting.

In addition, I can also clearly recollect a contribution from a Community Councillor at the Fossoway meeting highlighting the bizarre and unprecedented weather of 2007 and the last minute security issues as being the main contributory factors to the situation experienced in areas of Fossoway on 6 July. I can find no mention of this contribution to the debate in the Minutes. This omission from the Minutes is equally concerning.

Douglas Alexander

Balado Activity Centre, Kinross-shire

Volunteer thanks

10.08.07

I left Kinross High School in June and in August I am going to Pune, India as a volunteer to work for six months at the City of Child, to teach English to the street children of Pune and to support and work in the local community. This is through a gap year charity, Link Overseas Exchange.

I have had to raise £4000 to pay for all the costs, such as my return airfare, visas, immunisation, teaching materials and to support myself while I am there. I have had a very busy and active year fundraising and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the many generous, kind and helpful people in the community who have made this all possible for me by supporting my fundraising activities.

Firstly my thanks and appreciation go to Emma and Robin Niven of Loch Leven's Larder for their fantastic kindness, help and support. They not only allowed me to host a dinner party at Loch Leven's Larder but also provided all the food and service, which enabled me to raise £1250.00.

I would also like to thank all my relations, friends, neighbours, teachers and pupils at Kinross High School who attended and supported the events I organised. I have also had fantastic support from many local businesses and shops who provided some wonderful raffle prizes and also allowed me to promote my events by displaying posters in their windows.

Also, to the many people who have given me donations, and of course my family - your support, backing and encouragement has been tremendous. THANK YOU ALL - you have been fantastic and I could not have done it without you and I am very humbled and appreciative for all your help, support and kindness.

Michael Derby

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News & Articles

News from the Health Centre



We have now been using our new clinical system, Vision, for a month. The transition was a relatively smooth process and we are becoming more confident in its use. We would like to thank everyone for their patience and apologise if we caused any inconvenience during this time. We would also like to thank the community pharmacists for their help in processing a very large number of prescriptions prior to the change over. It is still taking us a bit longer to process repeat prescriptions, and we would ask patients to request their repeat medication a week before it is due to run out. Now that we are approaching autumn, we are beginning to plan the annual flu campaign. As in previous years, flu clinics will be held on Saturday mornings. The proposed dates are **Saturday 13 October, Saturday 20 October, Saturday 27 October and Saturday 3 November**. However, clinics can only be held on these dates if the vaccine is received in time. Last year, supplies were late and for this reason we will not be making any appointments until after the vaccine arrives in the Health Centre. We anticipate that this will be at the end of September and would ask patients to wait until the first week in October before requesting an appointment for the flu vaccination. Our experienced nursing team runs a number of clinics to support those patients who suffer from diseases such as asthma, diabetes, hypertension or heart disease. We find that the uptake for these clinics is often not good, particularly asthma. We would encourage all patients who receive an invitation to such a clinic to make an appointment so that we may help you to manage your condition and provide you with any further information you may require. If you do make an appointment, but find you cannot keep it, please telephone us so that we may cancel the appointment and offer it to another patient. Thank you.

Kinross Town Hall and Library

The court hearing referred to in the last Newsletter as taking place on 24 July in fact took place on 8 August. At the request of P&KC's legal representative the case was continued until 19 September. P&KC is expected to make further adjustments to its pleadings.

Kinross-shire Calendar 2008

Renowned local photographer, Robert Walker, has joined forces with local designers CREE8 to produce a calendar for 2008, in A3 format. Robert's photographs are scenes of the county, tracking the local seasonal variations familiar to us all. Watch out for advertising soon, with details of outlets and pricing.

Deadline for all Articles
2.00 pm, MONDAY 17 September
for publication on Saturday 29 September

Kinross CC By-Election

There were five nominations for the four vacancies on Kinross CC. However, one of the nominations was deemed by the CC to be invalid, leaving only four candidates. A ballot will therefore not take place.

The four new Community Councillors are: Susan Bathgate, John Drummond, Laura Mackay and Campbell Watson.

Susan Bathgate has lived in Kinross for five years and has two children at Kinross Primary School. She has been involved with Friends of Kirkgate Park since its inception. Susan is connected to the Tourism Group and is keen that their Action Plan is implemented, as she firmly believes that there is significant local and regional demand for good facilities for entertainment and activities.

John Drummond has contributed to the welfare of Kinross by fighting the closure of the Town Hall and by supporting the fine work of Kinross in Bloom. Readers of the Newsletter who marched in support of the Town Hall would perhaps recognise him as he played the part of Andrew Carnegie and received their petition on the steps of the Town Hall. He feels it is important there is a strong community voice to aid the work of local councillors in fighting our corner.

Laura Mackay is nineteen and has lived in Kinross all her life. She has a lot of experience in representing people's views as she is currently Disabled Students Officer at Stirling University, which means she is responsible for taking the students' views, problems and issues to the University on their behalf. She is pleased to have the opportunity to give something back to the community she has grown up in.

Campbell Watson is a solicitor in Kinross and has served on the Community Council previously, from 1993 to 2004.

Dances of the Lost Heritage

Most Scots can quote a bit of Burns, and some can recite pages and pages of him, poems such as Tam o' Shanter, Holy Willie's Prayer, My love is like a red, red, rose and so forth. But few, if any can dance the dances from that time. Even those who are Scottish Country dancers in the modern style have lost half of their heritage. To go only as far back as the Jane Austen period – the early 19th century – involves learning a different way of dancing.

But many of these old, lost dances were marvellous dances; they were the tops of the pops in their day, and they vary from easy dances suitable for ceilidhs, right up to that absolute cracker, the minuet.

We have lost half of our Scottish heritage of Country dances, as well as all the European heritage of the dances that were once so popular all over Europe.

It is rather embarrassing to find that the English are more aware of our shared heritage than the Scots! And the Americans are very keen on the dances that they call "Colonial Period" dances, which are again part of our joint heritage.

If you are interested in Historical dancing, and would like to try it, and can attend in Glenfarg on fortnightly (more or less) Sunday evenings, contact R. Lambie on 830295. We start on **30 September**, at 7.00 pm.

Doors Open Days

Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September

Doors Open Days give you free access to fascinating buildings, some of which are not normally open to the public. Doors Open takes place across the whole of Scotland and there are buildings open in some part of the country every weekend in September. This is your chance to discover the heritage on your doorstep or explore a new part of the country. Some buildings open up once a year, some just once in a lifetime. For details of the programme across the whole of Scotland, have a look at the website

www.doorsopendays.org.uk

The buildings taking part in the Perth & Kinross area are open on 22 or 23 September or sometimes both. There are 57 buildings taking part, with guided tours at many buildings and four historic settlements in the P&K programme. There will be music, children's activities and talks at some locations. The programme should be available in libraries and tourist information centres by early September, or contact Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust for further information, telephone 01738 477080 or website www.pkht.org.uk

Buildings in Kinross-shire

Tullibole Castle, Crook of Devon (Grade A Listed)

Tullibole Castle is a classic example of a 16th century tower house. The earliest part is the western end, originally built as a free-standing tower. The lower eastern range was added in 1608 and housed a new kitchen and spacious great hall. The castle is currently undergoing a facelift with restoration work to the external finish or 'harling'. Experts from the Scottish Lime Centre will be on hand to explain traditional harling techniques to visitors and give demonstrations of how to slake lime.



Saturday 1030 – 1600 *WC, Children's Activities*
Located on the B9097, one mile east of Crook of Devon.

Blair Adam House, Blair Adam (Grade A Listed)

Blair Adam, the home of the Adam architectural dynasty, was built by William Adam 'upon the plan of an ordinary manse' in the 1730s. Robert Adam's brother John and his descendants added to the house or extended it in a rambling hotchpotch of buildings arranged around a central courtyard. David Bryce renovated the central rooms in 1859, adding a dining room with a huge cast iron fire place, an entrance hall and a principal room known as 'the Corridor'.

Saturday – guided tours at 1400 and 1600.

Admittance is STRICTLY BY PRIOR BOOKING through PKHT; please call 01738 477080.

Refreshments, WC

St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church

Built in 1874, St Paul's owes its presence and much of its subsequent decoration to the Montgomery Family of Kinross House. The Church reveals the Montgomery Family and other Kinross families' histories through numerous memorials, plaques and the beautiful stained glass windows. St Paul's will be decorated in readiness for the Harvest Festival and an exhibition titled 'Peace and Remembrance' by Kinross Brownies will be on display.

Saturday 1200 – 1600, Sunday 1200 – 1600

Kinross Parish Church

Kinross Parish Church was designed by Edinburgh architect George Angus in a 'perpendicular gothic' style and built in 1832. Interestingly, the turret finials on the tower are replicas of those at Kings College Chapel, Cambridge. Angus also built similar churches for Kincardine and Kingskettle in Fife. The exterior has remained little changed apart from a small suite of rooms added in 1902 and the installation of the clock in 1930. In 2005, a major refurbishment of the interior was carried out creating an ideal environment for both the congregation and the wider community. For Doors Open Day, recitals will be given by local young musicians.

Sunday 1400 – 1700 *Music, Refreshments, WC*

Other Highlights in Perth & Kinross

There is a **Thomas Telford** theme this year.

Chris Ford, author of 'Dunkeld - Telford's Finest Highland Bridge', and members of Dunkeld and Bimam Historical Society will host an exhibition about Telford and the construction of the **Dunkeld Bridge** in the north abutment of the bridge itself.

At **Glen Lyon Church**, visitors will be able to view an **exhibition on Telford buildings** throughout Scotland, put together from the archives of the National Monuments Record of Scotland. This exhibition will be in the Local Studies Section of the A K Bell Library, Perth between 24 and 29 September.

There is also a **Green Doors** theme, featuring the following:

GAIA Architects

David Douglas Pavilion

NPowerRenewables Hydro Scheme at Stanley Mills

WWF Office, Little Dunkeld

WEB Walk, Friarton, Perth

The David Douglas Pavilion is a new building constructed entirely from local and sustainable materials for the Scottish Plant Hunters' Garden, Pitlochry. It was designed by Dunkeld based GAIA Architects, who open their offices for visitors to view plans and photographs of other sustainable buildings projects, as well as examples of 'green' constructional materials.

Environmentally friendly building does not necessarily mean new build – in fact re-using and greening an existing building is often more sustainable. WWF Scotland is based in a renovated doctors' surgery in Little Dunkeld - visitors are invited to see green technologies in action.

P&KC's WEB walk display at the Friarton Depot, Perth, was built as an informative and entertaining way of introducing adults and children to the three Rs – reduce, reuse and recycle.

The Kinross Show, Saturday 11 August

The organisers of the Kinross Agricultural Show had additional challenges to face this year. Just a week before the show, the outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease in England caused a ban on some livestock movements. Despite the short timescale, the team managed to organise various extra activities to fill the gaps in the show schedule. Sadly the unremitting rain on the day of the show meant that several of these had to be cancelled due to safety reasons, and a few events were moved from their originally planned spots in the show ground. Public attendance at the show was remarkably good considering the weather, and the trade stands benefited from those seeking shelter in their tents!

Afterwards the organisers said to the Newsletter:

“President Mike and all his committee sincerely thank Jamie and Lizzie Montgomery, all Competitors, Trade Stands, Art & Craft Tent, Flower Show, SWRI Tent and Dog Show for coming and taking part and all who assisted in this year’s Kinross Show. To the local community and the public at large for their loyal support under the circumstances of Foot & Mouth and the dreadful weather, our show was a success.”



All the fun of the fair, but don't forget your brolly!



Kinross Show Local Prize Winners

Agricultural Show

Horses

Overall Champion:	DOUGAL DICK, Powmill
Hunter:	DEBORAH GOWING, Scotlandwell
Hunter in hand:	DEBORAH GOWING, Scotlandwell
Riding Ponies:	ALICIA HAY, Milnathort
Ridden Pony:	JAMES HAY, Milnathort
Pony, Ridden in hand:	JAMES HAY, Milnathort
Lead Rein Pony:	GAVIN HAY, Milnathort
Show Pony:	JAMES HAY, Milnathort

Most Points,

Light Horse Events: GEMMA DIXON, Scotlandwell

Local Junior Jumping Class: LAUREN ROBB, Blairadam

Shetland Pony: DOUGAL DICK, Powmill

Highland Pony: LISA ALLISON, Duncricvie

Highland Pony in Saddle: LISA ALLISON, Duncricvie

Lead Rein and Ridden: M. WARREN, Milnathort

Crops

Spring Oats: BILLY NELSON, Kinross

Spring Barley: W. YOUNG, Mawcarse

Winter Barley: W. YOUNG, Mawcarse

Winter Wheat: JOHN BAILLIE, Glenfarg

Best Overall Winter Crop: W. YOUNG, Mawcarse

Seed Potatoes: KIRKFORTHAR POTATO CO.,
Milnathort

Flower Show Cup Winners

Cairns Cup for most points overall and rosette: TOM WEBSTER

Balado Salver most outstanding entry, classes 1 to 16 and rosette: IAIN MACDONALD

Fisher Bowl for most points in the Dahlias: JOHN MACDONALD

Caesar Trophy for Sweet Peas: LAURA ABEL

The Gavin Lindores Trophy for best single rose: E. HAMILTON

Mawcarse Salver for best exhibit in the show: IAIN MACDONALD

The Kirkness Trophy for most points in the floral art section classes 17-22 and rosette: FIONA ALEXANDER



*Prize winning begonia
(a glorious shade of orange - take our word for it!)*

The Renton Trophy for the most outstanding entry in the floral art classes 17-22 and rosette: FIONA ALEXANDER

The Scott-Davidson Cup for the winner of class 22: FIONA ALEXANDER

Children's Classes:

Lena Graham Quaich (small) winner of class 29: GREGOR MALCOLM

Lena Graham Quaich (Large) winner of class 30: CAROLINE GETLEY

The Maisie Pirie Cup plus rosette and £3 for most outstanding exhibit by a child under 8 yrs sponsored by Miss Pirie: EMMA HODGKINSON

The Cathie Pirie Cup plus rosette and £3 for most outstanding exhibit by a child 9-14 yrs sponsored by Miss Pirie: FELIX PRINCIPE-GILLESPIE

Many thanks to Dobbies for sponsoring our flower show and also all the folks who entered, especially the children, from the flower show committee.

Dog Show

Puppy: 1st ELLA MCNEILL, Milnathort; 2nd REBECCA HARDIE, Milnathort; 3rd DAISY FIONICIELLO, Wester Balgedie; 4th PETER HARDING, Milnathort

Sporting: 2nd SHONA MCINTYRE, Muckhart; 3rd LYNN BALLANTYNE, Kinross; 4th ELLA MCNEILL, Milnathort

Non-sporting: 1st GREG REEKIE, Kinross; 2nd JOANNA GRINDLAY, Milnathort

Open: 1st LYNN BALLANTYNE, Kinross; 2nd GREG REEKIE, Kinross; 3rd ELLA MCNEILL, Milnathort; 4th LISA GARRETT, Glenfarg

Confined to Kinross-shire: 1st LYNN BALLANTYNE, Kinross; 2nd JOANNA GRINDLAY, Milnathort; 3rd ZOIE BALLANTYNE, Kinross

Dog with the Waggiest Tail: 1st FIONA FOWLER, Kinross; 2nd ZOIE BALLANTYNE, Kinross; 3rd DAISY FIONICIELLO, Wester Balgedie; 4th LYNN BALLANTYNE, Kinross

Dog with the Most Appealing Eyes: 2nd LISA GARRETT, Glenfarg; 3rd JOANNA GRINDLAY, Milnathort

Dog Handled by a Boy or Girl Under 14 years of age: 1st LEXIE WHITE, Glenfarg; 3rd FIONA FOWLER, Kinross; 4th REBECCA HARDIE, Milnathort

Weaver of Kettle Trophy - Best Puppy: ELLA MCNEILL, Milnathort. (Springer Spaniel)

The Cairns Cup - Best Dog/Bitch in Kinross-shire: LYNN BALLANTYNE, Kinross. (Labrador)

SWRI Trophy Winners

Aldridge Sealy Trophy: CARNBO

Enid Scott-Davison Cup: CLEISH

Benarty Trophy: POWMILL

Jane Elliot Bell: GLENFARG

Stewart Cup: A. MESSENGER, Glenfarg

Hilton Cup: H. QUARTERMAINE, Glenfarg

Teenage Trophy: H. HENDERSON, Milnathort

Balado Cup: A. MORRIS, Cleish

Morris Quaich: K. HENDERSON, Milnathort

Special Prize (Produce Section): A. MESSENGER, Glenfarg

Ann Watson Trophy: N. DOUGLAS, Milnathort

Arnolea Trophy: A. MESSENGER, Glenfarg

Irene Whitson Salver: B. PETRIE, Blairadam

The Group Rose Bowl: J. MARTIN, Bishopshire

Community A - Paperweight: M. WHITE, Carnbo

Community B - Paperweight: A. MESSENGER, Glenfarg

At the Perth Show, the following WRI members achieved success: C. Fairweather, M. Moran, A. Messenger and M. Scott of Glenfarg; D. Morris and A. Morris of Cleish; C. Cochrane of Milnathort. Glenfarg WRI also came 2nd in the Challenge Cup.

**Friday 31 August****Family Disco**

7-11pm Bar plus bring your own picnic

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Treasure Hunt ✨ Quiz and games

Kirkgate Ceilidh

7-11pm Bar plus Hot Food

Tickets £15 family, £5 adult, £3 child

Grand Opening Day**Sunday 2 September, 11 - 4pm****Ceremony at 2pm**

Settle in Kirkgate Park and enjoy the BBQ plus music from Steamer Lane.

At 2pm Kinross Pipe Band process into the Park with Loch Leven Diamonds, culminating in a Grand Opening Ceremony with Louise Batchelor from BBC Scotland

Discover the New Park

Living art sculpture - watch and help shape figures in the earth.

Help plant swathes of colour for 2008 and beyond with Wild Flower planting.

Watch as large tree trunks are shaped with a chainsaw.

Discover the Heritage of Loch Leven

Bird & Bat activities - Guided walks - Willow work - Rope work - Broom making - Wood work - Kinross Primary Mary Queen of Scots DVD - Kids art activities - Give the Castle a Makeover!

Discover Activities in the Park Past & Present

Tri Golf - Curling - Aeromodelling - Fly Casting - Photo montage

Added Extras

Climbing wall * Archery*

Wine Tasting

6.30-8.30pm with a light snack

Tickets £7.50 per individual (over 18s)

Tickets available at Kinross Post Office or at marquee entrance.

Children must be accompanied at disco and ceilidh.

All activities are free except for those stated or marked*.

Visit www.friendsofkirkgatepark.co.uk

or www.kinross.cc for more info.

Photographs will be taken during all weekend events. Please inform the organisers if you do not wish to be photographed.

Kinross Town Twinning Visit

The first week of August saw 35 Gacéans travel to Kinross for the official twinning visit, staying with host families around the county.

Arriving on the Sunday evening by coach, the party was welcomed to Kinross at a civic reception at the Windlestrae Hotel by Depute Provost Willie Wilson, who in his welcome speech congratulated the twinning for over thirty years of exchange visits between the two towns.

The Monday was given over as a free day with host families to allow their guests to settle in. The next day hosts and guests visited East Fortune Airfield and the Concorde where they had a picnic lunch before moving on to North Berwick for the afternoon.

On the Wednesday evening beautiful Kinross House was the venue for a celebration of historical dance in costume with both French and Scottish groups leading each other in encouraging participation in each other's dances. Thanks are due to the Montgomery family for allowing this memorable evening to take place in the historic surroundings of Kinross House.



Michel Brodin and Robin Lambie with town twinning gifts

Thursday saw a visit to Glasgow, stopping off at the Botanic Gardens first of all before moving on to the Kelvingrove Museum, Museum of Transport and then the Braehead Shopping Centre and X-Scape. On the return to Kinross, the party stopped off at the Grange Manor Hotel for a lovely high tea.

On the Friday afternoon cars with hosts and guests assembled at Kinross High School where they were given written instructions for a car treasure hunt, which took in the delights of Duncricvie, Arngask, Gateside and Glenlomond before returning to Gallowhill Farm for a barbecue and French bowls competition.

The orchid show at Scone Palace was visited by the group on Saturday and on the Sunday evening a dinner and dance was held at the Windlestrae Hotel. The Lomond Ceilidh Band had everyone on their feet dancing a large selection of Scottish dances.

Gifts were exchanged with Kinross Chairman, Robin Lambie gifting a brass figurine of a Laird and his trusty collie dog and Gacé President, Michel Brodin gifting a mosaic picture celebrating the music of France and Scotland.

Sunday morning saw the Gacéans assemble for an early 8am departure for their long drive down to Portsmouth for the overnight crossing to Caen and the subsequent short road journey home to Gacé.

Thanks are due to all who helped make this year's twinning yet another success.

50 Club winner for July was Jan Wallace.

50 Club winner for August was Ron Mackay.

**Please mention The Newsletter when
answering advertisements**

The WEB Project

Summer appears to have come and gone without us noticing! However, the WEB Project was lucky that the sun shone on most of our summer programme outings so we can't complain.

If you haven't come across us before, the WEB is a young person's project based at 28 New Road, Milnathort. The project carries out street work in Kinross and the surrounding area to support young people on the issues that affect them as well as holding weekly drop-ins at our base on Mondays and Thursdays. We offer support and information for young people involved in risk behaviours (e.g. drug/alcohol use, unsafe sex) through group work well as one-to-one counselling. The WEB also provides education sessions on sexual health for various educational establishments in Perth & Kinross.

To return to the subject of summer, a number of young people who attend the WEB Project regularly, got together to raise funds to hold a summer programme to entertain them during the school holidays. They worked hard bag-packing and then held a sponsored walk to raise sufficient money to hold six events. The most popular of these were the trips to the Edinburgh Dungeons and Blair Drummond Safari Park and of course the stops at McDonalds for refreshments scored highly!

We are starting up two new groups in the autumn, one for girls and one just for first and second years. These groups will be a mix of fun and informal education sessions with arts & crafts and games according to your requests and hopefully, a trip to the Scout Adventure Centre at Fordell Firs, Dunfermline later in the year. If you are interested in joining either of these groups, just pop in for a chat or ring 01577 861608 and ask for Aileen or Lucy or come up and see us when we are out on street work or in the high school. Our office opening hours: 1-9pm Mondays and Thursdays, 9-5pm Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

So What is "The Rural"?

SWRI - Scottish Women's Rural Institutes are groups of women who meet together in centres throughout Scotland from Shetland to Kirkcudbright.

Contrary to the myth that all we do is 'knit socks and make jam', we certainly are not 'Scottish Women Running Idle'. We have a wide and varied choice of interests.

This year is our 90th anniversary; the first Institute formed at Longniddry, East Lothian, with Milnathort the second oldest celebrating its 90th anniversary this month. Congratulations!

SWRI Headquarters are at 42 Heriot Row, Edinburgh. Perth and Kinross Federation have an office at 5 Atholl Street, Perth.

Kinross Group comprises 11 Institutes, with the current President Mrs Frances Drysdale, Cambo; Vice-President Mrs Jean Paterson, Milnathort; Secretary Mrs Catriona Fleming, Muckhart; Treasurer Mrs Dorothy Morris, Cleish and Show-Secretary Mrs Catherine Fairweather, Glenfarg.

Is there an Institute near you, then? If you are interested and would like more information we would be delighted to hear from you. The local institutes are: Abernethy, Bishopshire, Blairadam, Blairingone, Cambo, Cleish, Crook of Devon, Glenfarg, Milnathort, Muckhart, and Powmill.

A warm welcome awaits you.



Music for Malawi

The musicians of Strathallan School will be making a return visit to Kinross Parish Church at 7.30 pm on **Wednesday 26 September** to perform a concert in aid of the church's Harvest Appeal for the Sangalala Fund for the home village in Malawi of Billy Samanyika, a member of the Kinross congregation and in aid of the school's music and drama departments' tour to the USA next April.



Strathallan School Choir on their last visit to Kinross Parish Church

This is Strathallan's third concert in the church. With the first they launched the fund raising appeal for the church renovation. Neil Metcalfe, Director of Music, promised to return as soon as the building work was completed and a second concert took place in the first few weeks after the church reopened. Again, a promise was made to return.

Those who attended on previous occasions were entertained by thoroughly enjoyable performances of a wide variety of music – sacred choral pieces from Mozart to John Rutter and Howard Goodall, excellent solo performances on piano, flute and violin by young people who have gone on to study music at university and college, songs from musical theatre and by Flanders and Swann, to name but a few. And no one at the last concert will forget the school chaplain Roger Quick's ability to perform any hymn tune in the style of any composer suggested by the audience. Such performances and more will appear on the programme.

Director of Music Neil Metcalfe said, "we are thrilled to have been invited back. We thoroughly enjoyed our previous visits to Kinross, where we received a really warm welcome."

Tickets, price £5 and £3 for concessions, will be available at the church, from Irene McFarlane (01577 863624), from Strathallan School (01738 812546) or at the door.

New on the Newsletter Website...

We have recently introduced some new features onto our website, www.kinrossnewsletter.org. There is now an archive of old Newsletters in Adobe Acrobat (pdf) format, stretching back as far as September 2006 when we first began to produce the Newsletter in electronic format. Newsletters will be added to the archive around three months after publication (so you'll still have to nip to the shop to get the latest news!).

So, if you need to consult an old copy of the Newsletter which you threw in the bin weeks ago, visit our website. And whilst you're there, why not take the time to sign our new guestbook too? Let us know what you think about the Newsletter and the website - we're always happy to hear from you!

Perth & Kinross Dentistry

Perth & Kinross Community Health Partnership (CHP) hosts the NHS Tayside-wide Community Dental Service. NHS Tayside, through the CHP, is working to resolve the issues currently experienced by patients across the whole of Tayside with access to NHS dentists. The Community Dental Service, as an interim measure, has arranged for patients to be seen by a dentist in an emergency situation and currently has a waiting list for patients who require routine dental treatment whilst awaiting registration for continuing care. The first patients from the Kinross area to go on the waiting list should now be receiving appointments to attend Drumhar Health Centre for routine treatment. Additional dentists have been employed and we are currently pursuing short-term leased premises to allow us to address the needs of the community. We are also considering the deployment of the mobile dental units to rural areas of Perth & Kinross for patients who are unable to attend the surgery.

The new Treatment and Teaching Centre planned for Perth & Kinross is well advanced through the planning stages. Building work is scheduled to begin in June 2008 with the new building being completed in June 2009. Once the new centre is operational the additional dentists will be accommodated there.

Fiona Gibson, Primary Care Manager, P&K CHP

Electric Blanket Testing Coming to Kinross

People in Kinross who own an electric blanket are being urged to get it checked by fire safety experts during Electric Blanket Testing Week. Checks will take place at Causeway Court, Kinross on **13 September**.

Electric blankets should be checked every three years to make sure they are safe. Thousands of fires are caused by faults in electric blankets each year in the UK, and on average 20 people lose their lives.

During the testing carried out in Perth and Kinross last year, 47% of the blankets submitted were found to be faulty. Faults varied from lack of overheat protection and frayed or worn fabric, to serious wiring faults including worn elements. All these faults are potential causes of fire or electrocution and possibly death of the user.

Representatives of Tayside Fire and Rescue and Perth and Kinross Council's Trading Standards Services will also be present.

If an electric blanket fails for whatever reason, a voucher for up to half the cost of a new one will be given to the owner, so no-one will go away empty handed.

Anyone wishing to have their blanket checked should call Perth and Kinross Council on 01738 476476 for an appointment.

Alternatively the Council's sheltered housing wardens will provide a collection service for those people not able to get to the test centres with their blankets. Please ring for further information.



Save NHS Dentistry Campaign

This report will be brief as people can read the statement from the Community Health Partnership (CHP) about the availability of NHS dentists for our area (*see left*). Our group is in regular contact with the CHP and we believe that the improvement in the situation for Kinross residents is in no small part due to our pressure over the last 18 months.

Recently we have leafleted the Kinross area encouraging more residents to join our campaign because we know there are still people without access to an NHS dentist. If you are one of them, please contact us or register your need with Councillor Willie Robertson by phone or email (details in Newsletter).

Alternatively, come to our next meeting on **Wednesday 12 September at 7 p.m.** in the Church Centre and tell us your story.

For any other info on the campaign, phone Felicity Garvie on 01592 840825.

New exchange website helps cut down on waste

Have you got any unwanted household items, furniture or electrical items that you intend to throw away? Well now a new website can help you get rid of your old stuff without have to send it to the dump.

The worldwide Freecycle Network ® is made up of individual groups of people who are exchanging stuff for free in their own towns. Each local group is run by local volunteer moderators and membership to your local group is free.



The group newly set up for residents in Perthshire – the Perth South UK Freecycle group – covers Kinross, Milnathort, Perth and surrounding areas up to the A85 but people from further afield are also welcome to join. The website can be found at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PerthSouthUKFreecycle/>

The group works by members 'posting' unwanted items on the website and everything posted must be free. Whether it's a chair, a fax machine, piano, toys or an old door to be given away, it can be posted on the network. Or you can log on to see what is on offer that may be of use to yourself.

Freecycle is a not for profit organisation, with the aim of the movement being to reduce waste, save precious resources and help to slow down the volume of waste going to landfill. Environment Convener of P&KC, Councillor Alan Grant, said, "This is great way for people to reduce and reuse items that would previously have ended up in landfill. The Council is fully supportive of this new website and would encourage people to get involved."

Learning Centre Autumn Programme

Don't forget that many new courses start this month at Kinross Learning Centre in Swansacre. Full details were published in last month's Newsletter. Courses on offer this autumn include Computing, Digital Photography, Genealogy, languages and introductory courses on Antiques, Homeopathy and Philosophy. To find out more or to book your place, call Maureen Ross on 01577 863863 or visit the centre at Swansacre, Kinross.

Loch Leven Heritage Project

Work on building the path from Levenmouth Wood to Vane Farm is going well and the new bridge over the River Leven cut should be installed early next month. That means that Phase 2 of the Loch Leven Heritage Trail could be opened to the public before the end of October.

TRACKS are delighted with progress, but recognise that the success of the project requires more than simple physical work on the ground – it also needs local support.

The TRACKS team has been working with Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) to look at how to balance public access with conservation, and thus ensure the future sustainability of the trail. The two organisations see a significant opportunity for local volunteers to help make this new facility a real success. They hope that the more people contribute practical support, the greater the sense of ownership the community will feel for the trail and its environment.



Volunteers helping out on the trail Photo: Felicity Martin

There are many ways for people to become involved, whatever skills, experience or energy they can offer. TRACKS and SNH aim to develop volunteering in several directions.

The concept of a voluntary warden scheme, similar to that operating in the Lake District – where local volunteers answer visitors' questions and help them to enjoy the natural heritage in a responsible manner – is one proposal up for discussion.

Another idea is for people with special knowledge of local wildlife, history or culture to lead themed walks. There could also be guided photography workshops.

Volunteers will certainly be needed for a range of biodiversity work, for example planting trees or clearing ponds to improve habitats. Such projects are ideal for providing educational opportunities for youth groups.

There will also be a need for nature watchers to record their observations, so that a patchwork picture can be built up of wildlife numbers and behaviour.

If you think you could give some of your time to helping Loch Leven become an even more special place, please contact TRACKS project officer Janet Croft on 01577 864105 (or email her at janetcroft@btinternet.com). Whatever your age or abilities, there is bound to be something useful you could do.

Since the Loch Leven Heritage Project team is primarily focussed on building the trail and putting in the

interpretation, they need help in planning and organising these other activities. The vision of the SNH/TRACKS partnership is to create a core group of motivated individuals, who will bring in others to implement various projects, so they are also keen to hear from anyone who would like to play a central role in organising voluntary activities.

Fossoway & District Horticultural Society

Fossoway & District Horticultural Society held their annual Flower Show on Saturday 18 August at the Crook of Devon.

The Show was opened by David Roulston, Cambo who also presented the trophies. Kirsty Skea presented Mr Roulston with a plant.

The Society would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors, everyone who gave donations, attended and exhibited at the show.

The Trophy Winners were:

Ramage Dawson Cup (most points)	Mr. G.M. Harley
President's Shield (runner up)	Mr. Colin Bayne
Bob Wilkie Cup (Pot Plants)	Mrs. Elza Harley
Moir Cup (Cut Flowers)	Mrs. Heather Turnbull
David De Boer Cup (Gladioli)	Mrs. B. Wheatley
Drummond Trophy (Sweet Peas)	Mrs. Heather Turnbull
G.A. & G. Kendrick Cup (Vegetables)	Mr. G.M. Harley
J.M. Fraser Cup (Open Section)	Mr. D. Forrester
Stalker Cup (Baking & Industrial)	Mrs. H. Buchanan
Barden Trophy (Baking)	Mrs. H. Buchanan
Miss Pirie Cup (Industrial)	Mrs. J. Forrester
Nicolson Black Jug (Preserves)	Mrs. A. Bayne
Stewart Rose Bowl (Floral Art)	Mrs. N. Green
Mabel Ross Trophy (Article in Wool)	Mrs. J. Forrester
Liz Wilkie Trophy (Best Exhibit Industrial)	Mrs. T. Duffy

Children's Sections

Ramage Dawson Cup (most points overall)	Emily Wood
The Aldridge Cup (under 10 years)	Kirsty Skea
J.M. Fraser Cup (over 10 years)	Emily Wood
Spinningdale Trophy (article in wool)	Rachael Taylor
Good Yam Trophy (Writing)	Emily Wood

Special Prizes

Best Exhibit Pot Plants	Mrs. E. Johnston
Best Exhibit Cut Flowers	Mrs. Heather Turnbull
Collection of Vegetables	Mr. G.M. Harley
Collection of Potatoes	Mr. G.M. Harley
Best Exhibit Vegetables	Mr. G.M. Harley
Best Exhibit Open Section	Mrs. Heather Turnbull
Best Exhibit Baking	Mrs. H. Buchanan
Best Exhibit Industrial	Mrs. T. Duffy

Book Competition

Congratulations to the winners of our Book Competition from the July issue.

They were:

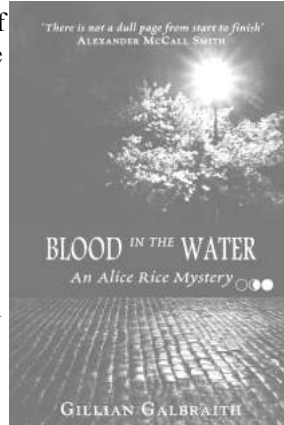
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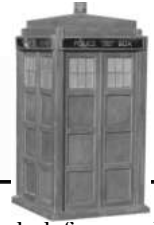
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Montgomery Way, Kinross

Thanks to all who entered, and for the favourable comments on the idea of a crossword (see next page for this month's puzzle).



Police Box



Youths Causing Annoyance

Once again we have received several complaints of youths causing annoyance at locations including the High Street areas, as well as Avenue Road, Swansacre and Brewery Lane areas. The complaints describe, among other things, acts of vandalism, under-age drinking, urinating on the street and excessive noise. It would appear that these areas are now the accepted place for the youths of the area to meet on Friday evenings and although it is not against the law and many of the youths do not misbehave, sadly, there are those that do. In recent weeks youths have been reported for crimes such as assault and vandalism. It is widely accepted in Kinross that there are limited facilities for young people and they regularly remind us of this fact when we speak to them. However, it is not the fault of local residents who have their windows broken or their gardens trampled by drunken youths on a Friday evening and this type of behaviour, which is unacceptable in any situation, will not help to create these facilities. We would like parents to be aware of the situation and alert them to the possibility that one of the youths who might behave as described above may be their son or daughter. Perhaps parents might like to take time out to visit or walk past these areas on a Friday evening and to see first hand what their children might be getting up to.

One other aspect of the youths causing annoyance problem is the ability of some young people to obtain alcohol, particularly with regard to people purchasing it on their behalf. It would appear a common method is to engage the services of a passer-by, known colloquially as a "random", to purchase it. Probably the most used method is for someone over 18, known to the youths, to buy whatever is required for a small service charge. We would remind those

who may buy or may be tempted to buy alcohol for people under 18 years of age that this is an offence under the Licensing (Scotland) Act, 1976 and those traced doing so will be reported.

Useful Security Tip

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

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

CRIME STOPPERS Telephone Number 0800 555 111

This telephone number is a freephone 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 and Scotlandwell: Constable Graham Stephen.

Cleish and Blairadam, Crook of Devon, Powmill, Blairingone, Cambo and Glenfarg: Constable Lynne Petrie.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

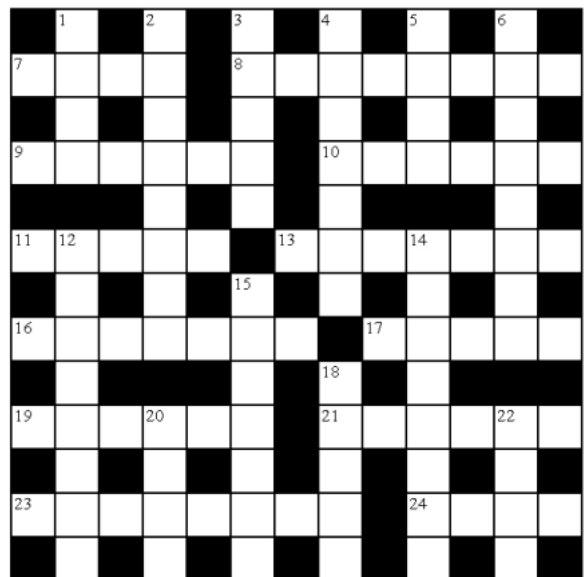
(Answers on our Day Centre page, at the end of the Notices section)

ACROSS

7. Single fish. (4)
8. Diamond sky woman hides her identity with it to create clarity. (8)
9. If shut, arrange for a look. (6)
10. Nut may be found in salmon dish. (6)
11. Some do, or some don't facilitate access. (5)
13. Ape'd yon previous clue to facilitate access. (4,3)
16. Sinks or makes it to town. (7)
17. Find police in as chemicals can burn. (5)
19. Average(ish) community. (6)
21. Building where you are surrounded by two Swiss to complete 16 & 19 and so be part of 11,13. (6)
23. Mains electricity makes cupola a good place to go loco. (8)
24. Average short name. (4)

DOWN

1. Hops about in superior manner. (4)
2. Fears are mixed for marine traveller. (8)
3. Tony or Lionel, fifty one hidden in pub. (5)
4. Why very quiet parts of circle lead up to a messy nephew of Scooby. (7)
5. First man to help 3 be part of 11 & 13. (4)
6. The average flag. (8)
12. Oh! Garlic makes one of few to rule. (8)
14. Turn once to create some music. (8)
15. Pal's hat makes roads. (7)
18. Exclusive point of chicken shed. (5)
20. Pims confuses little devils. (4)
22. Finds fault with fish. (4)



Community Council News



All Community Council meetings
are open to the general public.

Kinross Community Council

News from the August Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 1 August were: CCllrs D Colliar (Chair), D Cuthbert, I Jack, D Mackay and M Scott (Secy). Also present were: P&K Cllrs K Baird, M Barnacle, W Robertson; Lynn Petrie representing the Police and nine members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from CCllrs M Blyth and C Drummond.

Police Report

Lynn Petrie reported that there had been a number of thefts from the building site at the garages under construction in Green Road, and from the Stewart Milne Homes Development. Incidents of vandalism had also been recorded. The damage to the toilet block at the Kirkgate Park had been successfully detected.

The Summer Safety Campaign operational from 16 to 30 July targeted drink driving, speeding, and the use of seat belts and mobile phones.

A number of complaints were received in relation to the traffic flow at T in the Park, and in particular to the lengthy delays on Friday. Superintendent Iain Bell at Barrack Street, Perth, is dealing with this matter and any comments should be addressed to him in writing.

During the school holidays the number of calls received in relation to incidents involving youths increases.

The Police welcome support from the community and ask that they contact them with any information they may possess in relation to crimes.

Minutes of Meeting held on 4 July

The Minutes having been circulated prior to the Meeting were nominated by CCllr Jack and seconded by CCllr McKay, under correction of the following:

Reference to the officers at P&KC should read:

Ian Sleith has retired; Head of Planning is Roland Bean; Head of Development Standards is Nick Brian; Peter Marshall is Head of Forward Planning. The reference to the Team Leader should read Anne Condliffe.

High School: Cllr Baird advised that the meeting convened for July was cancelled and has now been rescheduled for

13 August and a decision would, hopefully, be reached at that time. The problem is in relation to the financing of the complete package for the construction of all the schools in Perth and Kinross, not just Kinross High School.

Planning

07/01502/OUT 27 Alexander Drive: Erection of house (in outline); 07/01522/OUT Garden Cottage, High Street: Renewal of Planning Consent (04/01176/OUT) for the erection of a dwellinghouse (in outline); 07/01571/FUL Land to the west of Clashburn Close, Bridgend Industrial Estate: Erection of a single storey office/ showroom/ workshop /store building with parking and concrete yard; 07/01632/FUL 9 Montgomery Street: Extension to dwellinghouse

No adverse comments were made in respect of the above.

07/01226/OUT Land to the south of the A977, Balado:

Residential development in outline for David Barlow

Homes. The plans provide for a 42-house development (including 6 affordable houses). A condition of this application is that a separate sewage unit is to be provided for this development which will also collect some of the sewage from the existing houses at Balado. The application is in outline at the moment and, if approved, construction will take place 2008 – 2009. This site appears as an area for housing development in the Local Plan and allows for the building of 30 houses. The plans produced show a total of 42 properties. CCllr Cuthbert again raised concerns about the construction of more housing in the area and the resultant increase in the school roll, especially in light of the delay that has arisen in the building of the new High School. Cllr Robertson reminded those present that, at his request, an embargo on housing had been in place some years ago. CCllr Jack questioned who would be responsible for maintaining the sewage tanks. It was noted that the developer, Scottish Water and SEPA have to accept the sewage scheme. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the CC should write to P&KC raising concerns in relation to the number of properties being built not complying with the Local Plan and also to request clarification on the sewage system. It was noted that mains drainage was proposed when the first development at Balado was built, however this was not adopted. The speed limit on this road was also addressed and it was suggested that it would be advisable to place a restriction to avoid speeding. It was agreed that KCC would write to P&KC requesting a new speed limit and warning signs before the quarry.

It was reiterated that it would be advisable for a proper infrastructure to be put in place before these housing developments are approved and construction commences.

A member of the public mentioned the housing development proposed for the site of the Car Auction at Bridgend. This has not yet been determined.

A discussion was held on the subject of affordable housing. Cllr Robertson advised that developers are often asked to set aside 25% for affordable housing or place a sum of money into the Council's bank account until a suitable site was located for construction of these houses.

06/02762/OUT **Erection of twelve affordable**

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dwellinghouses and formation of three house plots (in outline) at land north west of Hatchbank Farm, Kinross: This had been considered at the Development Control Committee Meeting earlier that day (1st August). The recommendation in the report by the Development Quality Manager was to approve the application, however Cllr Barnacle reported that the Committee had refused this application.

Agricultural Store at Balado: It was noted that this building is being used to house a helicopter which may be an enforcement issue, as in the application the building was defined as Agricultural (Mushroom Farm). The CC should write to P&KC for clarification on the regulations set down for Agricultural Buildings.

Report from Perth & Kinross Councillors

Cllr Robertson referred to the access at Burns Begg Street and advised that one car parking space would be removed which would assist in alleviating problems in this area. Cllr Robertson had toured around Kinross with a representative from Scottish Water and a list of broken hydrants and sunken sewers was recorded. These would be attended to as and when Scottish Water had suitable funding. The areas requiring attention have been highlighted with a blue marker.

Cllr Barnacle advised that he attended a liaison meeting regarding Balado Quarry. A speed limit should be introduced on this road with improved signage.

In relation to T in the Park, Cllr Barnacle also wrote to Tayside Police regarding the traffic problems.

CCllr Jack reported that the prevention barrier has not been replaced at Balado and that the lights are still on. It was noted that the barrier will not be replaced and that the lights are at a low level for security reasons.

Correspondence

Association of Scottish Community Councils – National Member Survey for 2007 to be completed and returned. The ASSC are looking at a range of issues, particularly the imminent changes to CCs stemming from the Government initiatives and seeking a sense of how the ASSC can improve and what CCs want from it. CCllr Cuthbert is to read through this correspondence.

Kaizen Blitz Review – Letter from P&KC detailing procedures involved in the planning process.

SEPA View magazine – handed over to CCllr Colliar.

Waste Aware Leaflet received from P&KC.

Tayside Fire and Rescue – Public Performance Report.

Scottish Water – Letter received from Brendon Williams, Regional Community Manager for Tay Region, introducing himself.

Other Business

CCllr Cuthbert advised that the **Kirkgate Park** improvements would be officially opened at 2 pm on **2 September**. A Discovery Weekend offers a variety of events and activities.



Kirkgate Park improvements; official opening on 2 September

Work would soon commence in the **Gravel Pit** at Balado.

Cllr Cuthbert mentioned that the court case in relation to the **Town Hall** would be heard on 7 August.

Paths/Dog Fouling: A member of the public applauded the excellent paths constructed around the Loch but was dismayed to find the route littered with dog excrement, in particular at Burleigh Sands. He also reported a number of dogs unleashed and causing disturbance. Dog fouling was also evident on pavements at the bottom end of the town. Cllr Baird suggested that a record of the incidents (time and dates) should be recorded and, where possible, photographs taken. These would assist the Dog Warden in detecting these crimes. Cllr Robertson will contact the Ranger Service in this regard and confirmed that signage will be improved around the Trail.

The Bus Shelter at **Balado Crossroads** requires to be refelted and also would benefit from a coat of paint.

The Chairman had received complaints in relation to the **recycling bins** at Millbridge Car Park. These were being used in the early hours of the morning (around 1am), causing a disturbance to the houses behind the containers. It was suggested that the bins might be relocated to the area behind Neilsons. Cllr Robertson is to approach the Council. It was further noted that there was a proposal to upgrade the site at Bridgend and it may be more beneficial to rehouse the containers there. Planning permission has been granted for this work, but the finance is not yet in place.

It was noted that youths and children gather in the vicinity

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of Millbridge Hall and create a **disturbance** in the area. The Police are aware of this problem. Aberfeldy CC has contacted Kinross CC in relation to the **closure of public toilets** and the replacement of these with Comfort Schemes and APCs (automated public conveniences). They are campaigning for the re-opening of manned toilet blocks and the case is to be heard in Holyrood. Kinross Town toilet facilities are not adequate for the size of the town. On the High Street only one of the Comfort Schemes is open in the evening. Cllr Barnacle said we were to receive five Comfort Schemes and two APCs, one to be sited at Kirkgate Park, the other at the Park and Ride. We are to write to P&KC asking that the APCs should be put in place **now**.

T in the Park – A number of complaints have been received by the CC, mainly with regard to the traffic problems experienced over the weekend. An article was placed in the Kinross Newsletter (August issue) inviting comments from the public in relation to the event, whether good or bad. Letters should be sent to the Secretary and all the issues raised will be discussed with T in the Park representatives. It was noted that security was increased just prior to the event as a result of the incident at Glasgow airport. This created a delay as vehicles were being searched on entering the site. In addition to this, a large parking area was closed by the Police as it was too close to the site and the heavy rain had made entering the parking areas difficult for cars. A Traffic Plan is prepared in consultation with the Council and Tayside Police prior to the event. Mention was made of Cllr Barnacle's letter to the Council (and the subsequent article in the Perthshire Advertiser). Cllr Barnacle explained that he had been responding to concerns raised by residents of Cambo and Balado as the organisers had not dealt with a number of issues properly. He advised that although the Cllrs are consulted in relation to the Traffic Plan, in his opinion not enough input is available at an early stage to determine whether the plan would cover all possible eventualities. Litter is another issue which should be addressed, especially the rubbish that accumulates on the country roads. Finally, it was noted that there is a lack of communication from the organisers in relation to any changes made to the plan over the weekend. A member of the public raised several corrections to the letter written by Cllr Barnacle, including the level of consultation carried out by the organisers of T in the Park with the local community. The CC plans to meet with T in the Park representatives in September to discuss the issues raised.

Five nominations have been received for four places on the CC; a Bye-Election will need to be held.

The next meeting of Kinross CC will be held on Wednesday 5 September at 7.30 pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.

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.

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Fossoway & District CC

News from the August meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 7 August in Cambo Village Hall were: I Booth (Chair), F Saunders, I Farquhar, T Duffy-Wigman, A Morrison, H Wallace, L Stronach, L Boulter; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle, W Robertson and K Baird; PC Child and 37 members of the Public.

Community Policing Report: There have been many complaints about T in the Park. These problems are to be discussed and addressed at a review meeting with the event managers and others to be held in the near future.

There have been reports of people begging door to door from Cambo to Back Crook; these beggars are believed to be of Polish descent.

Matters Arising

T in the Park – Numerous complaints were received and most villages were affected by the traffic problems. DF Concerts Ltd were made aware of the large number of complaints and asked to explain what went wrong. They sent a response by email which was available for the public to view. DF Concerts Ltd were also invited to attend the meeting but declined, indicating the existing arrangement with P&KC is their preferred meeting forum. CC members expressed their extreme disappointment that DF Concerts were not at the meeting in person to explain and apologise to the public and particularly Cambo residents.



T in the Park: a cause for complaint!

Photo: Dave Cuthbert, www.kinross.cc photo library

Residents complained that notification of the roads being used was required much sooner than was available this year. However, such was the chaos on the Friday that the planned access road out of Cambo for pass holders was used as a car park and therefore no access was possible from 10am until midnight. There was unacceptable use of gardens as public toilets with stranded event goers urinating and defecating in view of residents and children. Some elderly residents felt prisoners in their own homes during the event. Two ambulances, one with police escort, were unable to get through Cambo. There were threats against residents when bad behaviour was challenged and numerous thefts from gardens. Phone calls to the helpline and the Council for security or police resulted in one security person at Cambo and that person was powerless to stop the thefts, abusive behaviour, and fouling of the bus stop and gardens. Reportedly, police asked to assist admitted it was a "nightmare" and were unable to help.

Cllr Mike Barnacle said that representations were made following last year's event and he expressed the view that no attention has been made to villagers' concerns and wishes. Cllr Barnacle said that the Police have

acknowledged these problems. They should not be repeated again. Local Council members will take their feelings to the debriefing meeting, to give the feedback early so that lessons will be learnt. Grievances have to be addressed re traffic and toilets if this concert is to carry on.

Local residents have asked for a petition to stop T in the Park.

Cllr W Robertson (Licensing Committee), will have a debriefing with the Council about the event at a joint meeting with Councillors, Deputy Chief Constable and CCs. This meeting should be time-driven and have all completed plans for next year's events finalised by early autumn.

Douglas Alexander who owns the Balado site believes that the organisers should contact CCs to discuss the problems.

The CC agreed that a repeat of this and previous years' problems were completely unacceptable and that robust arrangements addressing all raised issues must be provided and approved by local residents in adequate time for the next T in the Park event before community support would be provided.

Pitcairnie Development – Following the Enforcement appeal, a meeting with the Reporter took place on 24 July. Residents and F Saunders of FDCC pointed out relevant features to the Reporter. FDCC again wrote to P&KC Planning asking why the planning permission has not been revoked when the developer intentionally deceived P&KC by not issuing neighbour notifications but stating in the application that these had been issued. Also FDCC has written to the P&KC Flood Prevention Officer and SEPA Planning Officer asking for a response to the serious public concern that the current Pitcairnie development plans will materially worsen the risk of flooding at Cambo's west end.

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Crook of Devon – Naemoor Road bridge overloading. FDCC wrote to Lendrick Muir and received a helpful response from the Centres and Holiday Director indicating that all delivery companies and bus companies would be advised of the problem and asked to avoid the bridge.

Powmill Dog Bin – FDCC wrote to P&KC Dog Control Welfare Coordinator requesting a dog bin and signs. These have been installed. Well done to Mr Hearsom.

Drum Environmental Improvements – FDCC wrote to Scottish Water asking for connection of the Institute and eight houses that were omitted from the scheme and have received written advice that they now intend to connect the Institute but not the eight houses.

Devonshaw Quarry – FDCC wrote to P&KC Planners regarding amenity development of the disused quarry and a meeting took place with P&KC's Community Green Space Manager Brenda Clough, Cllr Barnacle and F Saunders, FDCC. Talks are underway for funding of the project.

Loch Leven National Nature Reserve

Phil Gaskell, Area Manager, Scottish Natural Heritage made an excellent presentation summarising the management proposals for the NNR at Loch Leven. These can all be viewed online. SNH invites the public to read their leaflets or go online and read their proposals and welcomes suggestions. Some diverse views and suggestions were made by members of the public; Mr Gaskell welcomed the comments. Feedback from the public and CC should be made by September.

Planning Reports

Details may be viewed online at www.pkc.gov.uk via the "Public Access Link".

07/01103/FUL – Steading development for seven dwellings, Pitfar Farm, Powmill. FDCC recommend deferral / refusal.

07/01105/FUL – Steading development for seven dwellings, Barnhill Farm, Powmill. FDCC recommend refusal due to insufficient evidence of use of remaining buildings.

07/01346/OUT – Erection of cottage, the Brae, Rumbling Bridge. FDCC recommend refusal due to over development and loss of amenity to existing properties.

07/01403/FUL – Erection of four dwelling houses, Braehead Farm, Rumbling Bridge. FDCC recommend deferral or refusal and planners should consider over development of site, loss of amenity and consider recommendations of roadway improvement.

07/01405/FUL – Erection of three dwelling houses at Blairingone. FDCC recommend deferral to enable review of plot density, access road improvements and mine workings remediation proposals.

07/00319/FUL – Residential development at Hilton of Aldie (withdrawn).

07/01605/OUT – Erection of three dwelling houses, Rainscourt, Crook of Devon. FDCC recommend refusal due to over-development of site and inappropriate style.

07/01684/FUL – Amendment to house type adjoining Churchmouse Cottage, Cambo. This has been granted – FDCC have no objection.

07/01719/OUT – Erection of a dwelling house, Craighead Bungalow, Drum. FDCC recommend refusal or deferral until more plans are available.

Reports from P&K Councillors

Regarding concerns about public awareness of planning matters, he suggested that if more time is required to look at planning applications one could write to P&KC Planning Department asking for a Holding Objection pending a

public meeting of FDCC. This serves the purpose of alerting the Planning Department of any possible issues. Cllr Barnacle also suggests that such holding objections should be copied to all local members.

Cllr Barnacle was very concerned about T in the Park as stated above. P&K Cllrs Robertson and Baird also expressed their concern about T in the Park issues but otherwise had nothing in particular to report.

Correspondence

DF Concerts Ltd – T in the Park, copy of Local Resident Leaflet received 2 July 2007.

Mrs G Paterson – letter complaining about events in Cambo re T in the Park and seeking action to ensure no recurrence. Similar letters from Cambo residents Mrs Ann Munro, Mrs Wilks, Mr M Smith and Ms Fiona Watt.

Cllr M Barnacle – Copy of letter to Police re T in the Park management – copy sent to DF concerts.

Karen McColl of DF Concerts Ltd - Detailed response on traffic related problems caused by T in the Park. FDCC will send copy of minutes recording public concerns.

John Wheatley – Steading Developments: seeks CC action to request P&KC planners change the criteria for steading developments back to “sympathetic development of existing steading buildings” – I Farquhar to write accordingly to R Bean, Head of Sustainable Development, P&KC.

Cllr Barnacle – Copy of letter to R Bean, Head of Sustainable Development re 1) Housing in the Countryside policy review and 2) Integration and Strategic Development Proposals. Scottish Executive – Director of planning appeals – Cambo Enforcement Notice appeal: Advice of Reporters intention to visit the site on 24 July 2007.

P&KC Planning Change Manager – Notification of intended Planning System Changes. I Farquhar to review corresponding system changes and will respond with comments a.s.a.p.

Frank Wellman – Drum Drainage system – Copy of letter of complaint sent to MSP Keith Brown.

Cllr Barnacle – Drum/Crook – Advises meeting re road and track reinstatement between Station Road and Broomhill Kennels and Nowell and advises meeting with Scottish Water, P&KC staff, residents and Institute committee.

The Association for Protection of Rural Scotland “fighting for best practice in planning for the future of Scotland’s Countryside” – membership fee. CC approval of continuing membership at £15.

D J Mason Powmill Resident – requesting FDCC assistance in signs for side streets in Powmill to avoid possible road traffic accidents – Letter sent to Road Safety Manager P&KC asking for policy regarding signing of side streets.

P&KC Principal Engineer Traffic and Road Safety – Blairingone speed reduction measures – response to FDCC letter of April 2007 but no specific timescale. Cllr Barnacle is asked to assist.

Leaflets on paper recycling from P&KC.

Tayside Police Annual Report 2006-07 and performance targets 07-08.

Tayside Fire and Rescue – Public Performance report 2006-07 and Action Plan 07-08.

P&KC enclosing ASCC Survey regarding current proposed CC operations – for completion and return by 1 October.

P&KC Environment Service – Review of out of hour’s service at nights and weekends. Public were asked for feedback on service but no specific experiences were voiced. In general people called the police in the evenings

and at weekends when confronted with anti-social behaviour.

Other Business

Cllr Barnacle thanked FDCC for support in lobbying Scottish Water successfully in the need for the Institute to be connected.

Pitcairnie Development – BBC Scotland will be filming at the site on 20 August. Cllr Barnacle and Tom Read who leads the campaign against this development will attend. The BBC will look at the destruction of the countryside and increase of flooding to adjacent properties. This will be televised before the end of August. This development has been permitted without any road permission within the site. Outwith the boundary of the site, shrubs and trees are being burnt and field drains destroyed resulting in overflows of septic tanks. The Roads Department have not visited the site.

Cllr Barnacle says enforcement section leaves a lot to be desired and is in discussions with R Bean of P&KC Planning Department who intends to change things for the better.

There are serious concerns at Pitcairnie and all the local members agree that a joint letter to invite Tom Read, Jim Irons, R Bean and a CC representative for a site meeting is highly desirable.

The next meeting of Fossoway and District Community Council will take place on Tuesday 4 September in Fossoway Church Hall, Crook of Devon at 7.30pm.

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Portmoak Community Council

News from the August Meeting

A meeting was held on Tuesday 14 August at Portmoak Primary School. In attendance were Wendy MacPhedran (Chairwoman), Sue Mitchell-Henry, Jo Morrell, Jim Shepherd, Alistair Smith; P&K Cllrs Kathleen Baird and Sandy Miller; Sgt Rankine and several members of the public. Apologies were received from P&K Cllr Mike Barnacle.

Police Report

The Police had considered the reported problem of potential accidents at the junction at Leslie Road, Scotlandwell on the A911, but they had found no evidence of accidents to support this. It was suggested that this was a matter for P&KC Roads Department.

At the last CC meeting the Police were also asked to look at the use of the Speed Safety Cameras by Tayside Partnership Cameras. The present exercise is a part of a three-month study and new camera positions may be considered after that.

There had been little crime in the area although there had been an incidence of theft from a farm shed. The Police would remind people to keep all sheds locked securely.

There had been a recent case of youths causing disturbance in Kinnesswood. The Police would remind everyone to call the Police about any incident even if it was after the event.

Chairwoman's Report

The Chairwoman reported on the training session she and CCllr Mitchell-Henry had attended, arranged by the Friends of the Earth on behalf of the Scottish Executive on new Planning Legislation. This had been very worthwhile and the Executive is issuing the results of the discussion events.

Presentation by Scottish Natural Heritage

Phil Gaskell of SNH attended the meeting and gave a short presentation on the proposals for the management of the Loch Leven National Nature Reserve for the next six years. There followed an open discussion on the proposals and response from the meeting on proposals from the community. These proposals included the need for a 'Visitor Centre' to inform visitors what the Loch was about and where they could go around the loch to see the wildlife, tree planting to encourage the renewal of the Red squirrel in the area and access from the proposed Kinross-shire paths network. There was a discussion on access to the loch by boats and Phil Gaskell clarified SNH's position that only canoes and rowing boats will be allowed on the loch and only from April to September. The CC will write to SNH with a full statement of the ideas that have come from the community.

The public is encouraged to attend the 'Meet the Warden' events and the next one is on 5 September. The public can obtain more information on the SNH web site at www.snh.gov.org

Secretary's Report

The Secretary had received invitations from Friends of Kirkgate Park to the Discovery Weekend.

A911: The CC has heard nothing further from P&KC Roads on progress on the matters on the A911, including proposals for Traffic Calming in Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell.

Planning Matters

07/01472/FUL Demolition of existing cottage and erection of a replacement dwellinghouse, Butts Acre, Leslie Road, Scotlandwell. The CC felt that this proposal was out of

character with the surrounding buildings and would be far better if the existing 18th century cottage was used and a new house developed from it.

07/01694/FUL Erection of an outbuilding, the Clunes, Leslie Road, Scotlandwell. There was no comment on this application.

07/01581/FUL Proposed alterations to dwellinghouse, the Coach House, Arnot Tower, Leslie. The CC felt that the proposed extension was completely out of character with the old existing Coach House. The CC would object.

Lochel Bank Wind Farm has had the approval of the Reporter following the Public Inquiry. This leaves a situation where two wind farms have now been approved, where P&KC had in mind only to approve one. The Tillyrie Farm proposal is now to go the Public Inquiry.

Glenlomond Farm: The CC had been told that P&KC had asked Glenlomond Farm to place a Planning Application for a Change of Use relevant to the moto-cross track that now is run at the farm.

Report from Perth & Kinross Councillors

Cllr Kathleen Baird reported on progress on the new Kinross High School, which will be discussed at a meeting next week. Cllr Miller also mentioned this matter.

Other Business

CCllr Sue Mitchell-Henry complained about the state of the verges along the A911 down towards Auchmuir Bridge. She asked that a letter be written to P&KC Roads about this matter, as some of the road signs were becoming obscured.

Mr Mike Silvera, Lochend Farm, informed the meeting of his proposals to make a footpath available from just outside Scotlandwell down to the Lochend Farm Shop. He emphasised that this path would vary from time to time depending on the crops and there would be times when it even might be closed for a short time. He stressed that this was an informal path and should not be construed as a Right of Way. The Local Senior Ranger from P&KC had visited the site.

The next meeting of Portmoak CC will take place on Tuesday 11 September at 7.30pm in the Portmoak Primary School.

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Club & Community Group News

Kinross & District Rotary Club



The Rotary Month

South African, Rev Jan Steyn was the speaker at the Club meeting on 16 July. He related his experiences of growing up in the country pre and post apartheid and told the meeting that whilst serious crime remained a major problem, the country is progressing economically. There is enthusiastic hope for the future and a lot of motivation to make it work. Also at the meeting was visiting Rotarian Henry Kinslow from Arkansas, USA. The vote of thanks was given by Rotarian David Birrell recently returned from a family visit to South Africa.

For 40 years, Norrie Pedgriff has been recording daily the local weather. Speaking to the Club meeting on 23 July Norrie, a retired teacher from Strathallan, explained that his interest in the weather had started after it was chosen as a geography project at the school. Now one of the 135 weather recording stations throughout Scotland, daily readings are forwarded to Met Office headquarters. The statistics produced did show that in recent years there has been an increase in temperature and rain fall but whether this is down to global warming remains debatable. The vote of thanks was given by Rotarian Campbell Watson.

On 30 July the speaker was Jack Daniels, who spoke about the English language and its growth throughout the world. He identified a number of decisive points in history, which enabled English to become the dominant language in the world, where over 8000 languages are spoken at present.

During July, three Kinross Rotarians hosted three visiting couples from New Zealand. The group visited the Rotary club of Dunblane & Bridge of Allan where the visiting Rotarians from New Zealand were officially welcomed. Thereafter, over the next three days, the visitors were shown some of the local points of interest and entertained to a farewell party.

The first million selling recording was a record made by Caruso in 1902. This and many other interesting facts emerged from a talk given to the Club on 13 August by Jim Broadley, the current conductor of the East Fife Male Voice Choir. Jim described how the early clockwork cylinder recordings in the late 19th century had developed to the current CD and MP3 players. Despite the wider frequency range obtained with CDs, his personal favourite medium was still the vinyl LP record.

A total of 21 teams have competed in the annual charity golf competition held at the Kinross Golf Club on 24 August.

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Kinross Voluntary Group

Please note the change of date for our first meeting of the new session: it will now be held on 15 September **NOT** the 22nd. This keeps us to the third Saturday of each month. If you have any ideas on what you would like included as points of interest we shall be pleased to hear from you. We will be having an Info and Sharing morning every other month; we have so much information coming in from Diabetes UK and felt it would be helpful to have a discussion morning so that we could decide what was appropriate for the group. As always we would appreciate your input.

Our next meeting will be on **Saturday 15 September**. Venue: Millbridge Hall, Kinross. Time: 10.15am for 10.30am.

If you need any further information about the group please contact; Vivian, Area Liaison Volunteer, Diabetes UK on 01738 635826 or Linda on 01577 861217.

Kinross Potager Garden



Greetings from the new Chairperson of Potager Garden. I moved to Kinross a year ago and am delighted to say that Kinross really is a friendly place to live. I enjoy my involvement in Potager Garden and hope to make the most of the garden and would like to invite you to come and relax in the garden whilst it is still open. It closes at the end of September. Please sign our visitors book and leave any encouraging remarks. The garden is cared for by volunteers and we would appreciate any help you can offer.

As you read this, the P5s from Kinross Primary School will have enjoyed harvesting the vegetables they have grown this summer - the Perthshire Advertiser recorded the event.

We have two gardening courses running during August and September. If you are interested please get in touch with me. On Wednesdays, parents come with their primary aged children for the After School Club from 3-4pm.

My hopes and aspirations for the garden involve making the entrance to the garden more welcoming. Whilst the garden is closed to the public, the cold frames will be moved to the rear and it is possible with funding that a pergola will be installed. The committee have some lovely ideas for improvements. If you would like to find out more, please get in touch. Tel: 01577 862622 or email dhardaker@tiscali.co.uk.

Best wishes, Michelle Hardaker.

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Kinross and District Art Club



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Our Annual Art Exhibition and Sale of Work will be held in the **Parish Church, Station Road, Kinross** and will be open at the following times:

Thursday 13 September 3.30pm – 8pm

Friday 14 September 3.30pm – 8pm

Saturday 15 September 10.30am – 4pm

Admission to the exhibition is free and Club members look forward to meeting both regular and new visitors to the event.

Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club



At the August meeting the speaker was Susan Payne from Perth Museum. Susan gave an enjoyable talk accompanied by slides on the clothes shops of yesteryear, from the era of the family owned shop where you received personal assistance and advice on your clothing, to the changes that have happened in clothes shopping over the years. Those present gave a hearty round of applause.

Friday Walks: Two walks where you can travel light this month, apart from taking something with you to drink. The minibus is not available for either of the walks this month.

7 September: "The Fish Supper Walk", from St Monans to Anstruther, where we usually sit beside the harbour having lunch, before walking back to St Monans. This is a circular walk of 6 miles, along the Fife Coastal Path.

21 September: The new path round Loch Leven, from the Kirkgate Park to the Pow Burn and Lochleven Larder, where you could have soup and a cheese scone, before coming all the way back again. This is another circular walk, along a smooth path and almost 9 miles.

Hillwalkers: A new 10 mile walk through Pitmedden Forest was undertaken on 20 July and the unseasonable weather abated enough for us to have very good views along the Tay from Carpow Hill. On 3 August the group completed the climb of Ben Lawers in thickening mist, rain and strengthening winds, not the most enjoyable experience we have had in climbing a Munro. During September we intend to venture into the Pentland Hills for a 10 mile walk from Flotterstone on **14 September**, followed by a rearranged walk from Loch Tayside to Glen Lyon on **28 September**.

Please note that our membership list is currently closed.

September Meeting: The speaker on **6 September** will be from the Cairn O' Mohr Winery.

The Elderberries' final outing for this year is going to the Royal Hotel at Bridge of Allan for lunch, leaving the Kinross Day Centre at 11am on **Monday 17 September**, returning home via the Hillfoots, with a stop at the Sterling Mills Shopping outlet at Tillicoultry. A few spare seats are available. If any 50 Plus members would like to go, please contact Zena McRae, tel 01577 864342 for details.

Portmoak Hall 100 Club

July Draw

1st	No 17	Sylvia Wilson, Scotlandwell
2nd	No 62	Mr Evans, Kinnesswood
3rd	No 63	Christina Hunter, Lochleven Sluice House

Kinross Camera Club



The 'summer' is almost over and Kinross Camera Club's new season is about to kick off. The weather may have been bad but club members have still been getting out there taking pictures, and the committee has been working behind the scenes to get everything prepared for the new season. The club's stand at the Kinross Show proved popular, and thanks are due to all those who braved the weather and gave us their support!

The season kicks off on **Thursday 13 September** with an open evening held at Kinross Church Centre. All are welcome and the evening starts at 7.30pm. Come along and find out what the club has to offer and see some of our work on display. The club has an active membership and can offer something for everyone - novice and experienced photographers alike. Your first few visits are free, so you can 'try before you buy'. So why not come along?

The syllabus for the new season is excellent, and includes a range of speakers, competitions, practical sessions and much more. Here is the syllabus for the next few weeks which will give a flavour of what's to come:

September

13 Sept – Open Evening, Kinross Church Centre, 7.30pm. All welcome.

20 Sept – Roy Robertson; Digital Evening

27 Sept – WO Ian Arthur, Royal Naval Photographic Unit

October

4 Oct – Sylvia Wilson; 'Tanzania – A Trip of a Lifetime'.

11 Oct – Roy Smith, Ayr; 'ABC to XYZ – Pictorial Slides'

18 Oct – Practical evening

As in previous years, the club meets on a Thursday evening, from 7.30pm, in the Church Centre, Kinross High Street.

One advance date for the diary is **Thursday 15 November**. Willie Shand will be giving a public lecture in the Parish Church. We hope to see as many people as possible there. Watch out for further details nearer the time.

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Kinross Boys & Girls Brigade

Royal Deeside Activities

Members of Bankfoot BB, along with Kinross Boys and Girls Brigade plus 1st Kinross-shire Scouts enjoyed a week-long adventure camp at the Lebbhall site on the banks of the River Dee, just north of Balmoral. There were 36 youngsters, divided into four squads for competition purposes, and ten staff.

On Sunday the group assembled in full uniform for inspection before attending morning service at Crathie Kirk. In the afternoon, at Balmoral Castle, three senior boys from the Kinross Company were presented with their President's Badges: Neil Boath, Andrew Hutchison, and Nicholas Lauener. Thereafter the group explored Balmoral and its surroundings before returning to the campsite for indoor sports' competitions.



BB President's Badge presentation at Balmoral Castle (l to r Neil Boath, Andrew Hutchison and Nicholas Lauener)

Monday morning saw the group divide into three activity sections with one group hillwalking up Glen Muick to the top of Lochnagar, the second group taking their mountain bikes to Ballater and along the disused railway line to Dinnet before exploring one of nature's wonders at Burn O' Vat. The third group enjoyed quad biking, go-carting and archery at Deeside Activity Centre.

On subsequent days the groups rotated so that all could enjoy the opportunities offered at the Activity Centre while other activities were kayaking, swimming, rock climbing and mountain biking up to Loch Muick.

There were activities each evening: Tuesday saw outdoor sports competitions – cricket and volleyball – take place; on Wednesday the inter-squad football competition was held while on Thursday campfire activities had to take place in the marquee and without the fire due to persistent rain again.

Daytime activities on the Friday were hillwalking, mountain biking and climbing again with the weather having changed for the better. There was a treat in store for the climbers and cyclists as they met in Ballater to find Billy Connolly sitting in the local coffee shop. Word soon spread and a number of the campers chatted with the Big Man as he signed autographs for them before driving off in his yellow Land Rover, giving a toot and a wave as he headed off to his own highland home.

This year's camp concert was probably the best ever, with a range of items from the X-factor to a number of song parodies, all well thought out and performed. The results of the inter-squad competitions and best camper were announced after Mr Boyter had made his own "fun" presentations to a number of worthy recipients (camp pig, pain in the butt, sleepyhead, poser, happy camper etc.)

Best squad – squad 3: Nicholas Lauener, Andrew Hutchison, Ross Mathieson, Gavin Lauder, Scott McKenzie, Sarat Roy, Greg Barron, Rebecca Hutt and Hannah Lopez.



Best camper – 3rd Ross Mathieson (303 points), 2nd Andrew Lauener (304 points), 1st Andrew Hutchison (306 points).

All in all the camp was a great success with everyone contributing towards a great "team spirit" throughout the week.

New Boys and Girls Brigade Session

The new session for the 1st Kinross Boys and Girls Brigade starts at Kinross Church Centre on **Friday 7 September** at the following times for the three sections:

Anchor Section (for boys and girls in primaries one, two and three): 6 pm until 7.15 pm.

Junior Section (for boys and girls in primaries four, five and six): 7 pm till 8.45 pm.

Company Section (for boys and girls from primary seven to 18 years of age): 7 pm till 10 pm.

A full range of activities at local, battalion and national levels have been planned for the coming session with a new awards programme in place for company section members.

With over 80 boy and girl members over the three sections, the Kinross Company is well placed to have another successful season as the Boys' Brigade itself prepares for 2008 and one hundred and twenty five years of service to youngsters. The Kinross Company is planning a special camp in 2008 as part of their celebrations which will be based just north of Toronto in Canada. It is hoped to open this to former members and anyone wishing details should contact David Munro (01577 862126).

Marquee Hire – the company has been busy over the summer months with an increased number of bookings for their 40' x 20' white marquee tent. The cost for each hire is £170 and anyone interested in hiring the marquee should contact David Munro.



Billy Connolly signs autographs for Frances Lopez and Rebecca Hutt

Kinross-shire Tourism Group

Annual Update

On **Tuesday 11 September** the Tourism Group would like to welcome you to an update on activities in Kinross-shire which are impacting visitors and locals alike.

This will be a chance to hear brief updates on progress from, for example, TRACKS, Kirkgate Park, Kinross in Bloom, T in the Park, Balado Events and Montgomery Hotels. Short presentations and an opportunity for questions and answers followed by informal discussion will commence at 7.30pm at the Windlestrae Hotel. Refreshments will be served. Everyone interested in local developments will be made very welcome.

Kinross Library News

Kinross junior library members have been very busy over the summer. More than 60 children joined this year's summer reading scheme, **The Big Wild Read**. The aim is to read up to six books, each by a different author, and to become aware of ways to help save the environment. The scheme will continue to run until the middle of September. Quite a number have already completed the challenge or are close to doing so. Could this be linked to our "summer" weather?

The Bookstart Book Crawl continues throughout the year and is open to children aged 0-4. On each visit to the library they are given a sticker and after collecting five stickers they are awarded a certificate. There are several certificates to collect, including this year a special Big Wild Read Book Crawl Certificate.

Story telling for pre-school children continues to take place in Kinross Library **every Tuesday morning** from 10.30am to 11.00am. As with Rhythm & Rhyme, all sessions are free. There is no need to book, just come along.

Changes are taking place with the monthly **Rhythm & Rhyme** sessions. After August the sessions are moving time and place. From **Wednesday 26 September** Rhythm & Rhyme sessions will be held on the **last Wednesday of the month** at 9.45am at Loch Leven Leisure. We look forward to welcoming all babies, toddlers and carers to this new venue.

Friends of Kirkgate Park

It's great to see the park being so heavily used – when the weather has been favourable! Friends of Kirkgate Park are delighted to see it in action. This is just to remind you to feedback to us any comments you have. I have received a few re toilets and dog use primarily. Please **KEEP DOGS ON LEADS** in the play areas. They terrify some children who are often much smaller than they are! And no one wants a dog eating their sandwiches. Remember any bin can be used for dog mess as long as it is bagged and tied. The plentiful rain we have had has highlighted problems of waterlogged areas on paths and in play areas as well as the amphitheatre and labyrinth works. These are all scheduled to be remedied. Any comments or queries to susan@friendsofkirkgatepark.co.uk.

REMEMBER Discovery Weekend 31 August to 2 September. Come and join the fun!



Kinnesswood in Bloom

So many people to thank - the Macelvie Trust, the Rotary Club of Kinross, the Lomond Country Inn, David Buchan, Margaret Fraser, Tony Dyson, Betty Laidlaw, the Brown family, Mike, Gerry, Brian, Alison (shop), Ronnie, John Nicol, David Gardiner, Neil Roberts and, last but not least, the "watering" team who are doing a sterling job. Thank you all so much for your support.

We're planning some new projects for the Autumn and Winter months so, if you have any suggestions or 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.

kinnesswoodblooms@yahoo.co.uk

Kinross-shire Round Table



After a busy "Summer" period, once again we ensured the cyclists in the annual Lepre charity cycle race from Edinburgh to St Andrews were well fed and watered. Members and friends also helped again at T in the Park, contributing to the safety and welfare of those who attended. Participating in these two events raises money which goes in some way to benefit the local community.

We are currently enjoying a well deserved break, but will be back with a bang on **Saturday 22 September** with our **Second Annual Beer Festival** which is to be held at The Pier Boat shed on the beautiful shore of Loch Leven, courtesy of Kinross Estates. Anyone who attended last year's inaugural event will tell you how good it was! As our numbers are limited due to health and safety reasons, it is essential to get down to JH Sands Ironmongers to buy your tickets quickly to avoid disappointment.

Once again we plan to offer something for everyone. The day will start at 1pm with an afternoon Tasting Session which will finish at 6pm. This will cost £2.00. Some of Britain's finest real ales, ciders and perries will be available for your enjoyment. The evening event starts at 7pm. We plan to have live music and provide a barbecue and spit roasted hog. The Pier bar will also be open for those who wish alternative refreshments. Tickets cost £7.50 and are available to people over 21 years of age. If you are lucky enough to look younger, please bring official photo-id such as a driving licence or passport to ensure admission to the event. Alternatively tickets can also be purchased from any Round Tabler.

If you feel any more incentive is required to come and enjoy the fun with friends, all the profits are going to the Brittle Bone Society and the Kinross Community Fund. So come along and drink for charity and put money back into your local community!

If you would like more information about the events and activities of Round Table, please contact raymond@diplc.co.uk

Children's Hospice Association Scotland (CHAS)



Christmas just around the corner

At the Children's Hospice Association Scotland, we are already gearing up for the festive season. Our Christmas brochure is now available showing our full range of new Christmas Cards for 2007. Within the Shops we have Christmas linen, decorations, novelties, toys, calendars and diaries. We have something to suit all ages!

If you have an hour or more to spare, and want to do something worthwhile, why not become a volunteer with CHAS? With only four months until Christmas, we are looking for people to join our busy teams of volunteers at the CHAS Gift Shop, the two Bazaar charity shops and the mail order outlet in Kinross.

Our retail volunteers perform a variety of tasks which include, sorting and preparing stock, serving customers, making up orders, franking mail and answering phones and have great fun while enjoying the rewards of volunteering for CHAS.

If you are interested (even just for one hour) please contact Frances Todd at the CHAS Gift Shop, 23 Avenue Road, Kinross or telephone 01577 865557.

Kinross in Bloom



Despite the weather this summer, we think that the baskets, barrels and planters have brightened up the town – if you want to support what we do by joining our 200 Club (£1 a month and half the proceeds paid out monthly as prizes), please contact Diane McDiarmid on 865943. The July winners were: 1st, Jean Beveridge £25; 2nd, Ruth MacCalman £15; 3rd, Jean Grigg £10; 4th Mr and Mrs G Lemmon £5.

Please also contact us if you can spare a little time to help out on the committee – we meet monthly and we do need more people. Absolutely no horticultural knowledge or committee experience necessary! – just a willingness to get involved.

We are now planning our autumn bulb-planting which will be on **Saturday 29 September** – do keep that morning free to help us if you can. We plan to brighten up a few areas in the town – if you have a particular corner in mind, let us know!

To find out more about us see www.kinrossinbloom.co.uk

Garden Competition 2007

Awards for the 2007 Kinross in Bloom Garden Competition were presented at the Kinross Show by Lady Delia Montgomery. A full list of prizewinners was printed in the August newsletter. If you missed this, and would like a copy please phone 01577 850214.

Thanks to everyone who helped organise the event. A particular thank you to the judges this year, David Roulston and Euna Scott. Both David and Euna were most impressed with both the quality and variety of gardens they visited.

Thanks also to Stuart Skinner of Sands Ironmonger for providing and engraving the awards, and thanks to the Flower Show organisers who kindly offered the use of the Flower Tent for the award presentation. Final thanks to Lady Montgomery for presenting the awards, and to everyone who entered the Competition. Please enter again next year.

In the days of the old County Council, the Competition was a regular event, but fell away in the 1990s. Kinross in Bloom resurrected the event in 2005.

Now in its third year, the Garden Competition has gone from strength to strength, with a growing number of entrants every year. There were a total number of thirteen prizes awarded this year.

Rachel House, Mr Billy Herd and Mrs Hill also won the prize draw for a garden kneeler pad depicting a pansy motif. You may see more of this motif in future, as Kinross in Bloom are considering using the pansy as their logo.

The work of Kinross in Bloom takes place all year round; please support us in whatever way you can. If you can't spare the time to help with summer or winter planting, then join our 200 Club, or sponsor a hanging basket. Even better, why not enter the Garden Competition next year?

Kinross Bridge Club

The new season starts on **Wednesday 3 October** in The Church Centre at 6.45pm. New members of all grades are very welcome.

For enquiries contact Secretary, Sandy Greenhill, on 01577 862901 or President, Peter Stirling on 01577 864001.



Common Grounds Charity No. SC031582

Projects. Another busy month has passed, made more easy as a consequence of the school holidays which meant we had the hall to ourselves – no setting up and clearing away. While a £500 donation was approved in July, this may be enhanced as the Smile Train project was extended into August while further administrative details for the following project were confirmed. News of this should be available for the next Newsletter.

Book Club. Meetings start at 7.30 in the Church Street Hall, Milnathort. Anyone wishing more information should contact Marlene Whyte on 01592 840371.

Other Events. The musical evening in July was such a great success, socially and financially, that another was held on 4 August with Tom and Jim Hall. A **classical guitar performance** is also planned for the afternoon of 15 September. Details to be posted later.

Pay Us a Visit. Come in and browse through the new Tradecraft catalogue – there is a rumour that we are celebrating Christmas again this year, so it could be a chance to get in early.

Common Grounds is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm in the Church Street Hall, Milnathort.

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

P.S. Visitors will know that our log fire is one of Common Grounds' attractions (always on, except in warm weather – i.e. it's always on). We therefore are most appreciative of any **donations of logs or offcuts.**

Portmoak Film Society

Curtain up for 3rd film season!

Given that there have been few balmy summer nights to spend outside this year, perhaps the film-goers among you won't regret the coming of Autumn which sees the Portmoak Film Society entering its third season!

Yes, when the nights start to draw in what better way to spend one Saturday a month than meet up with friends, neighbours and like-minded film buffs at the Picture Palace which is Portmoak Hall in another guise, and see some of the best new films you missed first time around?

We kick off with "The Last King of Scotland" on **8 September**, Forest Whitaker's stunning (and chilling) portrayal of Idi Amin, the Ugandan dictator, who befriends a naive young Scottish doctor (James McAvoy).

This is followed on **13 October** by Martin Scorsese's 2006 box office hit, "The Departed" starring Leonardo di Caprio and Matt Damon.

On **10 November** we will show a Scottish film, premiered in 2004 at the Edinburgh Film Festival, with Euan McGregor in the lead role. Then on **8 December** there's heart-rending Australian film "Rabbit Proof Fence". The films selected for 2008 will be reviewed in the next few issues.

We've installed a great new sound system for your greater enjoyment, but guess what? A film membership still only costs £24 for the whole season (8 films – work it out!) and as always, can be purchased from the Pottery in Kinnesswood or on the door of the first night.

Films start at 7.30 p.m. prompt. We hope you will continue to patronise PFS and enjoy great films for a small price in your local neighbourhood hall! (But don't forget the cushions...)

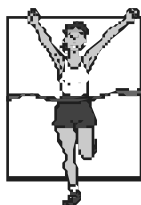
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Sports News



Athletics

Kinross athlete **Eilidh Child** has ended the 2007 track season on a high. On 29 July she competed at the Norwich Union World Trials and UK Championships at Manchester and was third in the 400m hurdles final in her second fastest time ever of 57.15 seconds. In the competition, which was televised on BBC TV, she finished just a couple of tenths of a second behind Scotland No 1 Lee McConnell with Tasha Danvers-Smith, the UK No 1, home in first place. Two weeks later at the Scottish Senior Championships at Scotstoun, she won the 400m hurdle title in 58.08 seconds. Her final competition was running for Scotland at the U23 Inter Territorial Match in Derby on 19 August. Selected as ladies captain, Eilidh got the team off to a flying start, winning the 400m hurdles in 57.78 seconds. She later ran the first leg for the ladies 4 x 400m relay team which was first in their race and along with the men's captain picked up the Cleveland Trophy on behalf of the victorious Scottish team who won the competition outright. Captaining Scotland to a victory brought the curtain down on what was, without doubt, the best season Eilidh has had since taking up athletics at the age of nine. Since the beginning of May she ran the 400m hurdles, including heats, a total of 17 times and recorded 8 personal best times. At no time did she run above 60 seconds and on six occasions ran below 58 seconds. She won six titles including the Scottish Senior Champion and picked up a bronze medal competing for the first time ever at the UK Senior Championships. However, her greatest achievement in 2007 was being selected for the Great Britain and Northern Ireland team that competed at the European Under 23 Championships in Debrecen, Hungary, where she was fifth in the final and recorded two of her personal bests. Eilidh said, "I was really grateful to be there. It wasn't one of our targets because qualifying was such a big jump from my personal best at the start of the season. I just found the whole experience brilliant and nerves never really affected me. In all I have had a great season and would like to thank everybody who helped to make it possible, especially my coaches Norman Gardiner and Neil Donald. I would also like to thank all the members of the community who have supported and encouraged me throughout the season and I look forward to doing you all proud next year."



Curling

Kinross Curling School

Kinross Ice Rink opens on **Monday 17 September**. Kinross Curling School starts its winter programme with two free "Come and Try" sessions on the evenings of **Monday 17 and Thursday 20 September**, both at 7.45pm.

Why not come along, and try a different sport? Bring the family or a friend – we cater for all age groups from 8 to 80 years. All you need is warm, loose fitting clothing, clean-soled trainers; we supply the rest.

The following **Saturday, 22 September**, we are holding a free "Come and Try" for any wheelchair user or anyone who is visually impaired; the session time starts at 10.00am. Qualified coaches will be on hand to assist at all sessions. For further information please contact Ena Stevenson, coaching co-ordinator, telephone 01383 850257 or email enastevenson@aol.com



Kinross Curling Club

The curling season starts for Kinross Curling Club on **Thursday 27 September** at 7.45pm with the Opening Bonspiel, President, (David Clydesdale) vs Past President (Lee McCleary). This opening game will allow the Rankine Cup rinks a shake down for the rest of the campaign. The Rankine, Jubilee and Gallowhill Ploughshare games follow shortly with games in September and early October. Amazingly, however, the first Lomond League game will be held at Perth on Wednesday 26 September. Skips will be contacting players shortly regarding the opening games.

Following the successful refurbishment of the outdoor pond, it is hoped that there can be some traditional games over the winter period.

Kinross Curling Club always welcome new members and any new or experienced curlers wishing to join the Club or to discuss what curling may have to offer should contact Match Secretary, Alistair Wood on Kinross 862749.

Fencing

Kinross-shire British No 1

HARRY MONCREIFF (21) from Crook of Devon became the British No 1 in Men's Sabre on 1 July. He achieved this after a second place at the World Satellite event, the Cole Cup, at the Gateshead International Stadium on 23 June.

Harry is also a member of the British Men's Sabre Team.

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Kinross Road Runners

Andy Johns was the first Kinross Road Runners back in 28.11 at the popular Newburgh 5 race on 11 July. Douglas Leitch was close behind in 29.47 followed by super veteran club coach Roger Stark in 31.48. Geoff Bilton was next in 33.27 followed by Graeme Malcolm (34.56), Gordon Donnachie (35.11), Ann Malcolm (36.48) and one of our oldest runners, Norman Smith, who completed the course in 38.48.

Graeme and Ann Malcolm were back out racing two days later at the Sandy Slither on 13 July. Gill Lopez and Isabella Carmichael joined them to run this race along the shore from Largo to Elie. Graeme Malcolm was first to arrive at the Ship Inn (the official finish) in 56:57, Isabella Carmichael arrived 3 mins later (60:21) and Gill and Ann finished together after another 3 min gap (63:07).

Christine Myerscough was first FV45 at Loch Fitty Trail race on 25 July in a time of 48:40. John Myerscough was 59th in 45:39. Geoff Bilton's time was 52.23 and Isabella completed the course in 57:47.

Even runners are allowed to have a rest whilst on holiday but whilst the rest of the family were relaxing and lying on the beach Isabella Carmichael ran the Dorset Dodlers Sturminster Half Marathon on 5 August in 2:10:36.

Chris Pratt and John Myerscough went on a Tour of Fife with Fife AC in August. The Tour consists of five races of varying length, terrain (mostly off road and hilly) at different venues in Fife on five consecutive days. Chris finished 52nd overall in a combined time of 2hrs 8 mins and 4 secs and John was 72nd in 2hrs 16 mins and 23 secs.

John continued to tour Fife at Largo Law Hill race on 11 August. He ran this off-road 7 mile out and back course in heavy rain crossing several burns and chased by angry wasps in 64 mins and 14 secs to finish 44th. The next day he went to North Queensferry for the Forth Road Bridge 10K. Here he was joined by fellow 'tourist' Chris Pratt plus Roger Stark, Isabella Carmichael and Sue Whisler. Chris Pratt managed to sneak under the 40 mins barrier to run a personal best time of 39.59. He was followed by John Myerscough (44.35) Roger Stark (46.57), Isabella Carmichael (53.33) and Sue Whisler (59.47).



Kinross Cavaliers Basketball Club



The new basketball season for the Kinross Cavaliers started on Tuesday 21 August in the Games Hall at Kinross High School from 6-8pm.

Last season saw the club continuing to grow and develop in many ways, both for player development and organisation, and toward the end of last season we had to open a waiting list, such was the level of interest!

The new age range for this season is P7 – S2 (boys & girls) with the P7s training for the first hour only and the S1/2s continuing until 8pm. We look forward to welcoming back all our current basketballers, and any potential new members should contact Karen Nicholson on 01577 862623 in the first instance.

Last season saw all our members continue to develop throughout the year, improving their basketball skills and having great fun! Some of our club members went on to play for Perth Phoenix Basketball Club: Jack Nicholson and Jack Mead were asked to play for Perth Phoenix Cadets; Keira Mackie, Abby Lloyd and Katy Brown played in the U16 Perth Phoenix Girls Team with Katy going on to be selected for the Tayside-Fife U14 Girls Development Team. Congratulations to each of our Young Cavaliers!!

We look forward to another exciting season and to further develop both the club and the basketball skills of each of our young members.

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Kinross Volleyball Club

Summer outdoor volleyball has taken place most Monday evenings at King George V Park, which is quite surprising considering this summer's inclement weather. This provided valuable outdoor practice as the club prepared for their entry to De Haan annual tournament in mid August.

Two teams were entered, a mixed team in the recreational league and a men's team in the regional league.

Both teams found it hard going on the Saturday as the competition was tough and the heat of the sun also taking its toll. Despite this, both teams managed to record a victory on the Saturday before the close of play.

Sunday started with clouds and no sun, which suited the Kinross teams much better. There was even a shower of rain in the afternoon. The mixed team had more success but the men's team found it tough. The men's competition was at a level higher than they were used to, with fast attacks through the middle hitter being the main option but they performed well and enjoyed the competitive environment which should stand them in good stead for the Perth District League when it starts in September/October.

Indoor training at Kinross High School games hall commences on **Monday 3 September** with Junior Coaching from 8 until 9 pm and Adult Coaching from 9pm until 10 pm.

It is good to see the local club being so forward thinking in their efforts to further the sport in the local area. There is a good group of youngsters coming through the ranks and that is where the future of the club lies. Volleyball is a fun sport but it is also an extremely competitive sport as will be seen at next year's Olympics in China.

The Club is looking to increase its female membership as there is not quite enough to make a women's side at the moment, but hopefully in the coming season one or two new members can be found to allow this to happen.

Anyone wishing information about volleyball for juniors or adults should contact David Munro (01577 862126).

Kinross Ladies Hockey Club

Pre-season training has now started - Wednesday 6.30pm to 8.00pm at KGV Playing fields - why not dust off that old school hockey stick and join us? All ladies very welcome to attend for a mixture of fitness and skills training (and a drink in the rugby club afterwards)! We need as large a pool of players as possible to ensure that we can continue to put out two teams at the weekends and hopefully have another very successful season.

Just come along any Wednesday or if you would like further information contact Club President Morag Donaldson on 01577 863356.

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Bishopshire Badminton Club

Season 2007/2008

The Junior Club will re-start on **Wednesday 5 September**.

Due to lack of help with the Club we will only be able to have one night, as follows:

Primary P6 & P7 6.00pm - 7.15pm

High School S1 & S2 7.15pm - 8.30pm

We will have a maximum of ten players per session. The fees are £5 membership and £1 per session. Any children wishing to join, please contact Margaret Stratton on 840410 or John Nicol on 840573.

The Adult Club will start on **Monday 3 September** at 8.00pm and **every Wednesday** from 8.30pm. New and old members are all welcome.

Kinross Bowling Club

During the last month we played three Inter Club Friendly competitions with the results: Kinross 48 - Headwell 39; Kinross 41 - Glenfarg 40; Kinross 40 - Lochore 26. A good time was had by all.

Due to poor weather the Open Pairs has been re-scheduled for **Sunday 16 September**. Entries to G. M. Rennie, Secretary, Kinross B. C. 01577 864727.

The Ladies Pairs played on 5 August had to be abandoned due to heavy rain. Our appreciation is extended to the competitors from five Counties for their forbearing on the day.

May we extend our gratitude to the sponsors - Sidey Glaziers, Kinross Round Table, and Meiklem Drainage. Their prize fund was distributed to the six section winners. Thanks to all those who donated raffle prizes and provided the food and to the male members who staffed the kitchen.

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Out & About



Vane Farm



Well whit kin ye say, bad pennies aye turn up and yes folks Shaw is back so ah guess yer stuck wi ma usual drivell again rather than Jayney Buchan's more sane interpretation of things Vane. Thanks for fillin in Miss B. while I wiz awa skootin about Orkney.

Now then, the place looks well the same as it did before I left really, year is a bit further on obviously and it won't be long now till the geese are heard over the reserve again; man, scary stuff, autumn already – where did the summer go? Well what we had of one. Bird-wise we have had our resident species plus a few passage migrants lately, including things like Greenshank, Black tailed Godwit, Osprey and Marsh Harrier.

The Bumblebee meadow which was sown before I left for Orkney is now in flower and although it may take a wee while longer to produce the full effect it's lookin pretty guid at the minute with things like cornflower, poppies, corn spurrey, large flowered hempenettle (which wisnae sown but jist came up anyway as a weed o cultivation, but will still dae the job fur the bees) so it's seems tae be gawn in the richt direction.

Decimation – now that's a word which seems to very applicable to Vane at the moment. We have had a whole host o staff leavin lately, wisnae me comin back frae Orkney honest!!

Helen our former Coffee Shop Manager has left to do teacher training. She is being replaced by Vicki, who has been made up to acting manager. Tracy our partime coffee shop assistant has left to go and do other things workin wi bairns.

Shop now: Elaine's assistant Leanne or Nell as I used to call her (amongst other things) has left to go and be a Boobie with Fiè Polis. Elspeth one of our field teaching staff has left to go and work with SNH. Jayney Buchan, stand-in newsletter columnist, will soon be leaving to go and work wi the Guide Dog Association. Michty me it wid o been quicker tae tell ye who wiz still here. We do have a few new faces tho, Sam in the shop till he goes to university and Dougie the “Doogster” in the coffee shop who we think is gonnae stay fur a wee whiley – bonus. So is there anybody oot ther lookin fur a joab?

Richt then first bit o drivell dun n dustit. Ta ta noo see ya next month.
Colin.

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Loch Leven NNR



You may have seen a new face out and about on the NNR recently in the shape of our new Reserve Officer, Craig Nisbet. Craig will be spending plenty of time on the reserve where he will be looking at the effectiveness of the NNR Local Access Guidance. The Local Access Guidance forms part of the Scottish Outdoor Access Code and provides specific local advice on how you can enjoy the reserve without disturbing its important natural heritage. We are keen to get your feedback as to how useful you have found this guidance and how it applies to you. If you spot Craig out and about around Loch Leven, feel free to stop him for a chat about what's going on around the NNR.

After what seems like a very long wait, we seem to have finally had some late summer warm weather and that has led to an abundance of damselfly and dragonflies.

Remaining in their aquatic larval stage for up to two years in fresh water ponds, lakes and streams, they emerge when climatic conditions are suitable. Different species react at different times to the change. The blue-tailed damselfly, for example, is currently emerging in large numbers from various ponds around the loch, from Carshall Bog to Mary's Gate. A clue to their emergence can be found by searching the reeds and rushes for the “skin” left behind as the adult damselfly outgrows its larval shell to begin life as an aerial predator. This life, however, will be short-lived, so breeding must take place within its brief three week lifespan as an adult. Look out for two individuals locked from head to abdomen or forming the characteristic ‘wheel’ formation during copulation.

Any sightings of dragonflies are always appreciated at the Scottish Natural Heritage office at the pier. Staff here plan to begin monitoring dragonfly populations around Loch Leven in order to assess habitat quality, inform visitors on this fascinating group and to confirm the presence of some rare dragonflies suspected to be in the area. These should include the spectacular golden-ringed dragonfly, the large strong-flying common hawk, and the elusive and easily mistaken azure damselfly.

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Farming



Image of agriculture?

Farming: the tools of the trade are a pair of wellies and a tractor.

Farmer: must be strong and able to work from dawn till dusk.

We might like to hold on to these stereotypes of rural life but the reality is farming and farmers have had to move on just like the rest of the world in order to cope with regulatory burden.

The farm office, which may once have been the kitchen table, is now an important part of the farm business. Especially if you have cattle on the farm. Each animal that is born must be tagged with the number of the herd and also a unique number that will give it a personal identity; this must be registered with the cattle movement services. It will then receive a passport which must be stored until the animal is sold. Each time the animal moves the passport goes with it and the details of the move are sent to the movement services. Record keeping on a farm can be a hazardous job. Reading a cow's ear tag means she has to stand still for long enough for you to read and write an 11 digit number. If it is raining or the book gets dropped onto the mucky yard, deciphering the information in the evening becomes a guessing game. Getting this part of the farming operation wrong can cost dearly. Rejection by the food chain renders an animal worthless whilst failure to comply with identification can leave the business with a hefty fine. So some farmers now use hand held scanners that link up directly with their PC.

In the case of sheep, they have escaped the need for an individual identification but can be dealt with as a batch. Each movement must also be recorded and the farmer must always have records of where the flock is at any given time.



But I am an individual!

On top of this, most of Scotland's farmers belong to the national quality assurance scheme. It is a voluntary scheme that requires high standards of animal welfare, cleanliness and respect for the environment. But in order to prove that you meet the standards, it is of course important to keep records.

Certainly it is a bit of a bind to comply with all the rules but the system gives total traceability from birth to supermarket shelf. In the case of an outbreak of disease such as Foot and Mouth, animal movement records that are complete and comprehensive allow disease control measures to be used rapidly, slowing the spread of infection.

If you would like to update the original image a bit it might read more like

Farming: requires pair of wellies, tractor, excellent memory, huge notebook or latest pocket computer.

Farmer: must be strong and able to work from dawn till dusk and also be able to record it all in detail before bedtime!

Weather



July Weather Report From Carnbo

July turned out to be even more unsettled than May or June, the only dry spell being from the 7th to the 13th, this breaking down on the 13th, with the heaviest fall of the month (35.5mm) being recorded. This type of weather is by no means unusual at this time of year, as a local saying states that when the Glasgow Fair fortnight begins, so will the rain. In fact the heaviest fall of rain in our district was probably recorded on 8th July 1916 (note the date). Over 100mm fell in the Perth and Kinross area, leading to widespread flooding.

Rainfall for month	147 mm (145% of normal)
Heaviest fall	35.5 mm (13th)
Highest temperature	19°C (15th) (very low for July)
Lowest temperature	5°C (29th)
Average temperature	13°C
Days with temperature above 20°C	nil
Thunder recorded on	3 days
Point of note - Days in July 2006 with temperature above 20°C	was 18, in 2007 nil - could this be global cooling!

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P&KHT Guided Walks

Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust has organised a series of guided walks under the banner "Exploring Perthshire's Past". There are dozens of walks, covering some of the most beautiful parts of Perth & Kinross. 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 are 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.

One of September's guided walks is:

Moncreiffe Hill, Perth, Sunday 9 September: This is a spectacular location overlooking both Strathearn and the Tay. There were two hillforts here. Enjoy excellent views of Perth and the surrounding landscape. Binoculars recommended. Grade 4, distance 7 km, duration four hours, cost £5 per person.

Bronze Age Logboat conference

A one day conference on the Carpow Logboat will be held on 29 September at Jamesfield Organic Farm, Abernethy.

The logboat, discovered in 2001 and excavated and lifted from the Tay Estuary in 2006, is one of the oldest and best preserved examples found in Britain. For more information see www.pkht.org.uk or contact Steven Timoney.

Costs on the day are £20 and £12 (concessions), with reductions for those who pre-book places.

National Trust for Scotland Events

Falkland Palace was the country residence of the Stuart monarchs for over 200 years. It has a beautiful garden and the oldest Royal Tennis court in Britain, built in 1539. Special events at the Palace in September are:

Sun 2 Sep Falconry Display, palace grounds, 1pm – 4pm.

1- 30 Sep Garden Art Exhibition. Weave throughout the creations of John Kyle, local willow weaver, in the palace grounds. Mon-Sat, 10-5pm, Sun 1-5pm.

Hill of Tarvit Mansionhouse near Cupar is a fascinating early 20th century house designed around the owner's collection of furniture and artwork.

every Thur Free Croquet Tuition. Have a go at playing croquet on the lawns at Hill of Tarvit. Tuition is free and equipment is provided. Book on 0844 493 2185. Every Thursday until end of September.

Fri 14 Sep Tour of the Hickory Golf Course. Join Peter McEvoy OBE for a tour of the hickory golf field he helped design at Hill of Tarvit. Sturdy footwear required. Booking essential on 01334 653127.

Kellie Castle near Pittenweem is an ancient castle with enchanting walled garden, woodland walks, and Scottish furniture designed by Sir Robert Lorimer. Children's adventure playground.

Wed 12 Sep Plant Identification Course. Come and improve your plant knowledge with expert tuition in the walled garden. Tea/coffee included. 7pm to 8.30pm. Booking essential on 0844 493 2184.

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

Place Names of Kinross-shire

Have you ever wondered, when getting out and about in Kinross-shire (or perhaps when looking over a map to plan a walk or drive) what some of the place-names in our county actually mean? This month we thought it might be interesting to delve a little into the origins of some of these names, to find out their roots in the dim and distant past. Bear in mind, however, that many of the definitions below are speculative or open to interpretation. If you think you know better, or if you have any definitions of your own which you could tell us about, please write to the Newsletter – we'll be very happy to hear from you!

Kinross

"Head of the promontory", from the Scottish Gaelic words *Ceann* "head" and *ros* "promontory". The original site of the town was on a promontory protruding into Loch Leven, where the East Churchyard now stands. The name was recorded as Kynros in 1144.

Milnathort

Milnathort has gone through several changes of name in the past, including Milsie, Milnathort, Thwart Moor and Mylne of Thuth. The village appears on maps as "Mills of Forth" as late as the last quarter of the eighteenth century, after



...or Mills of Forth?

which the modern spelling begins to appear. "Mills" doubtless refers to the flour and spinning mills located in the village. "Forth" is more uncertain. There was certainly a mill owner named Forfar in the 1850s, so perhaps it is a corruption of a family name. If anyone can enlighten us further as to the derivation of "Milnathort", please do let us know!

Cleish

"Furrow" or "trench", from the Scottish Gaelic word *Clais*. The village is in the valley of the Gairney Water, Gairney possibly originating from the Gaelic *gearain*, "to sigh".

Drum

From the Scottish Gaelic *druim*, meaning "spine" or "ridge".

Benarty

The hill of Benarty which overlooks Vane Farm takes its name from the Scottish Gaelic *Beinn* "mountain" and *artaich* "stony", giving us "Stony hill".

Portmoak

Possibly named after St. Moak, the first abbot of the long vanished monastery in the vicinity of present-day Scotlandwell. There is also a record of a Religious House being founded on "Loch Leven Island" and dedicated to St. Moak by Brudeus, King of the Picts in the year 838.

Devon (River & Glen)

The "Black stream", from *Dub* (Old Irish) "black" and *-ona*, which is a pre-Celtic suffix denoting "water" or "river". It is also possible that the name "Devon" may originate in a Brythonic (ie. Welsh rather than Scottish) Gaelic word *domnona*, meaning "deep one" or "mysterious one".

Leven

The name of our loch is taken from the River Leven which flows into it, and probably means "Elm River", from the Scottish Gaelic word *leamhain*, "elm".

Lomond

The Lomond Hills, and the village of Glenlomond, may take their name from *leamhain*, "elm", as does Loch Leven. A more likely origin of the name, however, is the Brythonic word *lumon*, meaning "beacon", which would certainly suit the appearance of the two Lomond hills.

Gardens Open



Gardens open regularly not too far from Kinross

	Opening Arrangements			Admission		Disabled	Contact Number
				Adult	Child	Access	
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
Pittencreeff 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
Kirklands Garden, Saline	Apr - Sept	Fri-Sun	1400-1730	£2.00		partial	01383 852737
Cambo House, Kingsbarns, by St Andrews	all year	daily	1000-1700	£3.50	free	partial	01333 450054
Culross Palace and gardens (NTS)	1 Sept - 30 Sept	Thu-Mon	1200-1700	£8.00	£5.00	partial	01383 880359
Hill of Tarvit Mansion & gdns, Cupar (NTS)	1 Sept - 30 Sept	Thu-Mon	1300-1700	£8.00	£5.00	yes	01334 653127

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.

Special Days Open in September

New to SGS this year, seven gardens in the beautiful **village of Ceres** are open to visitors on **Sunday 9 September**, from 2pm to 5pm. The gardens are varied in shape and size and, an added bonus, Fife Folk Museum and the Griselda Hill Wemyss Ware Pottery can be visited. A footbridge from Ceres car park leads directly into the museum garden where tickets (maps indicating the gardens) can be purchased. From there, a pleasant stroll around the village includes all the gardens. Admission £3.50, accompanied children free. 40% of proceeds to Fife Folk Museum. Ceres is near Cupar, postcode KY15 5YS. Partial disabled access, plant sales and refreshments.

One of the gardens open regularly (see above), **Cambo House**, is hosting a special **"Apple Day"** on **Sunday 16 September** from 2pm to 5pm when you can bring apples, make your own juice and try apple recipes. There will also be toffee apples, apple 'dooking' and apple doctor. Cambo is a romantic Victorian walled garden designed around the Cambo burn with willow, waterfall and charming wrought-iron bridges. There is an ornamental potager, woodland garden and old roses. It has been described as an all seasons plantsman's paradise which has featured in 'Country Life' and 'The Garden'. Admission £3.50, children free and all proceeds to SGS charities. Dogs on leads welcome. Cambo House is on the A917.

On **Sunday 23 September** 60% of proceeds from the **Falkland Palace Garden** admissions will go to SGS charities, and 40% to The Gardens Fund of the National Trust for Scotland.

Scotland's Gardens Scheme

The gardens 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.

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Congratulations



Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of **ALLISON**, daughter of Chris and Helen **BLACK**, Milnathort and **JOHN**, son of Alec and Cath **STEWART**, Scotlandwell.

KAREN TAIT, eldest daughter of May and James Tait, Old Schoolhouse, Scotlandwell, and **WALKER MARTIN** were married in Keavil House Hotel, Crossford on Saturday 28 July 2007. Congratulations from both families.

Mike and Emma (Devanny) **COCKBURN** are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their daughter, **LOLA JEAN**, born on 18 July 2007. A little sister for Kimmy.

JOHN and **JANNETE ADCOCK** of 10 Ross Street celebrated their Ruby Wedding on 19 August. They were married in Kinross. Congratulations and lots of love from Malcolm, Jannetta, Monica, Joan and all the grandchildren.

GILLIAN BLACK of Milnathort graduated recently from the University of Aberdeen. In a ceremony on 4 July she was awarded a Bachelor of Science with First Class Honours in Equine Science.

ALLISON BLACK, formerly of Milnathort, now Kingskettle, Fife has successfully completed her Masters Degree in Social Work (MSc) at the University of Dundee.

Congratulations to **SARAH SKEA** who has passed her Grade 3 piano exam. Many thanks to Sarah Oxnard for making her lessons structured and fun!

Well done to **VICKI REID** who was third in the Scottish Schools Triathlon 9/10 age group. Vicki is a member of Kinross High School tri club and Kinross Otters.

LAURA MUIR, aged 14, middle distance runner, who attends Kinross High School, won a Gold medal in the 1500m at the Bank of Scotland Junior Championships at Grangemouth on Sunday 19 August. She also won the Fife Highland Games Association League 2007 for the youth over 400m distance.

ALICIA HAY of Blairview, Milnathort achieved success at the Perth Show with her 14 year old show hunter pony, Farchynys Pererin, taking First in the Mountain and Moorland, Ridden class as well as overall Reserve in the pony classes.

Also at the Perth Show, **LISA ALLISON** of Duncricie, Glenfarg took Reserve in the Highland Ponies, Ridden class with her 10 year old mare, Sally of Inverdarroch.

REBECCA NOBLE, aged 12, from Milnathort, guessed the number of balloons in the "Pink Mercedes", at the recent Kinross Show. Rebecca won a limited edition set of GHD straighteners, worth £145. Although enthusiasm was dampened by rain at the show, Salon 62 Hairstylists entertained more than 150 guests and clients on their stand.

Members of **Milnathort SWRI** are celebrating their Institute's 90th birthday in September with a celebration at the Windlestrae Hotel.

Thanks



A very big thank you to everyone who braved the weather and made the **Carnbo Big BBQ** on Sunday 5 August such a success! We raised an amazing £323.53 for the Breast Cancer Campaign! Thanks for your generosity and community spirit -**Diane Timmins**

ENA RUTHERFORD would like to thank all her family, relatives, friends and neighbours for the many cards, lovely flowers and gifts received on the occasion of her 90th birthday. Thank you for making it such a special and enjoyable day.

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September

- Sun 2** 10.30am Quarterly Communion Service led by John Munro.
6.30pm Quarterly Communion Service led by John Munro.
- Sun 9** 10.30am Service led by John Munro.
Theme: Choose change, choose God's way.
- Sun 16** 10.30am Service Baptisms. Led by Evelyn Cairns and John Munro.
Theme: Two-way chat; honest conversation with God.
- Sun 23** 10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving Service, a family service led by John Munro.
- Sun 30** 10.30am Service led by Margaret Michie.

Pram Service: Each Tuesday at 10.00am in the Church Centre. All under 3s and carers welcome.

Midweek worship: Each Wednesday in the Reading Room of the Church Centre, 10.45 – 11.15 a.m.

Whyte Court: First Tuesday of the month, at 2.30 p.m.

Causeway Court: Last Tuesday of the month at 2.30 p.m.

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)

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	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)

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September Services

- Sun 2** Pentecost 14, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
- Wed 5** 10.30am Service of Prayers for healing
- Sun 9** Pentecost 15, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.
- Sun 16** Pentecost 16, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Morning Worship (St. Ninian of Whithorn)
- Sun 23** Pentecost 17, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Harvest Thanksgiving.
- Sun 30** Pentecost 18, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Sung Eucharist.

Sunday School and Creche during the 11.00am Service.

Saturday and Sunday 22nd and 23rd 2.00pm -4pm
Church is open for **OPEN DOORS**, all welcome.

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

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

- 2 Sept** Communion at Portmoak
- 8 Sept** Portmoak Sale of Work, 2pm, Portmoak Hall
- 22 Sept** Harvest Supper, Milnathort Town Hall
- 23 Sept** Harvest Thanksgiving at both Churches
- 28 Sept** Macmillan Coffee Morning, Amotlea, Kinnesswood
- 7 Oct** Communion at Orwell

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Sunday Services	11.15am
Crèche	11.15am
Junior Church	11.15am

September

Sun 2	11.15am	Guest preacher: Gordon Brown
Sun 9	11.15am	Morning worship
Sun 16	11.15am	Guest preacher: Rev. Clifford Hughes
Sun 23	11.15am	Guild Dedication Service
Sun 30	11.15am	Morning worship

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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

September

Sun 2	9.45am	Guest preacher: Gordon Brown
Sun 9	9.45am	Service of Blessings: New Hymn Books Dedicated
Sun 16	9.45am	Guest Preacher: Rev. Clifford Hughes
Sun 23	9.45am	Morning Worship
Sun 30	9.45am	Morning Worship

1 Sept Gospel Hall Conference in Church
30 Aug-2 Sept Teenage Group Activity Weekend
23 Sept "Bring a friend Sunday"

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	Sunday	9.30am

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Obituary/Acknowledgement

MR DAVID ROLLO, formerly of Swansacre, Kinross, passed away very suddenly from a brain haemorrhage on 16 April 2007, aged just 56. Dave had a great number of friends in the town and his daughter, Alison Langa, would like to especially thank the Salutation Hotel, Colin and Vicky, and the regulars there, and also Dave's golfing friends from the Kirklands Golf Society, for their friendship and compassion.
 He was a great Dad, very loving Grandad to Caitlin and will be very sadly missed.

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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 - Lucy Lomas 01577 864868

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/carer

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/carer. 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: Alissa 830124

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!

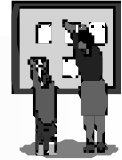
Monday / Wednesday / Friday Mornings

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

MTKY - Musical Theatre for Kinross-shire Youth Presents 'Summer Holiday'

Tuesday 18 September - Friday 21 September

7.30pm Kinross High School

Tickets £6 Adults £4 School children/Concessions

Available from MTKY members, Lynn 863271 or Isobel 862970

Based on the film of the same name, the boys and girls go travelling across Europe in a London Transport Bus. A tap tapping musical with very well known songs including Living Doll, Bachelor Boy and, of course, the title track, Summer Holiday. Please come and join us for this trip, the bus is ready to go!

Kinross and District Art Club 2007 ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION AND SALE OF WORK

by local amateur artists will held in
The Parish Church
Station Road, Kinross

Admission Free

Opening Times

Thursday 13 September 3.30pm – 8pm

Friday 14 September 3.30pm – 8pm

Saturday 15 September 10.30am – 4pm

Calling all Volunteers, Voluntary Groups and Organisations

Does your voluntary work contribute to one of the following – Community Safety? Lifelong Learning? Health and Wellbeing? Business and Jobs? The Environment? Or do you work with young people?

If the answer is YES then you can have a say in how services are delivered through the Perth & Kinross Community Planning Partnership.

You could also access skills training, networking and funding streams to develop your capacity in the voluntary sector.

The Council of Voluntary Services (CVS) and the Volunteer Centre (VC) are part of the Perth & Kinross Association of Voluntary Services (PKAVS). We provide support, training and development opportunities for the voluntary sector. We also have representatives taking forward the views of the sector to the Community Planning Partnership – an opportunity to have a voice in the development and delivery of services in Perth & Kinross. Interested? Contact George Millar (Development & Support Officer) at george.millar@pkavs.org.uk or telephone 01738 567076.

A Better Kinross

Community Right to Buy Company
AGM

Tuesday 11 September at 7.30pm
Garden Room, Church Centre

Dr Donald Duncan Bequest Committee

The above Committee has for many years provided grants for educational purposes for persons whose parents were resident in Kinross at the time of their birth and who have received some of their education in the County of Kinross. In recent years, the Committee has followed a policy of providing awards only for University Degree Courses. The Committee has also followed the policy that once one award had been received, no further awards would be given. The Committee has, for the last two years or so, been prepared to consider a more flexible approach to awards; the Committee will in future consider applications not just for University courses and will contemplate making more than one award in certain circumstances. Awards will still only be granted, though, for educational purposes. Application forms can be obtained from Andersons LLP, Solicitors, 40 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AN.

Free Business Advice for Voluntary Organisations

Scottish Business in the Community offers free business advice delivered by a team of volunteer consultants on most aspects of the voluntary sector. For an initial discussion contact:

David Wilkie, Co-ordinator Tayside, Senior Executive Programme, Scottish Business in the Community, 19 Main Street, Methven, PH1 3PU. Telephone 01738 40174 or e-mail david.wilkie3@btinternet.com

Lodge St Serf No 327

September

Tue 4th Regular Meeting at 7.15 pm.

Sat 8th Shed at 3.00 pm. Degree to be worked by Buchan Shed No 4. All Master Masons wishing to take this Degree are welcome to come along.

Tue 18th Regular Meeting at 7.15 pm.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 28 September

Arnotlea, Kinnesswood

10 am – 12 noon

Do come and bring your friends!

PORTMOAK CHURCH SALE OF WORK

Saturday 8 September at 2pm

Portmoak Hall

Baking, Tombola, Plants, Crafts, Bric-a-brac,
Produce, Toys, Afternoon Teas

ALL WELCOME

Kinross Garden Group

Winter Meetings begin with a special guest
on Thursday 11 October
in the Millbridge Halls at 2 pm
Watch this space!!



ELECTRIC BLANKET SAFETY WEEK

Causeway Court, Kinross
13 September 10am - 4pm

**Do you have an electric blanket?
Do you know if it is safe?**



Old and damaged electric blankets have caused thousands of fires. Make sure your blanket is safe.

For one week only, Tayside Fire and Rescue in conjunction with Perth and Kinross Trading Standards are offering **FREE** electric blanket safety testing at various test centres in the Perth and Kinross area including Causeway Court, Kinross on **13 September 10am - 4pm**.

For an appointment or further information
call **01738 476476**

Kinross Floral Art Club

Demonstrations at the Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross

Thursday 27 September, 7.15pm
Peggy Reid: "Nature's Bounty"

Thursday 25 October, 7.15pm
Maureen Phimister: "What a wonderful world"

New Members and Visitors Welcome.

Orwell and Portmoak Guild

Autumn Afternoon Tea

Wednesday 3 October
2pm - 4pm
in
Orwell Church Hall

£1.50 entry

The Fife Heritage Orchestra

Are you a keen and enthusiastic traditional Scottish musician? If so, the Fife Heritage Orchestra would like to hear from you.

We are looking for players of the fiddle, viola, cello, double bass, piano, accordion, drums, flute, piccolo, banjo, and mandolin.

For further information please contact: Mr Douglas Weir, 7 Pitfirrane Park, Crossford, Fife, KY12 8NU Tel 01383 725359

Dunfermline Strathspey and Reel Society

17th Fiddlers Rally

Carnegie Hall, Dunfermline
Saturday 29 September 2007
Commencing 7pm

Guest Artists:

Doreen Arnott, Soprano, Accompanist Sandra Allan

Guest Violinist - Colin Scobie

Conductor Ron Smith

Tickets £9.00 and £7.00 Concession from
Carnegie Hall Box Office, Tel. 01383 602302

Kinross-shire Historical Society



Meetings will be held in a new venue this year, at Kinross Parish Church, Station Road, Kinross at 7.30pm on the third Monday of each month and the second Monday of December. Subscriptions: Adult £6; Senior Citizen £5; Visitor £2; under-18 - no charge.

- 15 Oct** **Historic Shopfronts.** Past, present and an uncertain future. Dr Lindsay Lennie BA (Hons) Dip Bldg Cons PhD MRICS
- 19 Nov** **History of Mining.** From 1291 discovery of coal through years of "slavery" up to 1960's. Duncan Gilfillan.
- 10 Dec** **South with Shackleton.** Professor David Munro.
- 21 Jan** **Traditions, Champions and Change.** St Andrews and the Royal and Ancient Golf Club. Ian Whyte.
- 18 Feb** **Guddling Among The Graves.** Historic background with some amusing stories. Dr Hamish Brown MBE.
- 17 Mar** **The Battle of Killcrankie.** Minor skirmish or major battle? Grant Carnegie

Annual General Meeting.

Kinross Scottish Country Dancing Club

Classes begin in Milnathort Town Hall
Wednesday 26 September, 7.30pm

Beginners welcome
Good fun and great exercise

Just come along or contact J. Wallace tel 863855

World's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support

Orwell Church and Common Grounds
invites you to join them at
The Guide/Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort

on **Friday 28 September**
from 10am - 12 noon

Entry by donation Cake and Candy Stall

Kinross Round Table 2nd CHARITY BEER FESTIVAL

Pier Boat Shed, Kinross

SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

Afternoon Tasting Event
1pm until 6pm (entry £2.00)

Evening Event
from 7pm till late (tickets £7.50) Over 21s only

Come along and enjoy a wide selection of
real ales, ciders and perries
and raise money for

the Brittle Bone Society and Kinross Community Fund
Live music and food will be provided

Tickets are available from JH Sands, Ironmonger, High Street, Kinross, or from any Round Tabler. Please bring along photo id if you are lucky enough to look under 21.

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

The next blood donor sessions
at the Millbridge Halls, Kinross
will take place on

Monday 22 October 3.30pm to 8.00pm
Tuesday 23 October 5.00pm to 8.00pm

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

Healing Rooms Kinross

The Healing Rooms (part of an international organisation)
opens in the Millbridge Hall on **18 October** and will
continue every Thursday from 11.00 am to 1.00
pm. Healing Rooms is manned by a team of Christian
volunteers from every denomination freely offering their
time and prayers. Everyone is welcome and no appointment
is necessary.

*For further information please call 07766515950 or
07732485305 or visit www.healingrooms-scotland.com*

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.

Portmoak Under 5s PLAYLEADER REQUIRED PERMANENT PART-TIME POST 8 Hours per week term time only (2 sessions + Prep)

Playleader required for Portmoak Under 5s, Portmoak Hall,
Scotlandwell. We are looking for an enthusiastic, motivated
person who will be responsible for the provision of pre-
school care and education to children aged 2 and a half to 5
years old. Experience of working with young children is
preferred. Qualifications not essential at start but successful
candidate will be required to undertake training in this field
with the full support of the playgroup. Regular supervision
is provided.

We have an equal opportunities policy and this post is
subject to checks by Disclosure Scotland. We are a member
of the Scottish Pre-School Play Association.

Closing date for receipt of applications is Friday
21 September 2007. Contact Elizabeth Porter 01592 840655
for details and application form

Milnathort Ladies Bridge Club

restarts on
Thursday 4 October
in the Thistle Hotel at 2pm.
New members are welcome.

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 minutes 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 on 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.

Anti-Social Noise Service

The Anti-Social Noise Service can help you if you are
affected by anti-social noise in your home.

Telephone 01738 476173

Weekdays 8.45 am until 2.00 am

Weekends 4.00 pm until 2.00 am

At any other time Tayside Police will be available to take
your call on 01738 621141.

Anti-social noise is noise nuisance emitted from one
residential property than can be heard in another. Examples
might include loud music, parties, barbeques, shouting, a
barking dog. It is defined in the Anti-Social Behaviour
(Scotland) Act 2004. The Anti-Social Noise Service is part
of P&KC's Environment Service.

Blythswood Care

Somerfield's Car Park

18 September between 10.30 am and 11 am

Further details from 862258

Kinross Community Councillors

Mrs M Blyth	170 High Street	
D Colliar (Chair)	10 Rannoch Place	862678
D Cuthbert (Vice Chair)	Highfield Circle	861001
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Email: SMiller@pkc.gov.uk

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KY13 9XA. Tel (home): 01577 865178.
Email: wrobertson@pkc.gov.uk

Fossoway and Cleish Community Office

A service for the Community

Open:

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

Out of hours there is an answering machine

Tel: 01577 840185 Email: fcoffice@btinternet.com

Recycling of Waste Paper

P & KC Kerbside Collections

Kinross, Milnathort & Glenfarg

Thursday 13 September

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**

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

Community Councils

Kinross: Secy: Mrs M Scott (01577) 862945

mbs@scott21.fsife.co.uk

Cleish & Blairadam: Secy: Mrs M Traylor (01383)

830059, prvtraylor@ukonline.co.uk

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Portmouak: 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

Mobile Library, Milnathort

Every Second Wed - next visits 12, 26 September

Westerloan 1.45 pm - 3 pm

Bridgefauld Road 3.05 pm - 4 pm

Any queries: Phone (01738) 444949

A K Bell Library, Perth

Kinross-shire *Day Centre*

**Table Tennis • Carpet Bowls • Videos • Cards • Dominoes
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises**

Programme For September 2007

Elderberries	Monday	3	10	17	24	1.30 pm
Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	4	11	18	25	10.30 am
Bingo	Tuesday	4	11	18	25	1.30 pm
Morning Service	Wednesday	5	12	19	26	10.45 am
Quiz Afternoon	Wednesday	5	12	19	26	1.30 pm
Art Class	Thursday	6	13	20	27	1.30 pm
Film Afternoon	Thursday	6	13	20	27	1.30 pm



Day trips to be arranged



Coffee Bar open 9 am - 4 pm, Senior Citizens Lunches Daily
Telephone: 01577 863869

LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross

(opposite David Sands)

Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 6.00 pm

Saturday: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

Sunday: 12.00 - 1.00 pm

Tel: 862422

Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort

Mon to Fri: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm &
2.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Saturday: 9.00 am - 12.30 pm

Tel: 862219



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8 Lucidity
9 Shuffi
10 Almond
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13 Openday
16 Kinross
17 Acids
19 Parish
21 Church
23 Acapulco
24 Norm

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2 Seafarer
3 Blair
4 Scrappy
5 Adam
6 Standard
12 Oligarch
14 Nocturne
15 Asphalt
18 Scoop
20 Imps
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Local School Holidays and In-Service Days

Main Holidays

Autumn Sat 29 Sept 2007 to Sun 14 Oct 2007
Christmas Sat 22 Dec 2007 to Sun 6 Jan 2008
Spring Sat 29 Mar 2008 to Sun 13 Apr 2008

Other Holidays

mid Feb Hol Fri 15 Feb 2008 & Mon 18 Feb 2008
Easter weekend Fri 21 Mar 2008 & Mon 24 Mar 2008
(Easter Sunday is on 23 Mar 2008)

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