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# Letters

## Editorial

### A Community Engaged

You have a big chance this month to let the Council know what you think about life in this county. One Councillor said residents can bring up any topic they want at the Focus Groups (see page 7). The posters say discussions will be grouped under the themes: the Community Campus, Planning/Heritage and Social Enterprise. The article provided by P&KC invites you to "discuss the key themes that you see as relevant to the area". So we think that means anything that the Council has responsibility for or influence over. There are several articles and reports in this issue which might get you thinking about topics you'd like to raise. For further inspiration, have a look at Kinross CC's report on property issues affecting Kinross (available on [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc)).

There are also opportunities to learn about, and comment on, the Kinross Conservation Area review (also p. 7).

Milnathort residents get the chance to have their say about how they would like to have their public spaces improved in the 'Placecheck' initiative (see p. 12).

### Exciting news about the Heritage Trail!

It is through to the final of the Heritage Lottery Awards! Please, please vote one more time! (see p. 8).

### T in the Park 2009

There are several reports on T in the Park dotted about this issue. I have to say, I nearly fell over when I saw hair straighteners described as a 'basic human need' for festival-goers in the Round Table report!

**Layout** – We had so many articles this month that we've split them into two sections, but hopefully you'll have no trouble finding anything now that we have fully sequential numbering of pages, including advertising pages, as introduced last month.

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 Letters will not be published unless the sender's name and address are supplied and they are prepared to have them published along with their letter.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

### Abbreviations Used

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Cllr = Councillor

CCllr = Community Councillor

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### Curling Academy

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The National Curling Academy for Scotland development is a very welcome one and I wish it every success. The Health and Well Being Committee of the Scottish Parliament recently published its enquiry "Pathways into Sport" The committee heard in evidence from Rhona Martin, skip of the Olympic gold medal team, that with the new EU requirements many of the older rinks were under threat. Scotland has many athletes to be proud of but curling is one of the sports at which we should aspire to be world leaders. As in other sports this needs a broad base of participants. The report emphasises the need for sport for all to improve Scotland's health. Curling should be one of those sports and the Academy will provide the National focus we need.

Dr Richard Simpson MSP, Mid Scotland and Fife  
Parliamentary Office, 22 Viewfield Street  
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# News & Articles

## Come to the Show!

**Saturday 8 August** sees Kinross House hosting the Kinross Agricultural Show. Highlights of this year's packed programme of activities and events include the ever-popular grand parade of show champion farm animals, vintage tractors, craft and floral marquees, Highland dancing, dog show, Charlie Thorburn's gundog demonstration, falconry and pony club games. New to the show this year is the Kingdom of Fife Dog Agility Club. "The agricultural show has been fortunate to have enjoyed the hospitality of Jamie and Lizzie Montgomery at Kinross House – surely one of the finest backdrops to any show in Scotland," said Show President John Buchanan. He continued, "With two show rings and lots of marquees and stalls, you'll never be bored, hungry or thirsty! Come along and enjoy a great day out for all the family – youngsters will love the show!" Show Vice President George Hepburn added, "We hope to have a 'smashing time' with some old pianos, so this is your opportunity to get rid of that

unwanted one. If you do have an old piano that's only good for scrap I'd love to hear from you. Just give me a call on 07702 231931."

This year's show will have dedicated classes for both Aberdeen Angus and Belgium/British Blues.

Judging at the Show starts from 8.45am and there will be entertainment throughout the afternoon, from 2pm.

Ticket prices: adult £6; family £15; concessions £3. Further details at [www.kinross.cc/kinross\\_show](http://www.kinross.cc/kinross_show)



*Agricultural Society President John Buchanan, and his wife, Helen, with some cows from their Aberdeen Angus Herd*

### SWRI at Kinross Show

It's Celebration Time at Kinross Show this year, at least in the SWRI marquee, where we will commemorate "The Homecoming" in the Community Handcraft Competition "Scottish Treasures" and Community Housewives Competition "A Taste of Scotland".

Once again we have secured support from local companies; David Sands Ltd are sponsoring a prize for a shopping bag in the Handcraft Section, while Loch Leven's Larder have decided to favour a jar of apple & raspberry jelly in the Produce Section. With the Homecoming firmly in mind, Williamson Design Florists Ltd are awarding their prize to the Floral Art Section for the best arrangement depicting a Burns song or poem. An Ecclefechan Tart in the Baking Section is the choice for a prize from the Kilted Christmas Tree Company while the male relatives of the members are not forgotten by the Edrington Group who are donating a very special bottle of The Famous Grouse Whisky in the Gent's Section. The closing date for SWRI entries was 11 July.

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### New Handcraft Group for Kinross

**The Scottish Handcraft Circle** is a group of amateur craftspeople who, through their activities, create handwork of innovative design and a high standard of execution.

The Circle was founded in 1945 from an idea at a Guide Commissioner's conference. It is mainly involved in needlecrafts, including embroidery, patchwork, quilting, crochet and tatting, but other crafts, such as pewter work and calligraphy, feature from time to time. It is a tradition in the Circle that members are willing to pass on their skills to others.

Handcraft Circles are currently active in Edinburgh, Glasgow and St Andrews. **In September we intend to start a branch of the Scottish Handcraft Circle in Kinross.** If you think you might be interested in joining, you can obtain further details from Mairi Wheeler 01592 840661 or Dianne Mitchell 01577 865570.

Alternatively, do come along to the first meeting on **Tuesday 1 September**, from 10am to 12 noon in Milnathort Church Hall.

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## What future for the County Buildings?

It appears that P&KC has decided in principle to move Council services that are currently provided at the County Buildings to the new community campus, which is due to open in the autumn.

On 24 June Councillors discussed a paper called 'Enhancing Customer Service' which recommends, amongst other things, that the Council:

*"agree that Community Campuses/Libraries in rural areas become the central access point for personal customer contact, where practical and appropriate, and customer telephone calls in these libraries be routed to the Customer Service Centre"*

A list of key principles listed in the paper for 'enhancing customer service in rural areas' includes the following:

- "The Community Campuses, where they exist and where appropriate, be the focus for council service delivery in that area."
- "Cash collection will be provided through the Community Campuses until alternative arrangements are in place."

Under the proposals, anyone wanting to phone the Kinross Library would have to phone P&KC's Customer Service Centre in Perth first.

Another proposal is that Housing Rent and Council Tax "... be migrated over a period to other channels including Direct Debits, Post Offices or local shops which offer the Paypoint facility."

Minutes of the Council meeting of 24 June will not be formally approved until the Council meets again in September, but it is understood that the paper's recommendations were agreed.

However, before changes take place, a business case will be made for each rural area. According to the paper, the development of a business case "... coheres with the Council's commitment to engage with the communities it serves, being clear of the need to change services but mindful of the desire to preserve community assets and aspirations in the rural communities." Any business case would need to be approved by the Council's Strategic Policy and Resources Committee.

Kinross-shire residents have the opportunity to let the Council know what they think of these proposals (and any other Council-related issue) at the Focus Group sessions happening throughout August. See Articles for details of how to sign up for a session.

If the Council does move its services to the community campus, it is not clear what would happen to the County Buildings, which are Grade B Listed. They used to house Kinross County Council prior to local government reform in 1975. The local Sheriff Court sat in the upper chambers.

*The paper 'Enhancing Customer Service' can be downloaded from the internet by going to [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk), clicking on 'Committee Papers' under the heading Quick Links, then 'Council', then 'Agenda' for 24/6/09 then the title of the paper.*

### Community Website

For contact details of community groups, hall bookings, job vacancies, leisure and visitor information and much more, visit [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc)

## New Development Plan – Councillor's comments

Cllr Mike Barnacle has submitted detailed comments to the Council on the new Single Development Plan.

The Councillor draws attention to the number of empty buildings in Kinross town centre for which P&KC is responsible, saying, "... the town increasingly has an aspect of neglect and under-funding" and is concerned that the County Buildings may join the list, in view of Council proposals to move services to community campuses (see "What Future for the County Buildings?" at left).



*The County Buildings in Kinross – services may be moved elsewhere*

Cllr Barnacle says, "I perceive that we could have the County Buildings, High School site, Mill Street Social Work Office, Old Town Hall/Library and Swansacre Building all empty, unused and surplus to requirements at the same time. (I cannot imagine such a situation being tolerated in the City of Perth)."

Cllr Barnacle thinks the delivery of the long-awaited link road (from south of Sainsbury's to the Bridgend Estate) would rejuvenate the town, and asks P&KC to address this matter urgently.

The Councillor is opposed to development west of the M90, in order to preserve the distinction between the rural areas and Kinross town.

Like respondents to Kinross CC's questionnaire, he would like to see the restoration of a railway through Kinross-shire, linking Edinburgh to Perth.

Also in his submission Cllr Barnacle asks P&KC to suggest solutions to the problem of increased traffic volumes on the A977.

*For more about the Development Plan, see Kinross CC p15*

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## Kinross-shire Community Engagement

*By Perth & Kinross Council*

Perth & Kinross Council officers would like to speak to as many representatives and individuals from the community in Kinross-shire area as possible. We therefore cordially invite you or a representative to attend a short focus group session of one hour to discuss the key themes that you see as relevant to the area. A series of focus groups are planned for over the summer. The aim of these groups is to allow a constructive dialogue on a range of issues facing the Kinross-shire community currently. The focus groups will take place at Kinross Church Centre, 64 High Street, Kinross, KY12 8AJ. To capture all the comments from the focus groups and the Conservation Area Appraisal a **World Café** event will be held on **10 September 2009** at Kinross Church Centre; at which we will be discussing the issues raised and looking at ways forward in partnership with communities.

The World Café is based on round table discussions grouped into the areas that will have come out of the focus groups – 30 minutes approximately will be attributed to each theme and then participants will be asked to move to the next theme. The round table discussions will be focussed on potential solutions and ways forward.

For those who cannot attend the focus groups there will be an online focus group questionnaire to allow people to respond.

- Consultation on Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal will have an extended period of consultation beyond the focus groups and the World Café. Please note these sessions are two hours.
- Light refreshments will be available at all focus groups and the World Café.
- A 'kiddies corner' will be available at all focus groups and World Café.

***Due to restrictions on numbers for the focus groups, please book the focus group you would like to attend in advance to Alice Yeung at [aliceyeung@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:aliceyeung@pkc.gov.uk) or telephone 01738 476314.***

## Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal

Kinross town centre was first designated as a conservation area in 1979 and this was later extended in 1989 to include the area around Kinross House. All Councils are required to

formulate and publish, from time to time, proposals for the preservation and enhancement of any parts of their district which are conservation areas. The Council has recently agreed to review existing conservation areas and Kinross has been selected as one of the initial priorities in recognition of the potential for this to assist in guiding the form and design of new development and investment in the area.

A draft conservation area appraisal is in preparation which will update the last 1989 appraisal and identify the special character and changing needs of the town.

We will consult the public, local community groups and national bodies on the draft Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal between **27 August** and **21 September** as part of our broader engagement with the community on issues facing Kinross to allow full community input and swifter action.

We will be holding an **Exhibition on the Conservation Area** proposals at: The Kinross Church Centre, 64 High Street, Kinross, KY12 8AJ.

<b>Thursday</b>	<b>27 August</b>	<b>4pm – 8.30pm</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>31 August</b>	<b>10am – 5pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>1 September</b>	<b>10am – 5pm</b>

Members of the Conservation and Regeneration team will be available to answer questions and collect comments. The draft Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal may also be downloaded from the Council's web page at: [www.pkc.gov.uk/kinrossconservationarea](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/kinrossconservationarea).

Please send your response to:

The Conservation and Regeneration Team  
Perth & Kinross Council  
The Environment Service  
FREEPOST SCO6140  
Perth PH1 5BR

All comments must be received by **21 September 2009** to be taken into account in the final version of the document.

All responses will be collected and considered. The draft conservation area appraisal will be revisited in the light of the comments received.

The finalised appraisal will be reported to the Enterprise and Infrastructure committee for approval.

If you have any questions please contact the Conservation & Regeneration team via Development Management, in Planning Contacts.

**Please see which date suits you and book a place by email or phone.**

Day	Date	Event	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Wednesday	29 July	Focus Group		2 – 3pm	
Monday	10 August	Focus Group		4 – 5pm	6.30 – 7.30pm
Tuesday	18 August	Focus Group		4 – 5pm	6.30 – 7.30pm
Thursday	27 August	Focus Group	10.30 – 11.30am	4 – 5pm	6.30 – 7.30pm
Thursday	27 August	Consultation on Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal	10 – 12pm	12 – 5pm	6.30 – 8.30pm
Monday	31 August	Consultation on Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal	10 – 12pm	12 – 5pm	
Tuesday	1 September	Consultation on Kinross Conservation Area Appraisal	10 – 12pm	12 – 5pm	
Thursday	10 September	World Café			6.00 – 6.30pm Registration & Coffee 6.30 – 8.30pm Discussion

# Loch Leven Heritage Trail

by Neil Kilpatrick, Project Director

## Even better news!

The Loch Leven Heritage Trail has now reached the final of the National Lottery Awards! We are one of the last three projects under the Best Environment Project category and we were, in fact, voted top project out of the original ten projects, with over 4000 votes. This is a reflection of the tremendous response that we had from everybody – our warmest thanks to all of you who supported us in this way. We are now determined to go for being the outright winners as this would really put Kinross-shire and Loch Leven on the map.



*The Heritage Trail has many places where walkers can sit and contemplate panoramic views over Loch Leven*

## Public Voting

The final stage is another round of **UK public voting** which will take place between **3 and 14 August**. The result of this ballot will be announced in a special gala BBC1 television show which will take place on **5 September**. The public, including children, can again vote by telephone or via the National Lottery Awards website. You can vote for us again in either of two ways:

**PHONE 0844-686-5219** (easy)

or

**VISIT website [www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/awards](http://www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/awards) and click on the Best Environment Project category and cast your vote!**

or

**VISIT our own website [www.lochlevenheritagetrail.co.uk](http://www.lochlevenheritagetrail.co.uk) to learn more about the trail and then use the link to the above address.**

This time the competition will be even fiercer and we are making a special effort to make our appeal wider in Scotland and throughout the UK – not an easy task. Please help us again if you possibly can by voting for the project and encouraging as many other people as you can to do so as well. They could again be family, friends, work colleagues or any network of contacts that you may have. If you can do so we shall be immensely grateful and it will help to give us the best possible chance of beating the competition and emerging as the ultimate winners.

We shall be participating in two TV filming sessions this month. TNR, the Lottery filming contractor, will prepare a

video featuring the project which will be sent to the BBC and ITV companies and the media in Scotland and also placed on YouTube and MySpace. The BBC will also film their own material for the Awards programme.

## Sponsored walk success on Trail

Jan McDonald, who leads the Forth & Tay Disabled Ramblers, told me recently that they had held a sponsored walk around Loch Leven from Findatie Car Park to Loch Leven's Larder. It was organised by Lighter Life weight management counsellor Lauren Kenny, who comes from Kinross. Thirty-seven members and volunteers turned out for the walk along with a number of Lighter Life clients.

Two of the group's volunteers, Bruce and Jan, along with A2B Van Hire owner, Clarence and A1 Minibus driver, Harry, are at various stages of the Lighter Life programme and have lost a combined total of over eighteen stones in the past year.

The walkers undertook a 10-kilometre walk, whilst the disabled ramblers did 7.5 kilometres, raising valuable funds for Forth & Tay in the process. Although there was a cold wind, the sun shone towards the end of the walk. Lauren had kindly organised soup, sandwiches and coffee at the end for all participants, which everyone enjoyed in the sunshine on the terrace at the Larder.

Forth & Tay is extremely grateful to Lauren for a wonderful spread and a most memorable day, and to everyone who raised funds for the group as well as to Loch Leven's Larder for the magnificent food – and to the splendid volunteers who make it all possible.

**Don't forget to watch the BBC TV programme on 5 September!**

## Trail Scooters Come and Try

Mobility scooters have been in position for free hire from Loch Leven's Larder for four months now. We know the Loch Leven Heritage Trail has been life transforming for many. The scooters have also made that possible for those not able to walk too far. If you haven't yet joined this merry band, scooter organisers are offering the chance to find out more at a special 'Come and Try' session. This will take place from 11am until mid afternoon at Loch Leven's Larder on **Friday 21 August**. There will be a chance to find out what the scooters are all about, what they are like to ride and how to go about signing up so you can use them regularly, all for free! Refreshments will be provided. We hope you can come along and start your own exploration of the Heritage Trail.



*Lindsay and Susan try out Mobility scooters on the Heritage Trail*

## Changes to planning process in progress *by Perth & Kinross Council*

Major changes to the way in which planning applications are decided were considered by P&KC in June.

Large parts of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2006 come into effect on 3 August this year, and these will introduce a new planning application process across Scotland.

On Wednesday 24 June Full Council approved a report that sets out proposals for two major changes: setting up a Local Review Body and changing the Council's Scheme of Administration, as required by the Act.

Under the Act, there will be different procedures for determining national, major and local planning applications, and for applicants to appeal decisions made.

Developments of national significance will be decided by the Scottish Government, taking into account the views of the Full Council.

Major developments - which will include most sites of over two hectares or housing development of 50 houses and over - will have to be decided by the Full Council if they are significantly contrary to the Development Plan, which includes the current Local Plans. Appeals against these decisions will be dealt with by the Scottish Government.

The report to Council recommended that all other major applications will be decided by the Council's Development Control Committee, rather than some being delegated to officers as is an option under the Act.

It also recommended that smaller-scale local developments will generally be decided by officers under delegated powers. The new Act specifies that some local developments cannot be decided by officers - where the Council has a financial or other interest, or the application is made by a Councillor. The report recommended that, in addition, officers will not decide a local development if the applicant is a Chief Officer or the application was determined previously by committee; or if the application is recommended for approval but is significantly contrary to the Development Plan, or if it has attracted a total of six or more objections from Community Councils, households, businesses or interest groups (more than one letter from the

same household, organisation or property would count as one letter of objection).

In these cases, an application would be decided by the Development Control Committee. The addition of letters from Community Councils when calculating the number of objection letters is a significant change which has been requested by Community Councils in Perth and Kinross.

Appeals against decisions made by the Development Control Committee will continue to be determined by the Scottish Government. Appeals against decisions on local developments made by Council officers will be heard by the new Local Review Body of Councillors with no further right of appeal to the Scottish Government.

The report to Full Council proposed that the Local Review Body for Perth and Kinross will be made up of three members drawn from the Councillors who sit on the Development Control Committee.

Now that it has been agreed by Full Council, the revised Scheme of Administration will be submitted to Scottish Ministers for approval.

Councillor Ian Miller, Leader of the Council said:

"This Act will introduce the most significant change to planning in Scotland for decades. Its focus is to keep local decisions local, make the process more efficient and increase local people's say in planning applications. This Council has been working hard, with the Scottish Government, as the Act has been developed and to prepare for introducing the new requirements of the legislation in Perth and Kinross. A working group of officers and elected members has given a great deal of consideration to the Local Review Body and the best option for ensuring a robust appeals process."

The Act will introduce other changes, for example, from 3 August the notification of neighbours about planning applications will be undertaken by the Council rather than the applicant and later in the year there will be greater scope for household alterations and extensions to be undertaken without the need for planning permission. Final details are to be announced. Further information on the changes will be available on the Council's website as they come into place.

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## News from the Health Centre



### New Health Centre due open in August

After 8 years of planning and a year of building, our new Health Centre is nearly complete. The contractors are scheduled to finish work on time on 31 July and we will then have a few weeks to add some fixtures and fittings, install a new phone system and move all of our computers. If this goes according to plan, the move itself will begin on Friday 21 August and **we will be closed on that day**. The removal men will continue moving our furniture, equipment, files and supplies over the weekend. Assuming there are no last minute problems, we will open our new doors for the first time on **Monday 24 August** at 8.00 am.



*The new health centre should be opening on Monday 24 August*

The staff and GPs are all very excited by the move and looking forward to working in our new building. The building provides a lot more accommodation for the clinicians and staff and will, we hope, be a pleasant place for our patients to visit. There will no doubt be some teething troubles as we settle in, but we do hope that these will not cause any inconvenience to our patients.

Our new address will be Loch Leven Health Centre, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FP.

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## Milnathort residents urged to take part in Placecheck

Residents of Milnathort are being given the chance to have their say on the future of public spaces in the village when the Council holds a Placecheck event there next month.

Placecheck is about improving public spaces by the Council and the community working in partnership to improve their village, and to agree on shared priorities.

Milnathort will be split into five 'zones' and the day will start with a walk around the zones so that people can identify things they would like to see improved in open spaces. Please remember to bring appropriate footwear and all weather clothes.

After the walkabout everyone will return to the hotel for some refreshments before going back into the 'zone groups' to look at the issues raised, and prioritise them for action.

Please note that a separate meeting has been arranged with the Milnathort community to look at flooding, so Placecheck will not deal with this.

The event will be held on **Saturday 29 August** between 9am-1pm at Milnathort Thistle Hotel. Parking is available in the hotel car park and crèche facilities will also be available in Milnathort Primary School.

Places for the event, and the crèche, **must be booked in advance**. You can do this by either returning a booking slip enclosed with a letter that will be sent out to every household in Milnathort in August, or by contacting Diane Cassidy on 01738 475386.

For more information on Placecheck visit the Council website at [www.pkc.gov.uk/placecheck](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/placecheck)

## Sainsbury's now open

It is not often you see a large queue forming outside a supermarket these days, but Kinross-shire residents were obviously keen to experience the new Sainsbury's when it opened in the former Somerfield premises on 15 July following a two-month refurbishment of the store in Station Road.

There was a celebratory air as Alex Murphy of Kinross & District Pipe Band played the pipes, and customers were offered sparkling wine or orange juice as they entered the store. Plenty of Sainsbury's staff were on hand to help customers and answer questions.

Plans have been lodged to extend the supermarket.



*Customer Mary Laing (right) joins in the celebrations*



# Community Council News



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## Kinross Community Council

### News from the July Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 1 July were: D Cuthbert (Chair), D Colliar, M Blyth, D Mackay, B Davies, I Jack, J Richardson and M Scott (Secy). Also in attendance were P&K Cllrs M Barnacle, S Miller and K Baird and six members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from: CCllrs C Watson, L Mackay and S Bathgate and P&K Cllr Robertson.

### Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

**Weeds:** The Chairman had phoned the hotline. The weeds near the Town Hall had now been sprayed.

**Autograss:** The Chairman reported that he had approached two land-owners but had not yet located a suitable site. Permitted development rights would allow assembly uses on a further two days in the current calendar year. It is the site owner's intention to use those two days for sheep dog trials. Noise surveys - the data collected by P&KC is currently being evaluated by Environmental Health.

**Loch Leven Campus:** The Secy had invited Mr Morris and Russell Thomson to tonight's meeting. Mr Morris had not responded. Mr Thomson advised he would not be attending.

**Kirkgate bins:** In the absence of Cllr Robertson, no update available.

**Development Plan:** P&KC has extended the deadline from 30 June to 31 August. The Plan is available online at [www.pkc.gov.uk/DevelopmentPlanScheme](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/DevelopmentPlanScheme) and hard copies can be viewed in public libraries. The CC and members of the public are invited to submit any land-use planning issues or sites to P&KC for consideration in the production of the Report. Any thoughts on matters such as the adequacy of open space and community facilities in the area etc. are also welcome. As much detail as possible must be submitted and include (i) the site location (ii) the type of development you wish it to be considered for and some justification as to its suitability and (iii) an Ordnance Survey based map with a red boundary line drawn around the site. It was agreed that there should be a special meeting of CCllrs to identify areas to submit on 15 July at the Green Hotel. The draft submissions will be discussed at the August meeting of Kinross CC.

**No Confidence in Chief Executive:** The Chairman had not yet approached the other five Kinross-shire CCs. A motion of no confidence in the Chief Executive was put forward at the recent Convention of P&K CCs, where ten CCs were represented. There were nine votes supporting the motion and one abstention. The Convention would write to P&KC accordingly.

The CC has received a letter of acknowledgement from the Complaints and Governance Officer at P&KC.

The Cllrs voiced their views on the CC's action. Cllr Baird was against it. Cllr Miller agreed that there were problems, however in view of the recent communications from the Council suggested that the CC air their views through the Community Engagement. Cllr Barnacle believed P&KC did have a problem with communication with CCs and he himself had experienced similar occurrences.

**Community Engagement/Relations with P&KC:** The CC had received two letters from P&KC regarding planned community engagement meetings. A letter was received from a member of the public, who was present at the June CC meeting, asking that the CC take a more conciliatory approach in its relationship with P&KC and an active role at the proposed meetings. The Chairman advised that Maria Walker of P&KC is proposing to hold a meeting with John Walker, Jim Valentine and CCllrs, possibly on 30 or 31 July. CCllrs Cuthbert, Colliar and Richardson would attend on behalf of the CC.

**High School site:** A response regarding the CC's request for a copy of the legal Opinion is still awaited. An email was received from Russell Thomson in relation to the question regarding the ground.

**Newsletter:** CCllrs Colliar and Jack raised queries concerning the proposed charitable status and donations to good causes. A meeting of the Newsletter sub-committee will be convened soon.

**Gallowhill Road/Muir:** No response has been received from P&KC to the CC's request for double yellow lines or removal of the hump.



*The newly narrowed junction of Gallowhill Rd and Muir*

### Planning Applications Received

09/00802/FUL Extension at Sainsbury's.

09/00925/FUL 126 High Street, Roxburgh House: Alterations and conversion of garage to form 4 guest bedrooms ancillary to existing Guest House.

09/01043/FUL Extension at 6 Courcelles Court.

The CC had no objection to the above three applications.

09/00950/FUL Land South of Station Road, Kinross: Erection of a 60-bedroom care home (in lieu of six dwelling houses). This is a 3-storey building to be constructed opposite the Park and Ride. Concern was raised on three grounds: the intrusion to the private houses at the rear; the inadequate parking (there being parking spaces for 19 vehicles only) and the building being three storeys, which will dwarf the houses in the surrounding area. It was agreed that the CC write to the Council objecting to this application on the second and third grounds.

09/00970/ADV Sainsbury (Somerfield Stores), Display of Signs: The CC has no objection, apart from a request that a condition be written into the planning approval that no

banners are erected on the fencing. The Secy is to write to the Council.

### Planning Applications Determined

09/00621/FUL Duncroft, 18 Station Road, Replacement of boundary wall – Approved.

09/00592/FUL Unit C Business Park, 2 industrial units – Approved.

09/00758/FUL Alterations and extension at Balado House Lodge, Balado, Kinross – Approved.

09/00608/FUL Alt/extension to house and erection of garage at Rosehall, Balado – Approved.

08/001258/FUL 2 houses at Chance Inn Farm – Refused.

09/00812/FUL Installation of antenna and ancillary equipment at Kinross Fire Station – Approved.

09/00724/FUL Balado Bridge Poultry Farm, Formation of a lorry compound and associated fencing – Approved.

09/00889/FUL Land to the east of Baltree Farm, Hatchbank Road, Gairneybank, Change of house type Plot 2 and alterations to access Baltree – Withdrawn.

09/00917/FUL Baltree Farm, Erection of 3 dwelling houses and garages – Withdrawn.

09/00663/FUL and 09/00722/LBC: 123 High Street, Millers Bar, Betting office and flat – Withdrawn.

### Changes to Planning

The Chairman reported on an e-mail he received from Gordon McFarlane, of P&KC Planning. He mentions in his communication the change to the Council's Scheme of Administration which means that an objection from a Statutory Consultee (such as a CC) to a planning application does not necessarily result in an application being referred to the Council's Development Control Committee. He continues that a new scheme is needed to take account of the changes in planning to be introduced on 3 August. He stated that reports and formal decision letters are now published on the Council's website. In addition, the new Planning Act will introduce new legal requirements on applicants to ensure that CCs are consulted at the pre-application stage on applications which fall within the definition of "Major Developments". Councillor Barnacle advised that as from 3 August six objections to an application would be accepted and CCs may make a deputation to the Development Control Committee. (*See also Articles p. 6*).

CCllr Colliar questioned why the consultee reports are not provided on the Council website. These were available to download in the past. It was agreed that the CC write to the

Council for an explanation. It was mentioned, but not confirmed, that SEPA and other Statutory Bodies may not be consulted in a straightforward application as from 3 August.

### Buildings

**Swansacre:** Cllr Baird stated that Hillcrest Housing Association is going ahead with a project to convert the building to two dwellings.

**Town Hall:** There is interest in this building but no closing date has been fixed. Some areas have been restricted due to Health and Safety.

**Current High School:** External agents are actively marketing the site and security is being looked at. Parking is guaranteed once the school is closed.

**Mill Street/County Buildings:** No decision has been reached regarding these properties.

### Perth & Kinross Councillors – Reports/Questions

#### Report from Councillor Miller

**Douglas Crescent:** P&KC will look at this road and the material to be used in resurfacing.

**High Street:** The Chairman asked if the High Street could also be considered for resurfacing.

#### Report from Councillor Barnacle

**New Development Plan:** Cllr Barnacle has written to the Council on this, requesting that various matters he raised be included in the Plan. (*See p. 6*)

**T in the Park:** Following many discussions at community meetings, Cllr Barnacle hoped that this year's event would be successful.

**Heritage Trail:** Cllr Barnacle urged everyone to vote for this in the Lottery Awards.

**Street lighting at Gairneybridge:** Cllr Barnacle reported on this. The CC also received a letter and plan in relation to this, which involves the installation of five lights.

**Astroturf at KGV:** CCllr Davies asked if an answer was available to his question from some months ago - will the ground be maintained when the School moves to the new premises? Cllr Miller advised that the KGV Committee is responsible for this site, not the Council.

**Kirkgate Park:** CCllr Mackay reported that play equipment at the park had been vandalised.

**Myre Car Park:** Cllr Miller stated that the Roads Department are to investigate this.

**Bridge:** CCllr Jack raised the matter of the damage to the bridge; he had mentioned this at a previous meeting. There

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**Quarry at Balado:** It was mentioned that lorries are still parking in the area in the evenings. The Enforcement Officer is aware of this situation. Cllr Barnacle stated that the developers were asked to re-establish meetings with the Quarry Liaison Committee to air out these issues.

**Sainsbury's** has a policy of helping local organisations with fundraising, Cllr Miller said.

#### Correspondence

**SEPA View:** This was handed to the Chairman.

**High School:** Acknowledgement received regarding the disposal of the furniture at the school. The CC's letter has been passed to Head of Support Services within Education and Children's Services. Cllr Baird stated that there would be an opportunity for community groups to obtain equipment etc.

**Traffic Regulation Order (campus):** Notification was received of proposed regulations near the Loch Leven campus. It is proposed that a part-time 20mph speed limit be introduced on parts of the A922 and C495. Two formal pedestrian crossings are to be provided on the A922 and one on the C495. It is proposed that on Muirs the 20mph speed limit should extend from south of Gallowhill Road to north of Lathro Park. The speed limit would not include either of these side streets. It is proposed that on the Lethangie Road a part-time speed limit be introduced to cover the two entrances to the school campus off Lethangie Road. It is proposed that the existing part-time 20mph speed limit at the existing school site be deleted from the appropriate TRO and the existing signs/lights be physically removed.

**Fire Brigade reports** were received.

**Myre Park/Pitches:** P&KC has passed the CC's letter to Brenda Clough for attention.

**Financial support:** Milnathort Folk Festival Committee wrote to request financial support from Newsletter surpluses to help publicise the Milnathort Crackin' Ceilidh held annually in March. The CC will advise that it is unable to consider any further requests at this time.

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#### Other Business

**Sandport Close:** CClr Scott reported on a query she had received regarding a boundary fence.



*The Social Work Dept offices, Mill Street - service is likely to move to the new campus*

**County Buildings/Mill Street:** It was believed that the Council services from these buildings might be transferred to the new campus. The CC would welcome the opportunity to return to the County Buildings to hold its meetings. The distance to the campus may be off-putting to some elderly people and it would benefit the Council to retain a presence in the town centre.

**The next meeting of Kinross CC will be held at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday 5 August at 7.30pm.**

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

#### Milnathort CC

Milnathort CC did not meet in July. The next meeting will take place on **Thursday 13 August** at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall.

#### Fossoway & District CC

Fossoway & District CC did not meeting in July. The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 4 August** in Cambo Village Hall.

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## Portmoak Community Council

### News from the July Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 14 July were: I McGrattan, J Shepherd, J Bird and R Cairncross; P&K Cllrs W Robertson, K Baird and M Barnacle; PC Lynn Petrie and 24 residents. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Miller, C Weedon, M Hally and S Garvie.

**Police Report:** In the Portmoak area there were two reported incidents, a break-in to a parked car in Main Street, Kinnesswood and attempted theft in Scotlandwell.

A warning was given that plant pots were easy victims to theft. The Police would much rather receive a call about something suspicious than a call that a crime has been committed.

**Conservation Area Presentation:** This was given by Rachel Howarth, Conservation Officer, P&KC. There were now three conservation areas in Portmoak; people living in these areas had certain responsibilities and also advantages. (Copies of the presentation in Powerpoint are available on [www.portmoak.org](http://www.portmoak.org)). For people living in a conservation area and thinking about making any changes to their property or outside areas it was strongly suggested that an initial call to the Conservation Team at P&KC would be very valuable. Sooner rather than later was the message.

### Matters arising from previous minutes

**Mail box at Post Office:** Latest e-mail from Royal Mail, 6.7.09, the Collections and Planning Manager was still reviewing the situation.

**Kinross-shire Fund:** The Chairman reminded the meeting that funding is still available.

**Community Radio:** M Hally had contacted the Campus who were already planning a school radio station and did not wish to set up a wider community radio station at this stage.

Further ideas for the Campus would be welcome.

### Subcommittee reports

**Paths Group:** S Garvie was absent but Niall Lobley reported: Still waiting for the information boards for the Michael Bruce Way. MBW, from Grahamstone Track to Moss was not being cut, required a rethink of what to do with this path and some more management. It was hoped to apply for funding for two commercial strimmers. Two complaints had been received about the condition of a part of Dryside Road.

**Planning Group:** Applications discussed at the meeting:

09/00981/MOD Erection of a steel storage container and alterations to summer house, Channel Farm, Wester Balgedie for Loch Leven's Larder: This was a retrospective planning application and the CC would strongly oppose any such applications in any way possible. A letter of objection would be sent. (Post meeting note: Further discussions are ongoing with the CC.)

09/00936/FUL Erection of dwellinghouse, Causeway Cottage Cattery and Equestrian Centre, Scotlandwell and 09/00937/FUL Erection of replacement stables and extension to office, Loch Leven Equestrian Centre, Scotlandwell: The applicant was present at the meeting. The Chairman explained that the CC had issues with the application. Information used for, 1. the original application, 2. the recent house built closer to Scotlandwell and 3. the present application together with the supporting documentation 'Planning Proposal Justification' did not factually correspond. A Cllr confirmed that when the application was submitted for the property (nearer to Scotlandwell) it was stated that it was possible to run the business from that position.

The CC agreed to take further advice on the matter.

09/00972/FUL Part conversion of barn to form dwellinghouse (Unit 1), Levenmouth Farm, Kinross c/o Covell Matthews Architects, 6 Manor Place, Edinburgh.

09/00974/FUL Part conversion of barn to dwellinghouse (Unit 2). Levenmouth Farm, Kinross, c/o Covell Matthews Architects, 6 Manor Place, Edinburgh (These were two separate applications). There was broad agreement that conversion into dwelling houses was acceptable but a number of other issues surrounded this application which was highlighted by the previous applications in the same area, namely, access availability from the Trail to the B road and any further development which may follow. It was agreed to send a letter of comment setting out these concerns.

### Management Group

**New website:** The CC is indebted to Gordon Vance, Kinnesswood, for supplying the expertise in putting the CC on the www again. It is appreciated that many people do not have or want internet facilities, however, it is the CC's responsibility to consult with the residents of Portmoak and the only available method at present is the three Notice Boards situated at Scotlandwell, Kinnesswood and Wester Balgedie. No money is available from P&KC for leaflets or flyers. Therefore, aware of the cost and the necessity for consultation, the intention of the CC is to promote the use of internet for communication. Information will continue to be placed on the Notice Boards but residents are encouraged to check out the website [www.portmoak.org](http://www.portmoak.org) and sign up for their e-mail news. Residents are also encouraged to share the news from the web site with friends or relations who they know do not use the internet.



**Stephens' Field:** Niall Lobley has been asked to take on the role of co-ordinator of the action group and subsequently report suggestions to the CC.

**Town regeneration:** The Chairman had attended a meeting of P&K CC's where the subject of Town Centre Regeneration Fund had been an issue. The whole process of money availability etc under this system was explained by Cllr Baird. Cllrs Barnacle and Robertson also added information to the discussion. (Post meeting note: More information on this subject has been covered in a number of press reports which are available on the internet).

**Single Plan:** The Chairman confirmed again the importance of this document, especially the people of Kinross-shire. However, whilst straight forward in principle, the document becomes bogged down when trying to interpret the actual figures of new houses which could possibly be built in

Portmoak. The Chairman thanked Cllr Barnacle for the latest document which he had forwarded to the Secretary detailing the figures.

Generally, it is agreed that the figure for new builds in Kinross-shire is 855 new houses to be built between 2008-2020, of these 312 would be spread throughout the villages i.e. the landward area excluding Kinross and Milnathort. The CC's submission to P&KC would be made before the end of August and it was suggested that a meeting is arranged with the CC and the Cllrs for further discussion/information.

**Traffic calming:** We were now reaching the end of the settling in period and the next part of the process was for the Roads dept. to fit electronic monitoring devices adjacent to the build outs. Reports from the Roads dept indicated that they had received few complaints, copies of which were being kept for record purposes.

However, a number of residents made what they considered to be advisable changes to the present system to alleviate some of the problems they had experienced firsthand. Speed seemed to be the continual problem when entering Scotlandwell from the Leslie direction.

A request was made by a resident for the CC to ask for accident statistics for the area.

**Recycling centre at Young's Moss:** A community waste advisor had written to the CC stating that she had been approached by the owner of Young's Moss regarding the siting of a Recycling Point in the allotment car park and asked if the CC were in agreement with the idea. The owner of the site was present and gave information to support his suggestion. There were no residents at the meeting who voiced an opinion to support the recycling centre at the allotment although one resident thought it was a bad idea. It was the CC's decision not to approve or disapprove the idea and this information would be sent to the Community Waste Advisor.

#### Other Business

**Verges:** A resident complained that the verges had not been cut around the Auchmuirbridge area but after a number of phone calls to the appropriate office in Perth (01738 476476) the issue had now been resolved.

A cattery proprietor from Fife extended an invitation to all CCllrs to visit her premises.

**Communications:** The Secy gave details of communications received and holding since the last meeting including:

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3. Convention of Perth and Kinross CCs.
4. Licensing Board applications.
5. Kinross-shire Civic Trust, Wind Turbines.
6. Request for further funding, flyers.
7. Letter from P&KC, Engaging with Communities.
8. Letter from music development co-ordinator, Horsecross Arts Ltd, large arts project for 2010, how our community can be involved.
9. Letter from P&KC asking if we would like to nominate an organisation in our community that we think should be recognised for its achievements.
10. Letter from Donna Paterson, Community Waste Advisor, Young's Moss allotments.
11. Training meeting, update on planning system.

A telephone request for more information on the Post Van times had been received.

**The next meeting of Portmoak CC will be held in Portmoak Village Hall at 7pm on Tuesday 11 August.**

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## Cleish & Blairadam CC

### News from the June Meeting

The CC met in the Tabernacle Hall on Monday 29 June and was attended by five CCllrs, Cllr Mike Barnacle, six members of the public and the Cleish & Blairadam Newsletter Editor.

**T in the Park:** Sergeant Rankine gave a presentation on the arrangements for T in the Park. This will last from Thursday 9 July when the campsites open until Monday 13 July when the campsites will close at 4pm. Surrounding roads will be restricted with the A91 closed for the whole period, and police will be on hand to monitor traffic. 20,000 people are expected to arrive on the Thursday, most of them pre-booked. The arena will open at 8am on Friday and on Saturday at 11am. The event will conclude with Fireworks on Sunday night at 11pm. There will be manned traffic lights at Cambo, Crook of Devon junction at the B9097/A977 junction, Rumbling Bridge, and Junction 5 at the top of the slip road to the B9097. There will also be an Eye in the Sky helping with traffic flow from the west and north.

**Crime Prevention:** Sergeant Rankine had several concerns: an increase in the theft of garden planters; the passing of a counterfeit £20 (RBS) note; a break-in at Blairfordel, thought to be connected with similar incidents at Kelty; car break-ins at Burleigh Sands; theft of wheels from Fruix Farm and vandalism at Vane Farm.

The police are also keen to trace a green Mercedes van registration SV 03...

If you can help in any way, or indeed with any suspicious incidents, please ring the police at once, not an hour later or the next morning. And do remember that those up to no good are using the back roads, are watchful for open windows when house owners are out, and garden implements left outside overnight.

**Tracks and Trails:** There was still nothing further to report.

**Loch Leven Heritage Trail:** There is a chance to vote for the Heritage Trail receiving a National Lottery Award. Details on how to vote were given.

**Development of New Area Plan – Procedural Changes:** A letter had been received from Brenda Murray acknowledging that some CCs, including Cleish and Blairadam, had not been consulted on this matter, replies being requested by the end of June. This date has now been extended to 22 August. This is a very important matter, asking for comment on areas of particular land use, not just open spaces but built areas, and inviting suggestions from every member of the public.

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**Roads:** There was little further to report, although clipping and cutting back has begun west of Cleish Mains, possibly not including the worst of the overgrowth.

### Planning

New Application – Dullomuir Farm – new roofline and altered access: agreed not to object.

The following are still pending: Boreland Farm – erection of dwelling houses and garaging; West Mains Farm, Cleish; Gairneybridge Caravan Site; Chance Inn Farm; Cleish Mill Farm.

There are also the applications for the site adjacent to B996 and land to south of Greenacres. It was agreed that a meeting should be held as soon as possible with the planners and Cleish and Blairadam CC.

Beaufort House, Cleish: alterations to house and erection of porch and greenhouse – approved.

Dunvegan, Great North Road: refused.

**Recycling:** Much information and leaflets had been circulated, and some new bins delivered, but it was felt that there was still some confusion. It was agreed that a short presentation at the next CC meeting would be much appreciated.

**Cleish Gardens Opening:** Thanks to the garden owners, the kind donation of £631 has been given to the Village Hall Management Committee.

**Cleish School:** The school is now on holiday but went out in a blaze of glory beginning with an evening of Cleish Factor. This was a wonderful evening with 19 acts participating, each as good as the other. What a wealth of talent we have. It would be invidious to single out any one, but everyone there had a good time, demonstrating that an occasion involving all ages is guaranteed to bring in the crowds. The weather too played its part, and proved there is nowhere like Cleish on a warm summer evening, with people lingering to talk to each other afterwards.



*Cleish School - a source of pride to the community*

**The Leavers' Assembly:** Another "not to be missed" occasion – sadly we have had to say farewell to all the Primary 7's – they left with many tributes being paid by the more junior members of the school, all of whom mentioned the kindness and caring shown to them by their older friends. What a tribute – and what a commendation for our little school.

**The next meeting of Cleish & Blairadam CC will be held on Monday 17 August in Cleish Village Hall**



# Articles & Features

## Perthshire Open Studios

Members of POS in Perth and Kinross are preparing to open their studios, shared venues and gallery exhibitions to local people, visitors and tourists throughout a period of nine days from **Saturday 5 September to Sunday 13 September**.

With 79 venues throughout Perth and Kinross this second event promises to be bigger and better than last year with 23 artists and makers showing in Kinross-shire at 17 venues on the Turquoise Route, one of six coloured routes in Perth and Kinross detailed in this year's brochure which can be viewed on the website [www.perthshireopenstudios.com](http://www.perthshireopenstudios.com) and downloaded. To order your free copy, please telephone P&KC Arts Development on 01738 477834.

Visitors to studios and galleries can view a variety of artwork including paintings, sculpture, photography, stained glass, woodwork, ceramics, jewellery, metalwork and much more, with the opportunity to purchase and commission work. Most venues will open for the entire ten days of the event from 10am until 5pm. Exceptions are detailed in the brochure within each illustrated entry. Some venues offer late night opening until 7pm.

Demonstrations and workshops will be available at some of the venues – details are in the brochure and on the website. For some, booking in advance is essential and already open. David T. Murton, Chair of Perthshire Open Studios Committee, will be exhibiting his original, locally inspired landscapes in oil and acrylic at his venue in Crook of Devon.

The Ealain Gallery at Roy Sim Antiques, Lower Mill Street, Blairgowrie, PH10 6AQ invites those interested in viewing a Taster Exhibition for Perthshire Open Studios 2009 to a Launch Preview on the evening of Friday 28 August at 6.30pm with refreshments provided by other sponsors, The Antiquary Restaurant and Cargill's Restaurant and Bistro, both of Blairgowrie. Full details are contained within the Perthshire Open Studios brochure.

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## Loch Tay Logboat Project

Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust are offering a very rare opportunity to volunteer on an exciting upcoming project. How would you like to take



part in some experimental archaeology, making a replica Bronze Age logboat on the banks of Loch Tay? Inspired by the discovery, excavation, conservation, and forthcoming publication of the Carpow Bronze Age logboat, the Trust, in partnership with the Scottish Crannog Centre and under the guidance of Bronze Age woodworking specialist Damian Goodburn (a regular on Time Team), will be undertaking a three-week project to make a logboat.



*Archaeology in action - reconstructing a Bronze Age logboat*

From a 12m long, 1m wide trunk of sitka spruce to finished craft, using the skills, techniques and tools of the Bronze Age, this will be real experimental archaeology. We will have a replica Bronze Age toolkit (replica outfits optional!), and will be recording all of the phases and processes of constructing the boat. Free camping/accommodation and food and drink will be provided on site. We will be working Tuesday-Saturday each week, starting **11 August** and finishing **29 August**. We will also be looking to promote this project nationally, encouraging television and newspaper coverage. Please bear in mind that this will be heavy physical work. We would particularly welcome volunteers with experience of using hand tools and woodworking. If you are interested in taking part, and can commit to five days, please contact Dr Steven Timoney, Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust, email: [stimoney@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:stimoney@pkc.gov.uk)

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## Keeping the Litterbugs Out

A group of children at Fossoway Primary School, fed up with people littering in the Dunning Glen area, have designed a series of posters reminding campers of their responsibilities.

Constable Lynne Petrie, Community Crime Officer, explained,

“Dunning Glen is a scenic area which is used every year by campers. However the problem of littering was raised earlier this year at a Fossoway CC meeting. Steps were made by Devon Angling Association to clean the area up by organising litter picking days, but the community wanted to ensure that the area remained litter free.



*Fossoway Primary School pupils show off their posters*

“As the Community Crime Officer for the Fossoway area, I approached the school and asked them to hold a competition to design some ‘no littering’ posters. The winning designs have now been made into signs to be displayed on the land, with the landowner’s consent, as a gentle reminder to people using this area to tidy their rubbish.”

Tivoli Homes Limited, a local firm based in Kinross, donated book vouchers to the winning poster designers. They have also donated sports equipment to the school as a way of thanking all of the pupils for their fantastic poster designs.

Lesley McGuigan, Headteacher at the School, added,

“This was a great community project involving local school children and encouraging them to help their environment and support the eco-friendly school policy.”

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## Retired Headteacher sets up ‘After-School Maths and English Centre’

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‘First Class Learning’ has study centres throughout the UK and is supported by the Dyspraxia Foundation and the Dyslexia Association.

## Curling Academy plans ready

Plans for the proposed new Curling Academy are now available to view.

The Kinross Curling Trust has submitted an application for outline planning permission to P&KC for the facility. Plans should therefore be available to view in the County Buildings, Pullar House and via the planning section of the Council’s website, [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk) (planning reference 09/01082/OUT). In addition, the Trust has put on a display in the foyer of The Windlestrae Hotel, which shows the site plan, floor plans and elevations and they can also be downloaded from the Trust’s website at [www.kinrosscurlingtrust.org](http://www.kinrosscurlingtrust.org). The Trust has so far consulted with the proprietors of Woodlands, the Kinross-shire Partnership and Kinross CC. Anyone wishing to make suggestions or comments to the Curling Trust about the plans can do so by emailing [jm@kinrosscurlingtrust.org](mailto:jm@kinrosscurlingtrust.org)

Anyone wishing to formally comment to P&KC needs to do so by 4 August. It is expected that Kinross CC will discuss the application at its meeting on 5 August.

Over the coming months, The Trust will be turning its attention to securing funding, and will make applications to SportsScotland and other bodies. Local curling clubs and individual curlers are also being called upon to raise funds.

The Kinross Curling Trust is organising a **Fundraising Barbecue** to be held at **Loch Leven’s Larder** from 7.15pm on **Friday 11 September**. Tickets will be available at the Kinross Show (Curling School marquee) or from Linda Young (tel 01577 862220 or email [wsyoung@fwi.co.uk](mailto:wsyoung@fwi.co.uk)) or Mary Morgan (tel 01592 840030 or email [belmonte70@aol.com](mailto:belmonte70@aol.com)).

The Kinross Curling Trust has recently received word from charity regulators OSCR that it has been formally recognised as a Scottish Charity and registered under Scottish Charity Number SCO405099.

## Portmoak Gala, 20 June

The Saturday of the Portmoak Gala looked unpromising during the morning, with grey clouds rolling ominously overhead. Somebody up there was looking out for us, however, as the skies cleared for a gloriously sunny Gala afternoon. The Gala procession was led to the Well Green at Scotlandwell by the Lochgelly High School Pipe Band. At the Green, Gala Queen Charlotte Yeaman and her escort Duncan Roberts ascended the stage and sat on their "thrones" - chairs borrowed from Portmoak Parish Church which lent a nice touch of gothic splendour to the afternoon's proceedings. The Queen was crowned with due ceremony, then the festivities began.



*Gala Queen Charlotte Yeaman, her escort Duncan Roberts and flower girls Tia Roberts and Lilly Spenke*

We were treated to some spectacular dance displays this year, with the amazing human pyramids of Acrobay from Dalgety Bay, and the Yarah belly dancers from Dundee, going down particularly well. We also had some very game firemen who consented to have wet sponges thrown at them for charity, which must have taken great courage as some of the young sponge throwers were rather over-enthusiastic! There were plenty of interesting stalls, including Sainsbury's, who gave out lots of goody bags, and also bouncy castles and face painting to entertain the kids. All-in-all, a great afternoon out.

Thanks to all stall holders & helpers on the day, and also to Mr Sandy Thompson for providing the car for the Royal Party, and to all the performers.



*Acrobay show off their balancing skills!*

## County hit by floods again

Kinross-shire experienced dramatic weather conditions on the morning of Monday 6 July, when very heavy rain falling over a short period of time caused flash flooding.

Some properties in New Road, Milnathort, which experienced severe flooding in December 2006, were again affected. P&KC staff visited Milnathort the next day and issued a bulletin to answer queries. On this occasion the flooding was caused by excess rainwater running into low-lying properties because the drainage system was overwhelmed. The gullies were not blocked; the drains and sewers simply could not cope with the volume of rainwater. According to the P&KC bulletin, "Nearly half of the total rain fall which would normally be expected in the whole of July fell in just one hour."

P&KC will meet with Milnathort CC on 31 July to give feedback on this issue.



*Mini tornados over Loch Leven*

*Thanks to Barry Brand for sending us this photo*

Extreme weather was a particular feature of July this year. Barry Brand of Wester Balgedie took the above photo of tornados over Loch Leven on Tuesday 7 July from his garden, using a mobile phone. Barry was amazed to see a scene reminiscent of the Wizard of Oz in such a familiar setting!

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## New publisher launches walks guide

Perthshire outdoor writer and photographer, Felicity Martin, celebrated the birth of her new publishing business – Catkin Press – with the launch of its first title.

*Experience Big Tree Country – 12 Walks Around Perthshire* is the first in a series of four colourful and informative guides, whose production is being supported by Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust (PKCT).



L to R: Bob Ellis (Chairman of Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust), Felicity Martin and Paul McLennan (PKCT Manager) with the first *Experience Big Tree Country* walk guide.

Photo: Ivy-May McIntosh

At the celebration launch on 21 July in the Macmillan Coffee Shop at Quarrymill Woodland Park, Perth, Felicity said, “My aim is to connect people with the natural world and its wonders.

“The guides contain colour photographs and information panels to highlight the attractions of each walk.

“I hope the walks will appeal to both visitors and locals, since they visit many classic beauty spots but also include routes and variations that few people know. Clear descriptions and maps enable readers to tackle the walks confident that they will easily find their way around each route.”

Councillor Bob Ellis, Chairman of PKCT, and Paul McLennan, the Trust Manager, were among the guests who helped Felicity toast Catkin Press and its first publication. Councillor Ellis said, “Through her work as a freelance writer and photographer, Felicity has long championed enjoyment and conservation of our wonderful outdoors, so we are glad to support her in promoting the area’s walking potential.”

The walks include sites such as the Birnam Oak, the Birks of Aberfeldy and our own Loch Leven Heritage Trail.

Volume 1 of *Experience Big Tree Country – 12 Walks Around Perthshire* by Felicity Martin, ISBN 978-1-907101-00-7, is available in bookshops, outdoor shops, farm shops and visitor centres around Perth and Kinross. It is published by Catkin Press, [www.catkinpress.com](http://www.catkinpress.com), and retails at £3.95. The second volume in the series will be published in September.

### Images of Kinross-shire

Photographs can be downloaded free of charge from the [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc)

### Photo Library

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

## Tip in the Park?

A reader contacted the Newsletter to say how appalled he is at the state of Balado following this year’s T in the Park, saying, “The organisers normally clear the site quickly and efficiently. What’s happened this year? This must be a health hazard.”

Experience of festival noise seems to vary depending on wind direction. Some residents in Kinross and even Wester Balgedie discovered the hard way that the campsite has an entertainment licence until 2 am on the Monday! Since Monday is a working day for most people, wouldn’t a midnight finish on the Sunday be more reasonable?

The organisers of T in the Park say they welcome feedback from everyone in the community. If you have any comments or suggestions to make, you can write to: Big Day Out Ltd, PO Box 25241, Glasgow, G2 5XS.

You can also give your point of view to the local Councillors and/or your local CC. Contacts for these are near the back of the Newsletter, on p.86.



The rubbish-strewn festival campsite, adjacent to the M90, one week after the end of the festival

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## Trash to Cash helps Equal Futures

On **Monday 10 August** at 11.30am there will be an opportunity to see a few familiar faces on BBC1's TV programme **Tash to Cash**, which was filmed at the home of Alex and Helena Cant in Milnathort. The idea of the programme is to declutter, culminating in a house sale on day 2 of filming, while raising the profile of a charity, and emphasising the need for re-cycling. The idea is to raise half the money for the charity and half for the host family who were de-cluttering. In fact Alex and Helena went on to raise over £1,000 for their chosen charity, Equal Futures. They had a lot of clutter in their attic which had to be brought into the house, giving the impression that they really were cluttered!

Equal Futures tries to answer the question: what happens to my disabled son or daughter when family members are no longer able to do the caring? A group of family members got together in Scotland, and Equal Futures was born, based on PLAN which has affiliated groups in Canada, USA, Ireland, Holland and now in Scotland.

However good the social services, and even if the disabled person has their own house, with no meaningful relationships life would be grim. Imagine if the only people in your life were paid to be there – no family, no friends, and when the paid person moves to get a new job, you have to start all over with new people.

Equal Futures, a family led organisation, gets round this by providing lifetime circles of support.

A carefully planned life for the future also means having the right information, so they hold workshops throughout Central Scotland on a range of topics including Wills and Trusts, Guardianships, Financial Planning, Housing etc. With over 23,000 carers looking after a family member with a learning disability in Scotland, they want to reach out to many more families bringing them in firstly as associates, then lifetime members.

Everyone deserves a safe and secure future, and moreover everyone deserves to have relationships, be a valued citizen in their local community where they can make a contribution, have choices and be treated with respect. We all want an Equal Future.

See the website [www.equalfutures.org.uk](http://www.equalfutures.org.uk) and if you think you could be a community connector please ask for an application pack. This is a paid role and means about six hours a month on average. Helena Cant is one of the original lifetime members, so feel free to contact her if you would like to know more – phone 862923.

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## East to Mongolia!

6 guys, 2 bangers, 10,000 miles, 1 goal – Charity!

It was an auspicious start to the six local lads' attempt at the famous Mongol rally. The warm, sunny weather on the evening of 16 July saw a good crowd of friends, family, sponsors and supporters gathered at KGV to enjoy a barbecue and beers and some last photo opportunities before sending Chris Carragher, Ian Harley, Mark Harvey, Liam Carragher, Cameron Crawford and Duncan Wood on their way. Kinross & District Pipe Band added to the atmosphere by taking their practice session outdoors and forming a guard of honour as the cars departed.

Before leaving, Chris made a speech, thanking all those who have helped either through sponsorship or in practical ways. By the wonders of modern technology, a few days later we were able to get a progress update:



*The Nutz n Boltz Team ready to roll...*

### Day 4 (19 July)

"A very quick email to advise Nutz n Boltz made it to the launch at Goodwood racing circuit yesterday [Saturday 18 July] and drove through the night last night from Calais all the way to Frankfurt arriving at 7.30am. Some interesting driving was experienced on the continent and included a detour to Brussels where we got majorly lost. Enough said but was very surreal!

"Enjoying a day of leisure today before heading to Prague tomorrow for final launch!

"Great banter with many teams along the way with many convoys taking place. Currently trying to set up a tracker system on the cars.....watch this space!

"Goodwood was entertaining and sadly involved an American team writing off their trusty steed at the entrance to the campsite on the Friday night.

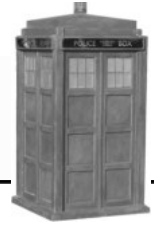
"Boys are all well, showered, teeth brushed and fed in Frankfurt.

"Many stories to tell already.

"Thanks to all those at the Kinross launch on Thursday!"

The guys are raising money for three charities: CHAS, The Christina Noble Children's Foundation and Mercy Corps TAN Project. It is not too late to sponsor them. Go to [www.nutznboltzwebs.com](http://www.nutznboltzwebs.com) and click on the relevant links, or send a cheque made payable to "Nutz n Boltz" to: The Orchard, St Ronan's Drive, Kinross, KY13 8AA.

To see more photos of the send-off, go to [www.kinross.cc/photolibrary](http://www.kinross.cc/photolibrary).



# Police Box

## T in the Park 2009

Tayside Police made 58 arrests at T in the Park this year as compared to 67 in 2008. Of the total number arrested, fifteen were kept in custody for appearance in court - half of the number who were held to appear in court last year.

The event Commander, Chief Superintendent Craig Suttie, was pleased to report that no serious crime had been committed at the festival, with the majority of charges relating to theft, drugs misuse and minor assault.

Mr Suttie said:

"I am very pleased to report that we have enjoyed another successful T in the Park at Balado this year. While the weekend has not been incident free, levels of crime and disorder have been low and no serious crime took place at the festival.

"That serves as testament to the many thousands of people that came to Balado this weekend and to the various agencies that make this terrific event possible.

"T in the Park has established itself as being one of the best and most enjoyable music events around, with a richly-deserved reputation for providing an atmosphere that is vibrant, friendly and, above all else, safe. Scores of people arrived here to enjoy the weekend and I am sure that they did not return home disappointed.

"We introduced a new way of policing the camp site this year - an approach that very much replicated the community-style that we put to very good effect throughout Tayside. This was warmly received by everyone, with positive comments from our police officers and, importantly, the campers.

"Our community approach received excellent support from the event stewards and I have no doubt that this approach contributed to the community spirit enjoyed by everyone this year.

"The event's traffic management plan built on the success of last year's blueprint to ensure that disruption for local residents was kept to an absolute minimum and ensured that

revellers - many of whom were camping with us - were able to arrive with little or no delay.

"I am very pleased with the way that the traffic plan worked, but we must not forget the road traffic accident that happened near to the festival this year and the tragic loss of a young life.

"As Commander for Perth and Kinross I speak on behalf of everyone at Tayside Police when I say our thoughts are with Lachlan Gillies' family and friends."

## Dunning Glen

In last month's edition of Police Box it was highlighted that complaints had been received about littering at Dunning Glen. In conjunction with the Devon Angling Association and Tivoli Homes Limited, Tayside Police approached Fossoway Primary School and asked then to hold a poster competition to design some "no littering" posters. The winners received book tokens donated by Tivoli Homes Limited and the winning posters were made into signs and displayed at Dunning Glen.

Tayside Police would like to thank Fossoway Primary School children for their willingness to support this issue and their fabulous posters.

## CRIME STOPPERS – Telephone No 0800 555 111

This telephone number is a free phone number unless you are using a mobile phone, which any member of the public can contact at any time, if they have information relating to criminal activity of any sort.

It is, if you wish, confidential and you will not be contacted if you choose to remain anonymous.

Community Crime Officers can be contacted at Kinross Police Office on **0300 111 2222**.

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

## Newsletter team member assaulted

Two Kinnesswood men, David Dickman and Bill Young, received sentences at Perth Sheriff Court in July after pleading guilty to assaulting Tony Dyson, a member of the Newsletter team.

The incident happened late on the evening of Friday 13 March. On hearing strange noises, Tony, who lives next door to the men, had gone into his garden to investigate. Dickman and Young appeared at a gap in the hedge, shouted abuse and launched the attack, which resulted in Tony needing medical attention, including tetanus and hepatitis B injections.

The Perthshire Advertiser of 26 June reported that:

*"Young and Dickman, of Woodmarch, Kinnesswood, pled guilty to a reduced charge alleging that they assaulted Mr Dyson, of Lyndale, by struggling with him, punching him and attempting to gouge his eyes, all to his injury.*

*"Dickman also admitted assaulting, obstructing or hindering three paramedics by acting in an aggressive manner towards them, persistently dialling 999 requesting police and ambulance, knowing full well that they were both*

*in attendance, and acting in an aggressive manner towards personnel, refusing to speak to police and obstructing paramedics from providing medical assistance."*

On 22 July, Sheriff Lindsay Foulis fined Young £800 and ordered Dickman to carry out 140 hours' community service.

The Newsletter cannot condone violence of any sort and will no longer run Young's advert "Buildings & Repairs" when the current advertising period runs out in September.

*Also see articles online at [www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org) for more information.*

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# Club & Community Group News

## T-in-the-Park Drop-in Centre

Each year it seems to get better and better, but this year exceeded all expectations. During the weekend we were privileged to serve over 600 T-in-the-Parkers with good food including 500 full breakfasts plus 350 other items such as the ever-favourite bacon butties.

The clients were extremely well behaved and joined in enthusiastically when our kitchen staff's own ABBA singers sang our rendition of Mamma Mia (substitute Bacon Butties for Mamma Mia and you'll get the drift). To see a recording of the show, log on to youtube.com and do a search for *wayupnorthtv*.



*Generous "Parkers" are enabling the Drop-in Centre to donate money to charity*

It was a fabulous weekend that could not have happened without the commitment, good humour and hard work of the volunteers, many of whom turn up year after, each eager to be part of the enterprise. On behalf of the core group, a huge thank you and "See you again next year?"

Speaking of the core group, it just amazes me how each year they turn up for the preplanning meetings, get on with their allotted tasks - efficiently and happily - and on the day everything works perfectly. An amazing bunch of people and thanks so much, it's just such a joy working with you.

As you all know by now, the object of the weekend is not to make money - our prices reflect that - but to show hands-on Christianity. However, because of the Parkers' incredible generosity, each year we do make money. This year was no exception, our best ever, and the recipients of their generosity will be: Marie Curie Nurses, the local Faith and Light Organisation and the Church Centre for the use of the premises.

Once again our sincere thanks to everyone who helped in whatever way. It couldn't happen without you.

Peter Flounders, Convener.

## Portmoak Hall 100 Club

### June Draw

1st	No.23	Tom Lawrie, Kinnesswood
2nd	No.96	Fiona Mead, Kinnesswood
3rd	No.76	Sion Matthews, Scotlandwell

## Active Schools

### Thank You to the Active Schools Volunteers

I would like to thank the following volunteers that have provided primary school children with a variety of extra curricular activities and taster sessions for Active Schools. These volunteers are all helping to provide children with the opportunities to adopt an active and healthy lifestyle.

Dougie Buchanan, golf club – Milnathort PS and Kinross PS

Caroline Cowe, athletics and get fit club - Portmoak PS

Helen Davidson, hockey – Kinross cluster

Pat Duffy, table tennis – Kinross cluster

Morna Hunter, gymnastics – Fossoway PS

Craig Machan, Kinross Rugby Club (school to club links)

Shaun Masson, multi sports club – Milnathort PS

Anna McGregor, badminton, basketball - Kinross PS

Louise Milliken, funky feet – Arngask PS

Suzanne Miller, gymnastics – Kinross Cluster

Karen Nicholson, Kinross Cavaliers — school to club links in basketball

Harriett Nicholson, equestrian vaulting

Dorothy Pollock, golf – Milnathort PS

Ken Reilly, Kinross Cricket club who provide cricket tasters

Kirsteen Ross, Kinross Cricket club who provide cricket tasters

Eileen Verden-Anderson, golf – Milnathort PS

Silvia Wilson, athletics – Portmoak PS

Active Schools are continually looking for volunteers, be it parents or members of the local community to help run or support extra curricular activities in the local primary schools to help children adopt an active, healthy lifestyle. The emphasis within Active Schools is not solely on sport but also play and other activities that invite children to engage in physical activity especially amongst the "hard to reach groups", girls and young women, children and young people with a disability and children and young people not currently involved in physical activity and sport.

If you like working with children and are enthusiastic, I would be delighted to hear from you. Full training and ongoing support will be given. There are many benefits to be gained from becoming a volunteer at your local school. You may be looking for a change in career, aiming to get back into employment, wishing to enhance your c.v. or want to give something back or enhance the local community and the lives of children.

I am also keen to strengthen links between the schools and community sports clubs so would be happy to hear from clubs that want to get more children involved in their sport.

Cath Devanny, Active Schools Coordinator

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## Kinross & District Town Twinning Association

Twenty-two members of the Association will have spent a week with their host families in Gacé, returning to Kinross on Sunday 2 August.

A full report will be printed in the September issue of the newsletter. Preparations will then begin for the French visit to Kinross next summer.





## Kinross & District Rotary Club

As reported in last month's edition, Neil Kilpatrick was awarded this year's Rotary Citizen of the Year Award on 15 June, in recognition of his work as Project Director for the TRACKS Loch Leven Heritage Trail. Neil, who was accompanied by his wife Margaret, was introduced by Rotarian Simon Byford and by Jackie Yuill, the Loch Leven Trail Project Officer, who was one of the persons nominating Neil for the Award.



*Neil Kilpatrick (right) receiving the Citizen of the Year award from Malcolm Mapp, immediate Past President of the Club*

Following the presentation Neil gave a very interesting illustrated talk on the project and advised that it is the sole Scottish project to reach the semi finals of the National Lottery Good Causes Awards.



*Malcolm Mapp (left) shaking hands with David Reid at the Handover Dinner*

John Heggie from CHAS addressed the meeting held on 22 June and outlined the history of the Association from its inauguration in 1996 when £10 million was raised for the construction of Rachel House. This has now been joined by Robin House at Balloch and a home team service which supports families throughout Scotland. He also explained that the three main functions of the Hospice are to provide respite, terminal and bereavement care. With 80% of the £5 million annual running costs coming from donations, the Association is grateful for all the help it receives from bodies such as Rotary and private individuals.

The Club held its annual putting competition at the Green Hotel on 29 June. After a 'sudden death' tee off, John Matthew was declared the winner with the Club President, Malcolm Mapp, in second place.

A special dinner was held on 6 July at the Windlestrae to mark the installation of the President for the year 2009/10, David Reid. David, who is well known in the community, having served as Head Teacher at Kinross High School for many years, spoke of the challenge and honour he felt in being elected President. Retiring President Malcolm Mapp opened the proceedings with a special presentation to Rotarian Alistair Smith of a Paul Harris Fellowship, in recognition of his many years of service to the community through the Rotary Club. Paul Harris was the original founder of the Rotary movement and the award is one of the highest accolades that Rotary can give. The evening continued with excellent entertainment from the very talented Nick Lauener on his keyboard, with a broad variety of music ranging from a Beatles medley to a concerto by Chopin and concluded with a piece composed by Nick.



*Alistair Smith received the Paul Harris Fellowship in recognition of many years service to the community through the Rotary Club*

Our speaker on 13 July was Engineer Mike Travers, on the subject of Wind Turbines. Some very interesting facts and figures were revealed and, love them or hate them, there is money to be made with current Government subsidies, if you have a few hundred acres of bog available to house a windfarm. Mike's interesting talk also included a comparison of the domestic price of electricity with that in the rest of the Europe, where at present the UK is one of the cheapest, but likely to rise dramatically in the very near future to cover the cost of the subsidies. The talk ended with an active discussion on the several alternative methods of generating electricity.

### Newsletter Deadlines

A list of future deadlines can be found on our website

**[www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org)**



## Kinross High School Parent Council



### School Uniform Purple Blazer

We've had a great response from parents and pupils for the new purple blazers. To date we have received over 200 orders; we expect these to be available before the start of the academic year. On top of the confirmed orders we have arranged a limited stock of additional blazers in a variety of sizes. These will be available on a first come first served basis - so to avoid disappointment, please place your orders early. If you have not yet ordered your new blazer, please complete the order form attached and return it with deposit to the address below. The KHSPC will continue taking orders throughout August and into the new school term.

We had a super article, entitled 'Parent council blazing a trail for school pride', supporting our cause in The Courier on 11 July. Read it at the following link: [www.thecourier.co.uk/output/2009/07/11/newsstory13438975t0.asp](http://www.thecourier.co.uk/output/2009/07/11/newsstory13438975t0.asp). Once again the KHSPC would like to thank all those who are supporting the KHSPC in reintroducing the wearing of the purple blazer throughout the school.

The factory rushes of the blazers are very fetching and have been well received by pupils, parents and school staff alike. The girls' blazer differs from the traditional design of the boys' in that it has a more fashionable fitted style. The new blazers are manufactured from a washable polyester, are comfortable, light and easy to wear, and at £40 are very reasonably priced. They will be available for collection from the High School before the new school year starts on the following dates when members of the KHSPC will be on hand to help:

**Thursday 13 August** 1800 to 2000;

**Friday 14 August** 1000 to 1200 and 1300 to 1500;

**Monday 17 August** 1800 to 2000.

We are aware that there are numbers of the existing traditional design of purple blazer languishing unused in people's wardrobes. The shade of purple of the new blazers has been carefully chosen to match the shade of the old and it is hoped the old blazers will be given a new lease of life and worn again.

The new blazers are a KHSPC sponsored initiative to improve uniform standards at the school, to the benefit of both pupils and the community alike. The move to the new school campus this autumn is the stimulus for the new uniform initiative, with aim being to encourage as many pupils as possible, throughout the school, to wear the

traditional and iconic purple blazer in time for the move to the new campus.

The KHSPC hopes that pupils and parents throughout the school will support this important community initiative.

**Kinross High School Former Pupils:** With the move to the new campus in mind, the KHSPC would like to invite any former pupils and staff from KHS to help celebrate the proud history of the old school and the move to the new. Any FPs or staff interested in helping to celebrate the move, please contact Jaffrey Weir. If there is enough interest, the KHSPC will help support the formation of a FP and Staff Association, the idea being that the association will support each other as well as feeding back life experiences and support to the current pupils at the school, and to the wider community.

**KHSPC Membership:** To successfully support the High School, the KHSPC needs the active help of parents. We are looking for volunteers to join and help with the work of the KHSPC and its Events and Fundraising Team (EFT). Any parent (or guardian) of a pupil studying at KHS may volunteer as a parent member of the KHSPC. For further information please contact Andy Williams.

**KHSPC Clerk:** The position of Clerk is vacant. Anyone interested in taking on the role should contact Andy Williams. The role is open to anyone in the community and not restricted to parents/guardians of pupils attending KHS.

**Role of the KHSPC:** The objectives of the KHSPC are broadly to represent the views of the parents of pupils at the school in the areas of education and welfare. We wish to work in partnership with the school to create a positive environment which supports pupils, staff, and parents. Within the KHSPC the EFT looks after the activities of the old Parent Teacher Association.

The next KHSPC meeting is on **Tuesday 1 September** at 7.15pm at the High School. Parents and guardians of pupils attending KHS are most welcome to attend.

The elected officers of the KHSPC for the 2009/10 academic year are:

Chair: **Andy Williams**, 01577 861682;  
a.b.williams@btopenworld.com

Vice Chair: **Jaffrey Weir**, 01577 865780;  
jaffreyweir@lebc-group.com

Treasurer: **Denis Sweeney**, 01577 861651.

If you wish to raise any issue regarding the KHSPC and parental involvement in the High School, please don't hesitate to contact one of the above. Alternatively you may write to the Chair at the school address: Kinross High School, 8 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW.

Kinross High School Parent Council													
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Please make cheques out in favour of Kinross High School Parent Council. During the summer holidays please post your order together with deposit to the following address: KHSPC, % 27 Croft Wynd, Milnathort, Kinross-shire, KY13 9GH.													

## 41 Club

### Personal invitation to all guys who have been in Round Table !!!



Kinross-shire 41 Club would like to invite you and your wife or partner along to our first meeting of the new session on **Wednesday 12 August** when we meet at the Green Hotel for a Boules or Petangue night.

The old rules about entry to 41 Club have been revised, and all that is required is that you are presently, or have been in the past, a member of Round Table.

We help Rotary at the Kinross Show on 8 August, when we staff the car park. If you are at the Show and would like to know more about 41 Club, please ask at the Rotary stand - there are usually a few of us about there. Our programme for the next few months includes speakers on:

The Sealed Knot Society - 9 September

Hearing Dogs for the Deaf - 14 October

Bagpipes - 11 November

Please call Chairman Stewart Wallace on 01592 840070 for more information about the club, or go to our website, [www.kinross-shire41club.org.uk/Programme.php](http://www.kinross-shire41club.org.uk/Programme.php).

## Kinross-shire Plastic Bag Free Campaign



You may have seen in the news recently that UK supermarkets are now giving away 346 million fewer plastic bags than in May 2006 (BBC, 2009). In Scotland, there was a 49% reduction in plastic bag use in the last three years. This is still short of the 50% reduction target set voluntarily by the major supermarkets. With the help of local retailers and customers, the Kinross-shire campaign will play its part in reducing plastic bag use even further.

The PBF campaign will be at the Kinross Show on 8 August as part of its official launch of Kinross-shire's plastic bag free status. We will be providing a bag-decorating activity and will have on display all the poster entries from the primary school competition held last year. Also, by the time of the show, delivery of our reusable cotton bags to each Kinross-shire household should be well underway.

If you are interested in the plastic bag free movement, you can visit the Plastic Bag Free Group in Google Groups. This provides a forum for all those interested in the issue, not just those who are running PBF campaigns. Go to <http://groups.google.co.uk/> and search for 'Plastic Bag Free'. Contact [kinrossshirepbf@googlegmail.com](mailto:kinrossshirepbf@googlegmail.com) if you would like more information on the Kinross-shire campaign or to offer your help in any way.

## Kinross in Bloom

The AGM of Kinross in Bloom will be held on **Wednesday 12 August** at 7.30pm in the Green Hotel. Come along and hear about our activities over the last year - everyone welcome.

We were delighted that the children of Kinross Primary School were able to make use of our surplus plants by planting some of them up and selling the rest to raise funds.

### July 200 Club winners

£20 Pauline Watson	£10 Hilda Finnie
£5 Eileen Thomas	£5 Margaret Lyon



## Kinross-shire Historical Society



On 20 June, some 20 members enjoyed the Society's summer outing to Perth for a historical walk led by local historian Rhoda Fothergill of Perthshire Society of Natural Science.

The walk took in the Round House built to house Perth Waterworks in 1832, now the home of the J D Fergusson art collection. A visit was paid to Greyfriars Burial Ground where the members were shown some very interesting gravestones and given the history relating to the site and the people buried there. The early usage and development of the use of the Tay for importing and exporting a range of goods giving Perth prosperity was all explained. Some interesting buildings in Tay Street were looked at and the history relating to them given. Having crossed the Tay by the Queen's Bridge, the party walked through Rodney Gardens to see the Sculpture Trail and then recrossed the river by the Railway Bridge built in 1865 passing over Moncreiffe Island back to the starting point of the walk.



*KHS members visit Greyfriars Burial Ground, Perth*

As part of Perthshire Archaeology Month, organised by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust, Kinross-shire Historical Society arranged a walk round the Michael Bruce Way on 26 June led by Professor David Munro.

Around 20 people from all over the area enjoyed a most interesting afternoon on the walk which included The Michael Bruce Cottage Museum, Portmoak Church, the Well and Redfriars Hospital in Scotlandwell, Kilmagad Wood and Portmoak Moss, learning the history relating to the different buildings and the land use of the area.

At the AGM held in March the committee was re-elected to serve another year.

The winter season of talks will start in October.

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## Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

(affiliated to The Ramblers' Association, Scotland)

The height of summer! Why not get out and about more now that days are longer and weather is... weather? Walking is one of the best and cheapest ways of keeping fit and healthy, and with us, it can be sociable too. Whether you're new to walking, returning to walking or a regular walker, take advantage of our Summer programme to try out a walk with us before joining the Ramblers' Association. Walks are led by volunteer leaders from the group members. For August we offer three weekend walks and a mid-week walk.

**Saturday 1 August: Lundie Craigs from Tullibaccart – 5 miles.** A pleasant walk through fields and woodland around Ledcreeff Loch. A couple of short but strenuous climbs rewarded by superb views. No dogs, please.

**Wednesday 5 August: Loch Leven Heritage Trail – 3½ miles.** A linear walk along the most recently opened section of the trail from Loch Leven's larder to Vane Farm. Easy walk with lochside views, bird life and possibly gliders floating overhead. Accompanied children welcome. No dogs, please.

**Sunday 16 August: The Pineapple Circular – 8 miles.** Walk begins in Main Street, Airth. Most of the walk is woodland and farmland, with opportunity to admire one of Scotland's eccentric architectural treasures. Accompanied children welcome. No dogs, please.

**Saturday 29 August: Glendevon Reservoirs Circuit – 14 km.** Moorland walk above reservoirs taking in Common Hill, Wether Hill, Craigentagert Hill, Blackhill and Bald Hill. No children or dogs, please.

For all walks you will require appropriate clothing and equipment, including boots and waterproofs. Weekend walks can be of up to 4½ hours duration and a packed lunch, warm drink and water should be brought.

For further information on walking with the group, including further details of the above walks, where to meet and joining the Ramblers' Association, call our group Secretary Edna Burnett on 01577 862977. Or see our group website [www.koramblers.org](http://www.koramblers.org) or the Ramblers' Association website [www.ramblers.org.uk](http://www.ramblers.org.uk)

## Milnathort School Association

Notice of Annual General Meeting 2009

Volunteers needed!

It is time for the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer to stand down and others to come forward and take up these posts.

Any parent or carer with a child at Milnathort Primary School can put themselves forward.

The main purpose of the MSA is to raise funds for the school. Last year, we had a very successful year, raising about £3,500 which will be put towards school funds. We have already contributed £1000 towards our new Wildlife Garden. Each year we organise and host the Halloween Disco, Christmas Bazaar and more recently the Summer Fair and Ceilidh. In April we also had a Quiz Night, which was a lot of fun.

If you would like to find out more about what is involved, please contact Susan Britton (Secretary) on 01577 863385 or [susanjbritton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:susanjbritton@yahoo.co.uk)

**The Milnathort School Association AGM will take place on Monday 31 August at 8pm at Milnathort Golf Club.**

It is great fun, so why not come and join us? Thanks for your support.

## Children's Hospice Association Scotland



The first CHAS charity shop outside Kinross opens on 31 July. The temporary shop at 61 Kingsgate Shopping Centre in Dunfermline will be open between 11am and 3pm every Friday morning for three months. Customers can find great summer bargains, including donated toys, games, books and stylish ladies' clothes.

Anyone interested in finding out more about CHAS can watch the latest DVD in the store and speak to a CHAS volunteer or staff member about volunteering or fundraising opportunities.

If you would like to support CHAS please contact 01577 865222 or go to [www.chas.org.uk](http://www.chas.org.uk)

## Family Week Diary

Mon 3 Aug	Seaside Rock	10.00 – 12.00	Kinross High School Kirkgate
	Family Rounders	19.30 – 21.00	
Tue 4 Aug	Seaside Rock	10.00 – 12.00	Kinross High School Kinross Parish Church Gdns
	Family Game	14.00 – 16.00	
Wed 5 Aug	Seaside Rock	10.00 – 12.00	Kinross High School Kinross Parish Church
	Family Film	15.00 – 16.00	
	Seniors afternoon trip	about 5pm	
Thur 6 Aug	Seaside Rock	10.00 – 12.00	Kinross High School Meet at Gacé Gardens Kinross Parish Church
	Family Game	14.00 – 16.00	
	Seniors Film Night	about 7pm	
Fri 7 Aug	Seaside Rock	10.00 – 12.00	Kinross High School Kinross Parish Church
	Final Celebration + family barbecue	19.00	

For more information contact Moira Hookham, telephone 01577 861033

## The Kinross-shire Civic Trust



**Mid-summer Walk:** The Trust had a very successful and enjoyable mid-summer walk around the Michael Bruce Way on Midsummer's Day led by the Trust's President, Professor David Munro. It was a beautiful warm day, which made the views from the top all the more enjoyable. The members and visitors were highly informed by David's breadth of knowledge of the history of the area, the people who lived there and how the whole area developed over many centuries.

### Programme

**Visit to The Drum, Bo'ness – 22 August:** Following a fascinating talk given to the Civic Trust by the noted architect Mr William Cadell on the development of the Drum in Bo'ness, the Trust has arranged a visit to the Drum Farm housing development on land that formed part of the Grange estate which was originally purchased in 1771 by William Cadell, one of the three founding partners of the Carron Ironworks. This is a modern award-winning housing development, where the owner and developer have set about creating a fine example of collaborative urban planning which aimed to achieve a total package of high quality design and landscaping.

Anyone wishing to take part in this visit and who either needs transport or can offer a lift should contact Bridget Lindsay, Balgedie House, Easter Balgedie, KY13 9HQ, tel 01592 840252. Tickets are £3 to cover organisational costs. The visit will take place on Saturday 22 August. We will meet at 2.30pm at the inner roundabout at Drum Farm Lane off the A993 Grahamsdyke Road. Parking is available in the housing scheme nearby. After a tour led by Mr Cadell, there will be a cup of tea at Swordie Mains, courtesy of Mr Cadell.

Bo'ness is a fascinating town to visit, with other historic sites and the Bo'ness Railway.

**Annual Best Kept Village Competition:** The Annual Best Kept Village Competition will take place in July/August. It is open to all villages and hamlets in Kinross-shire and Glenfarg and is always well supported. If anyone still wishes to compete please contact Bridget Lindsay on 01592 840252.

**Annual Architectural Award:** The Trust is holding its bi-annual competition for new architectural projects in Kinross-shire and Glenfarg in the Autumn. The Trust is looking for interesting new and innovative architecture. Anyone wishing to enter the competition should contact Bridget Lindsay on 01592 840252.

## Buildings of Interest in Kinross-shire

### The Ornamental Well in Scotlandwell

Described in early charters as Fons Scotie, the village of Scotlandwell takes its name from the waters that bubble up through the sand to the west of the main street. For more than 300 years in medieval times the water from the well was used for medicinal purposes by the Red Friars who maintained a hospital here on the pilgrimage route to St Andrews. King Robert the Bruce is known to have held a parliament here while taking the cure.

In 1858 the ornamental well shown in this century-old photograph was erected by the local laird Thomas Bruce of Arnot to a design by the famous Edinburgh architect David Bryce. The well was dedicated to the memory of Bruce's first wife, Henrietta Dorin, whose embossed initials along with those of Thomas Bruce can be seen on either side of the water outlet. The construction of the well and adjacent wash house was part of a wider village enhancement scheme initiated by the Bruces of Arnot who were descended from Sir William Bruce, the builder of Kinross House.



*The well at Scotlandwell*

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## Kinnesswood in Bloom

**“Bring in the bees”** - Kinnesswood in Bloom called on volunteers to lend a hand to improve their local environment and help on a green project. They positioned two large planters and stocked them with a variety of plants to complete their Bee Garden project. The result will be the transformation of a neglected piece of land to a garden designed to attract bees, with planters giving additional striking visual impact on approaching Kinnesswood. The project, coordinated by Helen Manzie, will build on existing local community pride in the environs and provide another area of interest for residents and visitors to the area. This planned activity is part of a five-month campaign called CSV Action Earth supported by Morrison's supermarkets. The campaign is organised by the national charity Community Service Volunteers (CSV) and involves over 900 voluntary organisations, businesses and community groups that will be undertaking projects that are of immediate and lasting benefit to the environment.



*Kinnesswood in Bloom volunteers hard at work on the bee garden*

**“Flower power disco”** - Kinnesswood in Bloom fun-raising event. Celebrate our entry into Britain in Bloom at the Lomond Country Inn, **26 September** at 8pm. We value your support.

Guys get these shirts out! • Girls let your hair down!  
Come and join the fun • There are raffles to be won!

Disco tickets £7.50 each (includes tasty buffet) available from Lomond Country Inn.

**School news** - The latest area to have been developed, largely through the work of two very interested parents, is the school pond. This has now been filled, planted up and there are a few water creatures in it. It has been well fenced in for safety reasons and is covered by a substantial metal grid, which can fold back so that pond dipping and maintenance can take place.

**Friend of KiB** - Thank you to everyone who chose to become a friend of KiB this year. The response has been fantastic! Your contributions make a huge difference.

**Britain in Bloom** - Judging of Kinnesswood will take place on **Friday 7 August**. The village walk-around will begin at midday.

**Meetings & work parties** - Meetings are open to all and are usually held on the first Thursday of the month. Check the local notice board for up to date information, have a word with Dave Goodwin at the garage, or ring him on 840727. We look forward to hearing from you.

**The Kinnesswood in Bloom team**  
www.kinnesswoodinbloom.org

## Milnathort in Bloom

The results from the work we put in April and May when we brought on then planted our plugs (10,000 this year) can be seen around the village in the tubs, troughs, flower beds and hanging baskets. We are now on to watering and maintaining them by dead heading and weeding.

**Perthshire in Bloom** - The judging of the village for the competition will be held on 6 August. So we have arranged to have a **Village Clean Up on 5 August**, meeting at the Town Hall at 7pm. The plan is to go over the route to be followed by the judges and pick up any litter, tidy up any tubs, beds etc and remove any large weeds. We extend an invitation to everybody in the village to join us and hope that you can come along and help.

We very much appreciate the help and donations we have had from local companies and individuals and hope they can continue to support us. It is particularly gratifying, and helps the sore back, to be congratulated on what we have done while out working about the village.

**Future Plans** - In September/October we plan to do a lot of Spring bulb planting at the War Memorial now that the shrubs have been trimmed back. If you or your organisation would like to help then please get in contact with Graeme Stewart, telephone 01577 864357 or email [graemehs@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:graemehs@tiscali.co.uk).

**Meetings** - During the summer our meetings are held when we need to plant the baskets, put the tubs out or do some maintenance. In the autumn and winter we meet about every six weeks to plan for the coming year with the occasional foray to the Polytunnel to clean up and recycle. The AGM will be in September and the date and location will be posted in the Newsletter and on posters at local businesses. The meetings are open to all, so please feel free to come along. For more details contact Graeme Stewart at 01577 864357 or [graemehs@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:graemehs@tiscali.co.uk).

## Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club

At the July meeting Mrs Suzanne Motion gave an interesting talk on her childhood life in East Germany.



### Friday Walks:

**7 Aug:** A circular walk round Devilla Woods from the Police College, Tulliallan. This is a repeat of last year's walk along paths and forest roads – almost flat and not much more than 6 miles.

**21 Aug:** A one way walk from Alva to Muckhart, along back roads – some of them tarrad. There is a steep climb on the back road from Dollar to Muckhart, and the distance is a good 8 miles.

### Hillwalkers:

Two walks are planned for August:

**14 Aug:** A double Munro day when we will tackle Dreish and Mayar from Glen Clova, a walk of nine miles and 2750 feet of ascent.

**28 Aug:** We will tackle a new circular walk from St Fillans on Loch Earn round Glen Tarken, approximately 10 miles with just under 1000 feet of ascent.

Please note our membership list is currently full, any enquiries to Bill Blair, 01577 864450.

**August Meeting:** At the meeting on **6 August** the Fire Brigade will give a demonstration.



## Friends of Wumenu Community Farm

Scottish Charity Number SC 037724  
www.friendsowumenufarm.org.uk



On behalf of the Wumenu Community Farm I would like to thank the people of Kinross-shire for their ongoing support for the people of The Wumenu Community Farm. As a charity we continue raising funds, the next main fundraiser being an 'Africeilidh' which will take place in the Windlestrae on **Saturday 24 October**. This will be a most enjoyable evening with both African and Scottish music as well as African and Scottish stovies! Look out for tickets coming on sale.

Anyone wishing more information about the charity or how money raised has been used please visit our web site and click onto the eco link or phone Janet Harper on 840225 or Amu on 07985623870.

'Friends of the Wumenu Community Farm' achieved charitable status in January 2007. Gift Amu Logoste, a Ghanaian who comes from that community, and Janet Harper, a retired headteacher, set it up.

Amu is an ethnomusicologist, artist, storyteller and drummer who lives in Glasgow and works tirelessly to support the development of his home community.

The community farm was set up six years ago to help develop sustainable agriculture, lifestyle and education to improve the lives of old, young and all in between.

It also aims to create educational opportunities for the young people so that, in time, they can contribute to their regional and national development.

Recurrent droughts, thieving baboons, nomadic tribes and torrential rains all contribute to the daily difficulties faced by the Wumenu Community.

The Community farm directly sustains about 500 people, being the workers and their families. There are about 1000 people in the nearby village of Wumenu who are becoming dependent on the farm for clean water and there are approximately 1000 more people in surrounding villages, some of whom are beginning to look towards Wumenu for water, food and work.

### Projects

1. *Develop rainwater harvesting to provide clean safe water all year round for drinking, domestic use, animal and agricultural use*
  - There are plans to extend the present tank by building a concrete skin around it. This will increase the usable water within the tank.
  - Build four tanks, each on a raised platform, to provide a gravity feed system of irrigation for the crops, there is no electricity for pumps.
  - Put guttering on huts and buildings to channel rainwater into the tanks instead of it going into the germ-ridden ditches.
2. *Install a generator to provide electricity for the farm and the Village:* Even when this is achieved it will not guarantee power 24 hours a day.
3. *Develop facilities for keeping livestock.*
4. *Develop the farming of cash crops.*
5. *Build more accommodation to provide a hostel for workers, and for visitors and supporters who want to see how their money and efforts are being used.*
6. *Provide space and equipment for education of their young people in a variety of skills for life.*

Upgrading the water is our number one priority and has

been estimated at about £3,250 using local labour and expertise.

Our next project will be installing some kind of power. Solar would be ideal but very expensive. A generator is an option as is connecting to power lines that are running about a mile away.

Running concurrently with fundraising for water we are fundraising to ship out a second 40-foot container later in 2009.

Inside the container will be many things that can be used by the farm, such as a tractor, a generator, pedal bikes, clothes, books, and mobile phones. Also there will be things that will not be of use to the community and these will be sold on to generate income for the farm and the community.

Despite challenges, the one that went out in June 2008 was very successful. One mobile phone was exchanged for 175 coconut saplings

Running alongside this, as from June 2009, we are trying to raise enough funds to enable Amu to spend between nine and twelve months on the farm to take it forward and to recruit someone local to manage it in the long term.

Janet Harper, Charity Administrator

### Help the Friends of Wumenu Community Farm – recycle your waste

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## Helen O'Grady Drama Academy

The students of the Helen O'Grady Drama Academy presented their end of year plays in Kinross High School Hall on 20 June, to an appreciative and participative audience of 250 family and friends.

As usual, this was an important occasion for the children to perform on stage the skills and abilities that they have developed in their weekly classes, and which will prepare them for a world where confidence, good articulation and sound communication are vital qualities.

The 18 youngest children, aged from 5 - 8, took to the stage first in their play, "The Snake Charmer". The Sultan, played by Lewis Noble, resplendent in gold, had spent months travelling the land with his weary subjects to find a suitable husband for his daughter, Yasmin (Flora Ferguson). As her handmaidens complained, she was far too fussy, and it was to be hoped that this time, at least, she would find someone she liked. As several suitors were rejected, both cast and audience groaned in sympathy until, at last, all were charmed by a humble snake charmer played by Honor Ashworth, whose flute playing had them singing and dancing to loud applause.

The older Primary children performed two plays.

"The Bold Buccaneers" told a swashbuckling tale of intrigue - and laziness - on the high seas, when the idle crew of a pirate ship persuaded their gallant Captain (Peter Welsh) and his wily Bosun (Alex Grant) to put some shipwrecked mariners to work for them instead of having them walk the plank - but when the sailors appeared to be winning over the girl pirates, only a boisterous song or two could settle everyone down.

The second play, "The Cleanest Town in Texas", required the audience to change their pirate "ooh-ar"s to cowboy "yee-har!"s, when the 16 cowboys from Abilene were startled - and almost tricked - by the arrival of Southern Belle Lulubelle played by Fiona McKenzie and the scheming Jake the Rake.

Finally, the Youth Theatre students performed "Jason and the Golden Fleece" - not the Greek classic, but a school rehearsal of the play in which everything that could go wrong, did - from colourful duvet covers worn as togas, to fighting bulls, marauding gorillas and an overstressed "teacher" - but as we all know, they were confident that it would be all right on the night.

Following the performance, certificates and awards were presented. For many children, just standing on stage in front of a large audience was a huge triumph: others showed great facial expressions, clear, well projected voices, or good ad-libbing skills. The acquisition of these skills in the course of the Academy was well demonstrated, and the group said a last farewell to two of the oldest students, one of whom, Caitlin Rush, has been attending classes for over nine years. The children warmed to the applause and appreciation of their parents:

"Thank you so much for a fabulous performance on Saturday. Very impressive and delightful to see such proud and happy children!"

"We had a great time this morning in Kinross! All the kids were brilliant but the Youth theatre were great!"

The Academy meets weekly in the Kinross Church Centre and will resume classes after the summer break on Saturday 22 August. For more information, please ring the Principal, Barbara, on 01382 330052 or visit [www.helenogrady.co.uk](http://www.helenogrady.co.uk)

## Kinross Round Table Ready For T in the Park 2010



The Kinross Round Table is almost fully recovered after the festivities of the 2009 T in the Park festival, where table members and volunteers once more provided services across the site.

From the moment the festival opened its gates on Thursday, through to 2300 hrs on Sunday night (starting at 0700 in the morning), 125 volunteers, worked at areas around the T in the Park site, offering services to campers, visitors, disabled festival goers and those in need of refreshment - raising over £6000 for charities and good causes.

Round Table volunteers ran the bottle exchange service, which allowed campers to swap glass bottles for safe plastic ones. This ensured the campsite was a far safer place, but also highlighted a few new cocktail combinations such as champagne and Buckfast.



*Table members and volunteers at T in the Park*

The Table also supervised the checking-in of children under the age of 16, completing age forms and ensuring contact details were logged and kept in case of emergencies. Eighteen children were found and reunited with parents and guardians during the festival.

Volunteers also supervised the new shower blocks within the campsite, with over 3000 campers using the facility over the course of the weekend.

The Round Table also looked after all of the visitors to the festival with special needs. Over 300 special needs campers stayed at the festival and Table volunteers made 30 trips to the special needs campsite.

Special mention and thanks must be given to Henderson's Grass Machinery, who provided a dedicated buggy for this purpose during the festival. That's Henderson's Grass Machinery. Thank you very much indeed.

The festival's new Refresh area, which provided basic human needs like hairdryers, hair straighteners and general cosmetic facilities saw over 9000 visitors over the three days of the festival and again, Table volunteers supervised and made sure nobody left looking anything other than gorgeous.

The Kinross Table was also honoured to receive a visit from the president of the Round Table, who was immediately put to work alongside everyone else. Thank you too, sir.

Oh - and we inducted three new members.

Mike Spain, the brains behind Kinross Round Table, said, "T in the Park is always a challenge, but a welcome one. We've been involved with the festival in some way, since it first moved to Balado and we're always delighted to be able to get involved and help out. We'd like to thank all of the volunteers and participants who helped make this year's event even safer and more enjoyable for everyone."



## Kinross Boys and Girls Brigade



The Company section summer camp at Kinross have just returned from a week of adventure. Around 30 youngsters from the BB and Scouts participated in a range of outdoor activities in the Scottish Highlands. A full report will be ready for the September issue of the newsletter.

The BB starts up again on the first Friday in September (4th) with **Anchor Section** meeting at 6pm in the Church Centre for boys and girls in primaries 1, 2 & 3.

**Junior Section** also meets in the Church Centre from 7pm until 9pm and caters for boys and girls in primaries 4, 5 and 6.

**Company Section** meets from 7pm until 10pm and caters for boys and girls from P7 up to 18 years of age. For further information contact D Munro (862126).

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Portmoak Under5s would like to invite any parents or carers with children from birth to 5 years to join us in our playgroup and babies and toddlers. It is a great way for both carers and kids to get to know other families and have some fun.

All sessions take place in the clean and safe surroundings of the Portmoak hall between Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell, which is just 10 minutes by car from Milnathort and Kinross.

Babies and Toddlers is for any child from birth to 3 years, but siblings are also welcome, and meets on a Tuesday from 9.30am – 11am. It is an opportunity for wee ones to play and socialise in a safe and stimulating environment while enjoying a healthy snack. Carers also have the opportunity for a chat and a cuppa. If you would like any further information please contact Sheena or Ian Buchanan on 01592 841057 or just come along and join us on **Tuesday 18 August** when we re-start after the holidays.

Playgroup is for any child from 2 years upwards and takes place on Monday and Friday mornings 10am - 12 noon during school term time. We operate according to the SPPA (Scottish Pre-school Play Association) Regulations and under the auspices of the Care Commission. We have an excellent, qualified play leader, Carolyn Robertson, who does many things including craft activities, seasonal themes, story time, outdoor play and sing-alongs with the children while there is also an opportunity for free play including water, sand, painting, dressing up and lots more. Furthermore we enjoy outings to local venues including seeing the working farm at Loch Leven's Larder and visits from outside groups such as the RSPB and the Police. The children also all thoroughly enjoy a healthy snack. Carolyn is helped by one or two parents (depending on numbers of children) at each session on a duty rota basis. Any parents not on duty are free to leave their children to enjoy playgroup.

So why not let your child come along and play, develop and socialise in our safe and stimulating environment? Further information about playgroup can be obtained from Carolyn Robertson, 01383 831129.

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## The 'Changing' Church

In 2005 the refurbishment of the Parish Church in Kinross was completed. You might ask, if it is a church, why did it need to be refurbished? A church is only used for Sunday Services, Christenings, Weddings and Funerals. What else does it need to be used for? That is a good question. One of the reasons for the refurbishment was to enable the wider community to have use of the church building and many organisations have done just that.

The three local schools have all booked the facility. In April the High School held their S1/S6 Easter Service in the Church where the students had input into the planning of the service. Milnathort Primary School held their Nativity Concerts in the Church in 2007 and 2008. On both occasions the performances of the children were excellent – as a close relative of one of the performers this might be a slightly biased opinion! The facility, for both events, was the right size to accommodate all the parents, friends and relatives in comfort, audio/visual equipment was available together with the provision of music. Pupils from Kinross Primary School used a visit to the Church to enhance their learning as part of their RME studies.

As well as a facility used by the schools, the Kinross & District Art and Craft Club has booked the Church for the last three years. This year they will be holding events from 23-26 September which will include an exhibition and sale of arts and crafts. The Historical Society has run their meetings from the Church building from October to March every year. One of the rooms of the Church Building has been hired by a Group for their band practice – a relief to their neighbours I suspect!

The Church building has also been used by organisations to raise money for charities. In February 2009 a performance by the East Fife Male Voice Choir, was organized by the 50 Plus Group with the proceeds going to Peruvian Street Children.

In May this year there were concerts from the Strathallan School, and a concert by Paul Livingstone, a young violinist, the proceeds from both these events going to Christian Aid. A concert by Ian Whyte was also held with the proceeds going to Water Action Ethiopia and Faith and Light Mission. There was also a performance by the Strathcarron Singers, with the proceeds from this event going to the Strathcarron Hospice and the Scottish Motor Neurone Association. From 11-13 September there will be a Flower Festival in the Church where donations can be given for the Malawi Maize Mill Project and Christian Aid WaterAid.

It would seem that the decision to refurbish the Church was a good one. Not only has the facility been used and enjoyed by many different organisations but day to day worship has taken place in a modern, comfortable church building – a building that can be adapted to meet the needs of the wider community.

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## Common Grounds



Hello folks, yes summer is still kind of on the back burner, pick the wrong day and you could have been washed away, unlike India, which is still waiting for the monsoon. By the time this is in print "Jooly Fair" weekend will have been and gone and the nights will be lengthening.

We had a visit we had from the Manager and two other staff members from Sainsbury's, Kinross. A most interesting discussion took place about the plans for the store and lots about what Fairtrade means to both of us. We send them our good wishes for the future.



*Louise Magill from the Eden Mozambique Project*

**Project Lunch:** Over thirty people turned out to hear Louise Magill from the Eden Mozambique Project give us all a most interesting talk on her work teaching English to people of all walks of life who speak African languages first then Portuguese for law- government etc. As tourism is the fastest growing section of their economy it is most important they have a command of English. Louise went on to tell us that the £1000 donated by Common Grounds would go a good way towards finishing the school she is in the process of having built. The Convener proposed the usual vote of thanks to Louise for her talk and to the audience for supporting the event. Finally a vote of thanks was given to Pat Payne, Shona Wales and all the other volunteers who provided food, served the guests and cleared up afterwards.

**Project:** Our project for July has been the Lasajang Community Project, Sissala Area, Ghana. This project involves the setting up of community grain banks, where local farmers can store their crops securely within the local community. The grain bank can buy the local crops during harvesting season and store it for times when food is scarce. Wastage is lower, and a local management committee is accountable to local people.

Our project for August will be Ethiopiaid.

**Book Club:** The book club continues to meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Guide and Scout Hall. If you are interested in joining the club, please contact Marlene Whyte on 01592 840371.

Lastly a really big thank you to Kinross Camera Club for supplying a photographer to take photos during our Project lunches and suppers. Our thanks go to Ian Thorogood for discharging this task in a most charming manner.

As usual our opening hours are 10am – 3pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

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

## Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation (KLEO)

**Gazebo Gathering 2009.**

**A Family Music Festival on the lawn in front of Kinross House**

**Saturday 12 September 12 noon until 7.30pm**

Our Gazebo Gathering is fast approaching and tickets are selling quickly, so why not pencil in the date and buy your tickets now! Our great line-up includes local bands Blue Fuse and Vital Sign, the Gary Sutherland Ceilidh Band as well as two great tribute bands of internal renown - Abbamania and The Champions. Bring along your gazebo (pre-book your gazebo voucher with your ticket) if you have one and if you don't, why not buy one of our premier gazebo tickets along with your festival ticket? There will be children's activities, craft stalls and food & drink vendors on site. It will be a day to remember with lots to see, hear and do for the whole family.



*Local band Blue Fuse will be appearing at the Gazebo Gathering*

Early ticket sales are very encouraging. There are, however, still tickets available – make sure you don't leave it too late!

**Tickets** are on sale from John and JH Sands Ironmongers (cash and credit cards); on-line at [www.kleo.org.uk](http://www.kleo.org.uk) (credit cards) and from the KLEO stand (cash and cheques) at The

Kinross Show on Saturday 8 August. Prices – family ticket £37.50 (2 adults, 2 children); adults (16 and over on 12 September) £15; children (15 and under £7.50).

**Group Discounts** are available – buy 5 tickets and get 1 extra ticket free, buy 10 tickets and get 2 extra tickets free. Get a group of friends or colleagues together, have fun and save some money!

**Competition** – KLEO is giving away 2 family tickets – all you need do to win is fill in the entry form either on the KLEO stand at the Kinross Show or go on-line at [www.kleo.org.uk](http://www.kleo.org.uk)



*Vital Sign run through one of their numbers...*

**Health & Safety Restrictions** on bringing in alcohol and cutlery have been reviewed in light of public comment. To clarify – you can bring in alcohol as long as it's not in a glass or metal container (i.e. bottles or cans) and plastic cutlery (including plastic knives) will be allowed.

**Volunteers** are needed to help make this event happen. These are the sorts of jobs we need volunteers for: General stewarding, Box Office, Gazebo Monitoring, Setting up and clearing up, Litter picking and many, many, other jobs.....This is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy the event for FREE! All volunteers will work in shifts, allowing time off to enjoy the day. Food and tea & coffee will be provided during your shift.

**Further details about this and other KLEO events can be found by visiting [www.kleo.org.uk](http://www.kleo.org.uk)**

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# Sports News



## Kinross Cycling Club



After the excitement of the first club time trial ever (which took place round the loch), we have decided to do it all again! On **Thursday 13 and Sunday 23 August**, we will again run a **time trial** for club members of approximately 12 miles anti-clockwise round Loch Leven. This is our summer time trial series and the leaders will be looking to better their joint first time of 35 minutes and 3 seconds! It's not too late to join and a time trial is a fair assessment of general fitness. Why not come along on Thursdays at 6.45pm (departing from the Health Centre) and Sundays at 9am (departing from the High School)? We have started to run two separate groups, depending on fitness levels, so please come along with your road bike and give cycling a try. It could save the planet.

The club is in the process of procuring a supplier of customised cycling jerseys so that KCC can be instantly identified on the road. Look out for the purple and gold kit coming soon! You won't miss us!

Finally, Roddy Pattison participated in the famous L'Etape Du Tour on 20 July along with 9,000 other riders and completed the course in a time of 7 hours 51 min 27 sec. In doing so, he raised over £1600 for Macmillan Cancer Support. If you wish to add to his total, it's not too late. Go to [www.justgiving.com/venividiventoux](http://www.justgiving.com/venividiventoux). Thank you.

## Orwell Bowling Club

Omitted from the June Report was Orwell's unscintillating 69-74 loss in its away friendly against Newburgh on 31 May, compensation coming in the home v Cambo game on 17 June, 45 - 36 shots. Down from 12 entries per night in last season's Black Bottle Competition to eight only this year, 12 teams went through to the final on Sunday 28 June: Alloa Co-op 1st, Newburgh 2nd, Glenfarg 3rd, and Orwell's All-Ladies rink (Mesdames Cheney, Hamilton, McCann, and Fullerton) coming a creditable fourth place.

Tuesday evening 30 June saw Orwell's May Ross team giving Tulliallan a run for their money on their home ground, receiving the runner-up prize. Orwell again succumbed to Lochgelly on their home turf in the Ladies Scottish 2 x bowl pairs District Finals, and were again the "bridesmaids" in the Ladies 2 x bowl Scottish District Triples against Aberdour at Bowhill on 4 July. Our Ladies 2 x Bowl specialists J Tomney and A Wilson again took second place to Alloa in the County Finals at Sauchie. We are hoping that our "Brides" will arrive in the guise of our county Senior Men's Top Six who got through to the semi-finals, beating Cambus 6 points to 0 on Thursday 9 July, and our entrants in the Men's county Finals. Meanwhile, always optimistic, we'll tune up for the Pomp and Circumstance March.

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## GIVE IT A GO!

### with Kinross Cycling Club



Join Kinross Cycling Club on a 'Give it a go!' ride on 16 August. Ever thought about having a go at cycling on the road with a club, but feel a bit unsure? Well, Kinross Cycling Club would like to invite you to join us for an easy going ride on **Sunday 16 August**. The ride will cover around 20 miles, and is relatively flat. We will meet at Kinross High School and set off at 10am, head out by quieter roads to Dalqueich, to Cambo, then along the A91 to Muckhart where we will stop for refreshments at Mona's Of Muckhart. Bring your pennies or a sandwich! Heading back after we have all had a wee rest, via the Naemoor road to Crook of Devon, and on via the quieter roads to Cleish and back to Kinross. We should be back by early afternoon. The pace will be between 10 and 15 mph and we will stay as a group, so you won't be left on your own! Participants must wear helmets. You should wear comfortable clothes, and make sure you bring plenty to drink.



*The route of the 'Give it a go' ride*

You should be a confident cyclist and be used to riding on the road. Under 16s need to be accompanied by a responsible adult. To find out more, or to register interest in coming along, please contact Niall at [niall@scraonline.co.uk](mailto:niall@scraonline.co.uk). Meet at Kinross High School for a 10am start on Sunday 16 August.

Find out more about KCC at [www.kinrosscyclingclub.co.uk](http://www.kinrosscyclingclub.co.uk)



*Come and try cycling on the road with Kinross Cycling Club*

## Kinross Bowling Club

Well who would have believed we have been playing bowls in the brilliant sunshine and soaring heat these last few weeks? This is what makes bowls enjoyable.

On Sunday 24 May we had the J Wallace Competition for Men of the Green (Club Competition). It was won by Paul Allcoat with the Runner Up Douglas Hague.

On Saturday 30 May a Friendly was played at Kinross against Falkland and Kinross won that one.

On Sunday 7 June there was another Friendly at Kinross against Cambo, but this time Cambo took the honours.

On Saturday 27 June we played our Friendly with Darnhall at Kinross and won that one.

These three Friendlies were played with a good happy atmosphere and everyone enjoyed them.

On Saturday 20 June The E Ford Ladies Competition was played. It was won by Sheila M Rennie with the Runner Up May Connor.

On Sunday 12 July The George Waddell Ford Competition was played (a Club Mixed Competition). It was won by Brian Park with the Runner Up Douglas Hague.

We had a visit to the green on 30 June from members of the Round Table, which I think the men enjoyed (all being non bowlers), but I am sure that two or three of them could make good bowlers with a little persuasion.

Paul Allcoat reached the Scottish District Final of the Men's Single Hand Competition and put up a great show being beaten narrowly by Tulliallan at Dollar Bowling Club (hard lines, Paul). That's two years in a row that Paul has been so near to getting to Ayr. Third time lucky, Paul – next year.

Paul has played for the Clacks and Kinross County team this season again.

Paul and George Rennie are through to the finals of the County Pairs Competition which takes place at Dollar Bowling Club on 18 July. Good luck.

We have had a very busy season so far, as George Rennie is the County Vice President and we have hosted Junior Single Hand, two bowl Pairs and County Triples for several Mondays.

Thanks to members who have helped out on these Mondays during the county competitions – marking ties, marking boards, making teas etc, also the greenkeeper and his helpers for all the hard work getting the green kept in good order.

We would welcome anyone interested in bowling to come along and have a go; any youngsters with nothing to do who would like to try, please get in touch with George Rennie (Secretary) 01577 864727. We are a friendly bunch and would make anyone very welcome.

Hat Games: Tuesday afternoon 2.15 (Seniors), Wednesday evening 7.00 (All), Saturday evening 6.30 (All), Sunday afternoon 2.30 (All).

The Club has two Open Competitions programmed for August:

(1) The Ladies Open Pairs is on **9 August** and is sponsored by Sidey Ltd and Meiklem Drainage.

(2) The Open Pairs is on **16 August** and is sponsored by Newsplus and Kintronics.

Thanks to all the sponsors – their help is very much appreciated.

## Kinross AFC



Pre-season training is well under way under the watchful eyes of Manager, Gordon Campbell and Coaches, Bruce Deas and Stevie McInroy.

Training continues to be held at the Myre, commencing 7pm on Tuesday and Thursday.

The Match Secretary has chosen tough friendlies to develop match fitness. The home games are Benarty, Letham and Lomond Vics.

On 1st August the Club travels to Dunbar to face Secretary Alan Fraser's son Daryl, star striker with Dunbar JFC.

The Committee has lost the services of Robert Smith (Mr Gumps) and we would like to thank him for his assistance in the last two years. On the plus side, we have added two new Committee members in Paul McLean and Lewis Gardner.

The Club continues to develop with both the players and Committee looking forward to our second season in the highly respected Kingdom Caledonian League.

New members are always welcome; if interested contact Alan Fraser on 01577 862018 or Sandy Fraser on 01577 865762.

## Kinross Squash Club

Summer squash continues to be played with a full and healthy league structure.

Playing over the summer period is an excellent way to maintain fitness and stops squash technique and the "eye for the ball" from fading. Courts are easy to book at this time of year and the warmer weather ensures games are livelier with increased bounce from the ball.

It is hoped that the "full squash season" will recommence this September so now is a chance to get back into playing before the winter leagues start in earnest.

If you want to join the leagues, simply add your name and phone number to the bottom of the league tables on the squash notice board which is to the rear of the squash courts in Loch Leven Leisure Centre. Alternatively contact Peter Hookham on 01577 861033.

### League winners for June

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## Kinross Rugby Club



With the pre-season well under way, the effort going in is second to none with the guys putting in three shifts per week. The only downside is the numbers are down; come on boys, the hard graft makes it all worthwhile when you take to the pitch for that first league game! Anyone can come along and join us on Tuesday and Thursday evenings 7-9pm and Saturday afternoons 1-3pm - you will be made more than welcome. Six of our boys are away on a trip of both fun and some tough trials; they are doing the Mongol Charity Rally. To find out more look up their website: [nutznboltz.webs.com](http://nutznboltz.webs.com). Good luck lads and have a safe trip!

### Game dates

Kick Off

15 August TBC  
22 August Kinross vs. Carnoustie

### League starts

29 August Crieff vs. Kinross 3pm  
5 Sept Ross Sutherland vs. Kinross 3pm  
12 Sept Kinross vs. Aberdeen Uni 3pm

Hope to see you all as usual supporting Duncan Wood (Captain) and Dale Lamont (Vice-Captain) and all the players. Thanks!

**Bonus Ball:** Brian Darcy £50, Grant Simpson £25

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## Kinross Volleyball Club

The club continues to meet at King George V Park on Monday evenings from 7 pm till 9 pm. Indoor training will commence at Kinross High School games hall on Monday evenings commencing in September from 8 until 10 pm. The 8 until 9 slot is for junior coaching with 9 until 10 for adult training.

The Perth & District League will commence in late August at Bell's Sports Centre on Sunday evenings with the Kinross Club hoping to enter four or five teams.

## Kinross Curling School



KCS will be attending and having a stand at the Kinross Agricultural Show on **Saturday 8 August**. We hope as many of you as possible will come and give us a visit, when you can have a chance to win a free coaching session.

There will be a couple of coaches in attendance all day to answer any questions you need to know about starting curling, coaching, or joining clubs.

This year we are sharing our stand with the new **National Curling Academy**, who will also have people on the stand to answer your questions.

We look forward to meeting you all then.

Ena Stevenson, Kinross Development Officer

## Milnathort Golf Club

### New Course Record

Milnathort Golf Club has a new course record holder. **Jamie Arthur** returned a gross score of 61 (net 59) in the Club's Summer League on Tuesday 14 July.

This score beats the existing record of 63 held by Ian Brown since 2003.

Jamie, aged 17, is a pupil at Kinross High School who earlier this year won the Open Championship at Milnathort. He is a regular member of the Club's Gents and Junior scratch league teams and has represented the club in Perth & Kinross Gents competitions as well as representing the county in the Junior teams.

It is believed that Jamie is the youngest member of Milnathort to hold the course record.

A.S. Jones, Club Captain

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Kinross Colts football teams, who recently received sponsorship from Kinross CC

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## Kinross Badminton Club



Hope you are all enjoying the warm weather and enjoyed the tennis too! Members enjoyed a cracking day (and water fights) for the club's annual BBQ and trophy presentation held recently at the Club president's house. There was a fine selection of food and drink provided by the club and by members. Vice president Stephen Ross once again turning his hand to the cooking, (bloke should be on master-chef!), so thanks to Stephen for that. The Club secretary's fiancé Grace Macrae kindly presented the prizes to prize winners, Bill Macdonald stepped in to collect prizes for people who could not make it to the BBQ and made the most of the kisses he received from Grace (Secretary not amused!) then presented Grace with a lovely bouquet of flowers (old flatterer). Prizewinners who have not got their prizes yet can get them from Bill or wait until the beginning of the **new season**, which starts on **25 August**, usual time 8pm - 10pm. Members also enjoyed a Hawaiian night at the Club president's house to raise money for local charity CHAS. Club members from Drumbrae Badminton Club also joined in the fun and helped to donate £400 on the night. CHAS Representative Mrs Fulton handed over a certificate recognising the efforts made by the club. Many thanks to all members from both clubs who kindly donated money to this worthy cause and also special thanks to Vice President Stephen Ross and Isa Croll for all their hard work and effort in organising the night.

For committee members, there will be a committee meeting at Bill's on 18 August, Bills preparing his world famous egg sandwiches for you!

Congratulations to all prizewinners and members who took part in the competitions and good luck to all in the new season. If you would like to give badminton a try, please come down to the Kinross High school – your first night is free. Contact Bill Macdonald 01577 862592, Mark Moran 01577 842239 (email moran319@btinternet.com) or check out the website [www.kinrossbadmintonclub.com](http://www.kinrossbadmintonclub.com)

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## Kinross Ladies Hockey Club



The start of August marks the start of the new hockey season, with the first Ladies hockey training on **Wednesday 5 August** at 6.30pm. For most of us (apart from the few hardy souls who continued playing mixed hockey throughout the summer) this heralds much rummaging in cupboards looking for hockey sticks and trainers which were put aside for "safekeeping"!

We are fortunate to now have two coaches who will together co-ordinate the Wednesday evening training sessions. This will undoubtedly be a huge benefit, especially with the recent large numbers attending training. It will provide an ideal opportunity for anyone who may have been toying with the idea of coming along to relearn the basic skills which have perhaps become a little rusty, or even long forgotten. The club aims to encourage interest in hockey for all ages and abilities, and all women or girls from the age of 14 upwards are welcome.

This year will see Kinross Ladies field one team in the Midlands First Division and one team in the Midlands Second Division leagues, which start in September. Both teams will also compete in the Midlands League and Knockout Cups, and in addition the club will field one team in the Scottish Hockey Union District Cup, and the Midlands Indoor League.

If the idea of playing in matches leaves you cold, fear not! Without a doubt the social element plays a very important part in the club, and we have a number of social members who come along to training and participate in the lively social side of the club without playing in matches. If you have perhaps had a yearning to blow a whistle loudly we are also always on the lookout for prospective umpires – full training is available.

If you are interested in playing or umpiring, come along to our first training session on Wednesday 5 August from 6.30 – 8pm at the artificial pitch at KGV playing fields, the Muirs, KY13 8AU. Bring suitable footwear such as trainers, (no metal studs are allowed). A £2 training fee applies.

If you would like more information in the meantime, please look on our website at [www.kinrossladieshockey.co.uk](http://www.kinrossladieshockey.co.uk)

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## Kinross Cricket Club



**International News:** July was an exciting month for the club as several major events took place. At the start of the month we were delighted to be named as The Wisden Cricketer magazine club of the month. The Wisden Cricketer is the world's leading cricket magazine and the feature article was highly complimentary of the club's development over the past four years. Additionally, the club was awarded a new equipment bag from leading manufacturer Gray Nicholls. July 20th saw our Kinross House ground play host to the International Cricket Council Under-15 European Championship match between Denmark and Guernsey. The poor weather we experienced in the week leading up to the game was thankfully absent as Guernsey outplayed Denmark to take the victory. Hosting the game is a huge honour for our small club and the ICC representatives were amazed at the quality of the ground and the setting within Kinross House. The club would like to say sincere thanks to Anthony Drew, our groundsman, for the preparation of the ground for the game and to Kim, Wendy, Zoe and Kirsteen for looking after everyone on the day. Another big thank you goes to Jamie Montgomery and the Windlestrae Hotel for all their help and support with the hot food catering. Current club under 15 team players Nick Farrar and George Buchanan-Smith are playing for Scotland in the same championship which is taking place at venues across Tayside. Former club under 15 captain, Peter Ross, was Scotland's top performing bowler in the ECB County U17 Championships which took place across England throughout July. He performed well in every match with a particularly exceptional performance of 18 overs, 7 maidens, 4 wickets for 18 runs against Herefordshire. Peter has been selected to open the bowling for the Scotland under-17 team in the ICC Under 17

European Championships in Ireland at the beginning of August.

**Senior League:** The 1st XI has continued its winning ways, recording 8 wins out of 8 matches and is currently top of division 2. By the end of July there will be only 6 matches left to play and the 1st XI look set to win promotion to division 1. The team's progress has been a tribute to all the players and it is with some sadness that the club says a temporary farewell to our leg spinner Calum Watson as he takes up a year-long teaching post in Germany from the start of August. The entire club wishes him well and looks forward to seeing him again at the end of next season. The 2nd XI has been badly affected by a combination of injury and holiday commitments. This has meant that match victories in their division 3 games have been hard to come by. The team is working well and it is hoped that they will start to win matches in the second half of the season.

**Juniors & Ladies Section:** Congratulations to Kinross ladies team player, Claire Jackson, for her selection to the under-15 Scotland girls squad following trials held in Stirling recently. Claire is the first girl in the club to make it to the Scotland representative female age groups. The ladies section of the club continues to grow and there are a number of fixtures arranged for August and September. There has been very little action for the junior teams during July due to the summer holidays. This situation will soon be rectified with a number of matches planned for August. Both our U13 and U15 teams did well in their respective Scottish cup runs but unfortunately neither made it through to the finals this year. For those interested in playing cricket, Senior and Ladies training is available for all on Thursday nights from 6.30pm until 8.30pm, Junior training is on Monday nights from 6.30pm until 8pm. More information on all the club activities can be found at our website: [www.kinrosscc.co.uk](http://www.kinrosscc.co.uk)



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## Kinross Road Runners



During July club members have been busy competing in a number of events, both on and off the road. A selection of results is given below but the full details are available on the club website.

A series of three mid-week evening races captured the interest of a large number of club members. All three races are organised by local clubs who lay on a delicious spread of sandwiches, cakes and teas afterwards. The first race, on 25th June, was our very own 'Milnathort Dash'. 183 runners completed the hilly 5.5 mile course and first home for KRR was Paul Heggarty in a time of 33m 18s closely followed by Roy Paterson in a time of 34m 42s and first KRR lady, Kate Blake in a time of 34m 59s. A total of 17 club runners ran the dash but there were many more club members out and those not running were either marshalling, recording times or serving teas!

The second evening run, organised by Perth Road Runners, took place a week later on 1st July and attracted no fewer than 28 Kinross Road Runners. The 'Brig Bash' is a 4.5 mile road race from Bridge of Earn and this year the race took place on a very hot evening indeed. First home for KRR in a time of 30m 24s was Alistair Black whilst the first three ladies (Kate Blake, Hazel Porter and Judith Dobson) won the ladies team prize.

The third race, organised by Fife AC, was the 'Newburgh 5' (Actually a 4.6 mile race!) which starts and ends in Newburgh and follows footpaths and tracks along the banks of the Tay and around nearby farm land. Again we were blessed with a fine evening and an excellent tea afterwards. 21 club members took part in the race. Paul Heggarty was first club man home and 19th overall with Judith Dobson first club lady and 75th overall.

Summer training continues on both Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

Tuesday: Meet at the bottom end of Kirkgate Park at 7pm (Except first Tuesday of the month when meet at Lathro Health Centre at 7pm for the 2 mile time trial)

Wednesdays: Meet at Lathro at 6.45pm. The full programme is available on the club website (Google "Kinross Road Runners" to find it).

21st June		Seven Hills of Edinburgh	
82nd	Kate Blake	02:20:46	7th F
88th	Judith Dobson	02:22:00	2nd FSV

21st June		Dundee Half Marathon	
54th	John Bayne	1:41:47	
64th	Ronnie Ritchie	1:44:04	
84th	Andy Webster	1:47:12	

27th June		Kelty Coal Race (1 mile uphill carrying a bag of coal!)	
1st Lady	Hazel Porter	5:45	

28th June		Glenrothes Running Festival (Results for 10km run)	
15th	Paul Heggarty	00:38:46	
21st	Peter Edgerton	00:39:27	PB
25th	Mark Jeffrey	00:40:05	
49th	Martin Hill	00:42:55	
56th	Maureen Hill	00:43:08	1st FV
-----	Patricia Milne	00:43:20	1st F Snr Biathlon
65th	John Bayne	00:43:41	
74th	Ronnie Ritchie	00:44:31	
-----	John Myerscough	00:45:18	Snr Biathlon
128th	Jane Gibson	00:48:10	
132nd	Isabella Carmichael	00:48:33	
163rd	Roger Stark	00:50:01	
216th	Fiona Kemp	00:53:59	
260th	Sandy Macalman	00:57:43	
292nd	Norman Smith	00:59:59	
334th	Sarah Eaton	01:09:33	

5th July		Stonehaven Half Marathon	
95th	Chris Myerscough	1:48:37	
103rd	John Myerscough	1:49:49	
217th	Fiona Kemp	2:14:01	

12th July		Crieff 10K	
37th	Roy Paterson	00:42:06	
40th	Peter Edgerton	00:42:19	
54th	John Bayne	00:44:08	
89th	Judith Dobson	00:47:15	2nd FV
153rd	Isabella Carmichael	00:52:32	

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# Out & About



## Vane Farm



Fit like the day, summer continues and so far seems tae be a bit better than last year's waash oot.

Bird breedin is comin tae an end although a few are still hingin in there, we still hiv a pair o great crested grebes nestin oan the flood as I type. It seems tae hiv been a bit o a mixed year fur breedin wi some species like Reed Bunting n Sedge Warbler hivin a great year. Ithers like Lapwing, Redshank and Snipe hiv hid a better year than last year bit kin still be better bit hae that's nature.

Survey work continues tho wi site condition monitoring takin place this month for the S.A.C. or Special Area of Conservation designation which Loch Leven has. Which means we survey things like mammals n vegetation n stuff instead o birds. Chris and hiz team o volunteers hiv been carryin that stuffoot.

Mair things in the shop. A pickle new editions tae the popular "Skinny Dipper" skin care range o products. Pickle isnae yin o the range by the way, that wid be a wee bit clarty tae pit oan yer body, jist nice smellin stuff, no that pickle isnae it's jist better wi a bit o cheese rather than skin.

Even mair new items, a mobile solar charger fur yer mobile phone, MP3 players, iPod n the like. Saves power, is green n gid fur the planet. Shove it oan the windae sill n let the sun dae the work.

In the wildlife care section a new edition is the Butterfly Feeder supplied wi an attractant which ye mix wi watter tae mack a yummy nectar fur yer gairden butterfles poor it in the feeder fur them tae consume n grow big n strong fur the winter hibernation or migration. Peck n Mix is a new type o bird feed wi a mixture o fat pellets n nuts tae pit in yer peanut feeder or oan yer birdtable.

The summer sale continues wi up tae 50% aff selectit items so worth a wee look tae see if ye kin pick up a bargain, and wait fur it ..... zipedee dooda it's Christmas !! Well no quite, bit time is marchin oan n it'll no be long so it's time tae spread the costs n buy yer cairds, calendars and diaries (which we ran oot o last year cos demand wiz so high) so get in there early n buy yer diary. All in stock in the shop noo – wheech in and hiv a peruse.

Nae mair staff changes so that's that bit sorted, short n sweet. Next events comin up are **"Bed and Breakfast for Birds n Beasties"** on **Sunday 2 August** from 1pm – 4pm where ye kin mak feeders fur birds n butterflies or hooses fur ladybirds n bees. This is pairt o the **CBeebies Big Green Balloon Club week** to encourage weans tae help wildlife. The event is free, but better tae book tae avoid disappointment.

Followed by **"Migrating Birds"** on **Saturday 22 August** from 11am – 4pm. This will cover the myriad o birds that flee in tae Loch Leven durin the autumn n winter helpin wi identification etc. Some siller needit fur this yin tho, as ye get tea/coffee and a breakfast roll followed by a tasty lunch in the View Café. Advance booking required and costs are £15 for members or £20 for non-members. **"Mini Beast Mondays"** and **"Monsters o the Deep"** still continue until **10 and 12 August**. For details on ony o oor events please contact Vane on the usual number 01577 862355.

Ta ta till next time,

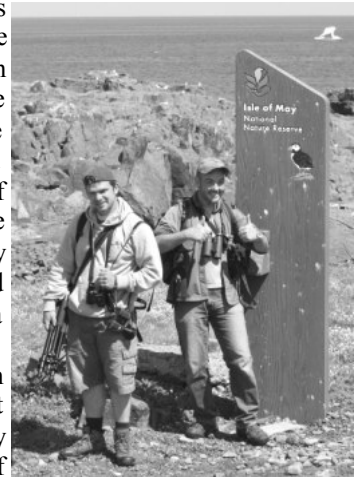
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## Loch Leven NNR



It's great to see so many people out using the Heritage Trail during the hot summer days. It is this time of year that the true benefits the project brings to the reserve become apparent. Wildlife on the reserve is particularly active, with broods being reared in all corners and moulting ducks congregating in large numbers. All hides at Loch Leven currently provide excellent views of the seasonal wild fowl gathering. In terms of rarities, 2 Spoonbill were spotted here on 4 July by Jeremy - the second record of this species in less than a year. On the same day 2 Ruddy Shelduck were seen from the Kingfisher Hide at Burleigh and reported by Lewis Steer, a member of our volunteers' group.

Our volunteers enjoyed an excellent day out to the Isle of May on 20 June, with glorious weather to visit one of Britain's premier sea bird colonies up close. To find out more about volunteering on the reserve, please give us a call at the reserve office on 01577 864439.



Volunteers on the Isle of May



A Four-spotted Chaser dragonfly

Thanks to all volunteers and guests who came along to participate in our Damsels and Dragons event and meeting on 22 July. Stephen and Jonathan from the British Dragonfly Society provided us all with an

entertaining day and informative evening meeting.

Our second osprey walk is planned for **Thursday 6 August** from 6 - 8pm at Burleigh Sands. The walk provides an opportunity to join reserve staff for an exploration around the loch shore in search of the majestic raptors as they hunt for fish. Other wildlife to look out for includes an assortment of ducks as well as the secretive Kingfisher darting up the North Quiech.

On **Saturday 15 August** we are offering you the chance to come along to Loch Leven and be a warden for the day. Come and learn what is involved in day to day management of a National Nature Reserve, with tasks ranging from insect and bird surveys to habitat management and infrastructure maintenance. If you are interested in joining the team of wardens for a fun and fulfilling day of work on the reserve, please call the office on 01577 864439 to find out more.

That's all for now folks. Enjoy your summer!

Craig

## Farming



Memories of harvest 2008 that may have been blocked out in a bid to remain sane are starting to resurface as the new season approaches. Along with our neighbours, we faced a battle to get the grain off the field and into the shed. Ultimately everyone managed to get through the wet year and once the grain was dried and into the lorry it didn't all seem so bad. Our combines were still in one piece but the breakdowns caused by the conditions were pretty endless. A new clutch, lift pump and gearbox were required and the unloading auger was straightened more times than our 12 year old daughter's hair. At the end of the season grain prices were falling faster than shares in RBS and the price of fertiliser for next year was forecasted to rocket to £550 per tonne. It's no wonder that memory loss was the only answer.



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As the winter came to an end, thoughts turned again to the two green dinosaurs aka a 1985 and 1986 Class Dominator combine harvester that harvest about 200 acres each. Starting in February, these machines get a full strip down and check over, allowing us to spot any signs of stress that may lead to a breakdown, and worn parts are replaced. Being prepared can help reduce some stressful and expensive breakdowns.

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## Weather



### June Weather Report From Carnbo

June this year was a very dry month, a total change from the miserable weather experienced during May. The temperatures were about average throughout the month.

Rainfall for month	46 mm (51% of average)
Heaviest fall	12.4 mm (17th)
Highest temperature	27°C (1st)
Lowest temperature	2°C (8th)
Average temperature	13.2°C

8 days with a maximum temperature above 20°C

No days with a maximum temperature below 10°C

No air or ground frost recorded

Cloud cover 62%

Thunder not recorded

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## 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, Leslie	May - Oct	Tues only	1000-1700	£4.00	free	partial	01592 840115
Falkland Palace & garden (NTS)	to 31 Oct	Mon-Sat	1000-1700	£10.50	£7.50	yes(gdn)	0844 4932186
		Sun	1300-1700				0844 4932186
Grounds at Hill of Tarvit, nr Cupar (NTS)	all year	daily	to dusk	£2.00		yes	0844 4932185
Kellie Castle & garden (NTS)	1 Jun - 31 Aug	Fri-Tues	1300-1700	£8.50	£5.50	partial	0844 4932184
Garden only at Kellie Castle (tearoom open at 12)	1 Jun - 31 Aug	Fri-Tues	1000-1700	£3.00	£2.00	yes	0844 4932184
Culross Palace and gardens (NTS)	1 Jun - 31 Aug	daily	1200-1700	£8.50	£5.50	no	0844 4932189
Gardens only at Culross Palace	1 Jun - 31 Aug	daily	1000-1800	£2.50		difficult	0844 4932189
Branklyn Gardens, Dundee Rd, Perth (NTS)	1 Apr - 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£5.50	£4.50	partial	0844 4932193
Scone Palace grounds only (SGS)	1 Apr - 31 Oct	daily	0930-1745	£4.80	£3.20	limited	01738 552300
Braco Castle gardens, Braco, FK15 9LA (SGS)	1 Feb-31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.00	free	partial	
Drummond Castle Gardens, Crieff (SGS)	1 May - 31 Oct	daily	1300-1800	£3.00	£1.00	restr	
Barham, Bow of Fife, KY15 5RG (SGS)	23 Feb - 30 Sep	Mon only	1400-1700	£4.00		no	01337 810227
Botanic Garden, Canongate, St Andrews, KY16 8RT	May - Sept	daily	1000-1900	£2.00	£1.00		01334 477178
Pittencreeff Park, Dunfermline	all year	daily	dawn-dusk	free	free	yes	01383 726313

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

## Scotland's Gardens Scheme

Some of the gardens in the chart above and all of the gardens in the Special Open Days section are 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 charity named. More details can be found in the book "Gardens of Scotland 2009" and on the website [www.gardensofscotland.org](http://www.gardensofscotland.org)

## Local Garden Open by Arrangement

Mr and Mrs D S Roulston's gardens at **Wester Dalqueich**, KY13 0NU, ½ mile from Cambo, can be visited by arrangement (groups only, please) between 1 May and 31 August. Telephone 01577 840229. The gardens extend to 3½ acres by the Ochil Hills, and there is a wide range of herbaceous plants, rock plants, shrubs and trees to see. 40% of the £3.00 admission charge goes to St Paul's Episcopal Church, Kinross, and the remainder to the SGS charities. Limited disabled access.

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## Special Open Days in August

Several gardens in **Strathkinness Village** are open on **Saturday 1** and **Sunday 2 August** under SGS. Panoramic views over the Eden Estuary and St Andrews. Tickets and maps from the village hall on Main Street. There is street parking and parking at Strathkinness Church. Strathkinness is approximately 3 miles from St Andrews on the B9393, signposted from the A91 between Guardbridge and St Andrews. Opening times: 2pm to 5pm. Admission: £4.50 (40% to Strathkinness Church), children U16 free. Plants sales and teas in hall. Partial disabled access.

**Drummond Castle Gardens, Crieff**, are open regularly (see chart above) but on **Sunday 2 August**, 40% of entry fees benefit the British Limbless Ex-Servicemen's Association (with the remainder to SGS charities). 1pm-5pm. The Italian style formal garden is one of the finest in Europe and the largest of its type in Scotland. Raffle, entertainments and stalls, plant sales, refreshments.

Website: [www.drummondgardens.co.uk](http://www.drummondgardens.co.uk)

**Ladies Lake**, a terraced garden on the cliff overlooking the sea at The Scores, **St Andrews**, is open on **Sunday 23 August** from 2pm to 5pm. Admission £3 (40% to Hope Park Church). Plant sales, refreshments.

On **Wednesday 26 August** SGS charities benefit from admissions to **Falkland Palace Gardens** (see also chart). Admission to gardens: Adult £5.50, Conc £4, Family Ticket £13.50, Single Family Ticket £10. Time: 10am to 5pm.

SGS charities also benefit from admissions to **Culross Palace Gardens** on **Wednesday 26 August**. The garden is a recreation of a 17th century garden, with vegetables, herbs, soft fruits and ornamental shrubs. Time: 10am to 6pm. Admissions: £5.

More information about gardens open can also be found on our website, [www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org)

## Congratulations



June and David **CURETON** are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter **TRACY** to **RIAD SIFAOU** from Algiers, Algeria on 12 July 2009.

Congratulations to Colin and Jude **CURETON** on the birth of their son **BRENNAN MICHAEL**, born on 15 June 2009 in Austin, Texas. First grandchild for June and David Cureton.

**DRYSDALE** – Mark and Sally (née Nicol) of Viewfield, Cambo are delighted to announce the arrival of baby **RORY** on 8 July 2009. A little brother for Rosie.

**EDITH** and **IAN SIMPSON** celebrated their golden wedding on Saturday 18 July, with a small family gathering in the Kirklands Hotel, Kinross. They were married in Laurencekirk Parish Church on Saturday 18 July 1959 by the late Rev John G Fraser, and have spent all their married days in Kinross-shire.

**KERRY TAYLOR** of Leven Place has achieved a BSc (Hons) in Forensic Investigation from Glasgow Caledonian University.

**FEARN AINSWORTH** received a Bachelor of Science with Honours Degree in Sport and Exercise Science from Edinburgh Napier University. Well done - we are very proud of you. Mum, Dad, Amber and Nana.

Professor **IAN RALSTON** of Kinross has been awarded an OBE in The Queen's Birthday Honours List. Appointed as a professor in archaeology at Edinburgh University in 1998, he is a past president of the Council for Scottish Archaeology. In 2006, he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

Rosemary Tolson is pleased to congratulate the following on their piano ABRSM exam results:

Nov 2008: **GAVIN STEVEN** Grade 1 Pass; **GORDON SMITH** Grade 2 Pass with Distinction.

Jun 2009: **IAN DUNNETT** Grade 3 Pass with Distinction; **GORDON SMITH** Grade 3 Pass; **RACHEL WALKER** Grade 1 Pass with Distinction.

**ROWEENA PROVAN** of Glenfarg competed successfully at The Royal Highland Show, winning the Shetland Ponies in-hand section.

**NICOLA McGUIGAN** of Kinross won the Ladies Singles at the 30th Bank of Scotland Badminton Bonanza held in Perth at the end of June. Nicola and her partner, Jennifer Watson of Kirkcaldy, were runners up in the Ladies Doubles.

**Arngask Primary School** in Glenfarg has been awarded its first Eco-School Green Flag.

### Contributors

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## Thanks



**WILLIAM WILSON** would like to thank friends, family work mates and fishing friends for all the lovely cards and phone calls he received during and after his stay in hospital. His hip is doing well. Will be running like a hare shortly.

**LYN HAWORTH** would like to thank everyone who took part in **Reiki Awareness Week** and contributed to the fund for the **Wormit Hedgehog Care Centre**. The sum of £302.50 was raised!

The Dancers of the **Lawson School of Dancing**, under the tutelage of **Jacqueline Crawford**, put on a wonderful display for family and friends in the Church Centre at the end of June, raising funds for **CHAS**.

**Kinross-shire Day Centre** would like to offer sincere thanks to all those who have kindly made donations to us recently, in particular, the very generous sum of £20,000 from Mr Andrew Farmer, £700 from Kinross Inner Wheel and £250 from Kinross Ladies Circle. We are extremely grateful for all donations large and small, all of which enable us to continue our work within the community.

We would also like to thank the caterers at T in the Park, namely Wendy Deans from Popcorn and Lulu Cowley from Beaunosh for donating their excess fresh fruit, veg etc. We really appreciate your thoughtfulness and put the produce to good use – all our users even went home with a tub of strawberries one day! Thanks also to Melvin Ryznar for making it all happen.

## News from the Rurals



**CLEISH** – On 13 June five teams joined together in a Treasure Hunt in the village of Cleish. Mrs Helen Buchanan had set the tricky clues which sent us to peer into places we would never have considered. It was interesting and good fun, though quite competitive. The teams then joined the rest of the Cleish Rural Ladies at the Lomond Country Inn where we all enjoyed our evening meal. The team gaining most points in the Treasure Hunt were the ladies of the Gibb family: Mrs Nancy Gibb, Mrs Anne Douglas and Ms Faye Gibb. It was a most enjoyable summer evening as the threatened heavy showers did not come our way.

**MILNATHORT** – At our June meeting Mrs Jessica Munro presided. We had a Caribbean Evening with members and friends dressed in Caribbean costumes. Mrs Frances Drysdale Kinross Group President was invited to join us and came in costume. A buffet supper on the Caribbean theme, provided by committee and members, was enjoyed by all. Mrs F Drysdale then judged the costumes. The winner was Heather Graham dressed as a pirate.

Competitions:

Caribbean Headdress	- Jean Paterson
Caribbean Fruit Drink	- May Paterson
Flower of the Month	- Ena Thomson
Vote of thanks by Fiona Hynds.	

# KINROSS HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

## SPECIAL AWARDS - WHOLE SCHOOL

Dux of the School

RNLI Award

Sir Alan Smith Trophy for Leadership

S5 and S6 Citizenship Quaich

Head Boy

Head Girl

**Ruaridh Pattison****Harry Young****Katie Fuchs****Christopher Struth****Ian Cairns and Christopher Struth**

## JUNIOR AWARDS

S1 Merit: **Natalie Firth, Jennifer Cumming, Bethany Grant, Lillian Swanson, Kirstie Miller, Rachel Miller, Kerry Williams, Callum Purves, Jenny Creigh, Gemma Matthews**

S1 Effort and Commitment: **Lucy Jones, Russell Malcolm, Stefanie Kidd, Magnus Pickering, Rebecca Thomson**

S1 Merit and Effort and Commitment: **Jenny Dunne**

S2 Merit: **Saffron Nicholson, Charlotte Pattison, Kieran Carruthers, David Black, Douglas Peter, Ben Whiting**

S2 Effort and Commitment: **Laura Paterson, Rory Muir**

S2 Merit and Effort and Commitment: **Abbie Clark, Robert Cairns, Neil Herron, Eilidh Kordula**

**Special Awards S1 and S2**

**Ben Heidemann**

Biology

DL Chapman Trophy Junior Award (S2)  
for Nature Study

**Kathryn Spain**

Scots Verse Speaking

Gordon George Memorial Prize

**Charlotte Pattison**

S2 Overall Excellence

Bertie Anderson Award

**S3 Merit Awards**

**Stewart Fairbairn** Art and Design; **Abigail Lloyd** Mathematics; **Natasha Grant** Biology; **David Creigh** Physics; **Ailsa Morris** French; **Finlay Watt** Craft and Design; **Joanne Myerscough** Geography; **Fiona Gillespie** Music; **Emily Wood** Computing; **Stuart Urgias** PC Passport; **David Johnston** and **Cameron MacLachlan** Accounting and Finance; **Graham Kilby** Hospitality; **Amy Grant** Drama; **Katy Brown** Physical Education; **Ross Mathieson** Business Management and Physical Education; **Emma Godson** Chemistry, Spanish and History; **Abigail Corsie** English, Biology, Graphic Communication and German

S3 Effort and Commitment: **Joanne Dunne, Helen Malley, Amy Young**

## SENIOR AWARDS

**S4 Merit Awards**

**Rebecca Biccchi** English; **Cameron Milne** Chemistry; **Rachel Logan** and **Nicola McLean** Biology; **Sandy Raeburn** Physics; **Ellen Mainprize** French; **Kimberley Timmins** German; **Jodi Watt** Craft and Design; **Adam Ramsay** Graphic Communication; **Robin Brown** Geography; **Caitlin Rush** History; **Ryan Foster** PC Passport; **Natalie McLintock** and **Charles Cooke** Physical Education; **Ashley Donachie** Art and Design and Hospitality; **Ruth Miller** Mathematics and Spanish; **Alice McKay** Mathematics and Computing; **Christy Black** Accounting and Finance and Business Management; **Duncan Brown** Music and Drama

**S5 Merit Awards**

**Alice Eade**

Administration

**Laurie Wilson**

Business Management

**Jennifer Salmean**

Art and Design

John and Marjory Moffat Quaich

**Hannah Sture**

Art and Design

John and Marjory Moffat Quaich

**Amy Peacock**

Biology

Cloan Trophy

**Fiona Campbell**

Drama

**Hannah Whiting**

Geography

Burns-Begg Trophy

**Cameron Brown**

Graphic Communication

**Jamie Ranaldi**

Graphic Communication

**Jennifer Salmean**

Product Design

Bella Anderson Trophy

**Angus Morison**

Product Design

Bella Anderson Trophy

**Caitlynd Davies**

Hospitality

**Ross Whyte**

Information Systems

**Calum Anderson**

Music

Marjory Fyfe Award

**Rachel Sikora**

Physical Education

**Rory McDonald**

Physical Education

**Ruaridh Pattison**

Computing

Sam Mitchell-Henry Trophy

**Campbell Vaughan**

French

Lady Alice Smith Award

Chemistry

John S Lowe Trophy

English

PTA Trophy

Physics

Probus Club Trophy

**Roxanne Dyer**

Human Biology

DL Chapman Senior Trophy

Mathematics

Coldon Trophy

German

**Rosie Maxton**

History

Arthur Donaldson Award

Modern Studies

Spanish

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## Kinross High School Awards (continued)

### *S6 Merit Awards*

**Robert Broome** and **Maggie Henderson** Product Design; **Mhairi Barnes** Geography; **Tom Nurick** English; **Felicity Anderson** Graphic Communication; **Matthew Byrne** History; **Lewis Edwards** Information Systems; **Nick Lauener** Music; **Sophie Mead** RMPS; **Christopher Struth** French; **Gurnish Sidhu** Hospitality; **Maisie Cottingham** Drama; **Anna Raymond** French and Physics; **Rebecca Neilson** RMPS and Modern Studies; **Emma Bissett** Chemistry, Computing and Psychology; **Lynsay Drysdale** Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics

### *Senior Special Subject Awards*

<b>Cassie Gaughan</b>	Drama	Excellence in Drama, Theatre Arts and Performance
<b>Ashley Donachie</b>	Hospitality	Perth College UHI Award for Excellence in Hospitality
<b>Georgina Seviour</b>	Art & Design (S4)	Rosamund Beveridge Trophy
<b>Heather Dunne</b>	Art & Design	Kevin Kenny Award
<b>Sarah Gourdie</b>	Business Education	Jean Lamont Award for Overall Excellence
<b>Laurie Wilson</b>	Business Acumen	The University of Dundee Prize
<b>Kelly-Anne Studders</b>	Music	Hilary Hawksford Memorial Prize Trophy (for outstanding contribution to the musical life of the school)
<b>Kinross High School</b>	Construction	Dunfermline Building Society Trophy
		'Skills for Work' Best High School Group Award
<b>Jenna Paterson</b>	Rural Science	Margaret Smith Trophy Excellence in Rural Science
<b>Catherine Howatson</b>	Rural Science	Margaret Smith Trophy Excellence in Rural Science
<b>Ryan McKillop</b>	Hospitality	Carnegie College Challenge Day Winners
<b>Ian Sullivan</b>	Hospitality	Carnegie College Challenge Day Winners
<b>Josh Strachan</b>		Discovery John Muir Award
<b>George Brown</b>		Discovery John Muir Award
<b>Stuart Urgias</b>		Discovery John Muir Award
<b>Shawn O'Farrell</b>		Discovery John Muir Award
<b>Kevin Wiltshire</b>		Discovery John Muir Award

### SPORTS AWARDS

Athletics: **Rory Muir, Laura Muir, Robbie Cuthbert, Kieran Studders, Dean Byrne**; Hockey: **Jennifer Smith, Maeve Weldon**; Basketball: **Liam Swanson, Katy Brown, Jack Nicholson**; Triathlon: **Cameron Milne**; Squash: **Jamie Bode, Elspeth Young**; Karate: **Kerry Ferguson, Ben Mitchell**; Mountain Biking and Kayaking: **Leslie Simpson**; Table Tennis: **Emma Bissett, Scott Bissett**; Rugby: **Craig Letham, Jamie Richmond, Ross Mathieson, Douglas Weir**; Tennis: **Alessia Palmieri**; Swimming: **Shona Young, Elspeth Young, Cameron Milne**; Football: **Kelly Carruthers, Andy Ritchie**

#### **Badminton - Perth & Kinross Schools Badminton Champions:**

Under 16 girls' singles	<b>Christine Sorbie</b>
Under 19 mixed doubles	<b>Christine Sorbie and Rory Cooper</b>
Under 19 boys' singles	<b>Patrick MacHugh</b>
Under 19 boys' doubles	<b>Patrick MacHugh and Callum Graham</b>

#### **Golf**

Frew Trophy	<b>Jamie Arthur</b>
The Stocks Cup	<b>Kinross High School</b>
Frank Gloak Trophy	<b>Jordan Hutt</b>
P&K County Ladies Junior Girls Champion	<b>Jennifer Saxton</b>
<b>Sports Day Champions</b>	
Group C boys champion	<b>Dean Byrne</b>
Group C girls champion	<b>Lillian Swanson</b>
Group B boys champion	<b>Robbie Cuthbert</b>
Group B girls champion	<b>Ailsa Morris</b>
Group A boys champion	<b>Liam Swanson</b>
Group A girls champion	<b>Jennifer Smith</b>
Best Performance on Sports Day	<b>Rory Muir</b>
Overall Sports Champions	<b>Jennifer Smith and Cameron Milne</b>
House Championship Winners	<b>Bishop</b>

### *Duke of Edinburgh Awards*

Bronze: **Scott Andrew, Rebecca Bicocchi, Stewart Brown, Charles Cooke, Justine Dickie, Catriona Donaldson, Rory Jones, Gavin Lauder, Danny McAtear, Lorna McInnes, Alice McKay, Ellen Mainprize, Lauren Megginson, Ruth Miller, Cameron Milne, Kirsty Ogilvie, Katie Palmer, Sandy Raeburn, Adam Ramsay, Caitlin Rush, Georgina Seviour, Alana Sim, Kimberley Timmins, Natasha Timmins, Morven Wightman, Andrew Wilcox, Georgina Williams**

Silver: **Calum Anderson, Victoria Carruthers, Rory Cooper, Roxanne Dyer, Alice Eade, Scott Findlay, David Gentry, Calum McIntyre, Alessia Palmieri, Amy Peacock, Michael Robertson, Christine Sorbie, Hazel Sweeney, Campbell Vaughan, Ross Whyte, Laurie Wilson, Shona Young, George Gibson**

Gold: **Rebecca Malley, Isla Simpson**

Gold: (left school) **Katie Colford, Ross Dickie**

# Kinross-shire Churches Together



## Kinross Parish Church of Scotland (Charity number SC012555)

Station Road, Kinross  
website: [www.kinrossparishchurch.org](http://www.kinrossparishchurch.org)

E-mail: [kinpc@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:kinpc@tiscali.co.uk) Tel: (01577) 862570  
Rev Alan D. Reid MA, BD Tel: (01577) 862952  
Reader: Margaret Michie Tel: (01592) 840602  
Session Clerk: Mrs Linda Williamson Tel: (01577) 862789  
15 St Mary's Place, Kinross

All Sunday morning services include a crèche (age up to three), Junior Church (three to Primary 7) and JamPact (Secondary age).

**Sunday morning service** 10.30am

### Other services for August

**Mon 3** 8am: Meditation for 30 minutes.  
**Sat 8** 8.30am: Prayer Breakfast - simple breakfast and share areas of concern for prayer (1 hour).  
**Thu 20** 9pm: Time to Pray - 'Compline': a short service with readings and responsive prayer.  
**Tue 25** 8pm: Prayer Meeting (1 hour).

**Pram Service:** Currently on Summer Break and resuming on Tuesday 25 August at 10am in the Church. All pre-schoolers and carers welcome. Children's worship followed by coffee and juice. Contact Evelyn Cairns tel. 01577 863990.

**Mid-week and Mid-day - Time to Pray:** In the Church every Wednesday at noon (30 mins).

**Midweek worship:** Each Wednesday in the Reading Room of the Church Centre, 10.45am - 11.15am.

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

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

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

**Crossfire:** A fun evening (7.30pm to 9pm) on Sundays at the Church Centre for Secondary 1 age upwards. Contact Jaffrey Weir 01577 865780.

**Premises to lease:** The church welcomes the use of its premises by the wider community. It provides a suite of halls, meeting rooms and a kitchen at the Church Centre (contact Helena Cant, telephone 862923 or email [helenacant@aol.com](mailto:helenacant@aol.com)) and the main auditorium and two meeting rooms at the church (contact Anne Miller, telephone 865610).

## Saturday Night Worship

Last Saturday of each month, 7.30 - 10pm

Millbridge Hall, Kinross (parking available)

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

For further details contact Sarah Corsar 07795313864

## Recently bereaved? Needing some support?

### AMONGST FRIENDS

(Bereavement Group)

meets at the Health Centre, Lathro, Kinross  
on the last Friday of the month, 2.30pm to 4pm

A warm welcome awaits all

For details phone

Hazel 01577 863461 or Marg 01577 863557

## Cleish Parish Church

### Church of Scotland

Rev Joanne Finlay Telephone: (01577) 850231

E-mail: [joannefinlay196@btinternet.com](mailto:joannefinlay196@btinternet.com)

Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie Telephone: (01592) 840823

**Sunday Services** 11.15am  
**Crèche** 11.15am  
**Junior Church** 11.15am

### August

**Sun 2** 11.15am Preacher: Rev. Joanne Finlay

**Sun 9** 11.15am Reader, Brian Ogilvie

**Sun 16** 11.15am Rev. Clifford Hughes

**Sun 23** 11.15am Preacher, Brian Ogilvie

**Sun 30** 11.15am Preacher: Rev. Joanne Finlay

## Fossoway Parish Church

### Church of Scotland

Rev Joanne Finlay Telephone: (01577) 850231

E-mail: [joannefinlay196@btinternet.com](mailto:joannefinlay196@btinternet.com)

Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie Telephone: (01592) 840823

**Sunday Services** at 9.45am

**"Wrigglers Group" (0-3 year olds), Junior Church and DVD club for children and teens** 9.45am

**Tots Music:** Friday mornings in hall, 9.30am-10.30am

**Children's Yoga:** Mondays 3-4pm, church hall

**Housegroup/Bible Study group:**  
contact Margaret Hamblin (01577 850252)

**Fossoway Church Choir rehearsals:**

Tuesday evenings, 7.30pm-9pm

Wednesday evenings: Joint choir rehearsals

### August

**Sun 2** 9.45am Sacrament of Baptism

**Sun 9** 9.45am Rev. Brian Ogilvie

**Sun 16** 9.45am Holiday Club Team lead worship

**Sun 23** 9.45am Preacher, Brian Ogilvie

**Sun 30** 9.45am Preacher: Rev. Joanne Finlay

Sundays at 9.45am DVD club for children and teens

Seaside Rock - Monday 10 to Friday 14 August

Holiday Club for Children each morning in the church hall.

## Kinross Christian Fellowship

Further information: (01577) 863509

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

### Church and Children's Sunday Club

Every Sunday at 10.30am

in the Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.

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

## Healing Rooms Kinross

The Healing Rooms (part of an international organisation) takes place every Thursday from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm in the Millbridge Hall. Healing Rooms is manned by a team of Christian volunteers from every denomination freely offering their time and prayers. Everyone is welcome and no appointment is necessary.  
For further information please call 07766515950 or 07732485305 or visit [www.healingrooms-scotland.com](http://www.healingrooms-scotland.com)

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

Rev Dr Robert Pickles Telephone: (01577) 863461

E-mail: robert.pickles1@btopenworld.com

**Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:**

10am Portmoak Church, 11.30am Orwell Church

**Prayer Meeting** held 30mins before each service**Service at Ashley House:** first Thursday of the month at 2.30pm**Services at Levenglen:** first Tuesday of the month at 4pm**Oasis** Ladies' meeting in Portmoak New Room.

10.15 - 11.45am last Friday of the month.

**@spire** Orwell Church Hall, 2nd & last Fridays 7.30pm**August**

Sun 30th Service at John Knox's Pulpit at 3.30pm to commemorate John Knox 500th Anniversary.

**September**

Mon 7th Formal Communion, Portmoak

**St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church**

Muirs, Kinross, KY 13 8AY

Rev Dr Marion Keston Telephone: (01577) 866834

Website: www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk

**August Services****Sun 2** Pentecost 9, 8.30am, Holy Communion.  
11.00am Family Communion.**Sun 9** Pentecost 10, 8.30am, Holy Communion.  
11.00am Family Communion.**Sun 16** Pentecost 11, 8.30am, Holy Communion.  
11.00am Family Communion.**Sun 23** Pentecost 12, 8.30am, Holy Communion.  
11.00am Sung Eucharist.  
Junior church restarts.**Sun 30** Pentecost 13, 8.30am, Holy Communion.  
11.00am Sung Eucharist.

Junior Church and Crèche during the 11.00am Services.

**Thursday Morning group Bible Study.** Everyone welcome.  
For further information, please contact Sarah Oxnard, telephone (01577) 864213.**St James's R C Church**

5 High Street, Kinross, KY 13 8AW

Father Colin Golden Telephone: (01577) 863329

Website: www.stjameskinross.co.uk

**Mass Times** Saturday Vigil 7.00pm  
Sunday 9.30am

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

**Kinross Gospel Hall**

Montgomery Street, Kinross

Website: www.kinrossgospelhall.info

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

**Obituaries****ALISTAIR WATT** (Ally), formerly Mill House, Milnathort, died peacefully at his family home in Kinross on 23 June 2009, aged 33.

Ally attended Milnathort Primary School, Kinross High School and Stirling University where he obtained a BA Hons in History.

Latterly he worked for Perth and Kinross Council in the Revenues Department.

Ally had a great zest for life, his passions being football and music. He was a well regarded friend by many.

Cathy, John and Aileen would like to thank all his friends for their tremendous support over the last few months while Ally bravely fought his battle with cancer.

A special thanks to Dave Bowman from Dundee United Football Club for his friendship to Ally over the past few months and the memorable visits to Tannadice.

Thanks also to Dr Allot, District Nurses and Marie Curie Nurses who helped to make Ally's time at home comfortable.

Also thanks to the Rev Pickles for his moving service and Stewart Funeral Directors for their guidance.

The handsome sum of £1,176 was donated at the Church towards Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Ally was a much loved son, brother and friend who will be sorely missed.

**JOHN TELFER** (Senior), formerly of Mayfield Nurseries, Milnathort, passed away in Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline on 13 June 2009, aged 86.

The Telfer family came to Milnathort from Drumlanrig in 1941 and John was the eldest of four children. In 1943 John joined the army and after being wounded in Italy was invalided out, to return home to the family business. John married Margaret Thomson, a local girl, and they had three daughters and a son. John was a Sunday School Superintendent for some years and was a willing helper when the Gala started after the war.

After he retired he loved to walk his little dog Jake through the village and chat to anyone who would stop for a blether.

In 2002 John and Margaret moved to Kinross and unfortunately Margaret died soon afterwards. Although John was lost for some time without Margaret, thanks to the local slimming club, he met up with Margaret (Burns) from Milnathort. They set up home together in 2007, enjoying each other's company and living life to the full.

John was a loving partner, father, brother, grand father, great grandfather and uncle and will be sadly missed by us all.

The family would like to thank Kinross Surgery for their kind attention, also The High Dependency Unit at Queen Margaret Hospital. Thanks to the Rev Dr Pickles and all those who attended the interment and donated so generously to The British Heart Foundation.

**Acknowledgement****HUNTER** – The family of William Hunter would like to thank all family and friends who sent their kind wishes and regards at this sad time. Thank you to the Macmillan nurses, carers and doctors who looked after William throughout his illness. Thanks also for all your donations to the Macmillan support, £240 was raised.

# Playgroups & Nurseries

## PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

Portmoak Hall – between Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell

(only 10 mins from Milnathort and Kinross)

Babies and Toddlers (birth – 3yrs)

Tues 9:30am - 11:00am

Playgroup (2yrs onwards)

Mon & Fri 10:00am – 12noon

Contact Carolyn Robertson 01383 831129

## LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Session times

Tuesdays 9.30 - 11.15, Fridays 9.30 - 11.15

Contact - Tracey 01577 863468

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

## LOCHLEVEN TWOS CLUB

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Thursdays 9.30 to 11.15 (term time only)

Suitable for children from about 18 months to pre-school. We have lots to offer including playdo, painting, craft, dressing up and a variety of toys. A snack is also provided. This is also a great place for parents and carers to have a coffee and chat whilst their children play. Younger siblings welcome.

The club will restart after the summer holidays on 20th August.

Contact Sophie Irvine on 01577 863288 for further details.

## FOSSOWAY TODDLERS

The Institute, Crook of Devon

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.15 am

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

Contact - Fiona Eastop 01577 864194

## FOSSOWAY PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

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](http://www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross)



## SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross

Kinross-shire Playgroup Association

aka Swansacre Playgroup

Registered Scottish Charity Number SCO17748



TEL: 01577 862071

[www.swansacreplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.swansacreplaygroup.org.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 9.15-11.45am**

Children from the age of 2 yrs welcome.

**Rising Fives** Mon & Wed 1.00-3.15pm, with lunch club beforehand.

This is complementary to Nursery.

**For more information please contact Alisa 07796 213312 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 Amanda 861434.

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

Contact: Susan Britton 01577 863385 or 07737 461 293

## GLENFARG BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Village Hall, Greenbank Road, Glenfarg

9.30am to 11.30am during term time

A healthy snack is provided for children and tea/coffee and biscuits for carers. We also provide a craft activity each week.

First session free and £2 thereafter (£1 for second child). All welcome.

Contact Jenny Holt-Brook on 01577 830577, email [jennyholtbrook@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jennyholtbrook@yahoo.co.uk) or just come along.



# Notices

## Lupus Fundraising & Awareness Day

The Salutation Hotel, High Street, Kinross

**Saturday 1 August at 2pm**

Adults Bouncy Castle Raffle Auction

Live Music Karaoke Darts Competition

*All welcome to come along and enjoy the fun*

For further information on the event, or if you would like to know more about Lupus, please contact:

Katrina Purll / Rutkowski on 07544803497

We look forward to seeing you there



## PKL Summer Programme

**6 July to 15 August**

Perth & Kinross Leisure has a packed programme of activities throughout the summer holidays, featuring wet and dry sports, games and fun for young people aged 18 months to 18 years. The full programme can be downloaded from:

[www.liveactive.co.uk](http://www.liveactive.co.uk)

## Kinross Curling School



Kinross Curling School and the new National Curling Academy will be at the Kinross Show on

**Saturday 8 August.**

See Sport p. 61 for more details

## 179th Kinross Agricultural Show

Kinross House

**SATURDAY 8 AUGUST**

Parade of Champions, Flower Show, Vintage Tractors, Art & Craft Tent, Highland Dancing, Dog Show, SWRI Tent, Gundog Demonstration, Pony Club Games, Falconry, Fiè Dog Agility Club, Fancy Dress Competition without Animal, Horseback Fancy Dress Competition, Bar & Food Outlets, Variety of Stands

*Judging from 8.45am*

*Entertainment from 2pm*

Ticket prices: Adults £6; Family £15; Concessions £3

Further details at [www.kinross.cc/kinross\\_show](http://www.kinross.cc/kinross_show)

## Fossoway & District Horticultural Society

### ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

to be held on

**SATURDAY 15 AUGUST**

Crook Of Devon Institute

Doors open at 2 pm

Schedules available from:

The Shop, Crook of Devon; Fossoway Garage  
or telephone 01577840285

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Pot Plants, Flowers, Vegetables,  
Baking, Industrial, Preserves And  
Children's Sections



## St. Andrew's - First Aid Keeping Scotland Safe

### Would you know what to do in an emergency?

St. Andrew's Ambulance Association are running a Standard First Aid Course every Thursday, commencing 27 August to 26 November 2009 (7.00 to 9pm), at Kelty Community Centre.

The certificated course is open to anyone who wants to learn First Aid. In the past, attendees have completed the course for work purposes, the Duke of Edinburgh Award, as well as developing their own personal skills. The cost of the 12 week course (including an up-to-date First Aid Manual) is £35.00 per adult.

For more information, please call Alex on 01383 880638 or come along to Kelty Community Centre where you will be made very welcome.

## Milnathort Babies and Toddler Group Scottish Charity No SC015472

presents

### An evening with Velour Amour

*Milnathort Babies and Toddler Group requests your company for a good old fundraising boogie, to one of Scotland's Premier Live Function Bands!*

Where? Milnathort Town Hall

When? **SATURDAY 15 AUGUST**

What time? 7.30pm – Midnight

And finally... Bring Your Own Bottle!!!

(Buffet provided)

For ticket information, please call Liam Saunders on:

07882147524

**Velour Amour: [www.velouramour.moonfruit.com](http://www.velouramour.moonfruit.com)**

## Orwell Bowling Club

presents a **FUN NIGHT** on

**Saturday 15 August**

starting with Target Bowls at 6.30pm

(Instructions, bowls and shoes provided for non-bowlers)

Side-stalls + BBQ'd Burgers (£1 each), then

DANCING to THE TWO ROBINS.

Entry Ticket Only (£2) - behind bar

## Free Trail Scooters Come and Try Session FRIDAY 21 AUGUST

11am – mid afternoon, Loch Leven's Larder

Refreshments provided

(see also Articles p.8 for more details)

## Blythswood Care

Sainsbury's Car Park

**Tuesday 18 August between 10.30 am and 11 am**

Further details from 862258

The Magic Agency presents

## A Race Night

in aid of

## Light Up Kinross

**Saturday 22 August at 7.30pm**

Windlestrae Hotel

Tickets: £40 per table of 8

For a fun, exciting evening please contact

Angela on 07896639546 or Julie on 07813684563.

If you or your business would like to sponsor a horse for the evening, give us a call.

## Bishopshire SWRI

At our monthly meeting on **Thursday 10 September** at 7.30pm at Portmoak Hall, we will be having a talk on

**Metal Detection** by Jim Crombie

*All visitors are welcome*

Entrance £2, this includes a "jolly good supper"

## Kinross Parish Church Flower Festival

**Friday 11 – Sunday 13 September**

All are warmly invited to our 'Harvest Time' Flower Festival at Kinross Parish Church, Station Road.

Free entry but donations welcomed for the Malawi Maize Mill Project and Christian Aid Water Action Ethiopia.

Refreshments served. Opening times:

Friday 2–4pm and 6–8pm

Saturday 10am–12 noon; 2–4pm and 6–8pm

Sunday 2–4pm

More details to follow.

We look forward to welcoming you!

## GALA DINNER DANCE

in aid of Water Action Ethiopia

**Sunday 5 September 2009**

Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross

Tickets on sale now – contact:

Alisdair Stewart or Margaret Graham

01577 862262

01577 865844



## Kinross-shire Fund

**Grants available for local community projects**

e.g. *Events, Information, Transport, Welfare,*

*Physical Amenities, Recreational Facilities, Support for*

*Care of the Elderly, Voluntary Organisations*

For more information and to download an application form, see [www.kinross-shirefund.org](http://www.kinross-shirefund.org) or contact Annabel Bath

on 0131 524 0300

or email [Annabel@scottishcf.org](mailto:Annabel@scottishcf.org)



## Perth Citizens Advice Bureau

The Kinross Outreach Advice Surgery is held on the **second and fourth Tuesday of the month** from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at St Paul's Church Hall, The Muirs, Kinross.

No appointment is necessary as the surgery is a drop-in service. For complex issues a further appointment may be necessary. Perth CAB can help you – our advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent. Contact us: Advice line 01738 624301; Appointment line 01738 564304.

## Orwell Bowling Club Social Evening

**Saturday 12 September**

Bingo at 8pm followed by Dancing along with talented local Husband and Wife team

NEIL and EILEEN MILLER – Neil sings "70's – Noughties" with Eileen in Lily Allen mode.

**NOT TO BE MISSED!**

Entry £2 (non-members)

**THE SALIX DEMENTIA TRUST**, in Milnathort, is looking for volunteers to help with fundraising for its work with people with dementia. Details of this work, as well as what we are looking for in volunteers, may be obtained by telephoning our office on 01577 863824.

Abba and Queen tribute bands at

## GAZEBO GATHERING

at Kinross House

**Saturday 12 September**

from 12 noon – 7.30pm

Pitch your gazebo in front of Kinross House at the Kinross Gazebo Gathering – a music festival for the whole family!!

For more information, see main article on page 54, visit

[www.kleo.org.uk](http://www.kleo.org.uk) or e-mail [bouwien@kleo.org.uk](mailto:bouwien@kleo.org.uk)



## Lodge St Serf No 327

**August**

Tues 18

**General Committee Meeting** at

7.30pm to arrange work for new season, any other competent business.



**September**

Tues 1

**Regular Meeting** at 7.15pm. Entered Apprentice Degree sub Candidate.

Tues 8

**General Committee Meeting** at 7.30pm to arrange work for next Degree, any other competent business.

Tues 15

**Regular Meeting** at 7.15pm. Entered Apprentice Degree sub Candidate.

Tues 22

**General Committee Meeting** at 7.30pm to arrange work for next Degree, any other competent business.

All monies raised during the year ended 31 July 2009 which amounted to over £2,000.00 will be distributed early this month to local good causes.

Check [www.stserf327.co.uk](http://www.stserf327.co.uk) for up to date information and forthcoming events.

## Bishopshire Horticultural Society

### Flower Show

Portmoak Hall, Scotlandwell

**Saturday 15 August**

Opening Ceremony and Presentation of Prizes at 2.30pm

Admission Adults 50p Children free

## St Paul's Episcopal Church, Kinross

### Sale of Work and Coffee Morning

**SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER**

Kinross Church Centre, 10 am to 12 Noon

Usual Stalls

## Community Councils

**Kinross:** Secy: Mrs M Scott (01577) 862945  
KinrossCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
**Cleish & Blairadam:** Secy: Mrs M Traylor (01383) 830059,  
CleishCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
**Milnathort:** Chair: Mr J Giacomazzi (01577) 864025  
MilnathortCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
**Fossoway & District:** Secy: Trudy Duffy-Wigman (01577) 840669,  
FossowayCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
**Portmoak:** Secy: Mr J Bird (01592) 840368,  
PortmoakCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

### Kinross Community Councillors

|                              |                   |             |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Susan Bathgate               | 42 High Street    | 864742      |
| Margaret Blyth               | 6 Muir Grove      |             |
| David Colliar                | 10 Rannoch Place  | 864037      |
| Dave Cuthbert (Chair)        | Highfield Circle  | 861001      |
| Barry M Davies               | 60 Lathro Park    | 865004      |
| Ian Jack (Treasurer)         | Burnbrae Grange   | 863980      |
| Laura Mackay                 | Brunthill Farm    | 07809232740 |
| Dot Mackay                   | 29 Green Park     | 864635      |
| Joe Richardson               | 47/49 High Street | 863152      |
| Margaret Scott (Secy)        | 21 Ross Street    | 862945      |
| Campbell Watson (Vice Chair) | 70 Muirs          | 862685      |

### Perth and Kinross Councillors

**Kathleen Baird**, Easter Clunie, Newburgh, Fife, KY14 6EJ  
Tel (home): 01337 840218.  
Email: kbaird@pkc.gov.uk  
**Michael Barnacle**, Moored, Waulkmill Road, Crook of Devon,  
Kinross, KY13 0UZ. Tel/Fax (home): 01577 840516.  
Email: Michael@mabarnacle.freeserve.co.uk  
**Sandy Miller**, c/o Perth & Kinross Council, 2 High Street, Perth,  
PH1 5PH. Tel (business): 01577 840462.  
Email: SMiller@pkc.gov.uk  
**William Robertson**, 85 South Street, Milnathort, Kinross,  
KY13 9XA. Tel (home): 01577 865178.  
Email: wrobertson@pkc.gov.uk

### Fossoway and Cleish Community Office

A service for the Community, open:  
Thursdays 2 pm - 4 pm  
Saturdays 10am -12 noon

Out of hours there is an answering machine

Tel: 01577 840185 Email: fcco@btinternet.com

### 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

Opening Times: **Mondays to Fridays** 9am to 7pm  
**Saturdays and Sundays** 9am to 5pm

Aluminium & Steel Cans, Car Batteries, Cardboard, Engine Oil, Fluorescent Tubes, Electricals (inc Fridges, Freezers, Televisions & Monitors), Garden Waste, Glass Bottles & Jars, Inert Waste, Metal, Paper, Phone Directories, Plastic Bottles, Textiles, Wood.

## Member of Parliament for Ochil & South Perthshire Constituency Gordon Banks MP

www.gordonbanksmp.co.uk

Email: constituency@gordonbanksmp.co.uk

For dates and locations of regular advice surgeries, or to raise any concerns you may have, please contact the constituency office: telephone 01259 721536, fax 01259 216761 or write to 49-51 High Street, Alloa, FK10 1JF.

### MSP for Ochil Constituency

#### Keith Brown MSP

will be holding regular

**surgeries throughout his constituency area.**

For information on dates, locations and to book an appointment time, please contact his assistant on **01259 219333**.

Keith can also be contacted by email at

**keith.brown.msp@scottish.parliament.uk**

or by writing to **80 Mill Street, Alloa, FK10 1DY**

### Members of the Scottish Parliament

All MSPs can be contacted at the following address:

The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP

#### MSPs for Mid Scotland and Fife Region

**Claire Baker MSP** (Scot Labour) Tel: 0131 348 6759

Email: Claire.Baker.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

**Ted Brocklebank MSP** (Scot Cons) Tel: 0131 348 5610

Email: Ted.Brocklebank.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

**Murdo Fraser MSP** (Scot Cons) Tel: 0131 348 5293

Email: Murdo.Fraser.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

**Christopher Harvie MSP** (SNP) Tel: 0131 348 6765

Email: ChristopherHarvie.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

**John Park MSP** (Scot Lab) Tel: 0131 348 6753

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**Dr Richard Simpson MSP** (Scot Lab) Tel: 0131 348 6756

Email: Richard.Simpson.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

**Elizabeth Smith MSP** (Scot Cons) Tel: 0131 348 6762

Email: Elizabeth.Smith.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

### Mobile Library – Blairingone and Milnathort

**Every Second Wednesday**

**Next visits: 12 & 26 August**

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Blairingone                  | 9.30am - 9.45am |
| Westerloan, Milnathort       | 2.10pm - 3pm    |
| Bridgefauld Road, Milnathort | 3.05pm - 4pm    |

Any queries telephone AK Bell Library 01738 444949

### Regular Library Sessions for Children

**Story Telling** for pre-school children takes place in Kinross Library **every Tuesday morning** from 10.30am to 11am, and **every Wednesday afternoon** from 2.15pm to 2.45pm. No need to book, just come along.

**Rhythm and Rhyme** sessions take place on the **last Friday of the month** at 11am at LOCH LEVEN LEISURE. All babies, toddlers and carers welcome. No need to book.

**Bookstart Book Crawl** for children aged 0 to 4: on each visit to the library, children are given a sticker. After collecting five stickers, they are awarded a certificate.

### 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](http://www.pamh.co.uk)



# Kinross-shire *Day Centre*



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

## Weekly Programme

|                  |                 |           |                        |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------|------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | Elderberries    | 1.30 pm   |                        |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | Bingo           | 1.30 pm   |                        |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Morning Service | 10.45 am, | Quiz Afternoon 1.30 pm |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Art Class       | 1.30 pm,  | Film Afternoon 1.30 pm |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Carpet Bowls    | 11.00 am, | Scrabble 1.30 pm       |

## Additional Events for August

**Afternoon Trips** Thursday 6th and 20th at 1 pm



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

See also Thanks, p. 74

## 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



## Enquire

**Are you looking for information about your child's rights to support in School?**

If so, contact **Enquire**, the national advice and information service for additional support for learning.

Enquire offer: a confidential telephone helpline and online enquiry service, practical guides, fact sheets and newsletters, helpful materials for children and young people with additional support needs.

For more information contact: tel 0845 123 2303

Website: [www.enquire.org.uk](http://www.enquire.org.uk)

*Enquire is funded by the Scottish Government and managed by Children in Scotland*

## Archaeology Volunteer Opportunity

A short excavation will take place as part of the Roman Gask Project north of Perth between **Monday 31 August** and **Saturday 5 September**, 10am – 6pm. No previous experience is necessary. Email Steven Timoney of Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust on **STimoney@pkc.gov.uk** if interested.

## Situations Vacant

In conjunction with [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc), the Newsletter is pleased to publish local situations vacant. Please go to the [kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc) website before applying to check whether a position is still available. (Go to [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc) then click on 'Local Adverts' and choose 'Situations Vacant').

### Electrician – Hatrick-Bruce Ltd (Full time)

Approved electrician required for various contracts in Fife and Kinross areas. Must have full driving licence.

Telephone Mark Duncan at Hatrick-Bruce Ltd on 07917 284005 or 01577 863967.

### Taxi Driver - David Colliar (Part Time)

Must be prepared to work flexible hours. Clean driving license essential. Applications after 9 August please due to holiday commitments. Contact David Colliar Tel. 01577 84037 Mob 07766996655.

## Classified Adverts

The Newsletter publishes items for sale listed on the [kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc) website. If interested in purchasing an item, we suggest checking the website for current availability ([www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc) then 'Local Adverts' then 'Classified Adverts'). If interested in selling an item, please list it on [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc) and it will automatically be published in the next available Newsletter.

### Item for sale: Pool Table

**Price: £20.00**

Pool table bought for Christmas, never used selling, and has all cues, balls for snooker and pool.

Seller Details: Niki Robinson  
[nrobinson84@hotmail.com](mailto:nrobinson84@hotmail.com)

01577 862432

# Diary

*A more extensive and regularly updated  
Diary of Events can be found on [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc)*

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### Forward Planner (major events)

#### September

|       |                                       |
|-------|---------------------------------------|
| 1     | Conservation Area consultation        |
| 5     | Christian Aid Gala Dinner Dance       |
| 5-13  | Open Studios art event                |
| 6     | Guides centenary event, Kinross House |
| 10    | World Café session                    |
| 12    | Gazebo Gathering, Kinross House       |
| 18-19 | Round Table Quiz/Beer Festival        |
| 23-26 | KADAC Exhibition & Sale               |

#### October

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#### November

20-22 Loch Leven Community Campus  
Community Opening Event