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Letters

Editorial

It's a slightly smaller Newsletter compared to recent months, as some organisations don't meet during summer holiday-time. The weather this summer has been first one extreme and then another, with a very warm, dry June (statistics in Out and About of course, courtesy of our dedicated weather-watcher, Malcolm) and then, certainly at times, a very wet July. Let's hope it stays dry for the Kinross Show on 14 August. Read all about the attractions on offer at the 180th Show on page 5.

After last month's appeal it was nice to receive word of so many graduation results. The Newsletter is always happy to share good news such as engagements, marriages, births and personal achievements through the Congratulations column. There is no charge for items like this – we only charge for commercial advertising.

Please note that the next Newsletter deadline falls quite early, being on the 16th of the month.

T-in-the Park Drop-in Centre 19.07.10

Once more the Drop-in Centre was a huge success with hundreds of breakfasts and hot rolls sold and consumed at prices ranging from 35p to £1 for a full breakfast. Yet even at this price, because of the wonderful generosity of the T-in-the-Parkers, we have £350 to give to charity – £300 to Ninewells cancer research. Although we have given to Cancer research before, it was decided by the Core Committee that we should do so again in honour of Helen MacLachlan – founder member of the Drop-in – who died earlier this year.

And once more we must say that none of this could have happened without the amazing commitment of the volunteers who, although slave driven, remain cheerful and are an example to everyone. We of the Core Committee thank each one of them from the bottom of our hearts. And may I also take this opportunity as convener to thank each member of the committee, because without each one of them it would just never happen.

And as I said last year, which proved correct, if you want to be part of this experience, book early! God bless, Peter.

Peter Flounders
Convener

T-in-the-Park Drop-in Centre Committee

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Scotlandwell Community Allotments 19.07.10

I recently visited the Community Allotments at Scotlandwell as part of Scotland's Open Garden Scheme and met some very enthusiastic "allotmenters" who were only too willing to show off their produce and share their story about their desire to have an allotment. The event was advertised as in Fife and we all know the confusion of postcodes and county boundaries.

This was the first season for many of the allotmenters and it was quite amazing the variety of vegetables and flowers that were on show; it was evident that some spend many hours and had many innovative ways to try and deter the hares and pigeons who enjoyed the vegetables.

I met visitors from Falkirk who were interested in the allotment and were very impressed with clubroom, the library and the toilets.

The allotmenters are very pleased with their efforts and I hope they enjoy eating the fruits of their labour. One lady called it her Green Gym!

I remembered whilst visiting that I was approached some time ago by a few residents from Kinross with regard to allotments in Kinross. I know Scotlandwell is not Kinross but I met several people who travelled from Kirkcaldy and Glenrothes and enjoyed the friendly atmosphere.

I do hope some Kinross-shire residents now have their allotment. Happy gardening to all.

Councillor Kathleen Baird

The Scotlandwell Community Allotments are again open to visitors under Scotland's Gardens Scheme on Sunday 15 August. See page 67 for details – Ed.

Thanks! 18.07.10

On retirement, thank you to pupils, parents, staff and friends for the cards, flowers, gifts and good wishes received at the end of the school term. Best wishes to all pupils for your future learning. Continue to work hard!

Kath King, Headteacher
Kinross Primary School, Station Road, Kinross

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Disposal of High School Site

In the July edition of this Newsletter we, Susan Bathgate and Dave Cuthbert, the undersigned, suggested you may make a Formal Complaint regarding non engagement with the Community over the Disposal of the High School Site. If you have done so you may receive a response similar to the following:

Engagement Regarding Disposal High School Site, Kinross

Thank you for your email of 14 June 2010 on the above in which you intimate a complaint against the Depute Chief Executive of the Council, Jim Irons, in respect of the proposed sale of Kinross High School. I am satisfied that there are no grounds for complaint for the reasons stated below.

The sale of properties rendered surplus by the building of the new schools in the Investment in Learning project is an integral part of the financing of that project. This strategy was agreed by the Council at its budget meeting of 14 February 2008 and was subsequently re-affirmed by the strategic Policy and resources Committee on 16 April 2008. Those decisions did not include an instruction to consult with the community prior to sale and in fact officers would have been exceeding their authority if they had chosen to do so and it would also have been somewhat contrary to the decisions made.

On 20 May 2009 the Property Sub-Committee agreed that the property be placed on the market as soon as possible. That took place with the benefit of a 'Planning Position Statement' which set out the planning background and the possible uses.

In September 2009, following a community engagement exercise in Kinross, it was suggested by an officer of the Council that there should be some consultation with the community on the bids received. The Depute Chief Executive rejected that suggestion. I agree that that was the correct decision for the following reasons:

1. The Council had already decided to sell the property with an expectation of a significant contribution to the financing of the IIL project.
2. It would have been impracticable at that stage to have interposed public consultation in the bidding process.
3. The Council has in any event a general obligation to obtain best consideration when disposing of a property.
4. It is not the normal practise of the Council to specifically consult communities before agreeing to sell properties.
5. The fact that these decisions are made by elected members who have knowledge of the community to some extent counteract the notion that the decision was made in complete isolation of community views and of course there will be consultation when a planning application is submitted.

I trust you will find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely
Bernadette Malone
Chief Executive

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Subsequent to receipt of this you may wish to send this or something similar as a response:

Dear Ms Malone,

Thank you for your letter dated 30 June 2010 regarding my formal complaint in connection with the lack of Engagement of the Kinross Community by Perth and Kinross Council, and the lack of any assessment of local needs being carried out by the council prior to declaring the former Kinross High School Land surplus to requirements.

I remain dissatisfied with your response in this matter for the following reasons:

1. No consultation or engagement with the Kinross Community has taken place over how the land can be best utilised in order to deliver 'Best Value' to the Kinross Community, I consider this to be in direct conflict with the 2003 Local Government (Scotland) Act and believe that it goes against the Council's own 'Community Engagement Strategy' 2007-2010, which states: "Perth & Kinross Council is committed to engaging with people across the area to ensure that residents and service users have a greater say in shaping the services which are provided for them."
2. The needs identified in the 2004 Kinross Area Local Plan are being ignored by Perth and Kinross Council. These include:
 - a. Recreational Land – "The Leisure Needs Analysis, undertaken and approved by the Council in 1997, confirmed the need for an additional area of approximately 8.1 hectares of Land including parking and changing."
 - b. Business Land - "It is clear that the lack of available industrial and business land within the Kinross and Milnathort area has inhibited the expansion of locally based companies..." and "In order to comply with the Structure Plan requirement for 19.6ha of business/ industrial land the Council will undertake a search to identify a minimum of 3ha further industrial land."
 - c. Affordable Housing - "Research by PKC indicates there is a particular need for sites for affordable housing in Kinross-shire and the area is classified as "pressurised" for investment purposes by Scottish Homes."
3. The needs identified in the Engagement Exercise carried out by your council in 2009 have been ignored. These include:
 - a. Long Term Parking – this was identified as a problem during the exercise and the front of Kinross High School was made available. This is currently used by approximately 20 cars a day. Where will they go once the land has been sold?
 - b. The Town Centre was raised as the single greatest community concern throughout the engagement exercise and many requests were made to make Kinross Town centre vibrant and successful. This should be the overall objective of Perth and Kinross Council as your own vision statement says the following: "Our vision is of a confident and ambitious Perth and Kinross with a strong identity and clear outcomes that everyone works together to achieve. Our area will be vibrant and successful; a safe, secure and healthy environment; and a place where

people and communities are nurtured and supported.". Selling this land to the highest bidder will inevitably lead to an offer from a supermarket being accepted. This is despite the Kinross Area Local Plan 2004 stating: "The Perth and Kinross Retail study prepared by Hillier Parker for the Council in May 1998 indicated that there is unlikely to be need for additional supermarkets."

Accepting an offer from a supermarket will further weaken an already struggling Town Centre in Kinross.

4. No assessment of needs has been carried out by your council for the Kinross Area prior to declaring the former Kinross High School land surplus to requirements.

For these reasons I consider that my complaint has not been answered satisfactorily by you and would ask that you enter stage two of your formal complaints procedure in this matter.

Subsequent to that you may receive another letter similar to the following:

Engagement Regarding Disposal of High School Site Kinross

I have read your email dated July 5 2010. Nothing you have said has led me to alter the conclusion set out in my letter of 30 June 2010.

As advised, the decision to dispose of surplus school sites was taken at a political level as part of a strategy to finance the Investment in Learning campuses. Officers then proceeded to implement that decision as they were obliged to. That decision did not require further consultation and allowed and still allows for public views to be taken into account at the planning stage.

With regard to the needs you refer to in numbered paragraph 2 of your email the Council will continue to seek to meet them but not at the expense of the Investment in Learning Strategy and also subject to all the other objectives of the Council and particularly subject to this resources.

If you remain dissatisfied with the way you complain has been handled, you may wish to refer it to the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman at the address below. You should note that generally you have to contact the Ombudsman within 1 year of your issue arising or from the date you discover the issue.

Scottish Public Services Ombudsman
4 Melville Street
Edinburgh
EH3 7NS
Tel. 0800 377 7330

Yours sincerely
Bernadette Malone
Chief Executive



Kinross High School before being put up for sale

In conclusion, regarding using the National Standards of Engagement...

We had a long conversation last spring with a gentleman from Communities Scotland from which the National Standards of Engagement were derived with Government support. That man suggested that the Community might need to 'Educate' the Local Authority on the use of the Standards. That is what I am seeking to do.

The political decision referred to in the final letter was made, as all are, with the advice of officers. My original complaint was based on evidence that officers had advised Councillors not to engage.

With reference to resources, we do not believe it is acceptable to make a decision about the use of land based on the need to balance a budget when that is the ONLY land in Kinross which can serve any number of statutory and regeneration purposes. A short term budgetary issue is being allowed to result in a decision significantly impacting on Kinross Town Centre for years to come without any assessment being made of that impact.

We will of course leave you to make your own decisions on your course of action. We are trying to indicate that the Community of Kinross exists and that the people who live here are a major factor in local issues.

Thank you for your time. We encourage you to take action if you are so inclined.

Susan Bathgate and Dave Cuthbert
42 High Street, 8 Highfield Circle

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News & Articles

Come to the Kinross Show Saturday 14 August



A date for your Diary! Fingers crossed for good weather on Saturday 14 August when everyone will see the wonderful grounds of Kinross House transformed into Kinross Agricultural Show. We thank Jamie and Lizzie Montgomery for their continued support at this, our 180th Annual Event.

Once again, a whole host of activities, displays and events are being packed into the day, including Kinross Vaulting Group, Tamworth Pig Society, the Rare Breed Society and the Grand Parade of Livestock at 2.00pm. Why not enter the family pet into our ever popular Dog Section? Get him or her scrubbed and looking swell for their turn in the dog ring and remember you only need to enter on the day.



*George Hepburn, this year's President
Pet lambs are kind permission of Josie & Millie Hamilton*

There will be lots for children to do and see, including the Fancy Dress with a Horse or Pony, Fancy Dress without an animal, Highland Dancing and Bouncy Castle. We will have sweet stalls for the kids to spend their pocket money, and they can also learn all about the countryside in a fun way, whether it be about cattle, sheep, goats or bees!

There will also be plenty for Mum, Dad, Grandma or Grand-dad to see and do. The Flower Show Tent has once again been sponsored by Dobbies Garden Centre, Kinross. There are some different and new classes this year, including the eggs and vegetable sections. The Flower Show schedule can be found in Robertson's and The Post Office, Milnathort, and also News Plus, Sands Ironmongers, and Dobbies Garden Centre, Kinross. The schedule can also be downloaded on the www.kinross.cc/kinross_show web page.

The Art & Craft Tent is well worth a visit, kindly sponsored by Todd & Duncan, Kinross, and of course we must not forget the ever popular SWRI Tent.

With two show rings, farm animals, pony club games and lots of stands, there will be plenty to see and do. There will also be a variety of trade stands to welcome everyone.

"The Kinross Show is a great event in a wonderful setting, and I look forward to seeing you all on Show Day giving the farming community of Kinross-shire your support", says George Hepburn, this year's President.

Show gates open at 7.00am; judging starts from 8.45am. Ringside Parking £12, (must be bought in advance from Mary our Secretary). Kirkgate Parking £5. Admission at both gates: Family ticket £18, Adult £7, Concessions & Children School age £3.

There is still time for you to enter your animals at the show by contacting Show Secretary Mrs Mary Morgan, Belmonte, 70 Whitecraigs, Kinnesswood, near Kinross, KY13 9JN. Tel 01592 840030, email belmonte70@aol.com or see our web page www.kinross.cc/kinross_show

Stop Press: The time has changed for the Children's Fancy Dress Competition. It will now take place later than originally planned, some time after the Grand Parade of Livestock.

Kinross 180th Show

	7.00am	Show gates open
from	8.45am	Judging starts
	2.00pm	Grand Parade of Livestock
from	2.00pm	Entertainment (Fancy Dress Competition, Vintage Tractors, Kinross Vaulting Group, Pony Club Games)
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Kinross Group SWRI Show Preview

The ladies of Kinross Group SWRI are once again busy preparing for the annual show which takes place in the grounds of Kinross House on Saturday 14 August.

Prizes in several classes are again being sponsored by local firms this year. In the Handcrafts Section, David Sands Ltd are sponsoring the Article in Papercraft, and Loch Leven's Larder the Jar of Marmalade. Williamson Design Florists Ltd are again awarding their prize in the Floral Arrangement Section, and this being the Centenary of Guiding, have opted for "An Exhibit Depicting 100 Years of Guiding". The now famous Ecclefechan Tart in the Baking Section is again the choice of the Kilted Christmas Tree Company. In the Gents Section, the Edrington Group will again be donating a special personalised bottle of the Famous Grouse Whisky.

In the SWRI Marquee there will be a wonderful display of entries from members of Crafts, Needlework, Baking, Produce and Floral Arrangements. Also entries from husbands and partners, children, and grandchildren of members in the Gents' and Children's Sections. Judges this year are from Stirling, Clackmannan & West Perth Federation.

It is also hoped to have demonstrations on Tatting, Felting and Beadwork in the tent – so do come along and have a go!

Family Week is here again!



Family Week starts on Monday 2 August until Friday 6 August and it runs from 10 am to 12 noon every day. Last year over 230 young people took part and we said “goodbye” to the old High School that had served us well for many years. This year we will be in the new Loch Leven Campus and the Committee, led by Moira Hookham, have been working hard to make sure that the event is as good as, if not better, than last year. We not only have a new venue but we also have a new theme called “Show Stoppers”. As the name suggests there will be lots of fun and “Show Stoppers” should appeal to all ages (from Pre-School/P1 to S4). Collecting children at the end of each morning should be much easier in the new venue and the team will build on the procedures that were put in place last year.

The order of events has changed this year because of the new venue but there will still be daily challenges (a mystery as usual); stories that have been chosen from the ten most well known bible stories; dramas, songs and crafts all provided by a team of enthusiastic volunteers. This year the seniors will be housed at the Loch Leven Campus and it will be good not to be in separate venues but to be together under the one roof.

Each evening there are family activities such as rounders; a dance workshop; a game round the town; a film; and on Friday evening to round off the week there is a Celebration event held in Kinross Parish Church followed by a BBQ in the Church grounds. As you can see, throughout the week there is something for everyone.

The Committee and the Volunteers look forward to welcoming young people within the Community to Family Week 2010 and hope that it will be as successful as 2009. At the end of the week they can have a well deserved rest before planning the events for 2011!!

Grants for local good causes

As owners of the Kinross Newsletter, Kinross CC will soon be distributing some surplus Newsletter funds to local good causes.

A Notice about this appeared on page 21 of the July 2010 issue of the Newsletter. Contrary to the ‘Grant Making Policy and Conditions’ listed in that issue, Kinross CC **will** in fact consider general or open applications for funding, including requests for general running costs.

A revised Notice giving full details can be found in this issue of the Newsletter on page 26. The deadline for applications is **Friday 27 August**.

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Although this group is in its early stages of formation, it felt that its progress should be known to the wider community. Firstly the role of this group is to promote the campus, influence change and improvements to the quality of services delivered and give the community a link to the facilities available. It was highlighted at the first meeting that the Partnership is an advisory body and will be supported by the Senior Community Capacity Building Worker based in LLCC. Membership has been taken from campus users and local community organisations. At present it has representation from Parish Church and Concert Promotion, KHS Parent Council, Fossoway CC, Kinross and District Art Club, Kinross Rugby Club and Musical Theatre for Kinross-shire Youth with support from Tracey Ramsay, Senior Community Capacity Building Worker.

So what can you do?

As a member of the community you can let the group know how the campus can help you. You will be key in the development of this facility; your comments, views and concerns will be reported through the Partnership.

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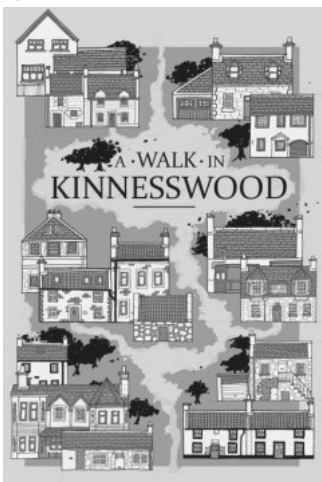
A booklet entitled 'A Walk in Kinnesswood' has been published by Kinnesswood in Bloom. It is, however, so much more than a suggested walking route. It is a beautiful little book containing information on the history of the village, noteworthy people who lived there, an explanation of the geology of the area and notes on the architectural features of the buildings passed on the walk. There are many attractive illustrations and a full colour photograph of the beautiful tiled panel "Pictorial history of Kinnesswood" at the Picture Garden created by local artist and potter Jacqui Seller in 2009.

The walk begins at the village shop and takes you up The Cobbles, with its many attractive cottages, some dating from the 18th century. There are many interesting notes on the people who lived in these buildings and how the dwellings have been altered over the years. The Michael Bruce Museum cottage is of course on this part of the walk, which then comes down Back Dykes Road and along Main Street, finishing at the intersection with Bruce Road, where the former Police House was built in the mid 1960s on the site of an old village hall. There is a suggested extension to the walk along to Mary Clydesdale's Garden and the War Memorial.

In addition to the booklet, a special trail leaflet for children has been produced by pupils in P3/P4 at Portmoak Primary School, with a quiz and other activities.

Even if you are unable to manage the actual walk, the booklet is a fascinating and enjoyable read. Copies are on sale for just £2.00 in local shops, from Kinnesswood in Bloom members or by post – contact Norma Smith 01592 841160 (60p extra for post & packing).

Congratulations to all involved in producing this excellent guide.



Scotlandwell Wash House 150th anniversary fundraising

The Wash House in Scotlandwell was constructed as part of an ambitious village enhancement scheme conceived and funded by Thomas Bruce of Arnot, a local landowner, between 1857 and 1860.

The eminent Victorian architect David Bryce, whose commissions included Fettes College and the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, was employed by Bruce to draw up plans for the creation of an ornamental Well and neighbouring Wash House, an unusually elegant building for its purpose. As part of the upgrading project a large and beautiful walled garden containing exotic trees and shrubs was created between the Wash House and the main road on the former Peat Hill, the land where the villagers had once stacked their peat to dry. A communal bleachfield, known as The Green, was also laid out.

Following the introduction of piped water supplies to the houses in the village, the use of the Wash House gradually declined. It has not been operational since the early 1960s.

Despite the fact that it is in need of a considerable amount of repair, it retains a distinguished look.

The Wash House is now in perilous condition and needs to be put into good order, given a long term use and cared for as soon as possible.

Initially we need to raise £500 locally as the Scotlandwell in Bloom contribution towards the commissioning of a professional team to work with us developing our project to the stage that we can submit a funding application to a range of funders, including the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF).

A pre-application submission to the HLF was met positively and a full application has been invited. We will also be seeking capital funding from other funders.

We need funding to develop our ideas to fully describe what we intend to do, gain a clear understanding of how much it will cost and to bring together the key skills to deliver a successful outcome.

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well before the deadline if you can**

Free hire mobility scooters now available at the pier

Kinross-shire Partnership are pleased to announce that mobility scooters are now available for free hire from Kinross Pier. Thanks are due to Historic Scotland and the Montgomery Hotel Group/Kinross Estates for their generous co-operation in making this happen. Scooters will be available from 10am to 4pm until the end of October. Simon Lennox and his team from Historic Scotland will handle bookings. You may telephone on 01577 862670. Loch Leven's Larder generously continue to provide this free service: bookings from the Larder should be made on 01592 841000. Please be patient as staff deal with the scooters in addition to their normal duties!

Lindsay Cant, who continues to help producing membership cards and usage data, is pictured here with Neil, one of the Historic Scotland staff



Scooters are now available for free hire from Kinross Pier

Loch Leven Community Library

Over the summer months our younger readers at the library have been taking part in the Space Hop Reading Challenge. For those who have successfully completed the challenge and read six books, there is a medal ceremony on **Monday 30 August** at 1600 hours in the library.

We have recently received many new titles for both adult and children's stock and always welcome readers, whether visiting for the first time or our frequent users, to enjoy our facilities. In addition to our traditional stock we also have Wi-Fi, free computer access, magazines and newspapers and a soft drinks machine.

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Old Times, New Places

Kinross-shire Day Centre visits Community Campus

'Old Times, New Places' is a partnership project with P&KC Community Learning and Development staff, the Kinross-shire Day Centre, Loch Leven Community Library and Kinross Museum. This ongoing project began in April 2010 has provided three opportunities so far to encourage a group of older people to use the services at Loch Leven Community Campus that can be beneficial to them.



Visitors from the Day Centre enjoy the facilities at the Community Campus

The library staff introduced the visitors to the library facilities, in particular home delivery services, DVDs and large print books. The museum has made available material from Kinross-shire's past which has encouraged reminiscence among the group and has also been of benefit to the museum as the group have also provided them with local knowledge regarding historic information. Wedding photographs from the 1930's to 1950's were of great interest! The Community Learning and Development staff encouraged reminiscence through discussion and the group have chosen specific topics, the most recent included a discussion about T in the Park and local events of the past. Photographs of Balado as a wartime airfield were shown along with the current T in the Park website – there was much interest and amusement at some of the campsite accommodation.

The most recent visit also included a tour of the campus as the clients had expressed an interest in seeing the Kinross High School areas in particular – there was much discussion on schooldays then and now!

Through these visits the older people are more informed, motivated and confident to access and use campus facilities to enhance their daily lives. This is reflected in their comments as they have said that visiting the campus is most enjoyable and would like to visit on a regular basis.

If you are an elderly person who would like to be included in these visits, please contact the Community Capacity Building Team:

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01577 867124

(Senior Community Capacity Building Worker)

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(Community Learning Assistant)

Commemorative balloon release at Kirkgate Park

The Scottish Cot Death Trust invites the Kinross community to join their Balloon Release at Kirkgate Park, Kinross on **Saturday 11 September** at 2pm, to remember the many children throughout Scotland who have been tragically lost to cot death – by releasing a balloon in their memory.



Why not join the balloon release at Kirkgate Park in September?

Cot death has claimed the lives of 1510 children throughout Scotland in the last 25 years, since the Trust was founded. Balloon releases will be taking place throughout Scotland to commemorate the Trust's 25th Anniversary, and a balloon will be released for each life tragically cut short.

There will be an opportunity to enter into a Balloon Race – each balloon tag will be individually numbered – and can be bought for a small donation. Each tag will have a unique number and a message to contact the Trust to say that it has been found. Whichever tag has travelled the furthest will receive a prize. There will also be other activities/stalls on the day.

The Trust is the only charity in Scotland dealing with the issue of cot death and with one baby dying every nine days, it is still vitally important that the Trust is able to support parents, educate professionals to best prevent and deal with cot death and research ways to prevent these tragedies happening in the first place.

Since 1985, the Trust has invested more than £3 million in research and succeeded in helping to significantly reduce the number of healthy babies dying each year. They have also developed a range of Scotland-wide support services for bereaved families, which include home visits (from a specialist nurse), counselling, befriending and support during and after subsequent pregnancies.

If you would like to find out more about your local balloon release, please contact Wilma Carragher on 01577 865228. If you would like to find out more about the work of the Scottish Cot Death Trust, how you can get involved or if you would like to give a donation, please call the Trust offices on 0141 357 3946.

You can also email contact@scottishcotdeathtrust.org, or visit www.scottishcotdeathtrust.org.

Please support the Scottish Cot Death Trust in your area!

Community Website

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Do you know an unsung hero?

Bighearted Scotland is seeking nominations for this year's Bighearted Scotland Awards. If you know someone who has done extraordinary things to help others, Bighearted Scotland want to hear from you.

Each year, Bighearted Scotland presents a range of awards to Scots from all walks of life; unsung heroes who have made a real difference to others. Bighearted Scotland also honours personalities from the worlds of stage, screen and sport who have made a significant contribution to helping those less fortunate.

To make your nomination, please visit the website at www.bigheartedscotland.org

Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards

On 16 July, twelve pupils from Kinross attended Holyrood Palace to be presented with their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Awards by HRH the Duke of Edinburgh. The actual certificates were handed to them by Stuart Webster and Katy Roberts from Tay FM. The Gold Award presentation is the climax of up to three years of hard work during which the young people had to complete five sections of the award: service to the community, physical, develop a skill, expedition work and a week's residential stay. All the young people demonstrated incredible commitment in overcoming the challenges of the Award scheme. These young people are role models, setting a positive example to their peers and other young people. It will also help them in the future as the Gold Award is recognised by universities and employers as the mark of a very special person. Their parents would like to congratulate them and say how very proud they are of them.



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Ray Mears to receive RSGS medal in Perth

Bushcraft expert Ray Mears will appear at Perth Concert Hall in October. Bringing together 30 years of study with a compelling story of wilderness, wildlife and the bushcraft skills necessary for survival, it is sure to be a fascinating presentation for the whole family to enjoy.

While in Scotland, Mears will be presented with the Mungo Park medal by the Royal Scottish Geographical Society. The medal is "in recognition of outstanding contributions to Geographical knowledge through exploration and/or research, and/or work of a practical nature of benefit to humanity in potentially hazardous physical and/or social environments." Previous recipients of RSGS medals include Sir David Attenborough, Neil Armstrong, Captain R F Scott, RN and Ernest H Shackleton, CVO.

Both Mears' medal presentation and illustrated talk will take place on 28 October commencing at 8pm in Perth Concert Hall. Tickets are £21 plus booking fee and are available from Perth Concert Hall and the website www.horsecross.co.uk



Ray Mears

Photo: Steven Hutton/Electric Egg

Portmoak Gala, 26 June

Once again the sun came out for this year's Portmoak Gala, which began as usual with a grand procession from Portmoak Church down to the Well Green. The Tullis Russell Mills Brass Band led the march, and at the Green Megan Morton was crowned with due ceremony as the 2010 Gala Queen.

There were some interesting new additions to the festivities this year, with the dog agility competition in particular proving very popular with the crowd. Those of us with not so well behaved dogs of our own could only look on enviously as the (mostly) well trained and obedient canines were put through their paces over the obstacle course! Well done to the organisers and all who helped or contributed for their hard work in giving us such a grand afternoon out.



Gala Queen Megan Morton with her escort, Jordan Ritchie

Businesses move into Bridgend

A new industrial unit at the Bridgend Industrial Estate is due for completion this month, with a further one due to be built by November. The units are the third and fourth developments on the site by Cameron Harris Design & Build Ltd, a Dunfermline company.

Director Neil Harris said, "The two buildings that are currently under construction will form regional depots for Inchinnan based Fairways GM Ltd and Forfar based Agri car Ltd, who have both identified Kinross as an ideal place to operate their business to service their respective markets in East Central Scotland."

Local Councillor Sandy Miller visited the business park last month to check on progress, saying "I very much welcome the development in Kinross and hope to see more projects in the future at Bridgend."



Councillor Sandy Miller and Director, Neil Harris

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Local Councillor's comments on TAYplan Main Issues Report

Local Councillor Michael Barnacle held six public meetings in the rural areas of Kinross-shire between March and June 2010 to hear residents' views on the Council's preparation for the new single development plan. There was also some discussion of the TAYplan Main Issues Report.

What is TAYplan? Scottish Ministers designated new Strategic Development Planning Authorities (SDPAs) under the Planning etc (Scotland) Act 2006. TAYplan is the SDPA for Dundee city, Perth and Kinross, Angus and north Fife. The TAYplan Main Issues Report considers the big changes that will shape the next 20 years and focuses on the key issues that need to be considered when drawing up a strategic plan for this area for the years 2012 – 2032.

Following the public meetings, Cllr Barnacle wrote to the TAYplan Strategic Development Planning Authority on 27 June with the comments below.

TAYPLAN MAIN ISSUES REPORT 2012 – 2032

I refer to the above and to the briefing event I attended in Perth on 15 April 2010.

I have held six public meetings in the rural areas of Kinross-shire between March & June 2010, ostensibly in relation to Perth & Kinross Council's (PKC) new single development plan preparation but touching on the above, which PKC debated on 24 February 2010. Following these, I write now to appraise of my views on the above, viz:

INFRASTRUCTURE

The authorities, both local and central, should recognise the significance of increased traffic speed and volumes (especially HGV's) on the A977 (a strategic diversionary route at times of Forth Road Bridge closures) and its impact on the communities affected in west Kinross-shire. A petition signed by over 1,000 residents from the area to the Scottish Parliament for funding of mitigation measures has been dismissed as 'a local council responsibility'. However, there is nothing in PKC's capital budget, despite my requests and the Council attending the Kincardine Bridge public inquiry in 2004 and promoting a package of measures needed costing in excess of £1m. I note that such measures are featured at No. 19 of the TACTRAN Delivery Plan (Annual Report 2008/09) 'when budgets allow'. I remain highly critical of Transport Scotland who have signed the new Clackmannan Bridge to direct traffic for the M90 from the central belt along the A977 rather than the A9 or A985, contrary to representations.

There is strong support in Kinross-shire for the restoration of a rail link between Edinburgh & Perth through our county, which I have long advocated. Policy 46 of PKC's current Kinross Area Local Plan seeks to protect the railway line south of Kinross to the Plan boundary near Cowdenbeath and I note that Project 28 of the Strategic Transport Project's Review is a rail link from Halbeath to Inverkeithing, 'when budgets allow'.

I have been unable to obtain clarity from Scottish Water regarding their planned upgrades of treatment plants in the area.

I suggest that, in the current financial climate, Infrastructure investment is not keeping pace with current requirements of development, before we embrace growth levels projected. It is important that Tayplan recognises the strong migration relationships with Edinburgh and the impact of development and infrastructure proposals outwith the Tayplan area i.e. housing expansion at Dunfermline & Kelty in Fife, Forestmill in Clackmannan; new Forth Road/Rail crossings, etc.

HOUSING GROWTH & POPULATION PROJECTIONS

I note that PKC is the fastest growing part of the Tayplan area, with migration a key driver, particularly due to the Council's successful marketing of its area. A recent questionnaire in the Fossoway area of Kinross-shire showed that the majority of residents travelled some distance to their place of work, often commuting outside PKC. I also understand that PKC is the largest employer in Perth. In the current economic climate, I question where is the job creation within PKC to sustain the level of housing growth being planned for?

The 2006 based GRO population/household projections have been used to inform the Report (+ 16% for PKC) but the newly released and increased 2008 based figures will have to be taken into account. At the PKC debate on 24 February 2010 I urged caution about blandly accepting imperfect government growth predictions, based on an imperfect science and regretting that no lower growth option was provided for consultation, as in the past. In PKC we have gone from planning for 3% growth in our Structure Plan to a rate of 22% in our Single Outcome Agreement (SOA), with senior SNP politicians referring in February 2010 to a yet higher percentage in the next 25 years, making our area the fastest growing part of Scotland. I made it clear at PKC in May 2009 under Standing Order 46 that I did not support the

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Local Councillor's comments on TAYplan Main Issues Report (continued)

level of housing growth proposed and predicted on the latest government projections as contained in the SOA; it poses serious demographic challenges and I remained opposed to the Council-led priority encompassed therein, endorsing a rate of growth and inherent housing density which I viewed as **'neither desirable nor sustainable from an environmental perspective'**. I appeared at the time to be alone in that view; however, several councillors appeared to agree and contributed to our discussions on 24 February 2010 when I called for a grown-up debate over acceptance of these growth figures in the current economic climate. **Tayside is not immune from what is happening elsewhere in Britain and this Report is important in the context of the duty we have to our current constituents in addressing a level of growth that is desirable and sustainable for our environment; currently it is too high!**

My concerns around acceptance of these growth projections particularly relate to PKC administration's vision to achieve the concept of a Greater Perth (population threshold 60,000) and resultant city status, which I believe could create conflict between green belt preservation and growth in the outer villages. Also, it is essential to curtail the level of growth in Kinross-shire, which if one extrapolated past trends between 2006-2020 would be the highest in PKC and unsustainable in the opinion of our planning officers.

I note that in Policy Guidance approved by PKC in January 2010 the updated Housing Land Requirement 2008-2020 for the Kinross-shire Local Plan Area was 855 houses and the correlation between this figure and the proposed range for average yearly build under Tayplan Option 2 (Preferred) between 2012 & 2032 of 70 for Kinross (840 houses over a 12 year period). Interestingly, the Tayplan Spatial Strategy Option A that suggests most development should be concentrated in Perth & Dundee Core Areas (Tier 1) and identifies Tier 2 strategic development allocations for

Kinross/Milnathort is supported by me, subject to the overriding caveat of reducing the level of growth to a more sustainable and manageable percentage.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

This aspect of the Report highlights the impact of development driven by population growth on the environment and I wish to strongly endorse its conclusions.

Particularly I agree with a strong approach of avoiding development in flood risk areas, highlighted in November 2009 by councillors on PKC's environment committee and my support for Spatial Strategy A is mainly because it would not lead to over-development of small rural settlements unsuited to growth.

I also noted the following potential impacts viz:

1. The biodiversity and water quality of Lochleven (a European conservation site where the issue of phosphorous mitigation is a significant problem at present). Lochleven Catchment Management policies must be rigorous and enforced.
2. Increased pressures on water quality and air pollution.
3. Significant loss of prime agricultural land.
4. Increase in waste going to landfill (in direct conflict with national policy) unless we embrace energy from waste.
5. Over-development of more rural settlements could undermine the quality of the landscape (the AGLV's – whose extension and retention I support – in Kinross-shire have been subjected already to inappropriate development) leading to settlements losing their traditional character.

I trust you may find my above comments helpful in finalising your Report. Please let me know if you require clarity on any points or any background documentation.

Cllr Michael A. Barnacle
Independent Member for Kinross-shire

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Caledonia Play celebrates 10th Anniversary

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She added: "As a small family business we can offer customers a personal touch. Many people need guidance and advice on which play equipment to choose and they can pick up the phone and speak to our knowledgeable staff. We also work closely with teachers and schools to ensure our equipment is meeting curriculum needs as well as providing fun and exercise."

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Community Learning and Development Senior Community Capacity Building Worker



Dear Community Members

I am Tracey Ramsay, the Senior Community Capacity Worker for Kinross-shire, Bridge of Earn, Glenfarg and Abernethy. My role is to support individuals, groups and organisations to play a full and meaningful role in their neighbourhoods, inform local service developments, celebrate achievements and achieve their goals. To do this I support groups to develop the skills and knowledge they require promoting involvement so they can be open, accountable, active and have opportunities to develop links with other community organisations. Some of the services I provide to support the development of groups are:



Tracey Ramsay

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- Where and how to access funding and help with funding applications.
- Promoting networking opportunities.
- Advice and guidance on setting up a group, constitutions, planning and evaluating what your group does.
- Developing training programs for local groups and organisations relevant to their specific requirements.
- Support & promote partnership working in the area.

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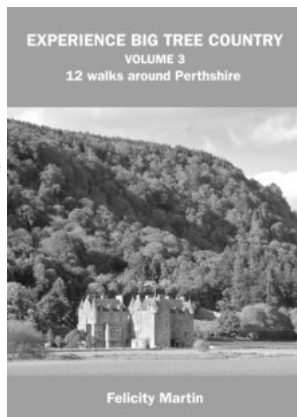
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Burleigh in latest walks book

A walk from Burleigh Sands to Loch Leven's Larder and Burleigh Castle is featured in the latest volume of *Experience Big Tree Country – 12 walks around Perthshire*. The author, Felicity Martin, said, "Castles are a theme in volume 3. The book cover shows Castle Menzies set against the backdrop of Weem Wood, which is on the Aberfeldy walk. This is an apt image, as it was in the castle's walled garden that Archibald Menzies – the Perthshire plant hunter who discovered many American trees that now grace our landscapes – started his working life."



Speaking at the launch of the book, Perth and Kinross Countryside Trust chairman Bob Ellis said, "Walkers will find this guide an inspiration for summer walking, taking them to places as varied as the seashore near Invergowrie to the cool depths of Rannoch Forest."

Felicity added, "Both locals and visitors will find the guide contains plenty of walks that are new to them, since it includes many previously unpublished walks."

The volumes of *Experience Big Tree Country – 12 walks around Perthshire* cost £3.95 each and are available at bookshops and visitor centres throughout Perthshire, and other outlets frequented by walkers such as outdoor shops, garden centres, farm shops and tearooms. More information is available at www.catkinpress.com

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Holiday Time

The holiday season is with us once again and with that comes the season's problems. During this time of year we experience petty thefts from our gardens, and our sheds and outhouses may be broken into. When out and about at our local beauty spots, whether it is within the Kinross area or further a field, our vehicles might be subject to a break in.

As always CRIME PREVENTION should be paramount. PLEASE don't leave property lying unattended in gardens. Always LOCK sheds and outhouses. NEVER LEAVE any valuables in cars and remember to secure the car when leaving it. If you see anything suspicious please report it immediately. Try to note as much detail as possible about the suspicious person: their description, clothing worn and what made you suspicious. If they have a vehicle, note the colour, make, registration number and direction of travel if on the move. I know you don't always have all this information but please report as much as you can remember. If you have property stolen, please try and give as full a description as possible, as this helps us to identify it if found. Don't forget, if you are going on a journey with your car, remember to check your car before your set off!

Children's Safety

Hopefully the summer is here and our children are able to enjoy the better weather. We want our children to have fun and be safe. As parents it is up to us to try to teach our children, help them how to play safely and understand the

dangers that they may find. As children I'm sure we all remember our parents asking us "where are you going", "who are you going with", "when will you be back"? How did you feel then, what did you think, did you understand what your parents were trying to say?

Our children probably feel and think the same as we did, cannot understand what the problems are, and don't intentionally misbehave. They don't see a STRANGER as a danger, they can't understand that sometimes places are unsafe to play, they forget the time and don't mean to get lost or worry you.

So THINK, maybe spend a little bit of extra time with your children, ask them questions and more importantly let them ask you questions before they venture into the big world on their own. No matter what age they are!

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- the advancement of citizenship and community development within the County of Kinross-shire including support for community events, support for community information, community transport and community welfare (including health care support), support for physical amenities, recreational facilities, voluntary organisations and financial support for care of the elderly;
- the prevention and relief of poverty within the County of Kinross-shire and
- the advancement of education within the County of Kinross-shire.

Grant Making Policy and Conditions

Applications will only be considered for those projects or causes which relate to the County of Kinross-shire and which fall into the charitable purposes outlined above.

The decision as to whether or not to grant assistance lies at the sole discretion of the Kinross Community Council. No explanation will be given for any decision of the Community Council and there is no appeal against any decision of the Community Council.

Preference will be given to applications for specific projects with a clearly defined outcome.

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Applications

Applications should take the form of a general submission.

This should be limited to **not more than two sides of A4 paper**. It is important that the general submission covers the following points and requirements:

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- a brief outline of the project, its aims and how you intend to meet them;
- how your project complies with the charitable purposes of KCCNL outlined above;
- what benefit your project will bring and to which sector of the community;
- the anticipated start date of the project and its duration;
- how you would apply the Grant requested and what criteria are to be used to assess the success or failure of the project;
- the amount requested from KCCNL

Depending upon the scale of the project and the amount of Grant assistance requested, the CC may seek further details regarding the project.

Deadline

Applications, once complete, should be submitted to the Secretary of the CC, Margaret Scott prior to

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Kinross Community Council

News from the July Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 7 July were: CCllrs C Watson (Chair), B Davies, D Colliar, D Cuthbert, J Richardson, L Mackay, D Mackay, M Blyth, M Scott and two members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from CCllrs I Jack and W Freeman and P&K Cllr K Baird.

Police Report: There was no Police representation.

Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

Flags at the County Buildings: It was noted that there are now two flags flying at the County Buildings. Mr Alexander also presented five Scottish flags to CCllr Blyth; these are available for use by any organisation.



Flags flying at the County Buildings

Planning: CCllr Davies raised the planning question with Nick Brian. He confirmed that the CC has 21 days to lodge an objection/reservation in relation to a planning application. Should there be an issue of concern over any application, and the deadline for comment is outwith the date of the next CC meeting, then the CC should forward a holding letter and, if agreed, this can be followed up with reasons for the objection. However, the Council would prefer if we were able to adhere to the 21-day rule. It was accepted that it is not always possible for the CC to make such planning decisions in public (due to the 21-day rule), however, as elected representatives of the community, it is within our remit to decide on such issues outwith a public meeting. It was noted that the 21 days' compliance is a key performance indicator for the Planning Department and they are monitored on the turnaround of planning applications etc. A response was also received from Gordon McFarlane who apologised for the confusion caused, but commented that the two emails were answering slightly different questions and to two different

recipients with different interests. He continued that "additional time is not given to CCs beyond the 21 days specified in their consultation (i.e. if they wish to submit a comment within the timescales given in that consultation and thus have it considered as "valid" for various P&KC procedures). A "Late" letter from a CC cannot be counted towards the total of six "valid" objections which are needed in some circumstances to require an application to be referred to the Council's Development Control Committee. As a "Late" letter is not counted as valid, the CC would not be informed of any Committee Meeting and would not be invited to speak at the Committee. However, a "Late" letter is still a letter to the Council about an application and may raise a "material consideration" not raised by other letters. Accordingly, it will still be passed to the Case Officer to consider, if the Case Officer's Report has not yet been completed. In this particular case, the Case Officer was aware that this application was taking some time to determine and that HE would, therefore, still consider a "Late" letter. In addition, in relation to 77 Muirs, there were already six valid letters of objection so it was already clear that any proposed approval (if that turned out to be the Case Officer's final recommendation) would have to be referred to the Committee. The Council, however, is anxious to receive CC

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Newsletter grants: The advert in the July Newsletter states that preference will be given to capital projects. In previous years, consideration has also been made to the running costs incurred by organisations. The Chairman will arrange for a correction to be made in the August Newsletter. Funds will be allocated in September. It was mentioned that the Editor suffered a family bereavement at the weekend. It was agreed that the CC forward a bouquet of flowers with our sympathies.

High School Site

The Chairman commented on the volume of press publicity and speculation over the last month in relation to this site. The closing date was in June, offers received would now have been considered, and the acceptable offer confirmed. Various parties have made allegations as to the lack of consultation on the part of the Council. The Chairman referred to the relevant Act (1973) and read out excerpts from this. There is an obligation on the Council when selling land to get the best consideration. This has since been updated with a new provision allowing them discretionary powers to consider offers in relation to a number of criteria, i.e. economic development/ regeneration, environmental wellbeing and social wellbeing. The monies received from the sale of this site will offset the expense incurred in the construction of the campus. The Chairman advised that the Council were under no statutory obligation to consult with the community on the offers received. Consultation would be invited during the planning process and that would be the time to comment. CCllr Colliar stated that comments should be raised at the "outline planning stage" and not when the application is received for detailed planning. It was further added that the Scottish Ministers are notified of this type of application and have the power to step in and make a decision on the proposal. The local Councillors were asked previously to try to persuade the Council to accept the "best" offer for the community.

CCllr Cuthbert commented that the Council should be looking at this site and considering the needs of the community. He commented that the Local Plan refers to affordable housing. He also commented on the 2003 Act in relation to consultation with the community. CCllr Cuthbert maintained that the Statutes required P&KC to get best value, not necessarily best consideration. CCllr Watson answered that this related to services and not the sale of land. CCllr Watson was concerned to have heard that there were threats to try to prevent the sale of the school site by another Common Good action similar to that employed for the Town Hall. CCllr Cuthbert thought there were no Business Case for the sale of the land to the highest bidder and the Council should withdraw the property from the market and carry out a consultation exercise with the community. CCllr Watson replied that the CC had no powers to request this, and should not interfere with the bidding process. CCllr Cuthbert advised that he has written on a personal level to the Council complaining as to the procedures followed.

A question was also raised by a member of the public regarding drainage and the 125 per cent quota for countryside development - this was discussed.

There was also a question mark over part of the plot which is believed to be Common Good. CCllr Colliar answered that this was transferred to the Tennis Courts in Station Road.

Planning Applications

10/00870/FLL Sainsbury's Supermarket; Alteration and extension to existing supermarket (Modification of existing consent 09/00802/FLL).

10/00639/TW 11 School Wynd: Removal of tree (too close to house).

10/01046/FLL 41 High Street: Alterations and extension to dwelling house including demolition of existing ancillary buildings.

10/01053/IPL 3 Brewery Lane: Erection of a dwelling house, associated access and parking area (in principle).

10/00825/FLL 26 High Street: Installation of new window in ground floor flat.

10/01074/FLL Chance Inn Farmhouse: Alteration to house and erection of a detached garage.

10/01121/FLL Millers Bar: Alterations, change of use and sub-division of existing public house to form betting office and first floor flat.

10/01054/CON 3 Brewery Lane: Demolition of outbuilding.

10/01092/FLL Stewart Funeral Directors, Queich Place: Erection of a Funeral Operation Centre (The CC was notified of this application by the Council).

10/01133/FLL 86 Muirs: Alterations and extension to dwelling house.

10/00987/FLL Gairneybridge Farm Cottage: Submitted and then withdrawn.

There were no objections to any of the above.

Applications Determined by P&KC

13 Avenue Road, Conservatory; Sainsbury's Plant area; 1 Ladeside, conservatory; 43 Springfield Park, conservatory; 05/02457/FLM Scottish Motor Auction, proposed residential development and ancillary works, Scottish Motor Auction, 72 dwelling houses and 125 flats (Withdrawn); 39 Lathro Park, extension to house.

Swansacre: It was noted that no planning application has been submitted yet. As the Councillors were absent we were unable to obtain an update. CCllr Watson will speak to CCllr Baird in relation to this matter.

Entrance Gateway to Kinross: The proposals and plans were circulated. Planning permission has been received. The CC supports this proposal.

Report from Councillors

There were none present this evening. CCllr Baird confirmed by email that the sign was damaged when removed and that a new sign will be erected as soon as possible.

Town Hall Site

CCllr Watson attended a number of meetings recently in relation to the proposals submitted by Kinross Partnership.

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He commented that the reaction from P&KC is positive. A closing date for offers has been set for the beginning of August. It was questioned whether it would be possible to persuade P&KC to extend this deadline for a short period to allow the Partnership time to finalise their proposals. The Chair and Vice-Chair will raise this with the Council.

Correspondence

P&KC Countryside Ranger Service Newsletter, Spring 2010: available online www.pkc.gov.uk/countryside

Hall Rental: The CC is now paying the rental for the Masonic Hall direct.

SEPA View, Summer 2010.

Mobility Scooters: See Article on p. 10.

Communities Conference: Saturday 2 October to be held at Holyrood. Public meeting planned to promote this Conference to be held on Monday 12 July at Perth Concert Hall.

Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan Main Issues Report Consultation: information available online at www.pkc.gov.uk. The Council will hold a public consultation when the report is published later in the year. Meeting with representatives from various groups to gain input into the ideal forms that the consultation could take to be held on Tuesday 13 July. Councillor Richardson will attend.

Food and Garden Waste: Notification from P&KC regarding changes to the food and garden waste to take effect from 19 July. The collection has increased from 1000 tonnes in May 2009 to 1900 tonnes in May 2010. As a result a number of measures are to be put in place over the summer period. Information appears on the Council website; comments from the public welcome.

Pharmacy Application: Notification of a proposal to open a new pharmacy at 108-114 High Street. The public are invited to make comment on the above application by 12 noon on 4 August and can phone 0800 232 1657 or email primarycareservices.tayside@nhs.net. The CC's opinion is that another pharmacy is not required and NHS Tayside are to be advised accordingly.

Newsletter grants: A funding request was received from Kinross & District Town Twinning Association.

Other Business

Campus - CLD Partnership: It was confirmed that Councillors Richardson and L Mackay attend these meetings.

T in the Park: Councillor Jack had questioned the use of horns at T in the Park. They are banned from the site, but the position on the campsite was unclear.

Station Road: Councillor D Mackay commented that three flower beds in this area have been removed. It was confirmed that this was carried out some time ago.

THE NEXT MEETING of Kinross CC will be held at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday 4 August at 7.30 pm.

Councillor Colliar tendered his apologies for the next meeting.

Agenda for August Meeting of Kinross CC

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Minutes of July meeting.
3. Police Report.
4. Matters arising from minutes of July meeting.
5. Planning Matters.
6. Reports from P&K Councillors.
7. Miscellaneous correspondence.
8. Other Competent Business.
9. Date of next meeting

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Milnathort Community Council

News from the July Meeting

CCllr Giacopazzi, Chairman, welcomed CCllrs Thomson, Smith, Bennet, Halford, Cottingham and Milne-Home to the meeting held on Thursday 8 July in Heaven Scent. He extended a particular welcome to CCllrs Halford and Milne-Home and congratulated them on their election to the CC. Also in attendance were Minute Secretary E Rougvie, P&K Cllrs Robertson and Baird, Diane Cassidy of Placecheck, two P&KC roads engineers and six members of the public. Apologies were received from CCllr Hamilton.

Office-bearers: CCllr Bennet agreed to continue as Treasurer. CCllr Giacopazzi stepped down as Chairman but will continue as Secretary. After discussion, it was agreed to defer the appointment of a Chairman until CCllr Hamilton could be present. CCllr Giacopazzi then handed over to CCllr Cottingham, who conducted the rest of the meeting.

Election: CCllr Giacopazzi reported that the turnout at the CC election had been very poor. This was considered to be because its timing did not allow for publicity to be optimised.

Payment for premises: the meeting had had to be re-located to Heaven Scent at the last minute because the Town Hall was not available, and after discussion it was agreed that the proprietor should be remunerated. He was asked to submit an invoice.

South Street zebra crossing: the P&KC officials had brought along drawings that showed four different options for a zebra crossing in South Street, as had been proposed during the Placecheck exhibition. There followed a lengthy discussion about the proposals, which were not in line with opinions expressed by the CC at the last meeting. The drawings showed the zebra crossing between the hairdresser's and the Royal Hotel, a location that the CC had already ruled out due to concerns about congestion and the potential impact on local businesses resulting from a loss of parking spaces. The CC had considered that the War Memorial would be a better site and were disappointed that P&KC appeared to have misunderstood this. However there is no reason why a zebra crossing cannot be located at the War Memorial and the proposal will be followed up, along with a proposal to extend the bus stop at the Royal Bank (without encroaching on any parking spaces) and to widen the pavement at several points along South Street. In response to a concern by CCllr Giacopazzi, the issue of speeding traffic on Perth Road will also be addressed. The officials were thanked for their input.

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Correspondence

- E-mail from Diane Cassidy indicating that mobile scooters are available at The Pier, Kinross, until the end of October (*See Article, p. 10*).
- Press release from P&KC advising of temporary changes to the brown-lidded bin arrangements from 19 July due to the high uptake of the service. As of this date only one brown-lidded bin will be permitted per household. Those who already have two can continue to use them but only one will be uplifted. No more brown-lidded bins will be distributed this summer in order to allow the council to deal with the high volume of waste.
- E-mail from P&KC advising that signage about waiting restrictions in New Road is to be replaced.
- E-mail from P&KC about Perth and Kinross Community Transport Fund, which has £30,000 available to local groups who need help running transport. A maximum grant of £10,000 can be applied for and the money is distributed on a 'first come, first served' basis. Further information can be found at www.pkgrantsdirect.com

Planning matters

- Relaxation of opening hours at Heaven Scent to allow opening on Sundays between 10am and 5pm. CCllr Bennet expressed concerns that a letter accompanying the application seemed to indicate that the CC were in favour of the application despite the fact that it had not yet been discussed. It was important that the CC remained impartial. However following discussion the application was noted.
- Extension to house at 54 North Street: Noted.
- Extension to house and erection of conservatory at 129 South Street. Noted.

Other business

South Street notice board: CCllr Bennet has asked for a quote from a signmaker to improve the CC notice board in South Street, as it is being affected by condensation.

Future CC meetings: CCllr Bennet has written to P&KC indicating eight dates the school was required for CC meetings; however these cannot be confirmed until the new term begins. From 9 September, meetings will begin at 7pm, and an alternative venue will have to be found for the October meeting because of the school holidays.

Rural broadband funding: CCllr Milne-Home advised that funding was available to help rural communities improve broadband speeds and he felt this was something that should be encouraged. After discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Baird will get more information and that CCllr Giacopazzi will follow it up as and when required.

Site of former proposed rifle range: CCllr Cottingham expressed concerns about the state of the site near Tillyrie which had been earmarked as a rifle range. People were now parking there and leaving litter. CCllr Thomson had also written to the rifle club urging them to tidy it up.

NEXT MEETING: There will be no meeting of Milnathort CC in August, but the next meeting will take place on **Thursday 9 September in Milnathort Primary School at 7pm.**

Milnathort CC minutes are posted on www.kinross.cc

Deadline for all Submissions
2.00 pm, MONDAY 16 August
for publication on Saturday 28 August

Cleish & Blairadam CC

News from the June Meeting

The Cleish and Blairadam CC met in Cleish Village Hall on Monday 28 June and was attended by five CCllrs, P&K Cllr M Barnacle, five members of the public and the Cleish & Blairadam Newsletter Editor.

T in the Park: Before the beginning of the meeting, the Chairman welcomed Sergeant Sandra Williams who gave a rundown of local arrangements for T in the Park as they affect local residents.

The Chairman then proceeded to the business of the ordinary meeting, and began by welcoming two new members of the CC, Patty Fraser and Fiona Macgregor. This still left a vacancy on the CC and it was hoped that Sandy Morton might reconsider his earlier decision to resign. As things stand, there is a preponderance of members from Cleish and a balance of membership is most desirable. Sandy Morton's presence would be most welcome.

Crime Prevention: Sergeant Williams reported a break-in at Fossoway Church when a considerable amount of damage had been done in the office and £10 stolen.

She appreciated the number of calls concerning strange and wandering vehicles which were very helpful. As regards the hill road there had been an increase of cruising and parked cars on the Kinross-shire side of the hill; it was hoped that the barriers at laybys might help to deter these motorists. Tillhill have moved barriers forward. We are urged to keep up the momentum with Jenny Crick of the Forestry Commission.

Planning

Single Development Plan: P&KC have had around 500 letters and it was asked if the CC should comment now. Cllr Barnacle said there was no reason why not, if anyone felt strongly to submit comments in general. Cleish and Blairadam CC will submit their own comments. There is great pressure for development in Keltybridge.

Planning Applications: The Chairman reported an application for hardstanding for four mobile homes at Greenacres and had submitted the CC's objection. It is regretted that the Planning Department had refused to send anyone to a site meeting, but it was agreed that they should be invited to send someone to the next Community Council meeting. Feeling is running high and a Planner should come to hear what is being said.

Proposed meeting of Rural CCs: Cllr Barnacle had made contact with the Civic Trust and SNH and observed that rural CCs combined with other concerned bodies would have a more powerful voice than comments from individual Councils. He emphasised that the perception that P&KC was not listening must be supported by hard evidence.

Roads: There is the feeling that there is an increase of heavy traffic especially on the B9097 and that more motor cycles are using this road. The use of Satnavs is more common, sometimes with unusual results. (A recent delivery lorry from Edinburgh had no idea where Junction 5 on the M90 was, and turned up in Rumbling Bridge looking for Cleish)

It was agreed that more evidence as to which companies were using the B9097 on a regular basis would be helpful – this item to be postponed until the next meeting.

Telephone Box: The cost of buying the telephone box is the grand total of £1 but there could be other costs such as Public Liability Insurance and of course the maintenance. It was agreed that the Village Hall Committee should be approached and asked if they would be willing to adopt this worthwhile project.

Village Hall Treasure Hunt: This had been a great success and thanks to the organisers had raised around £120. The winners were the Blacks with the Woods as runners up. The sausages and burgers and strawberries served in the Hall at the conclusion were greatly enjoyed – what a blessing the sun shone throughout so that nobody felt an urgent need to go home early.

Equine Practice: Hugh Somerville is holding a presentation in Cleish Village Hall regarding siting his practice in Cleish; this will take place on Thursday 8 July between 2pm – 7.30pm.

Best Kept Village: The judging for this competition will take place sometime during the last two weeks in July. Obviously the organisers of this competition are not aware that many people will be on holiday during that vital time so come on those who are left – it is up to us although we are all aware that everyone else will have done their bit before they go away.

THE NEXT MEETING of Cleish & Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 23 August in the Tabernacle Hall, Blairadam at 7.30pm.

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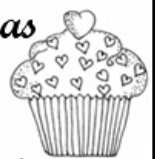
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Club & Community Group News

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The Salix Dementia Trust at Kinross Show

Having first ventured to the show last year, Salix, the local dementia charity, is to be there again this year.

Although information about dementia and the Trust will, of course, be there – and someone to talk to, if needed – this will primarily be a fundraising effort with our well-known jams, jellies, marmalades, chutneys and pickles; and the popular tombola.

We have had to have a big think about how we could carry our usual “coffee morning” cakes to the Kinross Show. There isn’t exactly anywhere to sit and eat a large slice of strawberry gateau! So, we decided that we should produce “carry-out” cakes instead. These will be of the same quality as our more usual fresh cream and chocolate type things!

There will, naturally, be our Genuine Lancashire Eccles Cakes, baked by a Lancashire Woman from a Lancashire Recipe, as well as Raspberry Buns, Madelines, Maids-of-honour, Brownies and many others.

Salix will also be hoping to make connections with people who would like to serve on its Board of Directors during the coming phase of growth.

See you there!

Constance M Tonge, Chief Executive

Kinross Camera Club

Scotland has won a World Cup – two in fact, in photography – though this year Kinross Camera Club was not a direct contributor. On the other hand, one of our own members has for the second year running achieved an acceptance in the highly prestigious Edinburgh Photographic Society International Exhibition. The 148th print Exhibition runs from 8 August to 6 September at Edinburgh Photographic Centre, 68 Great King Street EH3 6QU.

Recent weather has limited the number of evening outings, but we were able to supply a large selection of photographs to Kinross Cycling Club of their first Time Trial. Hopefully the remainder of July and August will allow more venues to be visited.

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Tue 7 September

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St Serf No 327 Regular Meeting at 7.15pm.



Kinross & District Town Twinning Association



The opening of the Red Triangle Café on the last Saturday of June proved a great success. Kinross residents took the opportunity to step back in time and rekindle war-time memories as well as raising money for the Association to host August's visitors from our twin town of Gacé. Kate Millican converted her High Street home into a virtual museum allowing locals to step back in time to the war years. Members of the Kinross & District Town Twinning Association donned war-time costumes to welcome customers to the Red Triangle Café. The Red Triangle is believed to have come from the old YMCA badge. Customers were issued with a "Ration Book" which was duly stamped by the serving ladies based on their purchases at the table. Local people donated all sorts of war-time memorabilia which was displayed on tables and walls around the house. There was even a bomb fragment which had been dropped on Auchtermuchty. Research had shown that Kate's house had been used as a NAAFI by Polish Troops stationed in the area. The research preparations were also helped by Kirkcaldy museum and local residents. The venture raised close on £200.



Stepping back in time at the Red Triangle Café

Veteran twinner Ann Hutton and her two grandchildren, Judith and Gregor Mitchell held a sponsored cycle from their homes in Strathmiglo, around Loch Leven and back to Strathmiglo. The sponsored cycle raised over £150.

The recent "French Towns' Quiz Sheet" raised over £30 with Chris Pilling being the winning entry. Anne Harley and Paul Boyce came second equal.

Our French guests arrive at the new community campus late afternoon on **Sunday 1 August**.

Perth's Lord Provost, John Hulbert, has invited the French party to the City Chambers in Perth for a civic reception at 1pm on the Monday afternoon, with the party spending the afternoon exploring the Fair City.

Tuesday sees the party take an open top bus tour of Glasgow, stopping off at the main attractions, not forgetting the shops! An evening meal at the Grange Manor Hotel will be taken en route back to Kinross.

Wednesday will be a free day for hosts and families.

Thursday afternoon will see a car treasure hunt finish off with a barbecue followed by the traditional boules contest between Kinross and Gacé.

Friday sees another day trip, this time to Highland Perthshire taking in tourist attractions at Bankfoot, Dunkeld and Pitlochry.

Saturday is a second free day for hosts and families with Sunday providing the conclusion of this year's twinning visit when everyone attends the popular Ceilidh Dinner at the Thistle Hotel in Milnathort. During the week, Gacé President Michel Brodin will tour the Kinross-shire shops looking for a winner of the Andrew Reid Memorial Shield (best shop window display with a French theme).

The party will assemble for an 8am departure on the Monday morning to say their fond farewells.



Kinross & District Town Twinning Association



French Connection Shop Window Competition 1-9 August

Brighten up our village for the forthcoming Summer Visit of our Twin Town Gacé, Normandy, 1 - 9 August.

The "Andrew Reid" memorial shield is awarded to the local business or shop which has made an effort to celebrate our 36 year link with Gacé by having a "French Themed" window display.

Michel Brodin, president of the Gacé Twinning Association will be invited to judge the window displays during the August visit. At the end of the week Michel will present the winning premises with the shield and press publicity will be invited to attend.

How to enter is simple: just decorate your premises and we coordinate the judging and presentation ceremony.

If you have any questions contact secretary David Munro (tel. 01577 862126) or email d_g_munro@hotmail.com

Lancastria Association of Scotland

Reg Scottish Charity No SCO39936

The 17th June 2010 was the 70th anniversary of the sinking of the troopship Lancastria off St Nazaire in 1940 with the loss of around 6,000 lives. Special memorial services were held in Edinburgh and St Nazaire, France. Following the Remembrance Service in the morning of 17 June at the memorial in St Nazaire, survivors and families were taken out to the buoy which marks the wreck site. A service was held on board and wreaths laid on the waters above the wreck.

70th Lancastria Anniversary Brochures were superbly produced for the French Services of Remembrance. In both English and French they are full of interesting information and photographs, providing a wonderful record for this special year in the history of the Lancastria.

The brochures can be purchased at £5.00 each inc postage. ALL PROFIT WILL GO TO THE LANCASTRIA MEMORIAL FUND.

Apply with cheque made out to the Lancastria Memorial Fund and your postal address to Mrs F. Symon, Hawthorn Vale, Gairney Bank, Kinross KY13 9JX

*Fiona H. T. Symon, Chair
Lancastria Association of Scotland*

Kinross Museum



In July, with the help of a growing band of Museum volunteers, considerable progress was made on indexing a unique collection of wedding photo press cuttings dating back to 1930, as well as obituaries and feature articles from our holding of a complete run of Kinross Community Newsletters. To assist those in search of family history, a list has also been made of all the names of property owners appearing on the John Wood 1823 map of the burgh of Kinross. Much of this information and more can now be accessed through the museum's fast developing website

www.kinrossmuseum.co.uk

Material from the collections, especially old photographs and newspapers, once more jogged the memories of those visiting the campus from Kinross Day Centre. If you are planning to drop by the Museum Study Room, manned by volunteers on Thursdays and Saturdays, to do some research into family or local history, why not bring young members of the family with you. We have created a special corner for youngsters that includes a quiz and colouring in of historic sketches.

Amongst the recent donations on show in the Study Room is a prize-winning papier-mâché model of Loch Leven made by the pupils of Kinross Primary School P6. In August, there will be a new display on show telling the story of the Town Twinning of Kinross with Gacé in France. This is timed to coincide with a visit to Kinross made in early August by the townspeople of Gacé.

Kinross in Bloom



Up till now we have been victims of our own success. More barrels have been requested in the town and a few more hanging baskets are up too. The hanging baskets that were formerly at the roundabout have been moved to their new home at the Health Centre and they seem to be doing very well. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to water the tubs, as it should cut the time of the watering run down. Everyone who has volunteered to help us water has been provided with a pump/watering can. If you feel you could help us water a tub/hanging basket beside your home/work or even help us with the watering run, then please contact Aileen Sorbie on 01577 861477. Most of the sponsored labels are up and there is a temporary one in place whilst we await the rest.

Gateway update – things seem to be starting to move for this. We are hoping that in the near future this will finally get underway.

Volunteer Helpers – as we are a very small committee we really could do with a bit of help from the people of Kinross. If you could spare the odd hour or so, especially when we plant up the tubs, we would love to hear from you. Our planting dates are usually in the Newsletter and naturally are weather permitting. Please contact Aileen above if you could help.

The committee are very pleased that P&KC have agreed to replace all the crocus bulbs that they have destroyed these past few years, as their recent destructive work has been given a lot of bad press. We look forward to working with them in the future.

200 Club winners for July

£20 Bill Sinclair	£10 Tom Duncan
£5 Ena McGregor	£5 Ann Robbie

The 200 Club starts its new year in September. Any person wishing to join it then please contact Sarah Cuthbert on 01577 861681.

Dyslexia Perth and Kinross

Monthly "Drop-in" sessions on dyslexia are about to start in Loch Leven Community Campus Library.

Do you have an interest in dyslexia or a need to find out more about it? Are you wondering if you, or your child, may have dyslexia? Are you an adult with dyslexia who would like to understand more about it and speak to others affected?

Come along to the library on the last Tuesday of the month (starting **31 August 2010**) between 6.30 and 7.30pm to ask personal questions or find out how to meet other like-minded people interested in the issues which dyslexia creates. The local branch is part of Dyslexia Scotland.

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Common Grounds



We have had some glorious days of summer - up until T in the Park, followed by the just as wet Open Championship Golf at St. Andrews. At Common Grounds we are well into our summer opening hours and I can say that it is not working out too badly. Also a big thank you to Andy Hamilton for all his work on our log pile; if you have any wood to spare then let us know.

Project: Our current project is "Just a Drop", and as you have gathered it is about water (not whisky). In the past twelve years Just a Drop has undertaken 65 water aid projects. We humans can survive a month without food but only three days without water. Polluted water or no access to fresh water can easily bring on all sorts of diseases. Our donation this month will help bring clean water to where it is most needed. At present the charity has projects in the following countries: Zambia - providing toilets, Uganda - a bore hole and hygiene, Kenya - a bore hole, water tower and pipe line, Ethiopia - a well head to keep animals from contaminating the water hole, and last but not least, Senegal - our preferred option for our gift which is going towards funding a 6km pipe line that means no more treks of 12km to get clean water.

Book Club: The book club meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

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

We are still in need of Volunteers who can give us some of their valuable time. Just an hour or more if possible would be a really great help, and we do not discriminate - you can be young or old, male or female. Please do think about helping us; contact numbers are below. We would also treasure a Treasurer!!

Our summer opening hours are 10am - 1pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

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

Kinross Healing Rooms Training Course

On 4 September this year, Kinross Healing Rooms will be hosting a Training Course for those interested in becoming a team member, and also as a refresher for existing members. The course will run from 10am to 2pm with a short break for lunch (please bring your own sandwiches - drinks will be supplied). There will be no charge and each new trainee will be given a full manual. Please contact either Peter Flounders on 07766 515960 or Grace Simpson on 07773 717339 to book a place, or for further information. We do look forward to seeing you.

Portmoak Hall 100 Club

June Draw

1st	No. 31	Janice Broadhurst, Kinnesswood
2nd	No. 77	Frieda Irving, Kinnesswood
3rd	No. 5	Greta Hogg, Scotlandwell

Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

(affiliated to The Ramblers' Association, Scotland)

The countryside is in its full summer beauty, so take a break from gardening and come out with us! Whether you're new to walking, returning to walking or a regular walker, try out a walk or two to see if you'd like to join - our group has no restrictions on numbers. Walking is the best and cheapest way to keep fit and healthy, and with us, it can be sociable too. Walks are led by volunteer leaders from the group members. We have two interesting weekend walks this month.

Sunday 15 August: Pentland Peaks and Paths 14 km (8.5 miles) Takes in two of the old north-south routes across the Pentlands and three of the peaks, including the highest one.

Saturday 28 August: Rannoch Moor 16km (9.5 miles) A linear walk catching the train from Crianlarich to Corroir Station, walking back skirting Loch Ossian and over open moorland to Loch Eigheach. (Bring midge repellent!)

For all walks you do need appropriate clothing (not jeans) and equipment, including boots and waterproofs. Walks can be of up to 4½ hours duration and a packed lunch/warm drink/water should be brought.

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

Kinross Boys & Girls Brigade



Fifty three members of Kinross BB and Kinross Scouts will have returned from their week's summer camp based in Hotel den Halder, Valkenburg, having taken in the many delights of Belgium. These included Brussels, Mannekin Pis, Janneke Pis, Technopolis Interactive Science Centre, Roose's Chocolate Factory and Bruges, as well as laser quest, candle making, coal mine, caves, ten pin bowling, cable car and bob sleigh in Valkenburg itself, and also the famous Phantasialand Theme Park in Germany.

The new session begins on **Friday 3 September** with new members, boys and girls, welcome. The Kinross Company caters for youngsters between the ages of 5 and 18 with over 80 members spread over the Anchor, Junior and Company sections.

Kinross Pipe Band in the prizes

July was a particularly encouraging month for the band, with **firsts** at both **Cupar** and **Thornton**, along with second and fourth places respectively whilst "playing up" to Grade 3 in the same competitions. **T in the Park** was another massive success - all band members enjoying their fair share of music, mayhem and mud - while Pipe Sergeant, Nigel Kellett, had the honour of being closing piper on the Main Stage for the final rendition of "Flower of Scotland" just before the fireworks.

All told, a very positive season so far, as the band now looks forward to the **World Championships** in Glasgow, and a handful of other competitions between now and September. For news of the band and information on joining, visit the website at www.kinross-pipe-band.co.uk

Kinross High School Parent Council

% Kinross High School, Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ



The school summer break is rapidly heading towards finishing and pupils, parents and teachers alike will be thinking of the coming new school year. New S1s will undoubtedly be excited about the prospect of going up to the High School.

Role of the Parent Council: The Parent Council is in place to represent the views of parents and guardians of pupils at the school to help ensure that our young people can learn and develop to their maximum potential. We work in partnership with the school to create a positive and proactive environment which supports pupils, staff, and parents. The Parent Council also has an Events and Fundraising Team (EFT), formerly the Parent Teachers Association, whose objective is to organise events and raise funds to enhance pupils' experience at the School. Details of Parent Council activities may be found on our website at www.khspc.org.uk. Our success is totally dependent upon the input of parents and guardians and so we want to hear your views, good and bad, so that we can help to improve the performance of our school. Please, if you have anything to contribute, contact any of the parent council or you may write to the Chair care of the school address noted above. Better still come along to any of our meetings where, I can assure you, you will be warmly welcomed. We are also always looking for new members of the Parent Council or EFT. It's very satisfying work, can be fun and really isn't a huge commitment, so why not give it a try?

Parent Council Meeting Dates, 2010 - 11 Academic Year

We meet twice per term throughout the academic year and meetings take place on Tuesday evenings at the High School commencing at 7.15pm. The programme of meetings for the 2010 - 2011 academic year is:

31 August 2010, 2 November 2010, 11 January 2011
1 March 2011, 19 April 2011, 31 May 2011
7 June 2011 - Annual General Meeting

Kinross High School Awards Evening: The annual Awards Evening was held at the close of last term which recognises pupils at Kinross High in terms of their effort and academic, sporting, musical and other achievements. The Parent Council were proud to present the Citizenship Awards for

outstanding commitment and achievement in the community Johanna Weir and Calum McIntyre. The evening was a huge success in celebrating the accomplishments of our young people.

School Uniform Purple Blazers: Remember, the new blazers are manufactured from a washable polyester and the girls' blazer has a more fashionable, fitted style. The blazers are comfortable, light and easy to wear, and at £40 are very reasonably priced. For further information please contact Dora Smith (contact details above) during evening hours.

The next delivery of new blazers is expected in early August. Those who have placed an order for a new blazer will be able to collect them from the Parent Council at the High School Campus between 7.00pm and 9.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday the 11 and 12 August, the week before the new school year starts. Just in case the expected delivery doesn't arrive as planned, may we please invite parents to either call and check with the school office beforehand (01577 867100) or to check the Parent Council website (www.khspc.org.uk). Anyone unable to make it to the campus on those two evenings to collect their new blazers, please contact during evening hours either Dora Smith or Andy Williams (contact details below) to make alternative collection arrangements.

There will also be an opportunity on these evenings to purchase blazers from the remaining stock or place an order for the next batch delivery. In the meantime new orders may be placed using the form below but please note that unless there is availability from remaining stock, these blazers will arrive with the next delivery from the supplier, currently expected in October.

Blazer Recycling: The Parent Council would like to invite pupils leaving the school this summer to donate their unwanted school blazers back to the school. We will make sure the blazers are recycled and put to good use by a new owner. Anyone wishing to donate their old blazer should hand it in at the school office at the campus.

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

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

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Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club

The August meeting will be held on **Thursday 5 August** at 2pm in the Millbridge Hall. The speaker at the meeting will be Sheila Womer who will give a talk on "Working in Rumania." Members will remember Sheila; in May she gave a talk on "Stroke Awareness."

At the July meeting Deirdre Munro gave an illustrated talk on the Fife Coastal Path. She certainly new her subject matter and some of the views were outstanding. An enjoyable afternoon's entertainment.

Away Days, August:

Thursday 12 to Peebles. **Thursday 26** to Forfar.

Theatre Outing: "Half a Sixpence" 30 September 2010

The cost of the tickets has now been reduced to £8.00, payable at the September meeting by cheque please. The cost of the coach (£2.00) will be collected on the coach. Contact Edith Oswald 01577 865731.

Summer Outing 11 July 2010: The summer outing to Oban started out with inclement weather but did not deter us from enjoying the scenery. The sun shone in Oban and it was very pleasant to see the activity in the bay culminating in the arrival of a Dutch Tall-ship. Our thanks go to Pat once more for organising this day out.

Holiday, February 2011 (Harrogate): Departing Monday 7 February. The deposit of £25 will be payable at the August meeting, by cheque only please, made payable to the Kinross-shire 50 plus Club. Please return the Booking Forms with your cheque. The final payment will be due at the December meeting. Contact Pat Crawford 01577 862962.

Scottish Parliament Visit: Cancelled due to lack of support.

Friday Hill Walkers

13 August: We are planning to linear walk from the Ben



Lawers Visitor Centre to Glen Lyon covering some nine miles and with 1500 feet of ascent.

27 August: The route for this day is to be confirmed but is likely to be a circular walk from the Blackford area up into the Ochils towards Ben Cleuch, about 10 miles and 2000 feet of ascent.

Please note our membership list is currently fully subscribed.

Friday Walkers

6 August: From The Hermitage, Dunkeld, up to Rumbling Bridge and across the road to join the Inchewan walk, to get back through Inver. This is an old favourite along paths and farm roads, and a good seven miles long.

20 August: The Waters of Perth walk, which starts at the North Inch, goes up the River Almond to a weir, and then follows the Mill Lade all the way into Perth. This is a new circular walk taking you past Huntingtower Castle, and many parts of Perth you may never have seen, going along various types of path for six miles or so.

Please note: the walker's membership list is currently closed.

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

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

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

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

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Kinross & District Rotary Club



Club members enjoyed an excellent evening's entertainment on 21 June, when our speaker, Malcolm Ogilvie from Forth Wines, gave a potted history of the company, followed by a wine tasting. Forth Wines was established as a co-operative in 1961 in premises in Church Street, Milnathort and by 1979 the co-operative had 2,000 members and were operating from their present site at Crawford Place in Milnathort. Now with 1,500 customers and selling 380,000 cases of wine annually, the business is prospering.

Earlier the same evening, President David Reid presented the Club's annual Citizen of the Year award to Jamie Montgomery in recognition of his huge contribution to the community of Kinross-shire in recent years. These are too many to list individually, but include making available the front lawn of Kinross House for many events, permitting the construction of the Loch Leven Nature Trail across his land, creating single-handedly the Kinross-shire Fund, etc.

Kinross High School held a Public Speaking competition on 28 June in the new Community Campus. This competition was originally sponsored by the Rotary Club in 2004 and unfortunately after only one competition, was discontinued due to other commitments for the pupils. However, the shield has been dusted down and a fiercely competitive round was fought by seven very able speakers on the subject of whether the new campus provides a better opportunity for the pupils to meet the school mission statement of 'Happiness, Success and Achieving Excellence' than the old school. The first prize was awarded by the team of judges to Liam Duffy who received a book token for £15 and will have his name inscribed on the Rotary shield. Second place was tied between Saffron Nicholson and Jack Fraser who each received book tokens for £10.



New members George Lawrie (2nd left) and Cliff Megginson (2nd right)

At the Business Meeting on 28 June, David Reid passed the President's chain of office to Rotarian John Matthew, who now leads the Rotary Club of Kinross & District for the next twelve months. Prior to handing over to John, the retiring President had the pleasant duty of inducting our two new members, George Lawrie and Cliff Megginson. Newly installed President John completed his introductory remarks with presentation of a Paul Harris Award to Rotarian Neil Maclure.

On 12 July the Club speaker was The Hon Mr Justice Robin Webster. Robin has recently come to live in Glenlomond,

but his last posting before he retired was the Chief Justice to the Tonga islands. Robin gave a wonderfully illustrated description of the islands as seen from his perspective during his posting of 3 years. Most people's recollection of Tonga is Queen Salote of Tonga in her open carriage in the pouring rain at our Queen's Coronation in 1953 and the Tongan Rugby team. Robin considerably enlarged on this by describing the 3 main island groups that make up Tonga and then by further telling us of the ways of life, customs, the royal family and the King's wish to progress to a more democratic society. More than half the Tongans work abroad and send money back to the island. It was a very informative, entertaining and enjoyable evening.

T in the Park

Prior to that, the Club had been very involved in its usual activities during the weekend for T in the Park. We had our usual successful event, providing bacon and sausage rolls at the Lethangie Park camping site, as well as providing a Left Luggage facility in the T in the Park site. The two facilities were manned by Rotarians, wives, families and friends and, as well as raising much money for charity, it is an event that we all enjoy. The weather was not exactly clement, and in the end one of our gazebos gave in to the elements on Sunday afternoon and totally collapsed. Somehow a new one was found on the Sunday afternoon and we were back in business by the evening.

If the above activities are of interest to you, or you would like to be involved, please visit our web site, www.kinrossrotary.org for further information about the Rotary movement and the Kinross Club in particular.



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The Kinross-shire Civic Trust



Mid-summer Walk

The Trust had a very successful and well attended Mid-summer Walk this year. The walk was from the Fishery Pier round to Loch Leven's Larder along the Loch Leven Heritage Trail and was led by the Trust President, Professor David Munro. Once again we were able to enjoy David's encyclopaedic knowledge of the history and geography of our local area, along with many local tales which all add tremendously to one of David's walks. Some of the sites described included the Kirkgate Cemetery, the relationship between Loch Leven Castle and Kinross House and the lanes around about it, Burleigh Sands and Orwell Priory. These really are events not to be missed if you want to hear about the history of Kinross-shire.

Future Events

The Kinross Show

The Trust will have a stand at the Kinross Show this year. Displays will include information on the new Perth and Kinross Area Local Plan which is under preparation and the Environment.

We also want to show everyone what the Trust is about and what we can do to help the County and individuals as well, so do come and see what we have to show.

Kinross-shire is a very beautiful county and it deserves everyone to take an interest in it and its future. You can help that aim. Join the Trust and help us achieve that.

We are looking for volunteers to help man the stand at the Show on the day. The duties are not onerous, so if you could spare an hour or even half an hour, that would be very much appreciated. Please contact Bridget Lindsay on 01592 840252.

Autumn Talk

For our Autumn Talk the new Director of the Scottish Civic Trust, John Pelan will be coming to talk to the Civic Trust about his aims for the Scottish Civic Trust and the other Trusts throughout Scotland. The date at the moment is October 27th at 7.30pm and the venue will be the new Loch Leven Community Campus. We would also like to make this a joint venture and we have invited Perth Civic Trust and Dollar Civic Trust to join us on that evening. Make a note in your diary now.

Annual Subscription

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Buildings of Interest in Kinross-shire

The Bruce Aisle

Situated in the heart of the old lochside churchyard at the Kirkgate in Kinross is the small stone-roofed mortuary chapel or burial aisle of the Bruces of Kinross and Amot. It stands on the site of the original parish church of Kinross, which in 1741 was described as "unsuitable for a place of worship, being in need of repairs, uncomfortable, and too small for the growing wants of the parish." A year later the old church was abandoned following the construction of a new parish church in the centre of the town.

Local antiquarian David Marshall noted in the flyleaf of his second diary that on Monday August 2nd, 1858, Thomas Bruce of Amot "inspected the burial aisle of his ancestors in Kinross Old Churchyard, supposed not to have been opened for 48 years." The last to have been buried there were his grandparents, Thomas and Ann Bruce, who died in 1806 and 1810 respectively. Two years later, in 1860, he restored the building whose east and west windows David Marshall thought might have formed part of the old church. Elements of this small building are drawn from features to be found on nearby Kinross House.



The Bruce Mausoleum

Over the wooden doorway of the mausoleum a tablet inscribed "In Memoriam HB Refectum 1860" was inserted by Thomas Bruce in memory of his wife Henrietta who had died a year earlier in 1859. Above the round window space another tablet inscribed "Exstructum 1675" may well refer to the restoration of the old church in 1675 by Sir William Bruce who incorporated the building in the designed landscape surrounding Kinross House. Other plaques on either side of the door commemorate later Bruces of Amot, including Thomas Bruce's son Thomas who died aged 27 on his way home from serving with the Royal Fusiliers in the West Indies and grandson Charles who was killed in action in Somaliland in 1903.

While it is known that Thomas and Ann Bruce of Amot, Sir John Bruce Hope of Kinross and possibly some of the Douglas Earls of Morton were laid to rest here, there is one question that remains unanswered – was Sir William Bruce, architect of Kinross House, buried in the Bruce Aisle?



Sports News

European Basketball Championships, Andorra 2010

Kinross High School pupils, Katy Brown and Jack Nicholson have been selected to the Under 16 boys' and girls' national squads, to compete in Andorra from 26 - 31 July. The boys will be playing teams from Wales, Cyprus, Malta, Andorra, Gibraltar, Monaco and San Marino, with the girls competing against Andorra, Gibraltar, Cyprus, Malta and Monaco.

Katy and Jack have also been recognised by Perth & Kinross Council's Talented Athletes Scheme, which allows them free access to training facilities at Loch Leven Community Campus.

They are looking forward to an exciting and challenging week, representing both Kinross and Scotland.

We wish them well and lots of luck.



Kinross High School pupils Jack Nicholson and Katy Brown

Kinross Men's Hockey Club

Mixed Summer Hockey – Wednesday nights at KGV from 6.30pm to 8.00pm and you are all most welcome to join in the fun no matter what your skills level.

For further information why not contact Chris Benningwood on e-mail: captain@kinrosshockey.co.uk or Gordon Bal four at secretary@kinrosshockey.co.uk or check our website at www.kinrosshockey.co.uk for further information.

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Orwell Bowling Club

Several of our Friendly games have been cancelled recently - not by Orwell, but by clubs struggling to form teams due to other fixtures. However, we enjoyed a lovely Sunday afternoon beating Menstrie 53 shots to 38, with good company and post-game feast. In the semi-final of the Senior Men's rink, triples and pairs, our congratulations go to the latter, namely President Brian Cook and Vic McKechnie who won the final against Patons, 21 shots to 18. The Roy Dougray Trophy was won by Gordon Morton, with Vic McKechnie runner-up, and on 4 July Lochgelly won the Invitation Rink Competition with Kingseat in second spot. Commiserations must go to Sandra Fullerton and Anne Wilson who just missed top spot to Lochgelly in the East of Scotland Ladies 4 x bowl pairs at Dalgety Bay, and again in the District Finals Ladies 2 x bowl pairs against Lochore at Cowdenbeath.

Three stalwart mixed teams turned out under very heavy skies on the evening of Thursday 15 July in a nail-biting Golden Oldies game against Alloa Co-op, said skies discharging their deluge almost as soon as feet touched green, and indeed, continuing to do so at regular intervals with a most unhelpful crosswind. It was down to the last rink on the green to draw two shots to break even, which sadly it failed to do by millimetres, the final score being 45 - 43 to Alloa Co-op. A delicious supper made by the super kitchen team with hot tea and coffee was fallen upon with great relish by one and all. On a brighter note to end: our County Senior Men's Top Six, having beaten Menstrie 4 - 2 points, then Alva with a similar score, will now meet Tillicoultry in the semi-final on Tuesday 20 July at Dollar - our best wishes go with them.

Kinross Cycling Club



It's been a mixed weather year for cyclists with snow at the start, then rain, then sun and most recently strong winds. Despite that the club has continued to steadily attract new members during the past seven months and with two groups of cyclists we now have something for most road riders.

You may have been watching Le Tour, enjoying it and fancying a group cycle. If so, why not come along one Sunday morning to Loch Leven Community Campus at 9am and join us for a ride? If you like it, then you can join the club - it's only £10.00 for the year!

Events coming up in August are the final stage of Loch Leven time trials; why not come and post a time around the Loch for next year? and the 100km Ice Cream run, where yes, you do get to stop (in St Andrews) for an ice cream. If all of that is too soon for you, but you fancy a cycle challenge, we are planning just that for next spring: the inaugural Sportive Kinross. The route has yet to be finalised and details are still scratchy, but we are planning a great cycling event for Kinross-shire that will encourage people onto their bikes and into training for this special event. If road cycling appeals, why not think about coming along, joining us and start building your cycle fitness. Visit the website for more details:

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After school programme at Loch Leven Community Campus Tuesday 17 August to Friday 8 October

Activity	Day	Time
Teen Fitness (12-15yr)	Monday Wednesday Thursday Friday	4.00pm – 4.55pm 5.00pm – 5.55pm, 6.00pm – 6.55pm 4.00pm – 5.55pm 4.00pm – 4.55pm
Gymnastics	Monday (p1 - p3) (p4 - p7) Tuesday (p1 - p3) (p4 - p7) Wednesday (p1 - p3) (p4 - p7)	4.00pm – 4.55pm 5.00pm – 5.55pm 4.00pm – 4.55pm 5.00pm – 5.55pm 4.00pm – 4.55pm 5.00pm – 5.55pm
Dance	Thursday (p1 - p7) (s1 - s6)	5.00pm – 5.55pm 6.00pm – 6.55pm
Basketball (p1 - p7)	Wednesday	5.00pm – 5.55pm
Multi Sports (p1 - p7)	Thursday	5.00pm – 5.55pm
Football (p1 - p7)	Tuesday Friday	5.00pm – 5.55pm 4.00pm – 4.55pm 5.00pm – 5.55pm
Climbing Wall Kids Club (8-17yrs) 10 week block Dates up until Dec 10 14/08/10 – 16/10/10 23/10/10 – 18/12/10	Saturday (Intermediate Level) Sunday (Beginners Level)	9.00am – 10.55am 11.00am – 12.55pm 9.00am – 10.55am 11.00am – 12.55pm

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Kinross Road Runners



This has been a busy month for Kinross Road Runners with the club well represented at a wide range of events. The highlight was our very own 5.5 mile 'Milnathort Dash' held on 24 June. It attracted over 170 runners who all enjoyed the beautiful Kinross-shire countryside on a sunny summer evening. Despite the fact many club members were busy helping to organize the event, we still managed to field 21 runners and the first local runners home were Andy Laycock in a time of 32:29 followed by Allan Kemp in 33:13 and Andy Johns in 34:07. First KRR ladies home were Tricia Milne in 36:29, Maureen Hill in 37:18 and Chris Myerscough in 39:41.

Here is a summary of some of the other club activities.

Seven Hills of Edinburgh, 20 June: This is a most unusual running event combining road running, cross-country, hill running and urban orienteering following a course of 14 miles with 2,200ft of ascent/descent. Alistair Black was the first KRR home in a time of 02:20:46 followed by Judith Dobson in 02:23:19, Ronnie Ritchie in 02:28:52, Kate Blake in 02:44:45 and Jackie Smith in 02:44:49.

Lairig Ghru Hill Race, 27 June: This event is not for the faint hearted, starting in Braemar, going through the heart of the Cairngorms and finishing 42km later in Aviemore. Judith Dobson was 1st FSV in a time of 04:50:00. Andy Johns was first KRR home in 04:11:14 and in 21st place overall followed closely by Andy Laycock in 04:18:47.

Glenrothes 10k, 27 June: This is one of the Club Championship events, so attracted a good turn out from the club. Tricia Milne was 1st FV in a time of 42:50 followed by Maureen Hill who was 2nd FV. Other creditable results included Allan Kemp who was 14th overall in a time of 39:01, Alistair Black in 15th place in 39:24 and Peter Edgerton in 16th place in 39:27. The Myerscough family rivalry saw a rare win for John, beating Chris by one minute. Norman Smith had a good run but just missed breaking the hour.

Brig Bash, 7 July: This is a popular evening run attracting 28 runners from the club around a flat 5mile route from Bridge of Earn. The only club winner this year was Maureen Hill 1st FV in a time of 32:59. Other good results were Stephen Crawford in 9th place in 29:27, Allan Kemp in 29:59, Peter Edgerton in 30:47, Jillian Gordon in 33:17 and Christine Myerscough in 35:19. Isabella Carmichael made a great come back from injury to run her first race this year.

Crieff 10k, 11 July: Good club results from this event with Maureen Hill winning 1st F40 in 46:37, Peter Edgerton winning 2nd MV50 in 43:33 and Ronnie Ritchie winning 3rd MV50 in 45:19. Good times also for Julie Rose and Gillian Black both in training for the Dublin Half Marathon.

Training Schedule: In the summer months we meet on Tuesday evenings at the east end of Kirkgate Park at 7pm for some speed training with coach Roger Stark. However on the first Tuesday of the month we meet at the former health centre car park at 7pm for a two-mile time trial followed by hot chocolate at Roger's house afterwards.

We also meet every Wednesday evening at 6.45pm at the former health centre car park and have a varied programme of off-road runs suitable for all running abilities. See the club website at www.kinrossroadrunners.co.uk for details.

We welcome new members of all abilities so please feel free to come and join us – you are sure of a warm welcome.

Kinross Rugby Football Club



Training: It seems like only yesterday that our "international first XV" made that heroic trip north to kick those Vikings out of our league.

This reporter can't remember the exact score, but the mission must have been accomplished as Kinross won't face that trip in the coming season. The 1st XV league fixtures for 2010-11 will resurrect some old, more local, rivalries and provide the opportunity for Kinross to show just how strong a group of players we have.

Although yet to be confirmed, it does look like we will have some league matches for the 2nd XV this year also. It will be great to see all you guys who have missed playing last year come back from the dark side!

The core group of players (and as many old heads and new faces as can be mustered) have already started pre-season training, but with the first match scheduled for 21 August, we need to get even greater numbers down. As you know, the more there are, the better it is, so get there Tuesdays and Thursdays 7pm and bring a friend!

Coach: A few local stalwarts – you know who you are – drove the training last year, and continue to lead the sessions this season. However, the club is actively looking for an experienced coach to help us take the next step up. If you, or someone you know, might be that person we would be delighted to hear from you. This is a forward-looking club with a great atmosphere and excellent facilities. Just call Ollie Cox on 0774111219 for a no strings chat.

Junior Club: The Midis have been training through the summer on Monday evenings 7pm, and this will continue through August in preparation for what should be a great season.

Minis will return on **Saturday 21 August** after summer break. Sessions run from 10.30am to 12 noon and provide training for boys and girls of all primary school age groups, with teams and regular fixtures for P4 to P7.

Kinross Show 14 August: We will be back at the Kinross Show on 14 August. Come along and join in some of the usual fun and frolics, as well as a skills challenge! A chance to show your ability and win prizes. There will also be the opportunity for anyone to find out a bit more about the club and the many benefits of playing or just social membership.

Gaberlunzie 28 August: After a great show last time, The Gabs are back at the Rugby club on 28 August. They bring their own special blend of modern and traditional Scottish songs, along with a healthy dose of humour. Gaberlunzie have a strong local and international following so you know places won't be available for long. Make sure you don't miss this great night by picking up tickets at the ridiculously low price of £10 from behind the bar or from any committee member.

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

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

Contributors – please send your item well before the deadline if you can

Kinross Golf Club

What a wonderful couple of weeks of televised golf we have been treated to in July. First stop, the picturesque Loch Lomond course, home to the Scottish Open; then the Home of Golf itself, St Andrews for the Open Championship. If you were lucky enough to be a spectator at St Andrews, you may have seen club members, Mary Graham, Trish Anderson and Elspeth Caldwell, braving the elements and marshalling at the 13th hole during the week of the Championship. What a fantastic opportunity and experience to see the world's top players at close range, and inside the ropes too!

At Club level it's been an eventful time too with the 2010 Championship being won for the first time by David Mitchell Jr. The runner up was Richard Campbell. The Beveridge Cup was won by Hugh Somerville and the runner up was Graeme Lungley. Congratulations to you all.

Men: Unfortunately participation in the Mail on Sunday Competition has come to an end after being beaten by Lochgelly. Participation in the Coronation Cup continues with a win against Culcieff. The next round is a home draw against Blair Atholl.

Don't forget the Invitation Four ball takes place on Saturday 7 August. Is your entry in?

Ladies: Little did Heather Gough know that by winning the Bronze medal for last season and going forward to compete in the regional final at Pitreavie Golf Club on 7 July, she would finish second and book her place in the final. Heather's score, a net 69, was beaten on the better inward half for first place. What an outstanding achievement, Heather, and we all wish you every success in the SLGA final at Crieff Golf Club on 5 September.

At the recent Blairgowrie Tri-Am the Kinross Team of Rena Duncan, Anne Moore and Audrey Thomson, returned the best net score. A great team effort girl, well done. Another first for our section.

Seniors: Three inter club matches have been played with one win against Canmore and two losses to Pitreavie and Forrester Park.

Entry to the Senior Open on 1st September is almost full with just a few places remaining. If you wish to enter please add your name to the list on the notice board.

Juniors: Recent results have been very encouraging for the Juniors. In the Bell Trophy, having lost their first match away to King James, Kinross won the return match with a convincing win which enabled them to go through to the next round.

In the Scratch League, Kinross were away to Craigie Hill and won 4-1. If that wasn't enough, Dale Miller achieved a hole in one at the 3rd. Well done, Dale – first of many, we hope. Scott McLeod, Kinross and Russell Malcolm, Milnathort represent Perth & Kinross under 14 County Team in a match at Kinross against the Lothians. Scott returned the second best net score and has also been selected to represent the County Select Team to play against Milnathort. We hear too that Scott has been picked for Scottish National coaching. Congratulations Scott, what a wonderful opportunity for you. Junior Championship under 18 section was won by Thomas White, beating Dale Miller 3 and 2. In the Girls final, Jennifer Saxton beat Rebecca Hutt 3 and 2. Congratulations to you all.

The under 15 Championship has still to be played and will see Scott McLeod and Russell Malcolm meet in the final.

Social: A date for your diary, **Saturday 7 August**. Dance to China Blue. Further details are available in the Club House.

Kinross Volleyball Club

Four male members of Kinross Volleyball Club gave a demonstration 2 v 2 game at Kelty Gala. After the demonstration, old and young alike were encouraged to have a go. Kelty Chiefs were a top Fife volleyball club in the eighties. Formed by Bill Ryan, the club operated two teams, the Chiefs and the Braves. The Chiefs also competed in Europe during the summer of 1983 as did their local rivals, Kinross. The two clubs are now combined and compete in the Perth District League as Kinross Volleyball Club. The Kinross Club is continuing its links with Europe. Club members meet on Monday evenings at King George V Park from 7 till 9 pm playing outdoor park volleyball in preparation for their trip to De Haan in Belgium in mid August. Two years ago the Kinross Club finished as Bronze Medalists in De Haan. The Monday evening sessions are free and open to everyone with beginners being most welcome. Come along and give it a go - you will enjoy the experience.



The Kinross Volleyball Club demonstration team at the Kelty Gala

Kinross Ladies Hockey Club

Not much to report on with it being closed season, but the new season starts in September with training restarting on **Wednesday 4 August, 6.30pm-8.00pm** at the astro pitch at the KGV. Remember to bring plenty of water along with shin pads and a gum shield. All new members welcome at the club.

If you would like any further information on Kinross Ladies Hockey Club please visit our website at:

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Kinross Vaulting Group

What is Equestrian Vaulting?

Vaulting is one of the fastest growing sports in this country and is best described as gymnastics on the back of a moving horse. Its origins date back to Roman times but more recently the sport's roots were probably in circus. It is a Fédération Equestre Internationale discipline, though as yet not an Olympic discipline.

Who are we?

This Group began as a second venue for Eagles Vaulting Group in March 2008 but grew so rapidly after Active Schools began participating in October 2008, that it needed its own organising committee, so reformed as Kinross Vaulting Group in June 2009. The membership now stands at over 40, with ages of vaulters ranging from 7yrs old to adult. Currently there is a waiting list for new entrants.

The private venue where the group is based is 3 miles from Kinross/Milnathort and was initially built in January 2008 as a facility to enable international vaulters to train all year round. The owner and chief coach, Liz Mackay, has been involved in the sport for over 15 years, having previously been an instructor and competitor in dressage and show-jumping.

The Active Schools Programme (Kinross Cluster) now uses the venue and it is through them that many of our grass roots vaulters are introduced to the sport and to the Club. More recently two out of the six individuals selected to represent Great Britain at the European Championships in Sweden this year were from the Kinross Vaulting Group.

Our Vaulting Horses

ILPH ISLAY (Ali), a 17.3hh, brown gelding is 15yrs old, he is on loan from World Horse Welfare.

ROBBIE is a 16.1hh, bay gelding, aged 10. He was trained as a vaulting horse by Equibuddy and bought by Liz Mackay to assist with the Active Schools Programme.



EQUUS MAXIMUS (Max) is a 17.2hh, liver chestnut, Hanoverian gelding now aged 12 and owned by Liz.

BLUE is a 13.2hh, grey, Highland x, aged 14 years, owned by Kaye Paterson and currently on loan to the club.

Our 2009 Activities

We attended too many competitions in 2009 to mention all but the highlights: the group enjoyed success in the separate disciplines of Team, Pairs and Individual awards. One of our greatest achievements was when we competed in September at the British Equestrian Vaulting Championships in Warwick where our Pre novice Team excelled by winning Gold; the team consisted of Hannah and Kirsten Henderson, Hannah Ballantyne, Kirsty and Emma Paterson, Carla Megginson, Danni Dawson and Ella Mcneil. On the international circuit, Louise Sinclair was placed 13th at the European Championships in Sweden in July.

On top of all the competitions we attended, we also managed to find time to present demonstrations at the Burgie Horse Trials, Blair horse trials and World Horse Welfare Day at Alford on horseback. We also demonstrated at Kinross Community Campus using Barrels (a training substitute for horses).

One of our members made the auditions for Britain's got Talent in 2009!!

Thanks: We must take this opportunity to thank Lee at Cree8 for sponsorship of our logo, Russell Europe who supplied our club kit, and last but not least Kinross Round Table who very generously donated £600 towards our club cat suits. Thank you to all.

Hopefully I'll be able to bring you up to date in next month's Newsletter edition with news of our activities so far in 2010, in the meantime we'll be presenting a demonstration at Kinross Show – hopefully we'll see you there!

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Milnathort Golf Club

Centenary Year 1910 – 2010

There has been little in the way of Centenary events since the last Newsletter, but a hickory club competition, with period dress, is scheduled for Sunday 25 July. The most notable event in early July was the Ladies' Section "Ailsa Wade Memorial Trophy" won by the team of J Sneddon, K Flockhart and K Allan from R Wilson, A Thomson and A Smith. £350 was raised for Macmillan Nurses.

Senior Section

The third round of the Senior Quaich and qualifier for the Senior Matchplay Competition was played on 24 June and the winner was C PAYNE, followed home by C MACARI and W REID in second and third places respectively.

On 1 July, on the first wet day we'd had for a good while, the July round of the Charlie Macari Seniors' Trophy was played, with Bob TOLSON coming in the leader with B CHRISTIE second and S FLEMING third.

The first round of the Seniors Cup was played on 8 July and was won by Bob CHRISTIE, with Phil LEIPER and Graham PENMAN coming in second and third respectively. The next round of this competition will be played on Thursday 5 August.

The Senior Player of the Month accolade for June was awarded to Charlie PAYNE.

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Training Outdoors

Older readers may remember Eric Morcambe and Ernie Wise whose theme tune was "Bring me Sunshine". I always think of this when I am training outdoors. The words seem apt:

Bring me sunshine in your smile
Bring me laughter all the while
In this world where we live
There should be more happiness
So much joy you can give
To each brand new bright tomorrow

There is something special about exercising outdoors; perhaps it's the lack of claustrophobia that the gym holds, or maybe the cooling breeze, the warmth of the sun and of course the scenery. Whatever the reason, exercising outdoors in all weathers is a great feeling.

What benefits are there to moving outdoors?

1. Escaping indoors! Recent research has suggested that we may spend as much as 90% of our time indoors. The human body and spirit were just not designed to be that isolated from mother nature!
2. When we exercise, endorphins are released in our bodies. These provide the feel good factor as they act as the body's natural pain relievers. Training outdoors has been proven to produce more endorphins for your effort!
3. Exposure to fresh air and sunlight are both beneficial to the body. Fresh air is refreshing and invigorating. Have you ever run outdoors in the rain? It can be a highly stimulating. Fresh air is charged with negative ions which have been linked to improved alertness, decreased anxiety and a lower resting heart rate.
4. Sunlight provides the body with Vitamin D which helps in the absorption of calcium. This in turn provides strength to the bones and a stronger and healthier skeleton.
5. The great outdoors provides a host of exercise opportunities not available in the gym such as sprints, throwing, multi directional running, and walking!

Exercising outdoors will tempt most people to do movements that are natural, explosive, elastic, exuberant and challenging. You could even try your hand at Eric and Ernie's dance routine!

There is a benefit to training on a natural uneven surface which strengthens joints and ligaments and improves



balance. Add to this the variations in terrain underfoot, the undulating landscape and wind resistance then any exercise regime outdoors can be a significant challenge to those used to the artificial environment of the gym!

Remember that if you are exercising in the heat you will need to drink plenty of water, and sunscreen is essential for prolonged periods outdoors. Several layers of clothing are better than one and remember, you are likely to cool down more quickly outside than indoors.

Running has always been popular but interest is increasing in bi and triathlons, whilst cycling is becoming more popular and Nordic Walking is the fastest growing outdoor recreational exercise in the UK. Whatever your exercise, be it team sports, running, cycling or simply walking, nothing beats being out in the real world and enjoying all it has to offer. Good for the spirit and the mind.

So next time you are thinking about the going down to the gym, think twice, think outdoors and find a green oasis in which you can enjoy your exercise. We are blessed here in Kinross with some beautiful places outdoors to train. Spread your wings, go and seek them - you won't regret it.

Next Month: Exercise Classes For All.

Kinross Tennis Club

The ladies team have completed their second season in division 2 of the Tennis Tayside leagues, winning six out of the ten matches, drawing one and losing the other three. At one stage we were in with a real chance of winning division 2, however disappointing results whilst team members were on holiday resulted in us finishing joint second on points, but third on game difference - we're not too disappointed though, as division one seems quite scary!

Our gents have also done well after being promoted to division 5 at the end of last season, winning four of their ten matches and finishing joint third which ensures they remain in division 5.

The Perth & District mixed leagues are also complete with a variety of our older and younger players having enjoyed the format of these leagues. We are now competing in the Tennis Tayside mixed leagues on Monday evenings, having put two teams into this league for the first time. So far three matches won out of three, which is great.

The juniors are also busy with summer coaching camps. Week one completed on 16 July, and despite some rainy days, the full week was completed through use of Milnathort Town Hall. The second camp starts on Monday 2 August; for further information contact Gillian McCloskey 01577 861525.

The autumn block of coaching for minis and juniors will start on 17 August and another block of adult coaching may run subject to demand. Junior coaching enquiries should be made to Gillian 01577 861525 and adult enquiries to Aileen Jones on 01577 865449.

Junior Club Night will resume on 17 August at 6pm

The finals of our club championships will take place on **Saturday 4 September**, so the courts should look nice and busy throughout August.

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Out & About



Vane Farm



Summer is still hingin in there, although it's been a bitty wetter than June wiz – certainly made the gress n the weeds grow, what wi the heat 'n' the wet. The reserve is lookin a bit scruffier at the minute but we couldnae cut it cos the birds wur breedin. But in the next wee whiley it shid be back tae a tidier state o' affairs when we start toppin. The work hiz startit oan the tree chappin oan the new bit land we are managin. Well it hisnae yet cos am writin this afore but you're readin this effer so it will hiv commenced, the loch shore will be lookin a bit de-nudit but in the long run it will be a lot better habitat fur the waders 'n' ducks.

Breedin is pretty much loused noo and lots o' the burds r lookin a bit mawkit as they go into moult, but ne'er mind, come the autumn they shid be back tae a mair wyse like state o' attire. The swallows in the public cludgy lobby hiv finally hatched oot wi three bonny wee chicks clamerin fur grub; shid be fledged when ye read this a wid think, so ye might see them perched roond the centre still lookin fur even mair grub.

Ok then lassies 'n' mibee a few lawds enaw, chocolate! The shop has recently been in receipt o' a new range o' RSPB chocolate in milk, milk wi orange and ma personal favourite dark; it's organic, palm oil free, fair trade, soil association approved, environmentally friendly 'n' it tastes pure gallous. Whit mair kid ye ask? Apparently the fowk that produce it fur us supply Thomtons 'n' Jamie Oliver tae name twa. Onywey, it's awfa guid so if yer lookin fur a chocolate hit, sample some the next time yer in, well, that's if ye kin beat Rossy boy tae it, cos he's a complete chocolate-heid.

Aye it's Christmas again, 'n' yiv guessed it – the cairds, calendars, diaries, wrappin paper, catalogues 'n' general assorted festive type stuff is back in the shop 'n' it's only July, well August noo. Ho, ho, ho, 'n' ba humbug! If ye waant tae stert yer shoppin early, pop in 'n' hae a look, relieve yersel o' sum bawbees then marvel at yer budgetary brilliance thit yiv phased yer spendin tae a manageable sum each month in the run up tae December, fabby, brownie pints fae hubby or indeed wifey dependin oan wha is the chancellor in the hoose.

The bairns' events we'r runnin three times a week durin the skail hoalidys hiv been provin very popular – loads o' happy smiley faces at the end o' each session. We still hiv places oan sum o' them if yer lookin fur sumthin tae keep the kids amused fur an hour or twa. If ye wid like tae book a place, phone us oan the usual number 01577 862355 tae see if spaces r still available?

Ok then, that's ma heid empty again. Enjoy the sunshine when it's oot – mind the sun tan lotion, tho. Enjoy yer hols if yer aff at the minute.

Ta ta till the next time

Colin

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Loch Leven NNR



What happened to the weather? The prolonged spell of high pressure that brought some of the best weather that Scotland has had for the last few years has now turned back to rain. However, the good weather has helped us to get on with many reserve tasks.

You may have noticed that there has been a lot of activity around Orwell. A fence has been put along the shoreline so that cattle can graze on the reserve right through from Orwell to Carsehall bog. Grazing is a great way to improve the diversity of wetlands, preventing rank grasses and scrub taking over. Rare species like the Lesser Butterfly Orchid which is found here thrive on this type of management and it's also great for many birds and insects too.

Around Burleigh we've been spraying and hand pulling Himalayan Balsam. This annual plant, attractive as it is, is an invasive non-native species that has made monocultures in once species-rich riparian (waterside) habitats. It is hard work keeping it under control, but through successive efforts of staff and volunteers we are starting to see reduced cover in many areas of the reserve.

On the bird front, the Lesser-black Backed Gulls and plenty of Mallards are fledging. Tufted Duck broods are now hatching with four different broods around the Pier alone. Scarce visitors to the loch include Ring-neck Duck, Red-neck Grebe and Smew. Its unusual to see the Smew here in the summer as it should be really breeding in Finland right now. The colony of Small-pearl bordered Fritillaries on St Serf's numbered around 50 this year. These butterflies were only discovered at Loch Leven in 2005.

Our ever popular **Osprey walks** are taking place again in **August** with one on the **3rd** and another on the **10th**. Meet at 6pm, finishing at 8pm. Please phone 01577 864439 to book your place on this free event. Ospreys are often seen enjoying a tasty Loch Leven brown trout during the summer months and hopefully we'll see them and plenty of other wildlife whilst on this walk.

Iain Jamieson, Alison's replacement, started on 19 July. He'll be out and about on the reserve, so be sure to say hello! Ian has joined us from Tentsmuir NNR in north-east Fife.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all those folk who go out on the reserve picking up other people's litter. We've met a few of you about and heard mention of many more. Your efforts don't go unnoticed – thanks.

Neil

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Farming



The agricultural show season is in full swing just now (with our own Kinross Show on Saturday 14 August) and it is always very interesting to look round the many different breeds of cattle and sheep on display. They all have their own individual characteristics, but with so many different breeds to choose from, you might wonder how as a farmer you decide what breeds to work with. However, if you divide them into three basic categories, the apparently muddy waters begin to clear.

The first category is dairy breeds which are kept to produce milk. These breeds tend to be thinner than other breeds since their genetic make up means that their energy is channelled into milk production rather than meat.

The second category is meat producing with maternal traits. These breeds are often used to cross with other breeds to produce female stock which have good mothering instincts. It is very important for a cow or ewe to give birth easily, to take good care of her calf or lambs, and to produce plenty of milk to feed them.

The third category is terminal sires for meat production. These breeds have very fast growth rates and are very efficient at turning food into beef or lamb. Of course, there is a fourth category for sheep and that is for breeds which are kept because of the quality of their wool.

For each of the categories, there tends to be a few breeds which dominate due to being a safe bet to do a particular job on the average farm, and many can serve a dual purpose role. However, there is plenty of scope for the less popular breeds to play a particular role on individual farms, depending on the characteristics desired by the farmer. They are often used for specialised marketing purposes on a local basis such as farmers markets, farm shops, or in some cases even as T.V. stars.

Each breed has its supporters, and 'which is best' is frequently the subject of lengthy discussions. Although it will probably always be the case that a few breeds will dominate the agricultural scene, minority breeds have an important role to play since fashions and needs change and the wider the gene pool that is available, then the better farmers can adapt to changing markets or farming practices. These breeds are also important for reminding us of our heritage and they provide a great deal of variety at the livestock sections at agricultural shows. Have a look at what is on display at Kinross on 14 August.

John

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Weather



June Weather Report From Carnbo

June this year was a very dry, sunny month, much like May, with few days with rain and plenty of sunshine. Rainfall totals were almost the same (May 31.5mm, 47%, June 33.5mm, 43%).

Rainfall for month	33.5 mm (43% of average)
Heaviest fall	12.3 mm (8th)
Highest temperature	23°C (20th)
Lowest temperature	4°C (1st)
Average temperature	13.5°C (June 09 13.2°C)
11 days with maximum above 20°C	
No days with maximum below 10°C	
Lowest maximum	11°C (8th)
Highest minimum	14°C (15th)
Ground Frost	1 night (21st)
Sunless days	7
Cloud cover	62% (below the average)
Thunder not recorded	

Local Attraction Opening Times

Lochleven Castle, Kinross

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

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

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

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

Hill of Tarvit mansion house

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

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

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

Balvaird Castle, near Glenfarg

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

Burleigh Castle, Milnathort

A fascinating tower house dating from around 1500. The grounds are open during daylight hours. The keep can be opened on request. Please follow signs on site for key. In the care of Historic Scotland.

St Serf's Church and Dupplin Cross, Dunning

This picturesque parish church houses the 9th century Dupplin Cross, a masterpiece of Pictish stonework. Donations welcome. Open summer only, seven days a week. In the care of Historic Scotland.

Gardens Open

More information about these gardens
can be found on our website,
www.kinrossnewsletter.org
Leisure info also on www.kinross.cc



Gardens, and some properties, open regularly not too far from Kinross				Admission		Disabled	Contact
	Opening	Arrangements		Adult	Child	Access	Number
Kinross House gardens (not house)	1 Apr - 30 Sept	daily	1000-1900	£3.00	free	yes	01577 862900
Falkland Palace & garden (NTS)	to 31 Oct	Mon-Sat	1100-1700	£10.50	£7.50	gdn only	0844 4932186
		Sun	1300-1700				0844 4932186
Hill of Tarvit mansionhouse & gdns (NTS)	29 Jul - 2 Aug & 26 - 31 Aug	Thu-Tue	1300-1700	£8.50	£5.50	gdn	0844 4932185
Grounds only at Hill of Tarvit (NTS)	all year	daily	to dusk	£2.00		yes	0844 4932185
Kellie Castle & garden, Pittenweem (NTS)	to 27 Sep	Thu-Mon	1300-1700	£8.50	£5.50	partial	0844 4932184
Garden & Estate only at Kellie Castle (NTS)	to 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.00	£2.00	yes	0844 4932184
Culross Palace, study, town hse and gdns (NTS)	1 Jun - 30 Aug	daily	1200-1700	£8.50	£5.50	no	0844 4932189
Gardens only at Culross Palace	1 Jun - 30 Aug	daily	1000-1800			difficult	0844 4932189
Branklyn Gardens, Dundee Rd, Perth (NTS)	to 31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£5.50	£4.50	partial	0844 4932193
Scone Palace grounds only	1 Apr-31 Oct	daily	0930-1745	£5.10	£3.50	limited	01738 552300
Braco Castle gardens, Braco, FK15 9LA (SGS)	1 Feb-31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.00	free	partial	01786 880437
Drummond Castle Gardens, Crieff	1 May-31 Oct	daily	1300-1800	£4.00	£2.00	restr	01764 681433
Botanic Garden, Canongate, St Andrews, KY16 8RT	Apr-Sept	daily	1000-1900	£2.00	£1.00	yes	01334 477178
Pittencreeff Park, Dunfermline	all year	daily	dawn-dusk	free	free	yes	01383 720285

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

Scotland's Gardens Scheme

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

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

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

Special Days Open in August

The garden at **Mount Tabor House, Perth** is open on **Sunday 1 August**, 10am to 5pm. It is a mature terraced town garden originally laid out in the late 19th century. Plant sales, mostly disabled access, dogs on leads welcome, craft stall, soup and rolls from 12-2pm, teas from 2-5pm. Admission: £3.50 (40% to Kate McKerracher Trust). Location: Mount Tabor Road, PH2 7DE. From Dundee Rd at Isle of Skye Hotel, turn right into Manse Rd, over mini-roundabout and into Mount Tabor Road.

There is an **Orchid Festival** at **Scone Palace**, near Perth, (see also chart) on **Saturday 7** and **Sunday 8 August**, with donations to SGS beneficiaries. Opening times for the Orchid Festival are 9.30am-5pm. Other attractions at Scone Palace: pinetum, maze, children's adventure playground, woodland walks, original Douglas fir. Limited disabled access, dogs on leads welcome, cream teas, wine, light refreshments.

On **Sunday 8 August** 40% of admission at **Drummond Castle Gardens, Crieff** (see also chart) goes to the British Limbless Ex-Servicemen's Association. The formal garden is said to be one of the finest in Europe and is the largest of its type in Scotland. Plant sales, restricted disabled access, dogs on leads welcome, raffle, stalls, entertainments, pipe band, refreshments. Opening hours that day: 1pm-5pm.

The **Gardeners of Falkland** open a wonderful selection of small, secret and private gardens to the public in this interesting historic village on **Saturday 14 August** (11am-5pm) and **Sunday 15 August** (1pm-5pm). Plant sales, partial disabled access, refreshments in village tearooms, organic café and pubs. Admission: £4.50 (20% to Alzheimer's Society, 20% to British Heart Foundation). Route: on A912 and B936.

The **Scotlandwell Community Allotments** at Young's Moss, The Causeway, Scotlandwell are open under SGS on **Sunday 15 August**, 10am-4pm. Admission £3.50 (40% to Rachel House). Plant sales, disabled access, dogs on leads welcome, carriage driving, refreshments.

The garden at **Kirklands, Saline** is open on **Sunday 22 August** from 2pm to 5.30pm. Herbaceous borders, woodland garden, newly developed terraced walled garden. Admission: £4, children free. 40% to Prospect Burma. Plant sales, partial disabled access, dogs on leads welcome, cream teas, vegetable growing advice. Route: Jct 4, M90, then B914. Parking in centre of village.

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



Congratulations

George and Donna **HARLEY** are pleased to announce the safe arrival of their twin daughters **CHLOE ELIZABETH** and **GRACE LYN** on Sunday 27 June 2010. First grandchildren of George and Elza Harley, Craiglaw Farm, Rumbling Bridge, Ricky and Lyn Hymers, Wairarapa, NZ and Jan Murray, Palmerston North, NZ.

Barbara and Bill **BELFORD** are thrilled to announce the birth of twin granddaughters, **AILSAL LOUISE** and **JESSICA ROSE** to Vaila and Darren **BRYCE**, Dalgety Bay, Fiŕ. The twins were born in Forth Park Maternity Hospital in Fiŕ on 14 July 2010.

Shoena (n   **PAYNE**) and Justin **FRYER** are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter **ANNALIE MARY** on Saturday 10 July 2010. Annalie is the second grandchild of David and Patricia Payne of Lathro Park.

GAYLE BENNIE graduated from Glasgow University on 1 July with a Masters of Engineering with Honours in Civil Engineering with Architecture. She was also awarded the Woolgar Hunter prize for the best performance in the penultimate and final year of her discipline. Annette and Jim Bennie and family would like to extend their love and congratulations on her outstanding achievement.

MARK CONWAY recently achieved a BSc in Construction Management at the Adam Smith College, Kirkcaldy. Mark, originally from N. Ireland and an ex Royal Navy engineer, plans to continue studying towards a Masters – who says that you can't teach an old dog new tricks – well done!

AVRIL KILDAY graduated in June from The University of Dundee, in Adult Nursing. A vocation she has wanted to pursue for many years and has finally achieved her dream. All her friends and family are extremely proud and wish her the best of luck in her future career.

MEGAN MACINTYRE has graduated from The University of Edinburgh with a BSc Hons in Physics. Megan will begin studying for her MSc at St Andrews University in September. Megan is the granddaughter of Bob and Maureen Cassells, Crook of Devon.

LAURA MACKAY has graduated from Stirling University with a 2:1 Honours degree in Secondary Education. Laura begins teaching History in a Dunfermline secondary school after the summer holidays.

CARLENE McAVOY, former pupil of Kinross High School, graduated from the University of Edinburgh with an MA Honours Degree in Religious Studies.

IAIN McDONALD has graduated from The University of Strathclyde with a 2:1 in Applied Music.

LUCY OLDHAM of Kinross has graduated from Queen Margaret University of Edinburgh with a BSc Honours Degree in Nutrition. Congratulations from Caroline, Julia and all the family.

BEN THOMAS of 50 Muirs, Kinross graduated from the University of Edinburgh on 29 June 2010 with a BSc in Mathematics and Statistics (First Class Honours). Ben takes up a position as an actuarial trainee with Scottish Widows in Edinburgh in September.

Congratulations to **ERIC CALDWELL** on being awarded The Imperial Service Medal by Her Majesty The Queen in recognition of his meritorious service to the Scottish Prison Service.

ZOE CONWAY was recently certificated for having a piece of her artwork displayed at the Daihondo Building of Naritasan Shinshoji Temple in Narita, Japan as part of the 12th International Exchange Exhibition of Childrens Art 2009. Both parents are extremely proud of this achievement.

MRS CATHERINE MARSHALL of Struie View, West Mains of Condrie, Milnathort was successful at the Royal Highland Show in the Shetland Pony class, where her filly was Junior Champion.

At the Royal Highland Show, **A & J CUMMING** of Duncruevie, Glenfarg achieved success in the Poultry section with their Soft Feather Light Breed Bantam and their Scots Dumpy, Scots Grey, Welsummer.

At the recent Scottish Coal Carrying Championships, held in Kelty, **SUSAN WALLACE** of Milnathort finished first in the women's event. Female competitors carry a 25 kg bag of coal over a one-kilometre course.

Thanks



PORTMOAK UNDER 5s would like to say thank you to the McKelvie Request, Portmoak Hall and the Kinross-shire Round Table for the money given to allow for the laying of an all-weather surface in the outdoor play area at Portmoak Hall, which is the venue for Portmoak toddlers and playgroup. Thanks also to Caledonian Play for the great job they did laying the new surface. The children are thoroughly enjoying playing on the outdoor toys more often now.



Portmoak Under 5s enjoy their new all-weather outdoor play area

MARION McAVOY Kinross would like to thank everyone who sent cards, flowers and good wishes after a recent accident – especially to St. James Ladies Group and Kinross-shire Day Centre.

KINROSS HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

SPECIAL AWARDS - WHOLE SCHOOL

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RNLI Award

Citizenship Quaich S5/S6

Head Boy

Head Girl

Ellen Mainprize and Laura Muir**Daniel Brown****Abby Clark****Calum McIntyre and Johanna Weir**

JUNIOR AWARDS

S1 Merit: **Vhairi MacAtear, Pamela Shah, Clair Marr, Matthew McHale**S1 Effort and Commitment: **Caitlin Duffy, Christina Hope, Holly Notman**S1 Merit and Effort and Commitment: **Heather Sturgeon, Edward Wood**S2 Merit: **Rachel Miller, Bethany Grant, Mairi Mulhern, Gemma Matthews, Natalie Firth**S2 Effort and Commitment: **Rebecca Thomson, Katie Wyllie, Jackson Brown, Andrew Jack, Claire Jackson, Kirstie Miller, Jack Wilson**S2 Merit and Effort and Commitment: **Jenny Dunne**

Special Awards S1 and S2

Laura Cochrane**Jenny Dunne****Jenny Dunne and Gemma Matthews**

Scots Verse Speaking

S2 Overall Excellence

S2 Debating

Gordon George Memorial Prize

Bertie Anderson Award

S3 Merit Awards

Rebecca McLeod Art and Design; **Rachel Vaughan** Mathematics; **Saffron Nicholson** Biology; **Natalie Fuller** French; **Nicola Beveridge** German; **Jessica Ranaldi** Craft and Design; **Emily Bradley-Parrish** Geography; **Drake Irvine** History; **Matthew Williams** Music; **Jenna Aitken** Administration; **David Wilcox** Accounting and Finance; **Joseph Chan** Business Management; **Fiona Swift** and **Rachel Taylor** Hospitality; **Jennifer Haydock** Drama; **Rory Muir** Computing; **Rebecca Ramsay** Biology and Hospitality; **Abbie Clark** Biology, Religious, Moral, Philosophical Studies and Drama; **Douglas Peter** Physics, Spanish, and Graphic Communication; **Zoie Ballantyne** English, Chemistry and Biology

S3 Effort and Commitment: **David Black, Jemma MacGregor, Rory Muir, Zoie Ballantyne, Douglas Peter**S3 Public Speaking Award: **Liam Duffy**

SENIOR AWARDS

S4 Merit Awards

Calum Findlay English; **Abigail Corsie** Biology; **Christopher Salmean** Physics; **Ailsa Morris** French; **Emma Godson** Spanish; **Jennifer Mackessack** Religious, Moral, Philosophical Studies; **Kelly Carruthers** Craft and Design; **Fiona Gillespie** Music; **David Johnstone** Accounting and Finance; **Keira Mackie** Business Management; **Hollie Quinn** Hospitality; **Sarah Skea** and **Oliver Watson** Drama; **David Creigh** Mathematics and Graphic Communication; **Katy Brown** Physical Education and Geography; **Stewart Fairbairn** Art and Design and Computing; **Joanne Dunne** Chemistry, History and German

S5 Merit Awards

Christy Black**Alice Mackay****Laura Jackson****Duncan Brown****Cassie Gaughan****Daniel Pickering****Cameron Milne****Rebecca Biocchi****Morven Wightman****Kimberley Timmins****Adam Ramsay****Jodi Watt****Megan Raine****Justine Dickie****Scott Andrew****Rebekah Stewart****Andrew Wilcox****Liam Swanson****Laura Muir****Ellen Mainprize****Amy Wishart****Ashley Donachie****Ruth Miller****Amy Wishart****Ellen Mainprize**

Accounts

Computing

Drama

Drama

Drama

English

Mathematics

History

Geography

German

Graphic Communication

Product Design

Product Design

Information Systems

Music

RMPS

Physics

Physical Education

Chemistry

Human Biology

Business Management

Spanish

Health & Food Technology

Art and Design

Biology

Spanish

French

French

Sam Mitchell-Henry Trophy

PTA Trophy

The Cordon Trophy

Arthur Donaldson Trophy

Burns-Begg Trophy

Bella Anderson Trophy

Bella Anderson Trophy

Marjory Fyfe Award

Trefoil Gold

Probus Club Trophy

John S Lowe Trophy

DL Chapman Senior Trophy

Bella Anderson Trophy

John and Marjory Moffat Quaich

Cloan Trophy

Lady Alice Smith Award

Lady Alice Smith Award

Kinross High School Awards (continued)

S6 Merit Awards

Isabelle Corsie Accounts; **Hannah Whiting** Business Management; **Jennifer Salmean** Product Design; **Jessica Bird** and **Cameron Brown** Art and Design; **Alice Eade** and **Rachel Farnworth** Geography; **Kirsty Paterson-Hunter** Computing; **Amy Peacock** Mathematics; **Ruaridh Lauder** Graphic Communication; **Kerry Ferguson** Information Systems; **Gillian Shackleton** and **Jennifer Baillie** Music; **Hazel Sweeney** Psychology; **Siobhan Dyson** RMPS; **Sophie Skea** French; **Ross Whyte** Drama; **Campbell Vaughan** Physics and Chemistry; **Christine Sorbie** Hospitality and Graphic Communication; **Roxanne Dyer** German and Biology; **Rosie Maxton** Spanish and History

Senior Special Subject Awards

Christine Sorbie	Hospitality	Perth College UHI Award for Excellence in Hospitality
Alexandra McGregor	Art & Design (S4)	Rosamund Beveridge Trophy
Hazel McNab	Art & Design	Kevin Kenny Award
Daniel Franklin	Business Education	Jean Lamont Award for Overall Excellence
Christy Black	Business Acumen	The University of Dundee Prize
Gillian Shackleton	Music	Hilary Hawksford Memorial Prize Trophy (for outstanding contribution to the musical life of the school)
Duncan Brown	Drama	Excellence in Drama, Theatre Arts and Performance
Cassie Gaughan	The Diana Award	For young people who inspire the lives of others
Keiran Hampsey	Triumph over Adversity	

SPORTS & ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Triathlon: **Mairi Mulhern**; Athletics: **Rory Muir**, **Laura Muir**, **Vhairi McAtear**; Athletics and Boxing: **Dean Byrne**; Hockey: **Jack Kinloch**, **Jennifer Smith**, **Alistair Vaughan**; Badminton: **Christine Sorbie**, **Rory Cooper**, **Patrick MacHugh**; Basketball: **Katy Brown**, **Jack Nicholson**; Squash: **Jamie Bode**, **Elspeth Young**; Karate: **Ben Mitchell**; Swimming: **Samantha Caulfield**, **Vicki Reid**, **Mhairi Boyle**, **Ellis Johnston**, **Laura Muncey**, **Eleanor Muncey**; Football: **Andy Ritchie**; Equestrian Vaulting: **Hannah Henderson**, **Hannah Ballantyne**, **Carla Megginson**; Cricket: **Fred Culley**, **Fraser Gosse**, **Calum Gosse**, **Colum Stevenson**, **Lauren Megginson**; Music: **Daniel Pickering**, **Harriet Lloyd**

Athletics

Perth & Kinross Group B Overall Sports Champions

Kinross High School

Sports Day Champions

Group C boys champion
Group C girls champion
Group B boys champion
Group B girls champion
Group A boys champion
Group A girls champion
Best Performance on Sports Day
Overall Sports Champions
House Championship Winners

Sam Fraser and Mark Higgins
Vhairi McAtear
Dean Byrne
Lillian Swanson
Liam Swanson
Laura Muir
Vhairi McAtear
Liam Swanson and Laura Muir
Bishop

Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Bronze: **Ginny Ashcroft**, **Samantha Blaikie**, **Thomas Broome**, **Lizzie Clark**, **Abigail Corsie**, **Gregor Dow**, **Stewart Fairbairn**, **Jack Finnie**, **Emma Godson**, **Calum Hill**, **Andrew Hynds**, **David Johnstone**, **Aaron Lockhart**, **Lisa McGregor**, **Esme Macintyre**, **Rebecca Munro**, **Joanne Myerscough**, **Kayleigh Reid**, **Jill Sweeney**, **Emily Wood**, **Conal Walster**, **Douglas Weir**, **Ross Mathieson**, **Jennifer Robertson**, **Amy Young**, **Laura Nimmo-Smith**, **Fiona Spain**, **Jennifer MacKessack**, **Leslie Simpson**, **Adam White**

Silver: **Becca Bicocchi**, **Stewart Brown**, **Justine Dickie**, **Catriona Donaldson**, **Rory Jones**, **Danny McAtear**, **Lorna McInnes**, **Alice McKay**, **Ellen Mainprize**, **Ruth Miller**, **Kirsty Ogilvie**, **Katie Palmer**, **Adam Ramsay**, **Caidin Rush**, **Georgina Seivour**, **Alana Sim**, **Kimberley Timmins**, **Andrew Wilcox**, **Duncan Cameron**

Gold: **Victoria Carruthers**, **Calum Macintyre**, **Amy Peacock**, **Michael Robertson**, **Christine Sorbie**, **Hazel Sweeney**, **Campbell Vaughan**, **Ross Whyte**, **Laurie Wilson**, **Shona Young**, **Samantha Ross**

Situation Vacant Packer

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Kinross Parish Church of Scotland

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Rev Alan D. Reid MA, BD Tel: (01577) 862952

Reader: Margaret Michie Tel: (01592) 840602

Session Clerk: Jaffrey Weir Tel: (01577) 865780

Church E-mail: kinpc@tiscali.co.uk

Church website: www.kinrossparishchurch.org

All Sunday morning services include a crèche. All events are in the church unless indicated otherwise.

Regular Services

Sundays 10.30 Morning Service

Sundays 19.30 Church Centre : Crossfire, for S1 age upwards

Tuesdays 10.00 Pram Service

2.30pm Whyte Court - Service

(First Tuesday of month)

2.30pm Causeway Court - Service

(last Tuesday of month)

Wednesdays 10.45 Midweek Worship: Reading Room, Church Centre, 30mins.

12 noon Mid-week and Mid-day: Time to Pray: 30 mins

Other Services for August

Sun 1 10.30am Morning Service: Family Week Service

Mon 2 8am Silent Meditation

Mon 2-Fri 6 Family Week (see following page).

All children from age 3 are welcome.

Sun 8 10.30am Morning Service: 'Un)answered Prayer'

Sat 14 8.30am Prayer Breakfast. Names in advance to Alan

Reid or Margaret Michie

Sun 15 10.30am Morning Service: 'Living By Faith'

Thu 19 9pm 'Compline': short service with readings and prayer

Sun 22 10.30 Morning Service: 'Silence In Court'
3.30pm A Celebration of 10 years of Pram Service.

Tues 24 8pm Prayer Meeting (1 hour)

Sun 29 10.30am Morning Service: 'A Great Big God'

6.30pm Informal Evening Service

Tues 31 6.30pm Tileagd Romanian Children's Choir. Part of the Smiles Foundation, this choir is visiting various local schools - this is a chance for the grown-ups to hear them.

All are welcome to any of these services or prayer times

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

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

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

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Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AY

Rev Dr Marion Keston Telephone: (01577) 866834

Website: www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk

August Services

Sun 1 9th After Pentecost, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Family Communion (followed by lunch at rectory, all invited).

Sun 8 10th After Pentecost, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Family Communion.

Sun 15 11th After Pentecost, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Family Communion .

Sun 22 12th After Pentecost, 8.30am, Holy Communion.
11.00am, Family Communion.

Thu 26 9.15am, Service of Prayers for Healing.

Sun 29 13th After Pentecost, 8.30am Holy Communion.
11.00am, Family Communion.
Junior church resumes.

Sunday School and Crèche during the 11.00am Services.

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

Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church

Church of Scotland

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

United Service 6.30pm in Orwell Hall

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

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

Youth Drop In Tuesdays 7pm till 8.30pm.

Sunday 29 August: last services by Rev Dr R Pickles, followed by Lunch.

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

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Cleish Parish Church**Church of Scotland**

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

Sunday Services 11.15am
Crèche 11.15am
Junior Church 11.15am

August

Sun 1 11.15am morning worship and baby's blessing
Sun 8 11.15am morning worship
Sun 15 11.15am morning worship
Sun 22 10am Early Birds Worship
 11.15am Traditional Worship service
Sun 29 11.15am Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Kinross Christian Fellowship

Further information: (01577) 863509

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

Church and Children's Sunday Club

Every Sunday at 10.30am
 in the Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.
 During each service there will be a time for
 ministry and prayer for healing.

Kinross Christian Fellowship Evening Service

On the second Sunday of every month, beginning in August 2010, the Fellowship will be holding an evening service beginning at 6.30pm. There is no formal format envisaged; however, it may be expected that it will include lots of praise, worship, and joy in the LORD. Everyone is welcome, irrespective of faith or denomination, and we look forward to seeing - and hearing - you. For more information please contact Peter on 01577 863509.
 On behalf of KCF, God bless.

Fossoway Parish Church**Church of Scotland**

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

Sunday Services at 9.45am
Junior Church with summer DVD club, crèche, "Wrigglers Group" (0-3 year olds) at 9.45am,
Teens: first Sunday of the month at 10am
Tots Music: Friday mornings in hall, 9.30am
Café Refresh: Every Thursday, church hall, 2-4pm
Yoga classes: Mondays 7-8.30pm

August

Sun 1 9.45am Preacher, Steve Hamblin
Sun 8 9.45am morning worship
Sun 15 9.45am sacrament of baptism
Sun 22 9.45am morning worship, return of Junior Church
Sun 29 9.45am morning worship

St James's R C Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Father Colin Golden Telephone: (01577) 863329

Mass Times Saturday Vigil 7.00pm
 Sunday 9.30am

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

Saturday Night Worship

Last Saturday of each month, 7.30 – 10pm

Milnathort Town Hall

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

For further details contact Sarah Corsar 07795313864

Family Week Events

2 – 6 August



Every morning, 10am – 12 noon, at Loch Leven Community Campus, a theatre themed programme, to get to know Jesus in a fun packed way. All ages from 3 to 16 welcome.
 Any queries, telephone Moira Hookham, 01577 861033.

Monday	Family Rounders	19.30	Meet at the Kirkgate (Church centre in poor weather)
Tuesday	Helen's Flag Workshop	14.30 - 16.00	Kinross Parish Church
Wednesday	Family Hunt Game	14.00 - 16.00	Meet at Gacé Gardens
Thursday	Family Film	14.00 - 16.00	Kinross Parish Church
Friday	Celebration and Barbecue	19.00	Kinross Parish Church
All week	'Odd Man Out' Competition in shop windows		

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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)

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

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(Bereavement Group)
meets at the Health Centre, Lathro, Kinross
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Email: sunnysidechildcare@mail.com www.sunnysidechildcare.co.uk

Obituaries

SPALDING - Peacefully at Ninewells Hospital, on Tuesday 8 June 2010, aged 67 years, **Margaret Duncan Knox** (née Campbell) of Curate Wynd, Kinross.

Margaret was popular and a well known face in Kinross having been born here and having lived all her life in the town. Margaret was the beloved wife of her late husband Bill, dear mother of Atholl and proud mother-in-law of Lisa, very proud granny of Mackenzie, Neve and Murray, loving sister of Robert and Minnie and the late Jim, Dougie and Duncan and a much loved auntie (Nanny). Margaret had many friends in the town and will be sadly missed.

Atholl, Robert and Minnie would like to sincerely thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and calls received in their recent loss. A special thanks to Karen and Gill at Perth Renal unit for their kindness and friendship that Margaret received during her many trips to the unit. Thanks also to those who contributed to the collection made at Margaret's funeral, with a total of £828.20 being collected on behalf of the Renal Unit at Perth.

MORLEY-HILL - Pat died peacefully at Cornhill MacMillan Centre on July 20, 2010, aged 79. For the past two years, she had lived at Lauder Cottage, South Street, Milnathort, having re-located from Spain. She is survived by her daughters Liz Rougvie and Sarah Eaton, both of Milnathort, and Joanne Morley-Hill of Dundee. She also leaves four grandchildren - Charlotte Giacopazzi, Nick Rougvie and George and Ellie Eaton - as well as two great grandchildren, Elizabeth and Emilia Giacopazzi.

Acknowledgement

ROBB / THOMAS – Eileen Thomas would like to thank everyone who sent cards and other kind expressions of sympathy following the sudden loss of her mother, Margaret Robb. Thanks also to staff at Loch Leven Health Centre for their care during the short time Margaret lived in Kinross, and to the emergency services. A comforting and uplifting service was held in Margaret's home parish, St John's R.C. Church, Perth, on Wednesday 14 July 2010.

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Playgroups & Nurseries

PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

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(only 10 mins from Milnathort and Kinross)

Babies and Toddlers (birth – 3yrs)

Tues 10:00am - 11:30am

Playgroup (2yrs onwards)

Mon & Fri 10:00am – 12noon

Contact Carolyn Robertson 01383 831129

LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Session times

Tuesdays 9.30 - 11.15, Fridays 9.30 - 11.15

Contact - Caroline 07507 204731

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

LOCHLEVEN TWOS CLUB

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Thursdays 9.30 to 11.15 (term time only)

Suitable for children from about 18 months to 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.

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



SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross

Kinross-shire Playgroup Association

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TEL: 01577 862071

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

Julia Slater 07810 742046 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, Milnathort

Milnathort Babies and Toddlers offer a relaxed, friendly environment.

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

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

Thursday & Friday, 10am – 11.30am.

For more information please contact Susan Britton on

01577 863385, 07737 461 293

or e-mail susanjbritton@yahoo.co.uk.

GLENFARG BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

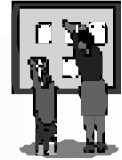
Village Hall, Greenbank Road, Glenfarg

9.30am to 11.30am during term time

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

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

Contact Jenny Holt-Brook on 01577 830577, email jennyholtbrook@yahoo.co.uk or just come along.



Notices

The Tempest by William Shakespeare **Open Air Theatre Production**

at Hill of Tarvit mansion house, near Cupar

Saturday 7 August at 7.15pm

Gates open at 6pm. Approx finish time 9pm.

Adult: £14, Child: £8. Box office: 0844 4932185

Orwell Bowling Club **FUN NIGHT**

Saturday 14 August 6.30pm

Target Bowls, Stocks, Tombola
and, weather permitting, Try-Your-Hand at Bowls

BBQ Burgers and Sausages

FREE ENTRY - EVERYONE WELCOME

Bishopshire Horticultural Society **ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW**

Saturday 21 August

For more details, telephone Lorna Ainsworth 840571
or Sylvia Herrington 840519

Fossoway & District Horticultural Society **ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW**

to be held on

Saturday 21 August

at the Crook of Devon Institute

Doors open 2pm

Schedules available from:

The Shop, Crook of Devon.

Fossoway Garage or tel. 01577 840285

Pot Plants, Cut /Flowers, Vegetables,
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Friday 27 August

at 8pm in the Windlestrae Hotel

£10 per ticket, includes supper

For tickets, contact 01577 863244



Children's Hospice Association Scotland
Sharing the Caring

Free Reflexology for **CHAS Shoppers**

Wednesday 25 August

Local complementary therapist Morag McAllister will be offering free reflexology to shoppers in Kinross on Wednesday 25 August at the Children's Hospice Association Scotland (CHAS) shop. The 15 minute mini taster sessions will take place between 11am-3pm at the CHAS Gift Shop, 23 Avenue Road, Kinross.

Shoppers can enjoy a relaxing treatment whilst browsing through a wide range of gifts, cards and CHAS branded items for all the family.

The Kinross Gift Shop is open Monday to Saturday 10am-5pm. If you would like to support CHAS please contact the Kinross fundraising office on 01577 865222 or go to

www.chas.org.uk



Children's Hospice Association Scotland
Sharing the Caring

Dunfermline Strathspey and Reel Society **20th FIDDLERS' RALLY**

Carnegie Hall, Dunfermline

Saturday 28 August, commencing 7 pm

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Saturday 28 August, 7.30 for 8pm

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Milnathort Filmhouse (Town Hall)

The 'Big Screen' has returned to Milnathort!

'The Filmhouse for the whole family'

Come and enjoy our Saturday Night Cinema and Family Funday
Sunday Matinee.

Sep

Sat 4th 8pm Cinema Paradiso (PG)

Sun 5th 3pm Alvin and the Chipmunks 2:
The Squeakquel (U)

Oct (Halloween Weekend Special)

Sat 30th 8pm Beetlejuice (15)

Sun 31st 3pm Casper (PG)

Dec

Sat 4th 8pm The Shawshank Redemption (15)

Sun 5th 3pm The Polar Express (U)

Doors open 45 mins before screening. Tuck Shop. Licensed Bar (tbc). Tickets available from Heaven Scent and Milnathort Post Office (2 weeks before the film).

Ticket prices: Adult £5 (*£6); Child (2-15yrs) £3 (*£3.50);

Family (2a+3c) £12.50 (*£15); Adultsaver (4 Adults) £18 (*n/a)
(*on the door Price)

milnathortcinema@btinternet.com or

Kathleen on 01577 862805/07849 766243.

Girl Guides are coming back to Milnathort **Starting August 2010 on Tuesday nights**

Guides is our section for girls aged 10 to 14.

Guides work together in small groups or 'Patrols' and, with the support of an adult Leader, choose and run some of the activities themselves using **Go for It!** activity packs. Girls can extend their knowledge and skills by working towards Guide interest badges covering many different hobbies and activities.

Phone Tracy on 01577 864415

www.girlguiding.org.uk

Balloon Release

in support of

The Scottish Cot Death Trust

Kirkgate Park

Saturday 11 September at 2pm

Balloon Race, Stalls and Activities

See Article on p. 13 for more information



MTKY Musical Theatre for Kinross-shire Youth



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Back to the 80's - THE Totally Awesome Musical

It maybe an era you want to forget... It maybe YOUR era.... It may all just be a blur...

MTKY are going to take you there again!

Join the graduating class of William Ocean High School as they live through their final senior year - as they experience the fun, the heartbreak, the loves and the loneliness of growing up.... all set to the biggest hits of the 80's! Kids in America, Material Girl and We are the World, to name a few.

The dates for your diaries are:

Tues 21, Wed 22, Thurs 23, Fri 24 September

Loch Leven Community Campus Assembly Hall, 7.30pm

£6 Adult, £4 Schoolchildren/Concessions.

Tickets available from

MTKY members, Lynn 863271, Isobel 862970

Kinross Garden Group

Gardens of Ireland

We are going to Gardens of Ireland

Sunday 12 to Saturday 18 September 2010

and still have twin/double rooms available.

Coach from Kinross. All welcome to join us.

Contact Mrs C Rodger 01577 863785 for more details.

Kinross and District Art Club Exhibition

Thursday 16 September 3.30pm - 8.00pm

Friday 17 September 3.30pm - 8.00pm

Saturday 18 September 10.30am - 4.00pm

We are part of Perthshire Open studios this year and the exhibition will be held at the Kinross Parish Church.

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Grants and Funding Websites

www.pkgrantsdirect.com

www.scottishcf.org

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Girl Guiding Movement in Milnathort

**If you have an hour to spare each week then you are just
who we are looking for!!!**

We are looking for someone to help with a new **Brownie Unit** in Milnathort. The current waiting list for a place in Brownies is now so big that we need to open a new unit. If you are interested in helping us out, contact Alison on 01577 864262.

Brownies is our section for girls aged seven to ten.

Brownies follow a programme called the Brownie Adventure. Girls can participate in a wide range of activities at their regular meetings, and at special events. They can find themselves trying out arts and crafts or recipes, playing energetic games or taking part in community action projects. Girls can also extend their knowledge and abilities by working towards Brownie interest badges covering many different hobbies and activities. The Brownie Adventure is divided into three areas: You, Community, World.



Beatles and Diva tributes at GAZEBO GATHERING

At Kinross House

Saturday 4 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 36, visit
www.kleo.org.uk or e-mail info@kleo.org.uk

Funding Alert!

P&KC produces a huge list summarising funding opportunities for the voluntary sector. There are dozens of Trusts and Foundations giving away grants.

The list will be posted on www.kinross.cc or go to www.pk.gov.uk and look for the voluntary sector page.

Contacts:

The P&K Grants Direct Team 0845 605 2000

Steve MacDonald, P&KC External

Funding Officer 01738 477963

(Contact Steve MacDonald if you would like to subscribe to P&KC's regular e-funding bulletin.)

Pre-school activities at Loch Leven Leisure Centre

Wee Springers is a fun gymnastics based activity run on the following days and times:

Monday	10.45 - 11.15am	18 months - 3 years
Monday	11.30 - 12 noon	18 months - 3 years
Monday	1.00 - 1.45pm	3 - 5 years
Monday	2.00 - 2.45pm	3 - 5 years
Wednesday	10.00 - 10.45am	3 - 5 years
Wednesday	11.00 - 11.30am	18 months - 3 years

Kiddie Kickers is a football based class:

Friday	12.30 - 1.15pm	3 - 5 years
Friday	1.30 - 2.15pm	3 - 5 years
Friday	2.15 - 2.45pm	18 months - 3 years

Please contact 01577 863368 for further details and to book

Community Councils

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

Kinross Community Councillors

Margaret Blyth	6 Muir Grove	
David Colliar	10 Rannoch Place	864037
Dave Cuthbert	Highfield Circle	861001
Barry M Davies (Vice Chair)	60 Lathro Park	865004
Ian Jack (Treasurer)	Burnbrae Grange	863980
Laura Mackay	Brunthill Farm	07872 499145
Dot Mackay	29 Green Park	864635
Joe Richardson	47/49 High Street	863152
Margaret Scott (Secy)	21 Ross Street	862945
Campbell Watson (Chair)	7 Gallowhill Gardens	861544
Bill Freeman	64 Muirs	865045

Perth and Kinross Councillors

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

Kinross Recycling Centre, Bridgend

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Saturdays and Sundays 9am to 5pm

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Fossoway and Cleish Community Office

A service for the Community, open:

Thursdays 2 pm - 4 pm
Saturdays 10am - 12 noon

Out of hours there is an answering machine

Tel: 01577 840185 Email: fcoffice@btinternet.com

Regular Library Sessions for Young Children

At Loch Leven Community Library.

No need to book, just come along.

Story Telling

every Monday morning 10.15 - 10.45 am
and every Thursday afternoon 2.15 - 2.45 pm

Bookbug Rhymetimes

every Saturday 10.30 - 11 am
and every second Wednesday 2.00 - 2.30 pm
(next Wed session: 11 August)

Bookbug Library Challenge: For children aged 0 to 4: On each visit to the library, children are given a sticker. After collecting four stickers, they are awarded a certificate.

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

www.gordonbanksmp.co.uk

Email: constituency@gordonbanksmp.co.uk

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

MSP for Ochil Constituency Keith Brown MSP

will be holding regular

surgeries throughout his constituency area.

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

Keith can also be contacted by email at

keith.brown.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

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

Members of the Scottish Parliament

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The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP

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Mobile Library – Blairingone and Milnathort

Every Second Wednesday

Next visits: 11 and 25 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

Loch Leven Community Library

Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ

Telephone: 01577 867205

Email: kinrosslibrary@pkc.gov.uk

Opening Times

Monday 10am - 6pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am - 8pm
Friday 10am - 6pm
Saturday 10am - 3pm

Kinross District Counselling Services

Kinross District Counselling Services offers a new, fully supervised, confidential counselling service brought to you in association with The Web Project.

It is open to all-comers.

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

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

Kinross-shire *Day Centre*



Table Tennis • Videos • Cards • Dominoes
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises

Weekly Programme

Monday	Elderberries	1.30 pm	
Tuesday	Bingo	1.30 pm	
Wednesday	Morning Service	10.45 am,	Quiz Afternoon 1.30 pm
	Dominoes	1.30 pm	Scrabble 1.30 pm
Thursday	Art Class	1.30 pm,	Film Afternoon 1.30 pm
	Dominoes	1.30 pm	
Friday	Scrabble	1.30 pm	

Additional Events for August

Afternoon Trip	Thursday 5th	at 1.15 pm
Barge Trip	Wednesday 18th	at 10.45 am



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

LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross

(opposite David Sands)

Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 6.00 pm

Saturday: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

Sunday: 12.00 - 1.00 pm

Tel: 862422

Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort

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

Saturday: 9.00 am - 12.30 pm
Tel: 862219



Perth Citizens Advice Bureau

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

No appointment is necessary as the surgery is a drop-in service. For complex issues a further appointment may be necessary. Perth CAB can help you – our advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent. Contact us: Advice line 01738 450580; Appointment line 01738 450581.

Mindspace



Mindspace is the counselling service for Perth Association for Mental Health (www.pamh.co.uk). We have Young People's Counsellors working in Kinross one day a week. Clients can self-refer via email to info@mindspacepk.com, by telephone on 01738 631639, or by visiting our website at www.mindspacepk.com and filling in a referral form. Clients can also be referred by their GP. Mindspace also offers counselling to adults (18+) at their offices in Perth.

Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme

Registered Charity No. SC015642

Charges to service users (as at 1/10/08)

Perth, Dunfermline £8

Stirling, Kirkcaldy £8

Stracathro £25

Dundee £15

Edinburgh £15

Loch Leven Health Centre, local area £3

Loch Leven Health Centre, outreach area £4

Co-ordinator: Ann Munro 01577 840196.



School Holidays, Academic Year 2010 - 2011

Academic year	Wed 18 Aug 2010	-	Fri 1 Jul 2011
Autumn Holiday	Mon 11 Oct 2010	-	Fri 22 Oct 2010
In Service Days	Thu 18 Nov 2010	-	Fri 19 Nov 2010
Christmas Holiday	Thu 23 Dec 2010	-	Wed 5 Jan 2011
In Service Day	Wed 16 Feb 2011		
Occasional Holiday	Thu 17 Feb 2011	-	Fri 18 Feb 2011
Spring Holiday	Mon 4 Apr 2011	-	Fri 15 Apr 2011
Easter Break	Fri 22 Apr 2011	-	Mon 25 Apr 2011
In Service Day	Tue 26 Apr 2011		
May Day	Mon 2 May 2011	(tbc)	

Situations Vacant

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

Kitchen Porter, The Green Hotel, Kinross

Full and part time positions. Permanent. Minimum wage. Contact: Bruce Robb tel: 01577 863217

Chef de Partie, The Green Hotel, Kinross

40 hours per week. Permanent position. Live-in or live-out. Salary negotiable. Contact: Bruce Robb tel: 01577 863217

Packer (part time), John Moncrieff Limited, Kinross

Packer starting end of August required for a Kinross based Lighting Company. Duties will include packing and organising stock. 10 hours per week 10am -3pm Tuesday and Thursdays, there will be the opportunity for overtime. Positive person with a can do attitude. £6.00 per hour. Contact: Nicky at Lighting@jmoncrieff.co.uk

Chef de Partie, The Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross

Salary negotiable.
Apply to Bruce Robb at: brucerobbie@green-hotel.com

Perth & Kinross Council

Kinross Area Office

21 High St, Kinross

Customer Service Centre

(Mon to Fri, 8am-6pm)

Out of Hours Emergencies

(Roads, flooding, environmental health and dangerous buildings)

Clarence (for non-emergency road and lighting defects)

www.pkc.gov.uk

Tel: 01577 862351

Tel: 01738 475000

Tel: 01738 625411

Tel: 0800 232323

Recycle your waste and help the Friends of Wumenu Community Farm

(Charity No SC037724)
www.friendsofwumenufarm.org.uk

The charity will take: old agricultural tools, bikes, clothes, fabrics, old sewing machines, art materials, duvets, curtains, blankets and bedding, kitchenware, toys, clothes, play equipment, power tools, garden tools and unwanted electrical goods in any condition. All goods can be collected.

Telephone Amu-Logotse on 07985 623870 or Barbara Willey on 01577 863063.



Recycling for Breast Cancer Care



Clare Abbot and Sue Smith are collecting **old clothes, bedlinen, curtains** etc for recycling as part of their Trek Peru 2010 fund-raising efforts.

They will do a five-day sponsored trek in Peru to raise funds for Breast Cancer Care.

Telephone 01592 840318 for further details.

Blythswood Care

Sainsbury's Car Park

(if car park is full, van will park nearby, e.g. Park & Ride or Ochil View)

Tuesday 17 August between 10.30 am and 11 am

Further details from 862258

Classified Adverts

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

Item for Sale

DeLonghi Dehumidifier

£75.00

Larger than average 6 litre tank; tank full indicator, very good condition.

Seller Details: Pat Hughes

01577 840385

Ikea Klippan 2 seater sofa

£80.00

Neutral colour, washable removable purple cover. 180cm wide.

Seller details: Fiona Wood

07801 071918

Pine corner unit

£50.00

6ft high 2ft wide pine corner unit, solid pine door on bottom and glass display on top with light inside.

Ikea buffet/sideboard (Ieksvik)

£60.00

Antique pine buffet unit/sideboard still available in Ikea (£169). 2 glass display doors and 4 drawers.

Pine table and 4 chairs

£40.00

6ft x 3ft pine table and 4 chairs.

For items above contact: Andrew Muirhead

07719 638153

andrew.muirhead@ekit.com

Labrador puppies

£550.00

Stunning black and fox red male Labrador puppies for sale. Both parents health tested and of working strain. Born 3 June 2010, ready for new homes 24/25 July.

Seller details: Gordon Douglas

01577 861754

ashkinnear@yahoo.co.uk

Wooden Climbing Frame

£100.00

With slide, 2 swings, climbing wall and playhouse.

Seller details: Justin Beveridge

01577 863979

beaver1@talktalk.net

Healing Rooms Training Course

10 am – 2 pm

Saturday 4 September

For those interested in becoming a team member,
and also as a refresher for existing members.

See page 43 for more details.

Dr Donald Duncan Bequest Committee

The above Committee have for many years provided Grants for educational purposes for persons whose parents were resident in Kinross at the time of their birth and who have received some of their education in the County of Kinross. In recent years, the Committee have followed a policy of providing awards only for University Degree Courses. The Committee also have followed the policy that once one award had been received, no further awards would be given. The Committee has, for the last 2 years or so, been prepared to consider a more flexible approach to awards, the Committee will in future consider applications not just for University courses and will contemplate making more than one award in certain circumstances. Awards will still only be granted though for educational purposes. Application Forms can be obtained from Andersons LLP, Solicitors, 40 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AN.

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