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# Letters

## Editorial

Several important planning and environmental matters are reaching an interesting stage this month. These are just some of them:

We have the chance to view proposals for **environmental improvements to Kinross High Street** at a Public Exhibition. Proposals like this were put forward in the 'Kinross Strategy' document of 1995, but it was considered necessary to wait until heavy traffic could be taken away from the High Street by a relief road before the improvements were implemented. It has been a long wait. Find out about the Public Exhibition on page 4.

Also at the time of preparing this issue of the Newsletter, it appears that PKC officers intend to send the proposed **Local Development Plan** onto its next stage without changes following the public consultation that took place in early 2012. In Kinross this has caused particular dismay to those who are unhappy with the 'H46' site next to the Davies Park being zoned for potential housing. Read more about this on pages 8, 9, 10, and 29.

The '**Future of Kinross Buildings**' section of the Kinross CC report (page 29) is particularly important this month, with the news that the County Buildings are to be placed on the open market.

On a celebratory note, we are pleased to announce that this is our **400th issue!** This is published a little over 35 years since the founding of the Newsletter.

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Cllr: Councillor

CCllr: Community Councillor

## Tillyrie Turbines may not be alone

Following on from the letters of Gillian Galbraith in the July edition ("Save beautiful Kinross-shire") and that of John Bryson in August ("Tillyrie Turbines"), many may not be aware of a larger scheme at Ledlation, just 5 km (about 3½ miles) to the southwest of the Tillyrie site. The Ledlation proposal is for four 87 metre (285 feet) high turbines, which, like those at Tillyrie, will be visible from almost all of Milnathort, Kinross and the Heritage Trail.

Both the Tillyrie and Ledlation proposals come at a time when the Heritage Trail is increasingly popular; the route for its completion is being discussed and a great deal of effort is being made to encourage visitors to Kinross-shire (see, for example, the excellent new website [www.visitlochleven.org](http://www.visitlochleven.org)).

As well as sharing the sentiments expressed in the earlier letters, we are writing as we are very concerned about the damage to tourism that will come as a consequence of the visual impact from these and other likely proposals. It is clear that we have an interest in this as we try to encourage visitors to the area to stay with us!

Consumer research on tourist attitudes to wind farms was commissioned by VisitScotland in 2011 ([http://www.visitscotland.org/research\\_and\\_statistics/tourism\\_topics/wind\\_farms.aspx](http://www.visitscotland.org/research_and_statistics/tourism_topics/wind_farms.aspx)). 3,000 people (2,000 from across the UK and a further 1,000 from Scotland) were interviewed. All had taken holidays in the UK and intended to do so in the future.

Some of the relevant findings, for all respondents, were:

- 19% said the presence of a wind farm would affect their decision about where to visit or stay, and that the countryside was spoilt by wind farms
- 18% stated that they would tend to avoid any parts of the countryside with wind farms.

If the proposed developments go ahead and these expressed opinions are acted on, then an almost 20% reduction in British visitors to the area could result. This would be very damaging to the whole local economy.

The novelty appeal of wind farms has largely worn off for the public and an increasingly cynical population, alarmed by recent energy price escalation, and depressed by another summer of dismal weather, is likely to become more negative to this very expensive renewable energy with its damaging effects on beautiful scenery.

The visual impact of these developments on tourism could well negate the efforts being made to encourage visitors.

In addition, for those who have to move house, highly visible wind farms are likely to reduce the pool of interested buyers and, as a consequence, the value of their property.

If both the Tillyrie and Ledlation proposals go ahead then the skyline will be totally changed with the rolling hills dwarfed. As John Bryson noted in his letter, extensions to wind farms are common; having already spoilt the countryside there is less to stop extensions and infilling across the whole view.

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### Thanks from Eilidh

I am writing to thank everybody in Kinross-shire for all the support I got for competing at the London 2012 Olympic Games. I was overwhelmed by the hundreds of messages that I received including those passed to me personally, through my family, and those displayed on several windows.

Competing at an Olympic Games was a tremendous experience for me, made even better knowing that people back home were cheering me on. In recent weeks, due to training and competition commitments, I have not been in Kinross except for the odd day here and there. However with the season all but over and a few weeks' break in September to look forward to before I return to training, I hope to spend some time in Kinross at which time I may be able to thank many of you personally.

Thanks again and I look forward to your continued support at my forthcoming competitions.

Yours in sport,

Eilidh

*See also Congratulations and Thanks, page 88*

### Thank you for Olympic Flame support

On Wednesday 13 June I carried the Olympic Flame through Milnathort. Even with it being an early start there were lots of people out to support me. I would like to thank the people of Milnathort and surrounding area for coming out in support of myself and the other torchbearers that ran on that day through Milnathort and Kinross. I had a brilliant day, one that I will never forget; there was even people on their roofs, pipe band and people in the streets cheering.

If anyone had photos or videos of the day I would love to see them if that was possible. You can contact me at: david62anderson@hotmail.co.uk

Thanks again,

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### Weight-Watchers

It is with great regret that I have to hang up my weight-watchers scales and say farewell to all the lovely members of Kinross and the surrounding areas who I have had the pleasure of meeting since I became the Weight Watchers leader at Windlestrae Hotel meeting on a Tuesday night. It has been an honour to share in the success of this group and I will continue to keep in touch as leader Sandra Griffin has taken over. Keep up the good work and remember, you can do it!

Elaine Jeffrey

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### Loving Hands Charity Knitters

I am Lou Jaap, founder of Loving Hands. We knit, crochet and sew for charities. Over the last five years we have met every Monday in Kelty Community Centre (next door to primary school on Main Street), from 1pm to 3pm. Our members come from all across the counties arriving from Stirling, Alloa, Saline, Muckhart, Glenrothes, Leven, Dunfermline, Cowdenbeath and Kelty - we even have a couple of ladies from Kinross who sometimes venture along. New members are always welcome to join us to have a knit/crochet/stitch and natter - the members make things for themselves and families as well as for the large variety of charities we support all across the world.

Loving Hands is also a huge online community ([www.lovinghands.org.uk](http://www.lovinghands.org.uk)) with over 5000 members and lots of local groups springing up all over the UK. We have members dotted about all over the world as well.

The things we produce are donated to charities and individuals who take these items directly to the places they are needed and hand them out themselves. We do not provide items to be sold for peanuts in charity shops or stored for years in warehouses here in the UK. So far, our work has gone as far afield as Peru, Mongolia, Haiti, India, South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, India, Albania, Croatia, Bulgaria, Algeria, Serbia, Mexico and other places besides. We make everything from Fish and Chip baby jumpers (sent to keep wee babies warm - the term coming from a lady who saw babies being taken off into the jungle from a clinic wrapped in newspaper as the mothers had no access to clothes or blankets for them), to knitted 'boobs' used to teach breastfeeding in the UK and sometimes for ladies who have had mastectomies and can't bear to wear the prosthetics provided by the NHS, to burial items for tiny angels who do not survive, to blankets for orphaned baby elephants and coats for battery chickens! There is an extensive wish list on our website and forum and we also have three monthly challenges to keep our ladies motivated and inspired.

We are happy to receive donations of yarn, fabrics, sheets and duvet covers (sheets and duvet covers can be made into bags for teddies for tragedies, washable sanitary wear and our bags of love), towels (flannelette sheets and towels are made into washable sanitary protection for girls who have nothing), wedding and bridesmaids dresses (which are turned into burial gowns and angel pockets).

I am also available to give talks about our work at SWRI, Women's Guild and other groups; these are becoming more popular as we grow and expand.

Looking forward to welcoming some of the Newsletter readers along to our Monday meetings, or to our online community if you can't make it. I could also arrange to pick up work if you can't get along but would still like to contribute.

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# News & Articles

## Kinross High Street environmental improvement proposals Public Exhibition

**Monday 17 September – Thursday 20 September**

A public exhibition and community consultation regarding environmental improvement proposals for Kinross High Street will take place this month.

The exhibition will be held at Loch Leven Community Library from 17 to 20 September and can be viewed during normal library opening hours. Council officers will also be on hand to explain the proposals, and answer any questions members of the public may have, on the following days: Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 September (5pm-7.30pm) and Thursday 20 September (3pm-7.30pm).



*Kinross High Street from junction with Swansacre, looking north.*

The proposals are intended to improve the appearance of the High Street for the benefit of residents, businesses and visitors alike. The proposals include footpath widening where possible, and some traffic calming measures, along with resurfacing of the footpaths and carriage way including some natural stone paving, setts and kerbs. It is also proposed to renew bus shelters, walls and railings; and to introduce more seating and street tree planting.

The aim of the project, funded by the Council, is to make Kinross town centre more attractive to live, work and visit, and to encourage visitors to stop and spend time there.



*Kinross High Street looking south*

Additionally, there is potential for grant-aided improvements of building facades within Kinross High Street, through the Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) from the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) from Historic Scotland. These would run broadly parallel with the improvements of the High Street; and the two projects would complement each other to the benefit of Kinross Town Centre.

If you live, work or own property in the High Street area of Kinross, you can support the Council with their funding applications – and help shape the scheme – by filling in an on-line survey. This takes about five minutes. A link to it can be found on the Council webpage about the environmental improvements (see below).

Everyone is welcome to come along and find out more about the proposed improvements. For further information, please visit [www.pkc.gov.uk/kinrosshighstreet](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/kinrosshighstreet)



*Grants may be available to improve building facades in the High Street. Picture shows the former Victoria Bar, 121-123 High Street, a listed building*

### Kinross High Street Proposals Public Exhibition

The Library, Loch Leven Community Campus,  
Muir, Kinross

**Monday 17 September – Thursday 20 September**

Monday	10am - 6pm	Exhibition only
Tuesday	10am - 8pm (5pm - 7.30pm)	Exhibition Council officers)
Wednesday	10am - 8pm (5pm - 7.30pm)	Exhibition Council officers)
Thursday	10am - 8pm (3pm - 7.30pm)	Exhibition Council officers)

## Report by Councillor Cuthbert

### Kinross Town Centre Regeneration

The project to regenerate Kinross Town Centre is progressing and the team is now looking for feedback from the community. (See article on page 4.)

### Kinross Road Improvements

Following the May election, many of you have contacted me with ideas for improvements to the Kinross-shire road network. I have been following these up with officers and thought I would give you a quick update on the ones relating to Kinross. (I will update you on other parts of the ward later.)

### Entrance to Kinross on Station Road

Many of you have commented on the speed of traffic entering Kinross from the motorway, so I have asked that a variable speed indicator sign is erected to show drivers the speed that they are doing. This is being assessed by the Roads Service to determine the speed of vehicles, and in turn if a sign is justified.

### Junction of Springfield Road and Station Road

I have asked that a roundabout be considered at this junction to make it easier to exit Springfield Road at busy periods.



*The Junction of Springfield Road and Station Road*

### Junction of Junction Road and Station Road

Once the link road is opened, it is my considered opinion that the turning into Junction Road from Station Road is going to become much busier. For this reason I have asked that a roundabout be considered at this junction.



*The Junction of Junction Road and Station Road*

### Request for a new Pelican Crossing on Junction Road

A number of constituents have contacted me about the difficulty in crossing Junction Road to get to either the Park and Ride or Sainsbury. This could become even more difficult when the new link road is opened. To this end I have asked that some form of crossing be considered at this location as a matter of priority.

### Junction of Springfield Road and Sutherland Drive

Constituents have commented to me on the danger of coming out of Sutherland Drive onto Springfield Road. Apparently at least one accident has occurred at the mini roundabout and I have been told that people are very nervous when exiting Sutherland Drive. To this end I have asked that traffic calming be looked at for vehicles travelling west on Springfield Road approaching the mini roundabout.

### Link Road

Following my last article, I have again requested that the link road be opened as soon as possible.

### Request for a new Pelican Crossing on the Muirs

I have been contacted by a resident with a request for a controlled crossing near the junction of Springfield Road and the Muirs, to allow children to cross on their own when going to the primary school. This has been supported by residents wanting a safer crossing for when their children are going to the KGV playing fields. I have therefore asked that this location be assessed to determine if a controlled crossing would be appropriate. As a point of interest I believe that were the crossing to be put south of the junction, it might make turning into Springfield Road easier when travelling from the north and when turning from Springfield Road to the north onto the Muirs.



*The Junction of Springfield Road and Muirs*

### Pelican Crossing outside the Church Centre

A resident has complained to me that the time taken for the lights to change to the 'green man' for pedestrians is too long. I have asked if the timings can be changed so that pedestrians do not have to wait so long.

### Wish List

It should be noted that this is a wish list and that some or all of these ideas may not happen or may take a very long time to happen, given budgetary constraints faced by the Council.

I appreciate that not everyone will be happy with all of these suggestions and there may be some I have missed. I would welcome any comments you have to make about them. Just email me on [dcuthbert@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:dcuthbert@pkc.gov.uk) and I will get back to you.

## Report by Councillor Giacopazzi H46 to stay in Local Development Plan?

July is the month when the Council clears its diary to enable councillors to take a break. Having done just that, I returned to a storm of controversy regarding the Local Development Plan, which, the rumour mill would have it, may very well proceed to the Scottish Government Reporter in a fairly unabridged form. To be blunt, H46, the hated potential site through the Davies Park and adjacent to the M90, may still be included in the Proposed Plan. This would leave it up to the good sense of the Reporter to reject the site. Given the availability of the old High School site for ample housing, he should have no trouble in arriving at this conclusion. Nevertheless, it would be far better that H46 were dropped before the Report stage.

One thing is certain, if H46 does go through to the next stage, the Reporter will have before him all the myriad objections from the local community, its elected representatives, and Community Council. Certainly, if the Reporter does not take on board the concerns of the

community, the whole consultation process to date will look like a mere gesture; an exercise in box ticking. For my part, I am actively bringing the issue to the attention of our administration in Perth. I do stress that I have not had any official notification of what is going on behind the closed doors of the Planning Department. I would say that those of us who were elected for the first time in May have come to the negotiations half way through.

### Positive News in Milnathort

On a happier note, upon returning from holiday, I was struck by the welcoming and colourful appearance of Milnathort with its hanging baskets and other floral displays. The Milnathort in Bloom Committee continues to delight and the members deserve praise for their selfless voluntary efforts.

The other positive news relates to the Milnathort Town Hall Committee, as it progresses towards its goal of refurbishing the hall and steeple. The lease has been agreed with PKC and negotiations for listed building consent are proceeding; donations have been received and funding is being sought, again through the actions of volunteers.

## Gypsy site at Crook Moss –

### Councillor Barnacle critical of PKC report

Councillor Mike Barnacle has written to the Convenor of PKC's Development Control Committee expressing concern over the way an application for a traveller site has been handled.

The application was for the "formation of five permanent gypsy/traveller pitches (partly in retrospect), road access improvements and landscaping and tree planting on land at Crook Moss, Crook of Devon, KY13 0PR." The application (PKC ref no 12/00546/FLL) went before the Committee on 1 August, with Council officers recommending approval. Cllr Barnacle and the other three elected members for Kinross-shire had called for refusal of the application under delegated powers in May. The committee on 1 August deferred the application.

The site is owned by the applicant. There were 41 letters of objection.

In his communication to Cllr Tom Gray, Convenor of the Development Control Committee, Cllr Barnacle lists a number of concerns regarding the outcome, process and standard of the planning report and asks for these to be addressed during the deferral period. Some of the points raised by Cllr Barnacle and by Fossoway & District CC are listed below:

- The Report refers to a 2007 document 'Planning for Gypsy/Travellers in Perth and Kinross 2007' which recognised a need for 13-15 pitches in the Kinross area. However, the Report gives no current figures on traveller sites in the Kinross area. (There are sites at Gairney Bridge and Greenacres.) Fossoway & District CC say that their own enquiries "indicate that there is a current occupancy of 28 gypsy/traveller households at Greenacres, 15 at Gairney Bridge, with approval for further capacity at Gairney Bridge. The total occupancy in Kinross in summer 2012 is in the order of 40-43 households, exceeding the identified need of 15 for Kinross by more than a factor of two and matching the identified need of 42 for the whole of PKC in its 2007 report."

- The site lies within the Lochleven Catchment Area, which requires strict drainage controls. SEPA objected to the application – a fact not mentioned in the Report. Indeed, the Report stated there are "no objections from the main statutory environmental consultees".
- The Report did not contain the most up-to-date information with regard to The Drum Waste Water Treatment Plant being, in effect, at capacity.
- The Report states there is no flood risk in the area. Cllr Barnacle says land on both sides of the site floods and Crook Moss itself is a wetland lowland bog!
- National policy states that traveller sites must not be located on contaminated land. Part of the site is on a PKC former waste disposal site.
- The report states that the site is not within the settlement boundary of Crook of Devon, but fails to state that it is immediately outwith the boundary. Approval is therefore contrary to Policy 48 of the Kinross Area Local Plan; not mentioned in the Report.
- The Report states in one place that the site's proximity to settlements will allow it to take advantage of existing infrastructure yet in another states that there is insufficient capacity at Fossoway Primary School.
- The Report makes no mention of PKC's landscape consultant's study of 2005 that notes significant constraints against development here. During the local plan process there was no indication of a proposed gypsy/traveller site here, in fact Crook Moss was proposed for community access, forestry, open space and recreation.
- There was no mention of local plan policies with regard to residential amenity. Cllr Barnacle feels the Report pays little regard to the large number of community objections.
- The application is stated as 'partly' retrospective, when it is 'wholly' retrospective.

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

## History of the Davies Park

by Eileen Thomas

The zoning of a strip of land between the Springfield housing estate and the motorway for potential housing development in the proposed Local Development Plan (LDP) has caused much discussion about the Davies Park. The park is adjacent to the zoned site (known as 'H46' in the LDP), and is at risk in that development of H46 would require access through the Davies Park if the development were to be linked to Springfield Road.

Questions have been asked in recent months about the ownership of the Davies Park and the level of community involvement in creating it. A delve into the Newsletter archives reveals much of the story. Newsletters contain reports of all Kinross CC meetings since the CC was formed, as well as records of community activities over more than three decades.

Letters to the Newsletter in 1977 (its first year of publication) expressed the need for a children's play area, and the redundant station site was suggested. (The last train passed through Kinross in 1970.) The CC asked the local authority (which at the time was Perth & Kinross District Council, part of Tayside Regional Council) to consider purchasing the land from British Rail for this purpose. The District Council was willing, though it noted that the disused railway line itself had been bought by a local farmer.

The process of acquiring the former station site took several years. For a while, British Rail wanted to lease the land rather than sell it.

In the meantime, starting in 1979, the CC began assessing the play park provision for the whole town and in December 1980 set up a parks sub-committee consisting of CCllrs Balnaves, Beath, Dr Davies and Mrs Ramponi, with the following aims:

1. To consider what items of equipment might be desirable, and where they should be placed in Kinross;
2. To specify and price items of play equipment or similar projects;
3. To invite sponsorship from public fundraising bodies or charitable institutions for these projects.

Around this time the District Council informed the CC that it had set aside £1,850 to buy 2.5 acres from British Rail and that the Scottish Development Department would transfer three adjacent plots of ground free of charge to the District Council. Provisional arrangements were made with the Scottish Development Agency to provide certain rehabilitation works.

In early 1981 the CC parks sub-committee launched a public appeal for funds to buy play equipment. (Due to financial cutbacks, the District Council could not afford to provide any new play equipment at any park in the town.) Dr Davies, who had joined the CC in spring 1980, became the fund manager. The aim was to raise at least £5,000.

The residents and organisations of Kinross entered into the spirit of fund-raising. Events included: back-garden sales, a concert, magic show and disco, fun run, dance, raffle, baking sales, Give Us a Clue competition and a sponsored knit. The CC parks sub-committee organised several fund-raising events.

Community groups donating funds included: the Ex-Servicemen's Club, Lodge St Serf, the local Labour party, Lochleven Players, Kinross-shire Round Table and local playgroups.

Local businesses also made donations, including: David Sands, Todd and Duncan, Wimpey, Victoria House Hotel, Baynes, the local doctors, Johnson and Smillie Accountants, the Bank of Scotland, the Clydesdale Bank, the Green Hotel, the Windlestrae Hotel, J & G Wilson and MacBeth Currie.

Donations also came from charitable trusts (the King George V Fund, the Thomson Bequest and the Children's Playing Fields Association) and many individuals.

The District Council and Regional Council contributed several hundred pounds each.

By January 1982 the sub-committee was confident of reaching its target and proposed the following distribution: 60% (£3,000) to be spent on equipment for the station site; 20% (£1,000) at The Myre or Montgomery Street; and the remaining 20% (£500 each) at Kirkgate Park and Green Road.

Reports in late 1982 refer to delays in the work starting. It is not clear whether work began in late 1982 or early 1983, but the first thing to happen was landscaping of the site by The Scottish Development Agency before any equipment could be installed.

At the February 1983 meeting of Kinross CC, the secretary read correspondence confirming that "Mr John B Wood, Chance Inn, had made a donation of that part of the railway land adjoining the existing Wimpey development and the former railway station area to the D.C. free of charge and that arrangements had been made for the Scottish Development Agency and the D.C. to have this area landscaped and incorporated with the improvements in the former railway station area. The Sec. was instructed to write to Mr Wood thanking him for his generous gift to the community."

The park was ready for use in spring 1984 and the May 1984 Newsletter gives this account of the opening:

"The Park was officially opened on Friday, April 13, by Provost John M Mathieson, Convener of Perth and Kinross DC. In attendance were representatives of the Scottish Development Agency, who had given the project a grant of £64,000. Also present were Dist. Cllr G Coia, and a goodly number of Community Cllrs and ex-Cllrs who had raised large sums of money locally.

"The Provost emphasised the fact that without strong local pressure and initiative, the park would not have existed. He thanked Mrs Bayne Wood whose gift of land had enlarged the play area; and Dr J D Davies, whose organising efforts were acknowledged in the naming of the Park.

"In his turn, Dr Davies thanked the Provost for opening the Park and for his kindly remarks. He hoped the children would make good and proper use of the facilities provided, and that parents and others would do their best to prevent the ravages of vandalism."

So the park is owned by Perth & Kinross Council, as heritors to Perth & Kinross District Council, but came about by community effort.

Dr Davies died in April 1995. He was born in Cardiganshire in 1910 and was a surgeon by profession. He had moved to Kinross after his retirement to be near family. He worked very hard on behalf of the community, not only through the CC but also the Day Centre and the Millbridge Hall. His obituary in the June 1995 Newsletter states that he "will always be remembered for his quiet, yet determined efforts on behalf of the young people and the elderly in this community."



## Kinross Action Group against H46

You may recall the next stage for the Local Development Plan was for the results of the consultation to go to PKC for consideration before it moves on to the penultimate stage of going to the Reporter in Edinburgh (an independent lawyer whose job it is to review all the Local Development Plans). We were disappointed to hear about the Council Officers' intention to send the LDP to the Reporter without P & K Councillors having the opportunity to amend it (see CC minutes) and we have written to PKC asking for an urgent meeting to protest against this. We are pleased to report that this is being organised and we will update everyone on its outcome.

We think it is a complete travesty that, despite over 1500 representations (a very significant number of these related to H46), the Planning Officers do not feel that any changes to the Plan were required, or at the very least, worthy of discussion. The good news is that all of the newly recently elected local councillors continue to be on board and we are liaising with them on the best way forward.



Davies Park

## Independent Advocacy Perth & Kinross

Independent Advocacy is about standing up for and sticking with a person or group, taking their side and helping them to get their point across. Our aim is to enable carers, those experiencing mental health problems, dementia, learning and physical disabilities, frailty or age related problems to have their voices heard by providing Independent Advocacy so that they are involved in decisions which affect their lives. We work together with volunteers to create a stronger community where people are valued.

We are looking for positive, self-motivated people who have good listening and communication skills to partner individuals, or work with groups of adults who have learning disabilities.

Independent Advocates are people who come from a wide variety of backgrounds bringing many skills and a wealth of life experience to their role in enabling the most vulnerable in our society to be heard. Volunteers receive training, expenses and regular support. Our next training course starts on **Thursday 11 October** 2pm – 5pm. If you would like to know more contact Adrienne Ruddock, Volunteer Co-ordinator, by telephoning 01738 587887 or emailing [adrienneruddock@iapk.org.uk](mailto:adrienneruddock@iapk.org.uk)



## News from the Health Centre



## Annual flu Campaign

### Saturday Flu Clinics

The autumn seems to have come round quickly again and we have therefore made plans for the annual flu campaign. As in previous years, the flu clinics will be on Saturday. The dates are as follows:

Saturday 20 October	9.00 am to 1.00 pm
Saturday 3 November	9.00 am to 1.00 pm
Saturday 10 November	9.00 am to 1.00 pm

Appointments may now be booked with reception. Please do not wait for a letter to be sent to you inviting you to make an appointment. If you are eligible you may make your appointment now. Please note that patients who do not fall into the categories below or who have no other clinical reason for receiving the flu vaccination will not be given the vaccination.

The doctors would encourage all those in the following groups to come for a flu injection:

Over 65s	Those over 65 by 31 March 2013
Those aged 6 months or over in a clinical 'At Risk' Groups	Chronic respiratory disease and asthma that requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids or with previous hospital admissions Chronic heart disease Chronic kidney disease Chronic liver disease Chronic neurological disease Diabetes Immunosuppression
Pregnant women	Pregnant women at any stage of pregnancy
Long stay residential	Those living in long stay residential care homes or other long stay care facilities
Unpaid Carers and young carers	Those who, without payment, provide help and support to a partner, child, relative, friend or neighbour who could not manage without this help. This could be due to age, physical or mental illness, addiction or disability. Young carers are those under 18 who carry out significant caring tasks and assume a level of responsibility for another person which would normally be taken by an adult.

Patients who have just become 65, or will be 65 by 31 March 2013, will also be offered the pneumovax vaccination. This vaccination is generally only required once.

Clinicians will visit the residential and nursing homes as usual.



# Doors Open Day **Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September 2012**

Doors Open Day is an annual event that gives you and your family the opportunity to visit – **free of charge** – fascinating buildings not usually open to the public.

There are buildings open throughout the country. In Perth & Kinross, the event is organised and funded by Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust.

For further information about Doors Open Day in Perth & Kinross, contact Sophie Nicol, PKHT, The Lodge, 4 York Place, Perth, PH2 8EP. Tel: 01738 477027 or 477082. Email: scnicol@pkc.gov.uk

## Blair Adam House

Blair Adam, the home of the Adam architectural dynasty, was built by William Adam 'upon the plan of an ordinary manse' in 1736. Descendants added to the house and extended it in a rambling, hotchpotch of buildings arranged around a central courtyard. Sir Walter Scott was a frequent visitor and the interesting collection of objects within the house reflects several periods in Scottish history.

### Open on Sunday 23 September

Two tours: 10.30am – 12.30pm and 2pm – 4pm

Pre-booking essential. Contact PKHT on 01738 477027 or 477082. A minibus service will run from Kinross Park and Ride for access and return. Facility: WC.



*Blair Adam House*

## Kinross (Marshall) Museum

### Loch Leven Community Campus, Kinross

When the antiquarian and collector David Marshall of Kinross died in 1902 he left his historical books, manuscript collections in Natural History and antiquities to the inhabitants of Kinross. The Museum is now housed at the community campus and has current exhibits on Kinross, Kinross-shire witches and, in celebration of the Jubilee, the visit of the Queen to Kinross in October 1960 – see the archive film!

### Open on Saturday 22 September 10am – 3pm

Facilities: WC, wheelchair access and displays.

## Balvaird Castle, Glenfarg

A fine late 15th-century tower-house that underwent a luxurious makeover in the 16th century to become a courtyard palace. Built by the Murrays of Balvaird, who became the Earls of Mansfield, it was their principle seat until 1658 when they moved to Scone. The L-shaped tower-house had deteriorated into a ruinous state by the 19th century and in 1974 was taken into care by Historic

Scotland's predecessor. Historic Scotland staff will be opening the castle especially for Doors Open Day!

### Open on Sunday 23 September 11am – 3pm

Located off the A913 between Gateside (A91) and Bridge of Earn. Car park at bottom of hill signed off the A913. Half mile walk uphill to castle. Facility: Display.

## Kirkgate Watchtower

The old burying ground at the west end of Kirkgate Park was also the location for the Parish Church until 1743 when a replacement was built on the High Street. This was one of four early places of worship around the loch which were associated with St Serf's Priory on one of the islands in the middle of the loch. The earliest surviving headstone in the graveyard is dated 1690. The Watchtower was constructed on the site of an earlier building in 1852 at the same time that the original oval medieval burying ground was extended in a rectangular shape towards the west. Formerly it probably served as a lookout to guard against the 'Resurrection Men'. It has fine views across the loch but a very steep and twisty access stair.

### Open on Sunday 23 September 10.30am – 3.30pm

## Tullibole Castle

Tullibole Castle is a classic example of a 17th century tower house. The castle has recently undergone a facelift with restoration work to the external finish or harling. In the castle grounds are a historic graveyard and remnants of a ruined medieval church, a 150-yard 'moat' and doo'cot. Visit the Witches Maze Memorial for the Crook of Devon Witch Trials, also to be found in the grounds.

### Open on Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September

10.30am – 4pm both days Facilities: WC.

Located on the B9097 one mile east of Crook of Devon.

Unrestricted access to graveyard and maze all year from Gelvan Road, ½ mile to the NW of the Castle.



*Tullibole Castle*

## Extra Opening at Tullibole Castle

Tullibole Castle is also open to the public as follows:

### Last week in August through to 30 September

Tuesdays to Sundays, 1pm – 4pm

Admission every half-hour with guided tours only.

Adults £5, Concession £3.50

(Entry is free only on 22 and 23 September for Doors Open Day)

# The Kinross Show

## Saturday 11 August

The Kinross Show had a new venue this year: RSPB Loch Leven at Vane Farm. After decades at Kinross House, the show committee had planned to move the event to a new site at Gallowhill Road, but a Health and Safety Executive objection spoilt that plan. The RSPB stepped in to offer their land, and the show organisers are “over the moon” at the success of the 2012 event.

Agricultural Society President Roddy Baird said: “All I’ve had are people’s positive comments about the new venue, saying they regard it as a major success.” He went on to say: “We are exceptionally grateful to the RSPB for providing us with a show ground at such short notice.”

This year’s show included a wealth of attractions including the Alloa and District Pipe Band, children’s fancy dress, highland dancing and the Jamie Squibb motorcycle stunt team, all set against the glorious backdrop of Loch Leven and surrounding hills.



*Loch Leven provided a stunning backdrop to this year’s show*



*Above: a carriage driving competition entrant.*

*Right: prize bulls*

*Below: children’s pony competition*



*Right: Action Man is treated to a new sports outfit in the SWRI Handcraft competition.*



## Kinross Show Results

### Horses

#### Supreme Horse

Champion: **Laura Rennie** with Craiglea Funtastic.

Reserve: **Kirsty Miller**, Auchterarder, with Waxwing Maggie May.

#### Clydesdale

Champion: **David Greenhill**, Leuchars.

Reserve: **Robert Sibbald**, Thorn Farm, Dollar.

#### Harness

Champion: **Robert Rae**, Balbeggie.

Reserve: **Benny Duncan**, Balmalcolm.

#### Overall hunter and ridden hunter

Champion: **Mrs F and Miss E Stuart**, Bolero Green Field.  
Ridden by Emma Stuart.

Reserve overall and reserve ridden: **Lisa Hiddleston**, Roslin, Midlothian.

#### In-hand hunter

Champion: **Mrs Lynne Reid**, Plean Farm, Plean, Stirling.

Reserve: **A and O Webster**, Abernethy.

#### Riding Ponies

Champion: **Laura Rennie**, with the supreme horse champion Craiglea Funtastic, ridden by Lauren Bain.

Reserve: **Mrs PA Simpson**, Methven, with Pepperwell McVitie, ridden by Emily Simpson.

#### Confined Riding Ponies

Champion: **Laura Rennie**, with Craiglea Funtastic. Ridden by Lauren Bain.

Reserve: **Lauren Hunter**, with Bogley's Lightning.

#### Shetland in-hand and overall

Champion: **Lucy Poett**, Perth.

Reserve in-hand and reserve overall: **J and G Wilson**, Muckhart, by Dollar.

#### Shetland under saddle

Champion: **Lisa Allison**, Glenfarg, with Struie Polly. Ridden by Lucy Allison (6).

Reserve: **Melissa and Elena Warren**, Milnathort, with Anemos of Hardenley.

#### Highland in-hand

Champion: **KM and WJ Taylor**, Strathkinness.

Reserve: **Gilean Docherty**, Edinburgh.

#### Highland under saddle

Champion: **Louise Bone**, Balerno.

#### Mountain and moorland

Champion: **Kirsty Miller**, Auchterarder, with the reserve supreme horse, Waxwing Maggie May.

Reserve: **Raith-hill Stud**, Wester Bogie Farm, Kirkcaldy, with Erfan Jack.

### Cattle

#### Limousin

Champion: **Ronald Dick**, Mains of Throsk, Stirling.

Reserve: **William Lawson** and daughters, Auchterarder.

#### Aberdeen-Angus

Champion: **R and C Rettie**, Aberdona Mains, Alloa.

Reserve: **Gordon Brooke**, Malton, c/o R and C Rettie.

#### British Blue

Champion: **Stephanie Dick**, Mains of Throsk, Stirling.

Reserve: **David and James McKerrow**, Freuchie.

#### Charolais

Champion: **Mrs Lucy Poett**, Harviestoun, Dollar.

Reserve: **James Paton**, Lethangie, Milnathort.

### Highland

Champion: **D and B McNaughton**, Kelty.

Reserve: **Ken and Eva Brown**, Ledlanet, Kinross.

### Cross Cattle

Champion: **Alistair McLaren**, Classloch, Kinross.

Reserve: **W Brewster**, Boreland, Thornhill, Stirling.

### Ayrshire

Champion: **A and S Lawrie**, Cuthill Towers, Milnathort.

Reserve: **A and S Lawrie**.

### Holstein

Champion: **Andrew Wilson**, Carskerdo, Cupar.

Reserve: **David and Fraser Thomson**, Cowdenbeath.



*Highland dancing exhibition*

### Sheep

#### Interbreed Championship

Champion: **Scott Greenhill**, St Michaels, Fife.

Reserve: **John McKerrow**, Bo'ness.

#### Suffolk

Champion & Reserve: **George Watt**, Forfar.

#### Texel

Champion: **John McKerrow**, Bo'ness.

Reserve: **Michael Rattray**, Auchterarder.

#### Border Leicester

Champion: **S and A Watson**, Letham, Ladybank.

Reserve: **Robert Brown**, Radernie.

#### Blackface

Champion: **W and A Walker**, Glenprosen.

Reserve: **Stuart McDougall**, Blairadam.

#### Cross Sheep

Champion: **John Messenger**, Abernethy.

Reserve: **David Young**, Kinglassie.

#### Jacob

Champion: **Barbara Webster**, Newburgh.

Reserve: **Isobel Nicholson**, Glenfarg.

#### Blue Face Leicester

Champion: **Scott Greenhill**, St Michaels, Fife.

Reserve: **Mrs Mary MacNiven**, Glenfarg.

#### Shetland Sheep

Champion: **Mrs Rena Douglas**, Craigrothie, Cupar.

Reserve: **Mr and Mrs A Arbuckle** and **Miss S Meikle**, West Lothian.

#### Any other pure breed

Champion: **Hamish Young**, Mawcarse, Milnathort.

Reserve: **E and J Henderson**, Landriggs House, Milnathort.

### Goats

Champion: **Campbell Family**, West Lothian.

Reserve: **F and B Fairley**, Avonbridge.

## Kinross Show (continued...)

### Other Competitions

Best Large Trade Stand: **Emma, Robin and Michael Niven**, Loch Leven's Larder, Wester Balgedie, Kinross

Best Small Trade Stand: **Swansacre Playgroup, Kinross & Rare Breed Society Survival Trust, Blairgowrie** (Joint winners).

Best Advert in Catalogue: **Scottish Gliding Centre**, Portmoak.

These results were judged by the President and his wife, Roddy and Jane Baird, on the day.

Children's Fancy Dress:

1st: **Brooke and Peebles Walker**, Longforgan.

2nd: **Amelia Dorans**. 3rd: **Sophie Normile**, Duncrigvie.



*Licorice Allsorts - children's fancy dress*

## Dog Show

### Trophies

Weaver of Kettle Trophy (Best Puppy): **Pauline Tattersall**, Milnathort: 'Prissy' Min. Dachshund

Balkello Quaich (Best Sporting): **Mrs Rachel Leslie**, Milnathort: 'Jigsaw' English Pointer

The Cairns Cup (Best Dog/Bitch in Kinross-shire): **Jayne Galloway**, Easter Balgedie: 'Bruno' English Pointer

The Walls Cup (Best in Show): **Pat Wilson**, Glenrothes: 'Tilly' Hungarian Vizsla

### Crops

Wallace Cup (Spring Oats): **Charles Wellwood**, Kinross Estates, Kinross

Thomanean Plate (Spring Barley): **Mike King**, Gellybank, Kinross

Bayer Cup (Winter Wheat): **J Thomson**, Hilton of Beath, Kelty

Fordell Cup (Winter Barley): **Andy Baird**, Kirkness

Lethangie Trophy (Winter Oats): **Alexander Harley Seeds**, Blairfield

Seamac Cup (Seed Potatoes): **Kirkforthar**, Blairfield, Milnathort

## SWRI Trophy Winners

Aldridge Sealy Trophy (Institute with most points): **Carnbo Enid Scott-Davidson Cup** (Institute with highest aggregated points): **Glenfarg**

Benarty Trophy (Community Runner-up): **Cleish**

Jane Elliot Bell (most points in all sections exc. Community & Aldridge-Sealy): **Cleish**

Stewart Cup (Individual with most points exc. IV): **Dorothy Morris**, Cleish

Hilton Cup (Best Exhibit Handcraft Section): **Norma Smith**, Bishopshire

Ann Watson Trophy (individual with most points in Handcraft exc. Stewart Cup & Hilton Cup): **Catherine Fairweather**, Glenfarg

Arnotlea Trophy (Individual gaining most points section II & III): **Helen Buchanan**, Cleish

Irene Whitson Salver (Best exhibit Section II): **Lesley Murison**, Glenfarg

Margaret Ironside Memorial Trophy (most points baking section): **Agnes Murray**, Blairingone

Frances Drysdale Quaich (item that appeals to the President): **Jeanette McLennan**, Bishopshire

The Group Rose Bowl (Individual most points Floral Art Section): **Dorothy Morris**, Cleish

Arbuckle Cup (Novices): **Mollie Wallace**, Cambo

Community A Paperweight (best entry Community A): **Helen Quartermaine**, Glenfarg

Community B Paperweight (best entry Community B): **Mary Wilson**, Powmill

Teenage Trophy (most points all sections exc. IV-A): **Ailsa Morris**, Cleish and Sarah **Simpson**, Milnathort (Equal)

Balado Cup (age 9-12 with most points section IV-B): **Eilidh Ramsay**, Blairingone

Morris Quaich (8yrs & under most points section IV-C): **Jen Pickard**, Cleish

## Flower Show

Cairns Cup (most points overall): **D Forrester**

Balado Salver (most outstanding entry, classes 1 to 12): **W Bolton**

Fisher Bowl (most points, Dahlias): **W Bolton**

Caesar Trophy (Sweet Peas): **Dennis Gordon**

Kirkness Trophy (most points, Floral Art Section): **Sharon Buchanan**

Renton Trophy (most outstanding exhibit, Floral Art): **Sharon Buchanan**

Gavin Lindores Trophy (best single Rose): **D Forrester**

Scott-Davidson Cup (best exhibit in Children's Class): **Eilidh Hunter**

Lena Graham Quaich (small): **Kendall McLean**

Lena Graham Quaich (Large): **Abigail Davidson**

Maisie Pirie Cup (outstanding exhibit, children under 8): **Kendall McLean**

Cathie Pirie Cup (outstanding exhibit, children age 9-14): **Eilidh Hunter**

Paton Produce Trophy (best exhibit in produce section): **Abi Johnston**

Mawcarse Salver (best exhibit overall): **Sharon Buchanan**

## Egg Section, sponsored by Carrs Billington

Class 41: **Abi Johnston**, Class 42: **Frances Brown**, Class 43: **Flora Findlay**, Class 45: **Enid Brown**

**Deadline for all Submissions**  
**5.00 pm, FRIDAY 14 September**  
**for publication on Saturday 29 September**

## New Sports Club for Kinross!

Glued to the TV during the Olympics? Want to do your bit in your community? Do you want to help young people get involved in the sport of athletics? On the back of an incredibly successful Olympics and a new found excitement to get involved in sport, the Kinross-shire Community Sports Partnership want to capture that enthusiasm to participate and set up a new athletics club in Kinross. We have already identified some willing coaches to provide the young people with exciting run, jump and throw activities but we also need volunteer committee members to come on board and help make it happen e.g. secretary, treasurer. If you have some spare time, and would like more information, please get in touch with Caroline Ness, Sports Development Officer on 01738 472242 or email CMNess@pkc.gov.uk.

## Roy Munro's Land's End to John O' Groats Cycle for Marie Curie Cancer Care (in memory of sister Lynn)

As the sun has set on our second cycle challenge completed for Marie Curie Cancer Care, I just wanted to update our total for your attention. After all, without you wonderful people this would never have got off the ground. A grand total of £10,648.44 was raised for "the cause". A HUGE "thank you" goes out to everyone who donated, helped along the way and supported us with the daily updates of encouragement on-line and by text.

All of those things helped so much, especially during the constant downpours (9 out of 11 days!) but I also want to say a big thank you to my four cycle friends who joined me on this amazing experience.

Thanks to the many people from Kinross and district who supported me with their wonderful generosity which helped us exceed our target figure of £10,000.

*Roy Munro*



*Roy and friends celebrate their arrival at John O'Groats  
l to r: Gordon Smith, Lisa Chadburn, Roy Munro, Louisa Cockburn & Scott Cockburn.*

### Discover Loch Leven Website

To discover the myriad things to see and do in Kinross-shire and its neighbouring counties, visit [www.visitlochleven.org](http://www.visitlochleven.org)

## Loch Leven Community Library

Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross

### Children's writing workshop

Award-winning children's author **Charlie James** is hosting a writing workshop for primary school children at Loch Leven Community Library.

Charlie, the author of 'Dino Egg' and 'Fish', will encourage and enable children of all levels of ability to express themselves through story writing, in a relaxed atmosphere where they can let their imagination run riot!

The event will be held on **Saturday 22 September** between 1.30pm and 2.30pm.

Tickets cost £3.50 and should be booked in advance by calling (01577) 867205 or emailing:

[lochlevenlibrary@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:lochlevenlibrary@pkc.gov.uk)

### Award-winning journalist visits Kinross Library

Award-winning broadcaster and journalist **Lesley Riddoch** is visiting Kinross to talk about her book 'Riddoch on the Outer Hebrides'.

Lesley will tell entertaining tales from her cycling trip through the Western Isles, and talk about the fascinating people and places she encountered during her research for the book.

As well as writing books, Lesley contributes columns to The Sunday Post, The Scotsman, and occasionally The Guardian. In 2006 she was shortlisted for the Orwell prize, an award given to those making political writing accessible.

The event takes place at the Loch Leven Community Library on **Thursday 25 October**, between 7pm and 8pm.

Tickets cost £5 and should be booked in advance by calling (01577) 867205 or emailing [lochlevenlibrary@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:lochlevenlibrary@pkc.gov.uk)

## Love to dance

After a successful ten weeks of ballroom dancing, another block has been arranged at Loch Leven Community Campus.

The classes have been extremely well received and the customers have thoroughly enjoyed learning some new moves on the dance floor. Gavin, who attended the first block, said: "I had loads of fun and I discovered I didn't have two left feet!"

Another regular, Jeanie added: "Dancing made simple and most enjoyable."

Because of its success, Live Active Leisure, who operate the sports facilities with the Community Campus, have decided to add an additional class to their current programme.

The classes commenced on Thursday 23 August with the first class suitable for those who have had previous experience either from attending the first block or elsewhere. The class will run from 7pm to 8pm in the gymnasium of the campus.

The second class, which takes place from 8pm to 9pm, will focus solely on beginners and teach participants new techniques and give them the confidence in the various styles of dancing such as the Cha Cha Cha, Waltz, Salsa and the Tango.

For further information please contact the campus reception on 01577 867200. Please note spaces are limited and booking for the block to guarantee your space is advisable.

## High cost of court hire killing indoor sport

by David Munro

Now that the Olympic Games are just a memory, with the best ever coverage of the widest range of sports ever televised, it is time to take a reality check on where we are in sport at local and national levels, especially with indoor sports like badminton, table tennis, basketball, volleyball and handball.

Kinross Volleyball Club returned in mid August from spending four days at De Haan in Belgium taking part in their 39th International Volleyball Tournament, open to a range of teams competing from recreational level to semi-professional. The Kinross Club has travelled to this tournament for a number of years, initially using the ferry crossing from Rosyth to Zeebrugge but with the withdrawal of this service and no sign of any other company willing to resume this service, has travelled the 300 miles to Hull for the overnight crossing to Belgium.

The Kinross Club took two teams across to Belgium with the first team playing six games of three sets and the recreational side playing eight games of two sets. The cost per player to attend the tournament including travel, accommodation (free camping) and tournament entry worked out at £100, with the bulk of the cost being the P & O Ferries overnight crossings in four-berth cabins with shower and toilet.

If the Kinross Club had played the same number of sets and games at their home venue, Kinross High School, it would have cost them much, much more. To play the equivalent time indoors at Loch Leven Community Campus would have cost each player close on £200 in hall hire costs at current Perth & Kinross Council prices.

It is all very well spouting "sporting legacy" from the Olympic Games and the 2014 Commonwealth Games, but unless hall hire costs for indoor sports are designed to encourage participation rather than income for local authorities, then we will have little chance of seeing indoor sport thrive at grass roots, local and regional levels.

The De Haan Volleyball Club has a three volleyball court hall with the hourly cost for hiring a court being 7euro. Next year they will have a four-court volleyball hall, currently being built next to their existing facilities, and the hourly cost per volleyball court will increase to 8 euro.

It is all very well saying that schools have a key role to play in sports development but where is that in head teachers' targets publicised alongside exam results and performances? Head teachers and schools have enough on their plate and yes, Curriculum for Excellence can provide an opportunity for the development of sport but will it ever take the same prominence as exam performance?

If we, as a nation, want to see indoor sport thrive and encourage youngsters to try new sports they have seen at the Olympics, then national government needs to look at ways of reducing hall hire costs by grants or some other method to support local authorities.

Although not coming anywhere near taking any medals home due to the strength of Belgian volleyball compared to the UK, the Kinross Club members continued to be good ambassadors for their community in their own limited way.

*David Munro is Secretary of Kinross Volleyball Club.*

*See page 80 for more on the Volleyball Club.*



## Business Breakfasts

### Open to all Kinross-shire Businesses

Kinross-shire Partnership will be hosting more Business Breakfasts at Loch Leven's Larder this autumn. Over 30 businesses attended each of the six events held so far.

Please do come along, everyone is welcome whatever size your business. There is no membership fee. It is a great opportunity for local businesses to meet each other.

The Breakfasts will take place from **7.30 to 9am** on **Wednesday 3 October, Wednesday 7 November** and **Wednesday 5 December 2012**

The cost of attending a Breakfast will be **£10** per person and will include a full Scottish Breakfast, porridge, cereal, fresh juice, fresh fruit, toast, coffee and tea. Please pay by cash on the day. Receipts will be issued.

The aim is to allow local businesses of all sizes to network and to share business goals. Everyone will have the opportunity to introduce their business. Please bring your business cards and any brochures you wish to display.

To register to attend one or more of the Breakfasts, please email Sandra Ralston, Kinross-shire Partnership Administrator at:

mail@kinrosspartnership.org.uk or call 07774181768

You can see more information about the work of Kinross-shire Partnership at:

[www.kinrosspartnership.org.uk](http://www.kinrosspartnership.org.uk)

[www.visitlochleven.org](http://www.visitlochleven.org)

[www.facebook.com/visitlochleven](https://www.facebook.com/visitlochleven)

[www.twitter.com/VisitLochLeven](https://www.twitter.com/VisitLochLeven)

## Free tutorials on online picture resource

People keen to learn more about using the online picture resource SCRAM can attend free tutorials in Perth this month. SCRAM is an archive of thousands of copyright-free images, movies and sounds from museums, galleries and the media. Workshops will be held in the A K Bell Library computer suite on these dates:

Thursday 13 September	7pm - 8pm
Saturday 22 September	11am - 12noon
Wednesday 26 September	2pm - 3pm

The sessions are free, but places need to be booked by calling 01738 477060.

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## Calling all Loch Leven enthusiasts!

You may have seen the formal launch of a new website to the area: [www.visitlochleven.org](http://www.visitlochleven.org) and wondered what the fuss is all about? The exciting new website is a dedicated tourism portal for the Loch Leven area which will offer a "one stop shop" for those wishing to visit the area, whether it's for a day out, weekend or longer stay.

Those of us who live here already know that the area is not only stunning but unique, with history round every corner and an abundance of activities for the whole family. The Loch is the jewel in the Kinross-shire crown and the new website will be the stage to display the very best that the Loch Leven area has to offer..... and *you* may just be able to help.....



Exciting new website [www.visitlochleven.org](http://www.visitlochleven.org)

If you are a keen photographer, have witnessed nature in all its glory or have images which you feel depict the beauty and best experiences to be had in the area, then we would like to hear from you. Images of visits to local attractions, or action shots that show the huge range of activities available in the area, are also of great interest.

If you feel happy for your image to be used in marketing material for the area, kindly send your jpeg images to [bandb@burnbank-kinross.co.uk](mailto:bandb@burnbank-kinross.co.uk) putting "Tourism image" in the "subject" line. You can also drop a hard copy of your image into the reception at The Green Hotel (in an envelope marked "Tourism image" with your name, telephone number and email address). All images will be considered for inclusion on the website with your contribution acknowledged.

Unfortunately, there is no financial benefit for your generosity, just the knowledge that your image could represent the Loch Leven area on the world stage - the World Wide Web!

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## Changes to local bus services

Some changes to local bus service provision have taken place. This was due to a retendering exercise, and took effect on 13 August. PKC says that while the majority of services are unchanged, where alterations have been made, this has been done with the aim of continuing to provide a network of public transport routes which delivers as effective a service as possible, taking into account available funding and how much existing bus services were used. Details are on the PKC website. Local services affected are listed below.

**56/56B:** Kelty - Kinross (Stagecoach Fife). Monday to Friday 56B Kelty - Community Campus withdrawn. These journeys have been replaced by a school contract.

**56H:** Glenfarg - Kinross (Earnside Coaches). Change of operator to Gordon's Coaches and change of service number to service 624.

**56K:** Glenfarg - Kinross (Earnside Coaches). Withdrawn (school day only service).

**66:** Glenrothes - Auchtermuchty - Kinross (Stagecoach Fife). 1525 school day only journey ex Milnathort to Kinross Park and Ride site will no longer operate.

**201:** Glenrothes - Kinnesswood - Kinross (Stagecoach Fife). Glenlomond village now serviced twice a day (Monday-Saturday). Revised timetable to improve reliability.

**202:** Glenrothes - Kinnesswood - Kinross (Stagecoach Fife). Change of operator to Gordon's Coaches.

**204:** Blairingone - Rumbling Bridge - Cambo - Kinross (Stagecoach Fife). School day only journeys withdrawn and replaced by a closed school contract.

**617:** Lathro Park, Kinross - Kinross Primary School (Stagecoach Fife). Service withdrawn (school day only service).

**623:** Blairingone - Crook of Devon - Kinross (Earnside Coaches). Service Withdrawn (school day only service). Replaced by closed school contract.

**624:** Crook of Devon - Kinross (Earnside Coaches). Change of operator to Gordon's Coaches.

## Loading prohibition on Muirs

Loading will be prohibited on the Muirs, Kinross (both sides) from its junction with Green Road to its junction with Gallowhill Road for a period of three weeks in September. This is in order to undertake footway resurfacing works. The temporary prohibition takes effect from 17 September.

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## Autumn at Kinross Learning Centre



Practical skills are very much to the fore in the autumn programme of taught classes at Kinross Learning Centre. As well as the popular computing and language courses, a brand new Painting with Acrylics has been added to the portfolio of art classes. For those whose creative talents lie with fabric and a needle and thread, Sew SMART will teach you how to Sew, Mend, Alter, Recycle and Tailor clothes to get the perfect outfit. Soft Furnishings, Upholstery, Cake Decorating and Beginners Guitar courses also feature.

To find out more, or to book your place, please contact Maureen Ross at the Learning Centre in Swansacre, Kinross on 01577 863863 or by email [pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk](mailto:pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk)

Course	Start Date	Time	Duration	Cost
<b>LANGUAGES</b>				
Beginners Spanish	Mon 17 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Beginners Spanish 3	Wed 19 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Improving your Spanish Conversation	Tue 18 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Beginners French 3	Fri 21 Sep	10.15am - 12.15 pm	10 weeks	£68
Improving your French Conversation	Tue 18 Sep	1 – 3 pm	10 weeks	£68
Improving your French Conversation	Wed 19 Sep	10.15am - 12.15 pm	10 weeks	£68
Advanced French Conversation	Tue 18 Sep	10.30am - 12.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
Beginners Italian	Thur 20 Sep	3.30 – 5.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
Beginners Italian 3	Thur 20 Sep	1 – 3 pm	10 weeks	£68
Improving your Italian Conversation	Thur 20 Sep	10am – 12 pm	10 weeks	£68
Introduction to Russian Language, Literature & Culture	Mon 17 Sep	1.30 – 3.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
Russian 7	Thu 20 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Polish 4	Wed 19 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Beginners Gaelic	Thur 20 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
Gaelic 3	Mon 17 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
<b>COMPUTING &amp; PHOTOGRAPHY</b>				
Welcome to Computing	Mon 17 Sep	7 – 9 pm	8 weeks	£55
Welcome to Computing	Tue 18 Sep	12 – 2 pm	8 weeks	£55
Effective PC Management	Tue 18 Sep	2 – 4 pm	8 weeks	£55
Photo-Sharing Online	Tue 18 Sep	7 – 9 pm	6 weeks	£48
Introduction to Digital Photography	Wed 19 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£68
<b>ARTS &amp; CRAFTS</b>				
Painting with Acrylics	Mon 17 Sep	10am – 12 noon	10 weeks	£68
Watercolours 3	Mon 17 Sep	1.30 – 3.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
Watercolours 4	Thu 20 Sep	1.30-3.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
Portraits: People and Animals	Wed 19 Sep	1.30-3.30 pm	10 weeks	£68
The Art of Drawing Intermediate	Wed 19 Sep	9.45am - 11.45 am	10 weeks	£68
The Art of Drawing Beginners	Thu 20 Sep	9.45am – 11.45 am	10 weeks	£68
Upholstery	Wed 19 Sep	4.30 – 6.30 pm	10 weeks	£80
Soft Furnishings	Wed 19 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£80
Sew Smart – Sewing, Mending, Altering, Recycling, Tailoring	Tue 18 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£80
<b>GENERAL INTEREST</b>				
Cake Decorating – The Second Tier	Tue 18 Sep	10am - 12 noon	6 weeks	£65
Cake Decorating – The Perfect Christmas Cake	Tue 18 Sep	10am – 12 noon	6 weeks	£65
Introduction to Antiques	Fri 21 Sep	10am – 12 noon	4 weeks	£68
Learn to Play Guitar	Tues 18 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£80
Genealogy	Thur 20 Sep	2 – 4 pm	10 weeks	£68

## Help Hannah Feed

'Help Hannah Feed' is an effort to raise funds in conjunction with Cash for Kids for Hannah Gould. Hannah is one year old and was born with an extremely rare eating disorder, which prevents her from being able to consume any food or fluid orally. Since birth Hannah has suffered from severe reflux, causing her extreme pain and suffering. She has to be drip-fed via a gastric tube, which has greatly hampered her growth and development.

Hannah has received excellent care from specialists at The Royal Hospital for Sick Kids in Edinburgh; however, they are currently unable to find a cure for this rare condition.

Hannah's parents would like Hannah to obtain treatment from Markus Wilken, a developmental psychologist who specialises in treating babies and children with feeding disorders. Markus is based in Germany but visits families all over the world. He has assessed Hannah as suitable for this specialist treatment, the cost of which is anticipated to be in excess of £20,000.



*Hannah with her granddad*

One of the other purposes of this fundraising is to raise awareness of Hannah's condition. Since Hannah's family and friends started the campaign, more parents have come forward indicating they have children suffering from similar conditions.

"I have had about five calls from mums in a similar boat to us since we went public with the story and it has been really useful for both them and me to chat about our experiences" said Lesley, Hannah's mum. "I am really hoping that any extra money raised might be able to be used for other families to get help."

### Fundraising

James Thomson, who wrote a letter about Hannah in last month's Newsletter, has organised several fun events, including a The Golf Day at The Green Golf and Leisure Resort. "It went really well," said James, "over £400 was raised for the Cash for Kids, Help Hannah Feed appeal." The winner was Gary Crystal from Kirkcaldy.

### Sponsored Bike Ride

The next fundraiser is the 240-mile mountain bike ride from Fort William to South Queensferry. This will be done in three stages over 14-16 September:

Fri 14th: Fort William to Inverness over the Great Glen.

Sat 15th: Inverness to Pitlochry over the Slocht and Drumochter summits.

Sun 16th: Pitlochry to Queensferry, via Perth, and Kinross, and finally over the Forth Road.

James said: "It will be a hard slog, but well worth it. During this, we would be looking for people to join us over any part of these legs for a bit of fun and banter."

Individuals or business wishing to sponsor the cycle ride can contact James on 01577 861230.

There will be an **AUCTION/QUIZ NIGHT** at 7.30pm on **Saturday 29 September** at the Back Stage Room, The Green Hotel, Kinross. Tickets will be £5 each with a maximum of six per team. Prize for the winner is to be confirmed, but likely to be a cash prize for the winning team of £100. There will be a draw for the tickets, where entrants can win a meal voucher for two and beauty treatments. The auction will be held during the middle of the quiz. The top auction item is:

### Golf for four at the 2014 Ryder Cup Venue, Gleneagles

There will be others, including:

- Hotel Stays in Perthshire
- Golf at the Green Hotel Golf and Leisure Resort Clothing voucher for a boutique in Queensferry
- Football memorabilia

and much more. There will also be raffle prizes.

For tickets, phone James Thomson, on 01577 861230.

Donations of auction items, raffle prizes etc are welcome.

**For more information** about the campaign, see these web pages (you can also donate on the Radio Forth site):

Facebook Page **HelpHannahFeed**

Radio Forth Cash for Kids:

[www.forth2.com/charity/help-hannah-feed/](http://www.forth2.com/charity/help-hannah-feed/)

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## Recent thefts

In recent months there has been an increase in thefts in the Kinross-shire area from farm and business premises. These have included the theft of plant machinery and tools, quad bikes, horseboxes and other equestrian equipment as well as diesel.

The rural locations of some of the farms, businesses, building sites and houses under construction in the Kinross-shire area make them more susceptible to crime than in urban areas. Potential thieves are taking advantage of these opportunities to steal items such as those mentioned above.

If suspicious persons or vehicles are seen in or around these places, the Police should be informed. If also appropriate, inform any local Neighbourhood or Farm Watch schemes of any suspicious activity. Farmhouses, steadings and other outbuildings should, where possible, be alarmed and secured with suitable locks. Lighting should be considered for buildings that are under evening or night-time surveillance opportunities.

Plant machinery is particularly attractive to thieves and is routinely reported stolen from farms, building sites and other rural locations. It is therefore recommended that where possible such machinery is kept out of view and locked away when not in use. Consideration should also be given to property marking and ensure that all keys are kept in a separate location. It is advisable to register plant machinery on the UK National Plant and Equipment Register (TER). See the website [www.ter-europe.org](http://www.ter-europe.org)

It is advisable to keep vehicles such as quad bikes, motor bikes and other 4WD vehicles locked away when not in use. These vehicles should be kept as close to occupied farm buildings as possible, where practical.

A great majority of tools used routinely on farms can be lifted and placed within a vehicle, and may not be missed for some time after a crime has taken place. Try to property-mark all tools and ensure that they are not left lying about, and lock them away when not in use. Keep an inventory of tools which can be used for insurance purposes.

Fuel tanks should always be kept locked, especially where located in remote position.

## Advice on Cold Callers

Due to recent incidents, we are again reminding householders to be on their guard as reports of people receiving cold calls designed to dupe them into handing over their banking details persist.

Police regularly receive complaints and reports in relation to people – sometimes elderly and vulnerable residents – being called by those claiming to be from banks, financial institutions, government bodies and even lottery operators, with promises of ready cash and sometimes offering loans, rebates or rewards.

Others have requested their victims to send cash in advance, whether by voucher, cheque or cash transfer in exchange for greater riches. Do not fall for their false promises.

People should always be extremely cautious about providing

personal and financial details over the phone, particularly in instances where they have been cold-called. Details that have been requested can include the cardholder's name, card numbers, passwords and card expiry dates. Personal information that should not be shared includes simple information such as when you may or may not be at home.

Cold callers may be very convincing, but householders must keep in mind the fact that the person at the other end of the line has put time and effort into rehearsing their lines with the hope of catching them out.

While it is common practice by some institutions to carry out transactions over the phone, we would advise people not to share any financial information with someone who phones unexpectedly. Be suspicious of all such calls and always make every effort to ensure that the person at the end of the line is who they claim to be, represent who they claim to represent and are legitimate and reputable.

If you are unsure, take details of their company so you can check their credentials. You can even take a number with a view to checking out their details and calling the company they say they are from at a later time, using a number you have obtained independently.

Above all else, if you have concerns or suspicions, hang up the phone and contact the police on 0300 111 2222.

Action Fraud provides a great deal of advice in relation to all types of fraud and advice about how to avoid becoming a victim of the fraudster. For further information see:

[www.actionfraud.org.uk](http://www.actionfraud.org.uk)

## Driving Campaign

We would like to remind you that we are running a campaign to target irresponsible driving in the area, which will run from 11 to 23 September 2012. We had a good response to last month's request to contact us regarding your concerns and issues on the subject but we would like to once again appeal to you for any further information to allow us to target specific problems. If you wish to highlight any issues, please email details, including location, nature of problem and time of day/week to:

[kinross@tayside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:kinross@tayside.pnn.police.uk)

## Crime Stoppers - Telephone 0800 555 111

This telephone number is a free phone number, unless you are using a mobile phone, which any member of the public can contact at any time, if they have information relating to criminal activity of any sort. It is, if you wish, confidential and you cannot be contacted if you choose to remain anonymous.

## Community Officers

Community Officers (details shown below) can be contacted at Kinross Police Office on 0300 111 2222.

**Constable Sadie Allan** Kinross & Milnathort

**Constable Victoria Riches** Kinross Landward

**Constable Euan Mitchell** Abernethy, Bridge of Earn & Glenfarg

# Community Council News



The Community Council News is based on draft minutes of local CC meetings. Full draft minutes are posted on local websites and notice boards. In addition, Kinross CC minutes are lodged in the community library. Please note, the Community Council News is not a verbatim reproduction of CC minutes.

## Kinross Community Council

### News from the August Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 1 August 2012 were: CCllrs D Mackay, M Scott (Secy), B Davies, D Colliar, D West (Chair), I Jack, and C Watson; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle and D Cuthbert and seven members of the public. Apologies were received from CCllrs L MacKay, M Blyth, and W Freeman and P&K Cllrs Robertson and Giacomazzi.

**Police Report:** No Police representative was present. However, a report was provided as follows:

Recent crimes/issues in the area: attempted theft of motor vehicle and vandalism at Morton Motors; vandalism to motor vehicle at Bridgend Industrial Estate; house-breaking with intent to a garden shed and theft from a garden shed of fishing equipment and a computer monitor in Montgomery St; vandalism to motor vehicle at lock up garages in Green Park; vandalism to motor vehicle in Avenue Road. All are under enquiry.

Speed checks are being carried out on local arterial routes, with tickets issued or persons reported to the Procurator Fiscal where appropriate.

Operation Tupelo (11-23 Sept) to target irresponsible driving within the section. (See *Police Box*, page 26.)

**Newsletter funds disbursement:** CCllr Davies advised that ten applications have been received for funding. He is in the process of examining the applications from: Portmoak School, First Response, Cycling Club, Otters Club, Squash Club, Light Up Kinross, KLEO, Archaeological Excavation of St Serf's Island, Football Club and a Personal Application. CCllr Davies will circulate information by email to CC members prior to the next meeting and this matter will be added to the agenda for the September meeting.

### Future of Kinross Buildings

**County Buildings:** Cllr Cuthbert advised that the property is to be placed on the open market for sale with a short closing date. The Royal Caledonian Curling Club (RCCC) is still interested in acquiring this building and has been in negotiations with the Council. CCllr Watson advised that he had tried unsuccessfully to contact Bruce Crawford, who is the RCCC representative, however it may be that he is on holiday. Cllr Cuthbert added that the District Valuer would place a value on the property. £200,000 was mentioned and CCllr West added that the figure was stated as £165,000 last month, however this was to be reassessed (downward). It was agreed that CCllr West and CCllr Watson would be delighted to liaise with the RCCC in relation to this matter and offer any assistance to facilitate this project going forward. It was suggested that one option could be the CC taking occupation of a room for the Newsletter Office and pay a rent to the RCCC or offer them some monetary funding.

**Former High School:** PKC is progressing with the bidding on this building.

**Town Hall:** Planners are considering the application lodged in relation to this building, with a recommendation to refuse the application. It was also noted that the Partnership has

made an approach to offer its services to facilitate this project. This would be in similar terms to their previous plans. A deadline of 28 December 2012 has been set by the Council for the planning application to be decided by that date.

**Mill Street:** A plan is being looked at by Garden Services to demolish the empty Mill Street building (latterly Social Work Dept offices) to create parking spaces.

### Planning applications submitted to PKC

12/01201/FLL 50 Lathro Park: alterations and extension.

12/01278/FLL 13 Springfield Road: alterations and extension.

### Planning applications approved by PKC

12/00703/FLL TRACKS: Formation of walking/cycling trail and construction of associated bridge, land 2800 metres southeast of Lochleven Mills.

12/00967/FLL Scottish Motor Auction Group: Modification of existing consent (11/01014/FUL) to erect covered canopy extension and partial re-cladding of building.

12/01085/ADV Sands: Display of signs.

### Report from P&K Councillors

Cllr Barnacle commented on newspaper articles in relation to **travellers' sites**, and the issues that have arisen at Gaimybridge, Kinross and Crook of Devon. He added that currently there was no Council policy in place regarding the development of these sites, however this has been addressed in the proposed Local Development Plan which was referred to in reaching a decision on the site at Crook of Devon. Cllr Barnacle stated that reading this reference in the proposed plan was the first he knew of this matter. Under Policy RD5, sites on unallocated land will be supported if they meet certain criteria. The three local members asked that a decision on this be deferred for further clarification and this was refused with no adequate reasons given for the rejection. He continued that there is no respect for the local members' view. The quality of the reports received from Planning to Committee are another issue of discontent, with misleading comments etc.

Another matter of concern is the Proposed **Local Development Plan**. The Planning Department are happy with the plan as it stands and do not wish to make any changes. The Councillors are fighting this. The Council offered a consultation in line with the process required by the Scottish Government. There were over 1500 responses, e.g. H46 in Kinross, and the Councillors are of the view that these should all be taken into account. A member of the public commented that she had attended the presentation at the campus and was assured that this was a "proposed" plan and following on the consultation period the Council would alert the public to any amendments. Cllr Cuthbert added that the local Councillors will work together in an attempt to gain the support of the other Councillors. The CC will write to the Chief Executive to ask for clarification on the process and to request that all representations from the public are taken into account and acted on accordingly. This letter to be copied to the local party leaders. It was noted that the economic site west of Kinross is still referred to in the plan.

**Kinross Show, Vane Farm:** Cllr Barnacle commented on the parking at this venue adding that he had concerns over this issue.

**Green Road:** Cllr Barnacle has written to the Roads Department in relation to this matter.

**Station Road:** Cllr Barnacle will take this matter up with Cllr Giacomazzi.

**Balado/A977:** The activation signs have been reported on a number of occasions.

**Junction/verge cutting:** This is an ongoing issue, still unresolved.

**Balado Crossroads/Turfhills:** A 50mph has been requested on this route.

**Balado Quarry:** A number of issues regarding this site are still to be addressed.

Cllr Cuthbert reported on the **Town Centre Regeneration, potholes** and **Lathro drainage** which were mentioned in his recent Newsletter article. He has asked for **signs** in Station Road, crossings outside Sainsbury's, the Junction and Springfield Road/Muir.

**The Link Road** has been delayed due to negotiations over land at the Junction. The High Street work will be carried out at the same time.

A member of the public mentioned that the **30mph sign** at the entrance to Kinross is obliterated by trees.

CCllr Davies asked if there was any information on the debriefing in relation to **T in the Park**. CCllr Colliar will approach Ashley Miles in relation to this matter. To be added to the agenda for the next meeting. It was commented that at peak times there were insufficient buses available to ferry people to T in the Park. It was also stated that the staff should be fully briefed at their posts.

**Drains:** It was commented that a number of drains are choked with surface water lying on top. CCllr Mackay added that this was also a problem in the High Street and Burns Begg Street. She added that there is a large hole requiring attention at the Town Hall bus stop. It was noted that the state of the drains has been reported.

**Cemetery:** A complaint was received from the floor in relation to the disgraceful condition of the cemetery. The grass has been cut and left lying.

**Davies Park up to Gallowhill Road:** A query was raised in relation to the cutting of hedges along this path.

**Grass cutting:** It was commented that the problem has been the inclement weather conditions.

**Green Park:** CCllr Mackay asked if there was any progress in having the road to the rear of Green Park adopted. There are potholes in the area at the garages requiring attention.

**Myre Park Fun Day:** CCllr Scott stated that she attended this event. There is a limited budget available for upgrade of the play equipment. Community involvement in this project is welcome.

**Davies Park:** A member of the public enquired if the swings had been returned to the Park. This was discussed further. CCllr Cuthbert will be approached.

#### Correspondence

**Perthshire Positive Action Award:** Nomination Form received by CC. Deadline 28 August 2012. Mention was made as to the "Branding". The Chairman is to write requesting more appropriate branding.

**Primary School outing:** The travel arrangements were not arranged by the High School Headmaster.

**No Entry marking:** A small lining programme is to take place in the Primary School (Bowton Road) area shortly,

however the signs are clearly visible and should still be obeyed. Road marking is completely weather dependent and the recent wet spell has delayed PKC's programme.

**School run (Ross Street):** Cllr Giacomazzi has asked that the first day of the new school term would be an excellent time for the Police, or PKC parking attendants, to speak to the drivers in order to bring the practice to an end.

**Council house refurbishment:** The Secretary read out an email received from the Council in relation to the house stock. It was noted that the contractors use the tenants' electricity to charge up their tools. CCllr Mackay recommended that the tenants approach the Tenants' Association should they have any grievances in relation to this matter.

**TAYplan:** Communication received advising that the Action Programme has now been adopted. This sets out the actions necessary to deliver the Strategic Development Plan (2012-32) approved by Scottish Ministers on 8 June. This Action Plan takes into account the modifications made by the Scottish Ministers. The CC received two CD copies of the Action Plan which can be viewed on [www.tayplan-sdpa.gov.uk/publications](http://www.tayplan-sdpa.gov.uk/publications)

#### Other Business

**CC vacancy:** There is a vacancy on the CC following David Cuthbert's election to PKC. There are three people interested in filling this position: Mr Wood, Mr Rutherford and Mrs Brady. CCllr West commented that two Associate Members can be approved. (Associate Members hold no voting powers.) All three nominees are to be invited to the next CC meeting. They are to be asked to produce a brief summary with some details about themselves for presentation at the next meeting.

**Finance:** The Treasurer, Ian Jack, advised that the annual Council Grant has been received in the sum of £658.00.

**The Next Meeting of Kinross CC will take place on Wednesday 5 September 2012 at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.**

#### Agenda for the meeting on 5 September

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of meeting held on 1 August 2012
3. Police report
4. Matters arising from minutes of 1 August
5. Co-option of Members/Associate Members
6. Newsletter re disbursement of funds
7. Future of Kinross buildings
8. T in the Park debriefing
9. Planning matters
10. Local Development Plan update
11. Reports from P&K Councillors
12. Miscellaneous correspondence
13. Other Competent Business
14. Date of Next Meeting (3 October 2012)

**Note:** Members of the public are welcome to contribute to discussion at meeting but if you wish to address the meeting, please advise the Secretary (Margaret Scott, 21 Ross Street, Kinross, KY13 8EF or email to [mbs21@btinternet.com](mailto:mbs21@btinternet.com)) as early as possible. You are also requested to supply a copy of any relevant documentation in advance, and a paragraph on what it is you want to raise, so the topic can be publicised.

Kinross CC minutes are posted on the webpage:

**[www.kinross.cc/cc.htm](http://www.kinross.cc/cc.htm)**

## Milnathort Community Council

### News from the August Meeting

CCllr Hamilton, Chair, welcomed CCllrs Milne-Home, Cottingham, Thomson, Halford, Smith and Pettinger to the meeting held on 9 August 2012. Also in attendance were P&K Cllrs Cuthbert and Robertson, Min Secy E Rougvie, Sgt Sandra Williams of Tayside Police and 16 members of the public. Apologies were received from CCllr Bennet.

#### Police matters

**T in the Park:** Sgt Williams reported that T in the Park had generally been a success, with no significant negative feedback, although there were reports of a car stopping in Stirling Road and its occupants using the road as a toilet. A member of the public said he had observed the same thing happening outside Robertson's shop in New Road on a regular basis and not just during T in the Park. Sgt Williams noted this. There had also been a problem of tailbacks on the Friday night due to an accident between a bus and a pedestrian near Yetts o' Muckhart.

**Incidents:** On 12 July a speeding car was stopped in South Street and an ASBO issued to both the driver and the vehicle.

On 13 July a vehicle was stolen from Whyte Place and two people were arrested. Between 1 and 3 August a horsebox and trailer were stolen from Middleton Farm Cottage. This is still under inquiry. Overnight on 2 August a quad bike was stolen from Tannerhill Farm. This is also still under inquiry and may be linked with the previous incident. Sgt Williams said there had been a spate of thefts of items such as power tools throughout central Scotland and the public are reminded to keep their possessions under lock and key.

**20mph speed limit:** A member of the public asked if the police could do more to enforce the new 20mph limit in New Road, as drivers were largely ignoring it, especially late at night. Sgt Williams noted the situation and advised that Tayside Police would be running a campaign from 11 to 23 September to target irresponsible drivers in Perth & Kinross. The average speed of motorists in New Road is also to be monitored. Erecting large signs advising motorists of their speed is a matter for the Council.

**Police attendance at CC meetings:** Sgt Williams said that the police remained committed to maintaining a link with the community and would endeavour to attend every other CC meeting. It would be the community officer who would attend, who in the case of Milnathort is PC Sadie Allan. Sgt Williams was thanked for her attendance.

**Road works:** CCllr Hamilton advised that PKC is in the process of scheduling repairs to the 15 sites identified at the meeting he and CCllr Thomson had had with roads officers. The work is expected to be complete or virtually complete by the end of September. It was noted that work appeared to have already begun on the corner at Tillywhally where puddles form.

#### Planning Applications Submitted to PKC

Partial demolition of agricultural warehouse and erection of mixed use building at Arlary Farmhouse. Noted.

Formation of new vehicular access and private access track at Hillside House. Noted.

#### Planning Applications Decided by PKC

Installation of air source heat pump at 40 Marshall Place. Approved.

Modification of existing consent (change of house type) at 1 Cuthill Towers. Approved.

**Placecheck:** An e-mail update was provided by Diane Cassidy. The tree in Wester Loan had died and would be replaced in the autumn. Bedding had been planted in the meantime.

**Co-option:** PKC have approved the co-option of CCllr Pettinger and he is now officially a CC member.

**Milnathort Futures Trust:** Mr David Sands was in attendance to outline the vision of Milnathort Futures Trust, of which he is an unpaid director. As he is no longer involved in the retail business he wanted to become involved in what is an altruistic venture but whose success depends on an application for three wind turbines at Tillyrie being approved. MFT is not involved in the planning application itself. Should the application be successful, the community would have a share in the profits amounting to around £24,000 a year, which would be distributed in grant form for energy efficiency improvements or flood prevention measures. The trust would be accessible to residents of Area 49 only. Mr Sands hoped that a local lawyer could be engaged to process applications from members of the community. MFT also plan to apply for charitable status if the application for three wind turbines is successful. Mr Sands advised that MFT was established by Joseph Giacopazzi but Mr Giacopazzi had resigned upon being elected as a councillor due to a potential conflict of interest. MFT currently has five directors: David Sands, Sandy Smith, Colin McAlpine, Alastair McCracken and Grant Simpson. David Sands noted that there are currently no ordinary trust members who can apply to join to be shareholders for £1. Mr Sands said that a public meeting

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was being arranged for the end of September and he hoped as many people as possible would attend with a view to becoming Trust members. Following his presentation, Mr Sands answered questions from the CC and members of the public as follows:

Q1. Has MFT considered other forms of renewable energy? A1: No, MFT has been set up solely for the purposes of the Tillyrie Wind Cluster application. In the event the wind cluster is unsuccessful, it is more than likely that MFT will be dissolved.

Q2. How would grant applications be approved? A2: Mr Sands noted that it was proposed that this was discussed and agreed with the directors and members and at present there is no agreed mechanism for processing grant applications.

Q3. Do MFT support the wind farm application? A3: Mr Sands stated that MFT are independent of the planning application and have no view on the for and against of on-shore wind farms. MFT has only been established to administer the usage of community profit of circa £24,000 per annum should the application be successful.

Q4. How does the whole community benefit as it would appear only a small number of grant recipients would benefit? A4: One example could be improvements to Milnathort Town Hall, which would be beneficial to all.

**Donaldson Park:** CCllr Hamilton advised that a number of CCllrs were to meet with PKC officials on 13 August to try to persuade them to start cutting the grass on a regular basis and with immediate effect. Efforts to create wildflower areas had been disastrous because the ground had not been properly prepared and the park was now over-run with weeds, including ragwort, which is notifiable. Cllr Cuthbert confirmed that local elected members were fully in support of the CC on this issue.

#### **New matters and correspondence**

**Consultation:** CCllr Milne-Home advised that the Scottish Government has launched a consultation on the Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill, which is aimed directly at local communities. The consultation can be found at [www.scotland.gov.uk/publications](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/publications). CCllr Milne-Home said he would not be consulting further with the CC before he responds as there would not be time. However, he felt it was worth putting in a response in on behalf of the CC.

**Horse in Donaldson Park:** CCllr Hamilton had received a number of e-mails regarding a horse being exercised in Donaldson Park. Cllr Robertson will check if this was legal, but it was noted that the horse had not been seen since a number of complaints were made to the police and PKC.

**Scottish Water:** A letter was received from Scottish Water intimating that the brick kiosk in Burleigh Road had been removed.

**An invitation** was received to a networking event to be held by the Kinross Learning and Development Group on 29 August. CCllr Thomson will attend if available.

#### **Councillors' reports from P&K Councillors**

Cllr Robertson reported that an application had been made for a number of new dropped kerbs.

Overgrown hedges and trees were a problem and he reminded householders that they have a responsibility for cutting them back.

Cllr Cuthbert advised that the issues he wanted to raise had already been covered.

#### **Other business**

**Mini-roundabout:** CCllr Halford reported on an incident in which a cyclist had skidded on the manhole cover at the mini-roundabout, and come off his bike. He said that in other areas a special coating had been applied. Cllrs Robertson and Cuthbert will pursue this.

**Potholes in Church Street:** These have been reported to PKC.

#### **Members of the public**

The following issues were raised:

**Ice at Tillywhally:** Concern was again expressed about ice on the Tillywhally road during the winter months. Following discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Robertson would formally ask PKC to consider erecting signs indicating that this was an accident blackspot.

**Access laws:** A series of gates had been left open in local fields in what appeared to be a deliberate act. This is not only costly and inconvenient for the landowner, but can be dangerous both for livestock and the community at large. The public are reminded that 'right to roam' legislation also brings with it responsibilities and it is unfortunate that a minority of irresponsible people are spoiling the enjoyment of the countryside for others.

**The next meeting of Milnathort CC will be held on Thursday 13 September 2012 at 7.30pm in Orwell Parish Church Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend.**

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## Fossoway and District CC

### News from the August Meeting

Apologies were received from: Sheila, Angus, Kevin, Joe and Graham. Fifteen members of the public attended the meeting held on 7 August 2012.

**Declarations of interest:** Trudy: 12/01198/IPL. Entire CC declares interest in 12/01120/FLL (Church Car park Crook of Devon).

**Community policing:** No community police officer available. Short report sent does not contain anything specific to our area.

**Community Speed Watch:** the pilot has now ended. We await the evaluation of Tayside Police.

**Olympic Flame:** the passing through of the flame in Crook of Devon was very successful by all accounts. Many thanks to Hayley Richard, the Powmill Milk Bar, Caroline Watson and all others for providing funding, balloons, pipers and for turning out. A day to remember.

**Crook of Devon Church Car Park:** the CC has put in a planning application for this.

**Core Paths** and right of way sign posting: MB has contacted Dave Stubbs to ensure that landowners and others will be consulted when signage is considered. A short discussion followed in which several members of the public from the farming community stressed their discontent about the process of deciding on core paths. Members of the general public do not realise how dangerous cattle can be when spooked. When farmers are displaying warning signs they get rapped on the knuckles but they feel strongly that there are issues with warning the general public at certain times of the year. WR stresses that it is important to keep writing to MSPs to keep this issue in the awareness.

**CC business: meetings attended:** Special meeting travellers' site, meeting with Gordon Banks, Alastair presented at the development Committee.

**T-in-the-Park:** Local people are still not happy with the way the verges are cut just prior to T-in-the-Park. There was a promise that back roads would be cleared for reasons of safety but that has not happened everywhere.

There has been at least one incident, possibly more, where a young person was found lost. There does not seem to be an agreed procedure what to do. T-in-the-Park stewards handed this over to the police who were helpful but inefficient. This problem is exacerbated by the existence of external campsites. Perhaps a dedicated phone line for missing persons could be set up?

The Sunday the week after T-in-the-Park, tents were flying across the motorway. Police were trying to catch them and it was a dangerous situation.

### Reports from P&K Councillors

Councillor Barnacle:

- Investigating Drum traffic calming and access only road; all would have to agree on this.
- Loop road perhaps under the Green Roads initiative?
- Cambo Post box: no real progress yet.
- Passing places on the road to the Blairingone Equestrian centre: no progress, officer in charge ill.
- Gelvan Bridge has damaged parapet, will be dealt with.
- Is there any representation regarding the Brown Bin collection?

Councillor Robertson:

- Is worried about visibility and road safety: verge cutting is not optimal and drains are getting silted up. Urges everyone to cut overhanging hedges.
- Is worried that conditions set on the planning for the travellers' site in Crook Moss cannot be enforced. Will try to address Development Committee next time they convene.

Councillor Cuthbert:

- Has asked convenor to meet to go through the report.

**Travellers' site:** There followed a short discussion on the travellers' site. There is general discontent amongst the elected members of this area that their objections and representations are largely ignored. The report presented to the development committee was full of mistakes and omissions. AL reported that planning did not mention that they could not connect to sewage system; did not prove need; reluctantly agreed site was adjacent to village boundary; did not accept flood risk, agreed that normally they would only accept port-a-loos for a few weeks while the convenor pointed out they had been there for about five months; it was at the discretion of the Planning department. It was, in his view, a very poor report riddled with inaccuracies. After the meeting the person responsible for determining need was in deep conversation with the travellers' representative in the council building for at least 10 minutes.

Councillors on the Committee were not informed that Scottish Water stated that there was no capacity to connect this site to the sewer. Figures to prove that there was an established need for another site were not forthcoming and there was worry about procedural aspects of the process. Gordon Banks has been very helpful. The only way open is to organise a meeting at top level to express our discontent with the way all this has been handled. Cllr Robertson stated that he had not yet come to a definite conclusion on the matter and he required further clarification on a number of points. Sandy thanked the elected members for their hard work.

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**Planning**

**12/00990/IPL.** Erection of a dwelling house (in principle). Plot at Blashieburn Stables Vicar's Bridge Road, Blairingone. No action taken.

**12/00912/FLL.** Land At Lambhill, Blairingone Proposal Modification of existing consent (PK/97/1665) to allow change of use of agricultural shed for the processing and storage of biomass materials. Consultation closed? Letter of objection sent. This is a major, not a local application.

**12/01064/FLL.** Change of use and extension to barn to form dwelling house and stable block, Easter Solsgirth, Dollar. No CC comment.

**12/01080/FLL.** Alterations and extension to dwelling house and erection of a garage, the Firs, Powmill. No CC comment.

**12/01157/FLL.** Renewal of previous consent (07/00084/FUL): Erection of a rural business class development, office and house plot 1, land south of Craigton Farm Road, Rumbling Bridge. No CC comment.

**12/01159/IPL.** Erection of dwelling house (in principle), Merryhills, Rumbling Bridge. No CC comment.

**12/01120/FLL.** Formation of a 32-space car park, land 30 metres south of Crook Of Devon Cemetery, Church Road, Crook of Devon. Consultation ends 27 July. No CC comment.

**12/01198/IPL.** Erection of a dwelling house (in principle), land 40 metres west of Devonlade, Main Street, Crook of Devon. Consultation ends 13 August. Applicant stresses that there is no flooding issue on site. Action: Object, as constricted access and unsafe exit to A977.

**12/01232/FLL.** Drilling of a borehole for a temporary period, land 550 metres north east of Blairingone Mains, Blairingone. No CC comment.

**12/01249/LBC.** Relocation of existing war memorial within graveyard, Blairingone Parish Church. Action: CC letter of support.

**12/01268/FLL.** Erection of four dwelling houses, site west of Cambo Farmhouse, Cambo. Action: Object on number of houses in settlement (KALP 94 sets 5 maximum, 8 built, further 9 permissions); drainage – no solution to Cambo's acknowledged foul water drainage problems, KALP 12; part of development outwith settlement boundary (KALP 94). Part of proposal on in a former garden, part on former wood cleared by developer – not brownfield.

**12/01276/FLL.** Demolish existing extension and rear porch and erection of new extension and formation of parking and turning area for two cars. Grove Cottage, Main Street, Crook of Devon. No CC comment.

**12/01279/FLL.** Remove existing garage and outbuildings and erect new garage and repositioning of new entrance gates. Devonbank, Crook of Devon. No CC comment.

**12/01181/FLL.** Erection of a dwelling house (in principle), Powmill Cottage, Rumbling Bridge. Action: Object, as contrary to KALP 81 and 82. Map 10 identifies the site for Rural Business Use. The proposal is for a house with office accommodation; no business details available.

**12/01354/FLL.** Land At Lambhill, Blairingone. Storage of waste wood material on concrete hardstanding. Consultation ends 15 August. Action: Object: application for a major development being brought forward in sections – current cumulative area described 1.762 ha but excludes linking areas. Must be

1. Brought forward as a whole.

2. Treated as a major development (over 2 ha).

**Correspondence:** List available.

**Other Business**

A member of the public complained about the state of the Crook of Devon cemetery; a rose he planted was killed, possibly by the use of a particular weed killer. MB contacted the Bereavement Service and is trying to get compensation for the rose. No response yet.

**Draft Agenda next CC Meeting**

- Welcome and apologies
- Declarations of interest
- Minute of last meeting
- Matters arising
- Community Council Business
- Councillors' reports
- Planning applications
- Correspondence
- AOCB

**The Next Meeting of Fossoway and District CC will take place on Tuesday 4 September at 7.30pm, in Fossoway Primary School. All welcome!**

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## Cleish & Blairadam CC

### News from the August Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 6 August 2012 were: CCllrs P Fraser, H Somerville, R Kitchin and F MacGregor; Associate Members Catriona Culley and James Moore, P&K Cllr M Barnacle and four members of the community. There were no apologies.

#### Matters arising from previous meeting

There had been no further progress about seeking further possible funding for the notice boards.

There has been no further information received about the bus service in Keltybridge and Maryburgh; Cllr Barnacle agreed to follow this up.

#### Crime Prevention

Catherine Erskine reported that there have been two separate cases of cold callers offering to tarmac the driveway.

Diesel has been stolen from Cleish Mill Farm.

Building equipment has been stolen from Moreland Farm.

'Operation Tupelo', 11 to 23 September, will target irresponsible driving. (*See Police Box.*)

#### Correspondence

The Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill has been sent out to CCs, requesting a response by 26 September. It is a fairly long consultation document, with many questions – some of which appear to be more relevant to our community than other questions. It was agreed to spend time formulating our response to the more relevant questions rather than the document as a whole.

#### Community Council Website

Fran Gillespie reported on the updated website. The website has been amended further and is live. There are more links on the front page, with scrolling functions on the pages containing more information (such as the planning page). The website statistics are currently showing an average of 29 unique visitors per day. CCllr MacGregor will keep sending planning information to Fran to update the site.

#### Roads

No new maintenance has occurred around Cleish and Blairadam. We are all aware that PKC is under financial constraints – but it has been suggested that rather than complaining about individual issues repeatedly, we should ask instead what is currently on their agenda to repair and improve. There could then be some discussion on prioritising what is on their agenda.

CCllr MacGregor reported that drains running parallel to the road are often the responsibility of the land owner rather than the council.

Cllr Barnacle reported that the request for the Green Road Initiative would likely include some HGV restrictions, but that PKC has prioritised another road for a pilot study.

The lack of verge cutting has been a safety issue around many of our junctions. These junctions should be reported to the roads department as a safety issue.

Cllr Barnacle reported that he hasn't had any further reply from PKC following CCllr Kitchin's e-mail to Rob Bryce (who has been on holiday) about the Cemetery Road. There has been a lack of reply over three weeks of attempted phone calls and e-mails. MB reported that there is a potential discrepancy over the legal responsibility of the road, which is currently being looking into by PKC lawyers.

#### Planning

Two applications have been approved: the poultry breeding facility, Gairneybridge and change of use of field to garden ground, The Paphle, Cleish.

The following are new applications:

Greenacres – Two separate applications for a new access track (12/00935/FLL) and a new chalet with parking space (12/01035/FLL). SNH have objected based on phosphate mitigation. We should reply to the Planning Dept about our same consistent concerns and lack of clear policy for this site.

Erection of a stable block at Kedlock House (12/01327/FLL) – no objections received.

Erection of an agricultural shed, Shepherds Neuk, Cleish (12/01329/PN) – belonging to F MacGregor.

Cllr Barnacle then reported on the issue of the travellers' sites at Crook Moss, Crook of Devon. He addressed the Development Control Committee on 1 August, and along with two other councillors requested the application be refused. The DCC deferred the decision seeking further information on drainage and land contamination. Cllr Barnacle has issues with the decision – there seems to be little consistency in the Planning Dept regarding phosphate mitigation in all traveller site applications compared to all other planning applications. SEPA and SNH have both been contacted and have agreed to tighten up this issue. Crook Moss cannot at present connect to the mains and so PO4 mitigation is an issue.

The new Gypsy Traveller Policy (RD5b) of the proposed Local Plan will override all other policies that would otherwise lead to refusing these planning applications. There is also a lack of enforcement to stop any development prior to both applications being submitted and also bring granted.

There is also some question as to the legal classification of 'mobile' vs 'static' traveller sites.

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Cllr Barnacle and the other members appear to be very frustrated that despite strong representations to PKC senior planners and the Committee, there is no acknowledgement of their concerns.

These matters could be discussed further at the next KCCN.

#### Invitation to developers and objectors re windmills

This is currently in hand, and we are waiting to hear back from the developers about a possible date that they could attend so that we could also invite local objectors (SPOT).

This has all been covered as above.

There have been two new proposals in Fife that have been reported in the local papers, both saying that all local communities have been consulted. Neither have contacted Cleish and Blairadam CC.

#### Kinross-shire Community Councils Network

CCllrs Fraser and Kitchen both attended the last meeting, and reported that it was much more productive with plenty of topics on the agenda that could be continued in future meetings. It may not necessarily be accomplishing exactly what it set out to do but is certainly more constructive and worth attending.

A discussion on the proposed LDP: is there any way to find out any feedback following the submitted representations during the consultation process? It appears that planning officers do not want to make any changes unless the council officers are put under pressure to make changes to the proposed LDP that was released for consultation.

We don't actually know what has happened in the consultation process following our representations to PKC. The matter of the number of representations from a household is currently considered, rather than the actual number of people in that household who appear on the electoral role who write to PKC. Is this constitutional?

#### Other Business

There appear to be two new access roads into Greenacres. Do these correlate to the new applications, and in which case, are they again retrospective? This is a 60mph section of road now with five or six entrances onto it. We have been asked to write to the PKC enforcement officer and Roads Dept to examine the safety issues with these multiple access roads on a fast road. Who is responsible if there are accidents? Cllr Barnacle agreed to follow this up.

There was also a reply received by the same member of our community from Stuart D'All (Roads Dept) in respect to lack of progress on the roads west of Cleish – still awaiting an improvement in the weather?

**The Next Meeting of Cleish & Blairadam CC is on Monday 3 September at Cleish Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

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# Club & Community Group News

## Boys' Brigade

### Kinross BB involved in Queen's Baton Relay

On 14 August members of the Boys' Brigade from England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales, accompanied by the Brigade President, The Lord Griffiths of Burry Port, met HM The Queen at Balmoral Castle in Scotland. The young men delivered a message of loyal greeting from members of The Boys' Brigade and received Her Majesty's gracious reply. After leaving Balmoral Castle, Her Majesty's message started out on its journey, being carried throughout the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland by members of The Boys' Brigade. Local groups were challenged to come up with different ways of carrying the baton and over the next few weeks it will be carried on foot, by cycle, roller skate, speedboat and milk float among others.

Three members of the Kinross Company were present at Perth Sailing Club to welcome the baton, which had travelled from Wormit by speedboat.



(L to r): Ross Simpson (in white), Jack Finnie, Matthew McDonald (holding baton) Grant Irons and Matthew Campbell at Perth Sailing Club, welcoming the baton with HM The Queen's message

The baton being used in the relay was first used in 1935 when the Brigade conveyed its message to Her Majesty's grandfather, King George V, on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee and later in 1951 to King George VI in celebration of the Festival of Britain.

Kinross boys were involved back in 1951 (see photograph, right). David Anderson is the boy in the centre of the photo – does anyone know the names of the other two boys?

The Company resumes activities on **Friday 7 September**:

**Anchors:** for boys and girls in primaries one, two and three, meeting on Friday evenings from 6pm till 7.15pm.

**Juniors:** for boys and girls in primaries four, five and six, meeting on Friday evenings from 7pm till 9pm.

**Company Section:** for boys and girls in primary seven, S1, S2 and S3, meeting on Friday evenings from 7pm till 10pm.

**Senior Section:** for boys and girls in S4, 5 & 7, meeting on Friday evenings from 7pm till 10pm.

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Boys in Brigade, 1951. Can anyone name the boys to the left and right of David Anderson?

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## Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club



The September meeting will be held on **Thursday 6 September** at 2pm in the Millbridge Hall. The speaker will be a representative from Oxfam. At the August meeting Rhona and Michael Archibald, of Perth Street Pastors, told us of their valuable work assisting younger people on the streets of Perth late at night. It was certainly a surprise to learn that there could be as many as 3000 people on the streets on Saturday evenings.

### Away Days September

**Thursday 13 September:** Glasgow

**Thursday 27 September:** Fife Coast

The coach leaves from opposite the Green Hotel at 0915 hours unless otherwise stated. Regrettably no advance bookings for trips can be accepted prior to the monthly meeting. Contact: Mary Muirhead on 01577 863564.

**Annual Holiday 2013:** Cumbria Grand Hotel, Grange-over-Sands, commencing Sunday 10 February 2013 - Pat advises that she will be collecting the deposit of £25 per person for this holiday at the September meeting. Contact: Pat Crawford on 01577 862962.

### Friday Walkers

**September 14:** "The Fish Supper Walk" from St Monans and back, along the Fife Coastal path - our usual annual six mile stroll, having fish suppers beside Anstruther harbour.

**September 28:** A circular walk from Limekilns and Charlestown through the Broomhall Estate - this is a new one for us, with lots of interest, and about our usual distance of six miles.

Although this group is full, there are no names on the waiting list, and anyone wishing to place their names on the waiting list should contact: Ian Simpson 01577 863691.

### Friday Hill Walkers

**September 7:** Glen Artney Jock 8.30 Cars

**September 21:** Piperdam Alan 8.30

**October 5:** Braefordie (Comrie) Jock 8.30

### Activities

The following activities are open to all members of the Club.

**Carpet Bowling** re-commences on **Monday 8 October** at 2pm in the Millbridge Hall and each Monday thereafter. New members will be very welcome. Contact: Helen Duncan 01577 863638.

**Craft Group** has finished until probably **12 September**. No updated information has been received. Contact: Elizabeth Smith 01577 861387.

**Fly Tyers** has both men and ladies within its membership. Please note that this group has now closed for the summer. Contact: Ian Campbell for details of venue 01577 830582.

**Keep-Fit** will re-commence on **4 September** in the Masonic Hall from 2pm until 3pm. This group is now full but anyone wishing to be placed on the waiting list should contact Val Oswald 01577 864020.

**Kinvest Investment Club** meet 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. Contact: John Dryburgh on 01577 862555 for details and venue.

**The Line Dancers** swing and sway every Tuesday and Friday at 10.30am. Contact: Betty Fergus 01577 866961.

**L.U.S.T.:** The slimmers meet each Thursday, 9.30am to 10.30am. Contact: Norma Anderson 01577 863548.

## Milnathort Primary School Parent Council

Milnathort Primary School Parent Council will be meeting on the following dates in the 2012-2013 academic year:

**2012: 1 October, 26 November.**

**2013: 14 January, 25 February, 22 April, 3 June.**

Meetings will be held at 7.30pm at Loch Leven Community Campus in ICT Room 1.

**The Parent Council AGM and Parent Forum** will be held on **Tuesday 11 September** at Milnathort Primary School at 7.45pm.

For the most up to date minutes and other information please see our website [www.milnathortprimary.org.uk](http://www.milnathortprimary.org.uk)

Alternatively, contact the Clerk, Elyse Kirkham on 07747 534513 or e-mail

[elyse.kirkham@milnathortprimary.org.uk](mailto:elyse.kirkham@milnathortprimary.org.uk)

## Kinross Camera Club



Kinross Camera Club is a lively and hospitable photographic club with a good social side but also a serious interest in photography. New members who are just coming to grips with their first cameras, digital or film, or those who wish to extend their skills beyond the "snapshot" level will find experienced members ready to assist them. In addition to the regular Thursday meetings, there are two additional groups open to members: the Digital, which, in addition to assisting people with practical problems, encourages creative photography using the scope of photo manipulation systems to move far from the original image, and the Portrait Group, where techniques of lighting etc are studied.

Our **new season** starts on **13 September** and we look forward to welcoming new and returning members to the Open Night at Kinross Church Centre at 7.30pm.

The Syllabus for 2012/2013 offers open subjects in League Competitions and set subjects in League and trophy competitions in addition to inter-club and other external ones including SPF, PAGB and international competitions, all offering the opportunity for both Advanced and Foundation Members to demonstrate their skills and artistic abilities.

There are also a number of activities outwith the club premises, such as the Weekend Away, a popular annual event held in May when a group have the opportunity to practise their skills in an unfamiliar location. The first excursion this season is scheduled to take place in October, with a visit to the Falkirk Wheel to practise night photography, while the Treasure Hunt is held in early April and is a team event with a competitive presentation of images later that month. There are also visits to and from other clubs hosting the inter-club competitions as well as other outings, including a variety of summer visits after the end of the formal season.

To get a flavour of the work of club members, copies of the book "25 Years of Kinross Camera Club" published in 2010 and containing photographs taken by members, are available from [Blurb.co.uk](http://Blurb.co.uk).

For further information please contact [www.kinrosscameraclub.org.uk](http://www.kinrosscameraclub.org.uk) or the Secretary on 01592 840251 or [alisonbradley101@btinternet.com](mailto:alisonbradley101@btinternet.com)

## Milnathort Town Hall Association

We are very proud to have been chosen as Giacopazzi's Charity this year through the Making a Difference Locally Scheme run by Nisa.

We were delighted to receive the £1,200 Giacopazzi's has raised for us, making a grand total of **£1,460 donated to Milnathort Town Hall Refurbishment by Giacopazzi's so far!**

Plans for the renovation have been drawn up, it's 'all systems go' for the hall and the committee are determined to make it a place of which the community of Milnathort can be proud.



*Giacopazzi's present the £1,200 cheque towards the refurbishment of Milnathort Town Hall*

## An explanation of Making A Difference Locally

Making a Difference Locally is a charity that was launched to help independently-run local stores add value in their communities through donations to local charities or good causes. The scheme is truly local as money is raised by local stores over time through the sale of specific products in their stores. The store owner then chooses the beneficiary for the money and a donation is paid to the charity or cause by the Making A Difference Locally Charity. In November 2010, Giacopazzi's donated £800 to CHAS in Kinross. It has taken nearly 2 years to save up and make this donation to Milnathort Town Hall. The £1,200 will go towards the much longed for refurbishment.

Look out for products in store with the Making a Difference Locally logo (see right).

From now until 7 October 2012 every time you buy a 4 Finger Kit Kat, 4 Finger Dark, standard Kit Kat Chunky or Kit Kat Peanut Butter Chunky at Giacopazzi's, 1p will be donated to the Milnathort Town Hall.



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"I hope our donation will help towards the refurbishment of the Town Hall. It is such an important part of our local community, used by so many different groups of people," said Joanna Giacopazzi, Manager.

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## Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation



### Kinross-shire's Got Talent for Children in Need!

The Kinross-shire Music Festival will open with a Charity Event on Children in Need day (**16 November**). This will be held at the Community Campus. It will be a fun evening with a large variety of acts from the Kinross-shire's Got Talent Competition and the evening will finish with a Lady Gaga Tribute Act (previously seen at our 2010 Gazebo Gathering!).



*A Lady Gaga Tribute Act will be performing at the festival*

Under 18's can take part in the Kinross-shire's Got Talent Competition. You can download an entry form on [www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk). The auditions will be held at the end of October, so enough time to get your act

together!!! Tickets for the concert are available on the same website (Adult £10 and Under 18 is £5). 50% from the sale of this event will benefit the BBC Children in Need Appeal. The other 50% will be used to pay for bands during the festival.

#### Programme festival

On the website [www.kinrossmusicfestival](http://www.kinrossmusicfestival) you can find the most up to date programme of the festival. It still changes as bands are added daily.

As announced in last month's Newsletter, we are delighted that Barbara Dickson will perform at the Kinross-shire Music Festival on **Saturday 24 November** at 8pm at the Loch Leven Community Campus. Tickets for this concert are £22. Other headline acts during this festival are Iain Hunter & Friends (£10), Gaberlunzie (£10), Modern Faces (£5 or Rover ticket), Woodenbox and Sienna (£5 or Rover ticket).

#### Tickets

Tickets are for sale at the Post Office in Milnathort and the Macbeth & Currie Estate Agents in Kinross (payment by cheque is preferred here). Iain Hunter is also selling tickets for his gig through his Butcher's shop.

Tickets are also for sale through  
[www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk)

Apart from tickets for the headline acts, you can also buy a **Rover Ticket** of £10 for one weekend, which gives you unlimited access to all the £5 events. You can also buy a Rover ticket for two weekends for £20.

#### Volunteers

We'd like to hear from groups or individuals willing to help out in some way during the festival. We are grateful for any help you can commit to, as this will help contribute to making the Kinross-shire Music Festival a successful event. If interested, please e-mail [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk) or call 01577 863107.

The Kinross-shire Music Festival is part-financed by the Scottish Government and the European Community Rural Tayside LEADER 2007-2013 Programme.

## We're raising money For BBC Children in Need

This activity has been organised in support of BBC Children in Need. Please contact the organiser for further information.



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## Kinross and District Town Twinning Association

### Visit to Gacé, summer 2012

A small group of twinningers arrived in Gacé on 29 July.

Over the next week members enjoyed superb hospitality from our Norman friends and families. Some of the highlights were a visit to the beautiful coastal towns of Deauville then Honfleur, finishing with a sail under the great Pont de Normandie connecting Le Havre with Normandie. A musical evening with a meal at Alain and Danielle's rounded off a wonderful day and was much enjoyed by everyone.

Another day saw us experience a wonderful display of horses and riders at Haras du Pin, the national stud and flagship of Normandy.

Another highlight was a visit to Paris when some of us went to the artists' quarter at Montmartre and the Sacre Coeur Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Paris.

A quick ride on the underground took us to meet up at Hotel de Ville, the centre of administration for all of Paris where we were given a guided tour, finishing in the room where the politicians meet. The Hotel de Ville serves multiple functions, housing the local administration, the Mayor of Paris (since 1977), and also serves as a venue for large receptions.

Some of us also visited the museum in Gacé where our twinning president Michel Brodin has an extensive exhibition of fossils; this was the most amazing display of colours shapes and sizes, well worth a look.

During our week-long stay, we met a number of new families from Gacé who would like to visit Kinross and district next year. Would you be willing to host a family and experience the warmth of twinning?

A suggested date for next year's return visit to Kinross-shire is 4-12 August 2013.

We hope to meet Michel Brodin during the school exchange in September when we will be very happy to see anyone who thinks they can help or just wants some more information on twinning.

For further information, please contact chairperson Jean Paterson, telephone 01577 862159 or e-mail [jeannipaterson@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:jeannipaterson@tiscali.co.uk)



## Kinross & District Rotary Club



Our first meeting after 'T in the Park' was addressed by Carol McKinlay, the Whiz Kids Scotland Regional Fundraiser. What an inspiring talk! This is a charity which helps disabled children, partly by providing equipment to help them to be as independent as 'normal', fit kids. It also campaigns for help for them from others and runs Ambassadorial Clubs to help them reduce dependency on their parents and to meet other children. One great example of this was the small team of volunteers who helped some children get more out of their visit to 'T in the Park' recently!

On 23 July, Bob Docherty, originally from Burntisland and latterly retired Assistant Rector of Kirkcaldy High School, and a promoter of Schools football, came along to tell us so much about the Scots language. I think we were all surprised at the origins of many of our common words which owed their existence to past contacts with Gaelic, Norse, German and Dutch people. Bob listed so many words which were familiar to us but we were not aware of their origins. We also learned that, in effect, we used to have different languages in different parts of the country – Shetland, Orkney, Inverness, Dundee etc. In closing, Bob read us some poems in broad Scots which we were just able to follow!

On 30 July, our club Secretary, Neil Maclure gave a fascinating, illustrated talk on his recent seven-day Scottish cruise. Starting from Leith and ending in Donegal, it included Orkney, St. Kilda, Skye, Canna, Staffa, Fingal's Cave and the Coirebheacain whirlpool. On Hirta, he saw some of the 60,000 pairs of gannets and the 68,000 pairs of fulmars! Evening entertainment on board was provided by ceilidhs featuring a local accordionist.

After the normal monthly Club business meeting on 6 August, our next meeting, on 13 August, was addressed by David Taylor on the History of Hypnosis. David was able to develop his interest in the subject when he was made redundant and so could attend a course at Glasgow University without loss of earnings! He started his talk, which was not without humour, by introducing Franz Anton Mesmer, the German physician from whom has come the word 'mesmerising'. Mesmer developed what was latterly named 'hypnotism' by the Scottish physician James Braid in 1843. David then went on to explain some uses of hypnotism, such as helping to cure troops with post-traumatic stress disorder, reducing pain etc.

Once again, if you would like to know more about your local Rotary Club and the world-wide organisation of which it is part, why not visit our website at [www.kinrossrotary.org](http://www.kinrossrotary.org) or come along to one of our weekly meetings on a Monday at the Windlestrae Hotel at 6.00pm for 6.30pm or contact Neil Maclure, our secretary, at [neil.maclure19@gmail.com](mailto:neil.maclure19@gmail.com)?



*A wedding taking place at the chateau in Gacé during the town twinning visit*

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## Common Grounds

It was with some trepidation that I caught the free bus to the Kinross Show – no doubt I was not alone in wondering what the site at Vane Farm would look like. Boy, was I amazed by what turned out to be a breathtaking venue! Benarty behind and an absolutely wonderful view of Loch Leven facing us, masses of room for everything including a large separate ring for horse and pony events and a very spacious main arena. All the usual and lots more! I could hardly believe the entrants in the flower tent – amazing considering the lousy summer we have had. Congratulations to the President and all involved in making the Show so spectacular, well done!

**Project Lunch:** On **Tuesday 30 October** at 12 noon Alisdair Stewart from Mission Aviation Fellowship will speak about this charity that he is involved with. As usual in the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort. All are invited and will be most welcome.

**Project:** Our project for August is the above mentioned charity, Mission Aviation Fellowship. They operate a flight of light aircraft and dedicated staff and pilots bringing essential aid and spiritual sustenance to inaccessible regions. It operates in 21 parts of Africa from Angola to Tanzania.

Our project for September will be 500 Miles. This is an exceptional charity, hence our visiting for a second time. Olivia Giles is a tremendously brave individual. The charity supports amputees and disabled people and we are earmarking our £800 to go to her new project in Zanzibar if possible. In August 2011 500 Miles signed a contract with Zanzibar Ministry of Health agreeing to work with it to revive and develop the island's only orthopaedic workshop, which is part of Mnazi Mmoja Hospital in Stone Town.

**Other forthcoming event:** On **Friday 28 September** we will be holding a **Beetle Drive** at the Guide and Scout Hall, 7pm for 7.30pm. Children are very welcome with their parents or grandparents.

**Our Annual General Meeting** will be held in the Guide and Scout Hall at 7pm on **Friday 26 October**. Everyone is welcome.

**Website:** Our new website address is:

[www.spanglefish.com/commongroundscharitycafe/](http://www.spanglefish.com/commongroundscharitycafe/)

Lastly, our thanks to those Volunteers and Patrons who donated plants and gooseberries; we made good money from them. Again, many thanks.

**Our opening hours** are still 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.

## Lodge St Serf No 327

### September

- Tue 4th Regular Meeting at 7.15pm.  
Degree to be confirmed.
- Tue 11th General Committee Meeting at 7.30pm. Arrange work for next Regular Meeting.
- Tue 18th Regular Meeting at 7.15pm  
Degree to be confirmed.
- Tue 25th General Committee Meeting at 7.30pm. Arrange work for next Regular Meeting.



## Potager Garden

Despite the changeable weather over the summer, we have **some good crops** coming at the garden, and will be entering a few in the Kinross Show Flower Show, and look forward to the **school pupils** returning soon for their harvesting visit. The automatic irrigation system has proved valuable in the greenhouse and cold frames, but rather unnecessary outside!

**Thank you** to the volunteer group who have continued looking after the garden during the school holidays.

We now have a **new raised planter** which can be used from a seated position, to grow easy vegetables or flowers, which will be installed soon. It has been made using some of the old fence posts, and other recycled wood – thanks Steve! We are also planning a **sensory area** in the garden, with interesting scents and textures, as well as being visually attractive.

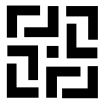
The **introductory gardening course** in May was very successful, and we would be happy to run it again in the autumn, or, for example, to give a half-day session on any specific gardening issues. If you have any ideas or requests, please let us know.

**Coming soon, a new Potager garden website!** Thanks to Angela, our new secretary, we are developing a new website for the garden, with photos, information and a calendar of events. Further information available next month.

On **Saturday 29 September**, we will be holding a **“BIG COFFEE MORNING”** at the garden from 10.30am until 12 noon, in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Support**. Donations for refreshments and a raffle, including a hamper of garden produce, will go to Macmillan, and there will also be plant sales for garden funds. We have a wide range of young plants, and can give planting suggestions for particular areas of your garden, for winter colour, or easy maintenance. Do come and visit us, enjoy some good coffee and home baking, and help this good cause.

The **Dobbies Little Seedlings Gardening club** continues on the first Sunday of each month at 11am. In September we will be planting spring flower bulbs in old wellies! It is fun and free; ask at Dobbies for more information.

Garden Convener Amanda James, tel (01577) 840809, or [amanda@tyafon.plus.com](mailto:amanda@tyafon.plus.com).



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## Kinnesswood in Bloom

The big success of summer 2012 was the transformation of the cart from a very run down trailer to a stunning addition to the village. Its setting in the middle of the newly created wildflower area in Gamekeeper's Road is very appropriate. This has been the result of many hours of hard work, moving the cart, rubbing it down, painting and planting. Well done, Carol, who had the vision to see what it could look like and the many helpers who did all the necessary jobs. Hopefully, in the future, this area will continue to give pleasure to local residents.



*Carol putting the finishing touches to the cart*

So far £308 has been donated by friends of Kinnesswood in Bloom and £210 has been received from sponsors. Thank you to all who support us throughout the year with donations, sponsorship, offers of help and positive feedback.

The "Best Kept Village" presentation was held in Portmoak Hall on Tuesday 7 August. A buffet was provided by Kinnesswood in Bloom with donations of food from other groups and refreshments from the Civic Trust. We were pleased to meet the judges from the Civic Trust as well as representatives from other winning villages from Kinross-shire. It's not been an easy summer for the "in bloom" groups and it's only now that we can relax a bit and enjoy the work done by all the villages. Let's hope we can enjoy an Indian summer.

**The next meeting** will be at Janette Gardiner's house on **Thursday 6 September** at 7.30pm. The AGM will be held in Shelagh Goudie's house in October.

## Portmoak Hall 100 Club

The winners of the July draw:

- 1st No. 54 Stewart Arbuckle, Scotlandwell
- 2nd No. 20 Bob Hogg, Scotlandwell
- 3rd No. 67 Margaret Brown, Kinnesswood

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## Recipe

supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom



### Apple Scone Round

We are coming into the apple season and this recipe makes delicious scones with an apple flavour.

**Ingredients** 200g plain flour  
 ½ teaspoon salt  
 2 x 5ml spoons baking powder  
 50g margarine  
 50g caster sugar  
 1 medium sized cooking apple, peeled, cored and coarsely grated  
 3 x 15ml spoons milk  
 1 x 15ml spoon Demerara sugar

Oven: 200°C, 400°F, Gas Mark 6

### Method

Sieve together the flour, salt and baking powder. Rub in the margarine. Add the caster sugar, then the grated apple and add enough milk to give a soft, but not sticky, dough.

Turn the mixture on to a floured surface and knead lightly. Roll out to a 20cm circle and place on a greased and floured baking sheet. Score it to make eight pieces. Brush the top with a little milk and sprinkle with the caster sugar. Bake in oven for 20-25 minutes or until well-risen and golden brown.

## Kinross Bridge Club

The autumn/winter season of Kinross Bridge Club starts on **Wednesday 3 October** at 6.45pm.

We meet in the Kinross Church Centre and any new members would be most welcome. Further details from Catriona Marshall, (01577) 864482.



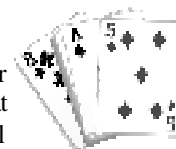
## Milnathort Bridge Club

The Club is currently enjoying a summer season, meeting each Monday evening at 7pm in Orwell Church Hall, which will continue until 17 September.

Anyone with an interest in playing would be most welcome to come along. Contact Secretary Beryl Harley (01577) 863590.

**The winter season** will begin on **Monday 24 September** at 7pm prompt in Milnathort Bowling Club.

**The Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Monday 24 September** at 7pm followed by Duplicate Bridge.



## Kinross-shire Ladies Circle

This summer we've helped out at the Refresh area of a very squelchy T in the Park and had a more relaxing Feng Shui evening.

Our next new members' night is **Thursday 6 September** when we are having a joint night with Round Table and Tangent, playing games such as rounders and boules. More information is available on the website: [www.ladiescircle.co.uk/kinross](http://www.ladiescircle.co.uk/kinross)

So if you'd like to try something different this autumn, contact Yvonne on 07845 791318 or for Tangent (45+) contact Amanda on (01577) 861434.



## Portmoak Film Society

Welcome back, cinema-goers, to an exciting new season of films at Portmoak. After a less than inspiring 'summer', we hope that you will be cheered by the prospect of a mouth-watering selection of classic and modern movies to brighten those darker nights. The autumn programme kicks off with one of the biggest hits of the past cinematic year: "**The Artist**", which scooped most of the Oscars last time round, will be shown on **Saturday 8 September** at Portmoak Hall at 7.30pm. This will be followed by the '70s hit "Prizzi's Honour" in October, "The Help" in November and "Hugo" in December. Check our new website for more information: [www.portmoakfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.portmoakfilmsociety.org.uk)

The membership fee for the season hasn't changed since we started up and still costs only £24. Work it out – it's brilliant value at £3 a film; that's a third of what it costs at your local multiplex and the post-film refreshments are a lot cheaper too, i.e. whatever you wish to donate towards tea, coffee & cakes! But you get all the facilities, with a proper cinema screen and sound system too, so why not give it a try and join for the 2012/13 season. And if you don't want to join just yet, entry is £5 on the door. All film fans welcome, new and old!

## Orwell District Games

### Girl Guiding

This was Orwell's first joint venture since joining up with Glenfarg and Portmoak units to become one district.

The games were held in Donaldson Park, Milnathort. The rain started when we arrived to set up but then cleared away. But that didn't put us off. A big thank you to Eric who brought his trailer along to help take everything up to the park and to him and Matt for helping us set up.

There were eight activities and two water stations. I think the space hopper was the favourite. It was well attended.

Jacqui Seller from Kinnesswood made our medals and Helen Jackson, our current County Commissioner, and Georgina Long, an ex-guide Leader from Orwell, presented the medals after the games.

Eilidh Child donated a top and a raffle was drawn on the day. The lucky recipient of the top was Evelyn Morgan. Eilidh is going to come along to the unit after the Olympics to personally sign the top.

Emma McLoughlin (Our Brownie and Rainbow leader from Glenfarg), who carried the torch through Abernethy, brought the torch along and the girls had a chance to have their photographs taken with it.

We would like to thank Gillian Sands who donated all the bottles of water for the girls to have after their exhausting heats.

I am sure the leaders had as much fun planning and taking part as the girls did on the day.

**Well done to everyone who took part and a great big thank you to all the leaders and helpers who made it such a successful day.**

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## Kinross-shire Round Table



August has been a quiet month for all the Round Tablers recovering after T in the Park and, being the school holidays, a busy time for those with children, keeping them entertained and going on holiday too. We are now getting back to fund raising and it is time for the **7th ANNUAL CHARITY BEER FESTIVAL!**

**Sponsorship opportunities** are still available for the event, and details can be requested via [kinrossbeer@gmail.com](mailto:kinrossbeer@gmail.com).

The format for this year's weekend is:

### Thursday 20 September: Charity Quiz Night.

The Quiz Night is open to teams of up to four members. Teams from all local organisations, businesses, associations, groups of friends are all welcome to take part. There will of course be ales and ciders to lubricate the little grey cells. 7.30pm start at The Pier Boat Shed, Pier Road, Kinross. Cost £25.00 per team.

### Friday 21 and Saturday 22 September: Beer Festival.

40 Real Ales and Ciders from all over the UK, live music and good food. 7pm – 11.45pm, again at the Pier Boat Shed. Ticket price £10 available from J & J H Sands, Stewart & Smart, Milnathort, T Buchan & Son Kinnesswood or from any reputable Tabler.

This year we are looking at having an **open mike session** between 7pm and 9pm, so if you are an up-and-coming band and looking for a gig, please get in touch via [kinrossbeer@gmail.com](mailto:kinrossbeer@gmail.com).

If you are 18 – 45 and want to get involved in having fun whilst putting something back into our community, contact us via [www.kinross-shire.roundtable.co.uk](http://www.kinross-shire.roundtable.co.uk) or our Facebook page.

## Kinross in Bloom



Since our baskets, barrels and planters were planted out in late June, they don't seem to be coming on very well; this may be something to do with the weather, and the fact that they had a poor start this year, when our members did their best to bring them on, despite the lack of suitable premises. We do apologise for the lack of colour this year so far, and a promise that since we now have our polytunnel erected, we will do better next year. A big thank you goes to Dobbies Garden Centre, for allowing us to erect our polytunnel on their property.

You may have noticed a different buggy carrying out watering duties recently. As our old one was getting a bit past its use by date, thanks to Henderson Grass Machinery, we are trying out a more stable four wheel buggy, with a view to replacing our old three-wheel buggy sometime in the future.

Can we take this opportunity to thank all willing volunteers, who take their turn on the watering rota.

### Our 200 Club winners are as follows:

**July:** 1st No. 26 Lady Delia Montgomery; 2nd No. 72 Mr & Mrs J Marshall; 3rd No. 35 Mrs C McIntosh; 4th No. 4 Mr I Todd.

**August:** 1st No. 35 Mrs C McIntosh; 2nd No. 79 Mrs Eliz. Stewart; 3rd No. 19 Mrs Pat Crawford; 4th No. 4 Mr I Todd.

Congratulations to all our winners, and may I remind you that the new season of the 200 Club commences in September, and if you wish to join, or renew your membership, please contact Aileen Sorbie at 01577 861477.

## Milnathort Explorers

### Iceland Practice camp

The Barr Wood, Forth Valley Scouts' district campsite, was the explorer scouts' destination for our pre-Iceland camp to check out the new tents and equipment. It was another damp Friday night but at least the rain had stopped when we arrived at the 90-acre woodland campsite. The explorers plastered on the midge repellent and pulled on their new midge nets prior to pitching the tents. They were impressed by the amount of space in the three-man tents, with huge porch areas for them to keep their gear for the two weeks in Iceland.

Forth Valley explorers were camping en masse and had organised various activities for the Saturday. Milnathort Explorers tried out the archery and bungee running.

In the afternoon we walked to the Bannockburn heritage centre, only a couple of miles from the site. It was the 698th anniversary of the battle and the explorer scouts entered into the spirit of the event with enthusiasm.

On the Sunday the explorers completed a giant pioneering project – a gateway to our campsite. Struan was given the task of climbing the structure to lash the two halves together. The gateway was left standing until we had struck camp and packed the trailer. Struan and Calum were invested into the Milnathort explorer unit before we left the Barr Wood.

### Iceland Jamboree

The Jamboree celebrating 100 years of scouting in Iceland was titled "The Magic Continues" and for the 14 members of the Milnathort explorer unit who attended the week camp in July, it certainly described the event and the seven-day tour of Iceland afterwards.

Our bus breaking down on the way to the jamboree wasn't a great start - at least the driver managed to get us to the depot and we swapped buses. The explorers and Perth guides weren't bothered by this or pitching tents on water covered ground in the pouring rain while wearing kilts.

By 4am the sun was out and once we'd built the gate to our site, the spars provided an ideal location to dry kilts. During our time in Iceland there were only two occasions that we couldn't eat outside due to the weather.

Jamboree activities – water-based, land-based, creative and craft – ran every afternoon. Participants were divided into four age groups, identified by the colour of their jamboree neckie and wristband, each age group rotated through the activities over the week. Evening activities included sports, scouting challenges, campfires and discos. Kilt clad explorers with a piper always attracted other nationalities to our site.

Nine of the explorers opted to go on the 24-hour hike walking across alpine meadows, lava fields and snow patches to a mountain hut. The event was very popular with the explorers ending up two to a bunk. The main attraction of the hike was bathing in the hot springs beside the huts, better than the Blue Lagoon.

Friday was an activity free day. We spent the morning putting to use the explorers' cycle maintenance skills to fix 14 of the jamboree bikes and the afternoon cycling with some Icelandic friends round the lake, visiting an enormous cave accessible via a route similar to the Ellie chain walk. We also visited the exhibition celebrating 100 years of scouting in Iceland, finding a photo taken of a leader on their last visit to the jamboree.

Visitors' day brought 7,000 additional people to the camp to participate in the cultural exchange. Joining up with Perth Guides and Rangers and the Glasgow scouts camped opposite us, we danced the Dashing White Sergeant and invited the audience to join in. The explorers found teaching five others the dance challenging. Music was provided by one of the explorers on his pipes.

Post-jamboree we visited geysers, boiling mud and waterfalls, saw black lava deserts and white ice deserts, had a boat trip round icebergs, walked on a glacier tongue from Europe's largest icecap, and found farmhouses on the national park that inspired Tolkien's hobbit homes.

Returning to Reyjavik, our Icelandic friends invited us to a tea party – Turkish tea, cakes and hot dogs served in the garden till the midnight twilight. Even getting up before 4am for the return flight wasn't a problem for the explorers who are keen to return for the next Jamboree.



*Some of the Milnathort Explorers at the bottom of Skogafoss, the biggest waterfall in Iceland*

## Kinross High School



I am writing this at the end of our first week back from the summer holiday.

This is a very exciting time in the life of our school. Pupils returning after finding out their exam results and making some course changes as a result. Pupils returning to begin the year in which they will sit their first national exams. Pupils attending our school for the first time, most of them into the new first year.

Exam results are an important aspect for every school. This year in Kinross High School we have had another very successful set of results. For the vast majority of our pupils the many hours of hard work in class and at home have been rewarded with good results.

In 4th year 100% of pupils have a qualification in English and Mathematics, 97% of pupils have passed in at least five subjects. 50% of 4th year pupils have gained at least five awards at the Credit level. Of these, eleven have gained the very highest awards in all eight subjects.

In 5th year we have seen a rise in the levels of attainment in all areas. The majority of pupils are performing at Higher level. 44 pupils gained five Highers, and of these, ten achieved five A grades. One pupil gained six Highers, all at grade A.

In 6th year, almost all of our pupils have gained the qualifications they may have needed for the next stage in their journey. One pupil passed four Advanced Highers all at grade A, a further three pupils passed three Advanced Highers. In total, 51 pupils, or 50% of the year group, passed at least one Advanced Higher.

We have a first year with 175 pupils, which is our largest group for some time. It was very pleasing to meet with them on the first morning and to see how well turned out they were, a credit to all, particularly the number of pupils in blazers. I think we can now say that our signature purple blazer has been re-established as a prominent part of school wear. Can I take this opportunity to remind parents that school ties are now available from the school and that recommended PE kit is available on the internet at [schoolwearmadeeasy.com](http://schoolwearmadeeasy.com).

The matter of uniform is very important to us as it constitutes the first of our security measures. Can I thank parents for helping us by ensuring that pupils are sent to school wearing appropriate uniform. Of course we still have some of our ladies who are adjusting this on arrival and I would continue to ask you to consider this when making any uniform purchases.

We said farewell to a number of staff at the end of last term but we were all surprised when Mrs Donnachie, our Principal Teacher of Home Economics, announced her retirement at the beginning of the term. We thank her for all of her work in KHS and wish her well in her new venture.

We also welcome a number of new staff: Miss Paterson in RME, Miss Risk in Geography, Miss McNab in Drama, Mr Hodgson in Maths, Mr Martin in Biology. We wish them well as they begin their journey with us.

There is much to look forward to in this coming session. I shall do my best to keep you informed. Should you wish to hear about anything in particular in our school then why not contact me:

email [kinrosshigh@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:kinrosshigh@pkc.gov.uk) or phone 01577867100.

Dick Keatings

## Seamab School

It's been a fun holiday for the children at Seamab; they've been involved in lots of activities, despite the weather this year!

All of the children have had the opportunity to go on a caravan holiday over the summer break, and they have really enjoyed this. A great time was had, playing games on the beach, visiting local attractions and just having a fun and relaxing time. Everyone at Seamab would like to give their thanks to the Weir Group, for their generous support for our caravan.

One of the special events for the children at Seamab this summer has been the chance to go to the Olympics football at Hampden in Glasgow. This was a fantastic experience for children and adults. The children really felt part of all the events and the excitement of the Olympic Games and thoroughly enjoyed the football. As well, of course, they have been discovering the fascination of watching the Olympics on television and seeing how well the British athletes have performed. We are all looking forward now to the start of the Paralympics, and of course the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow.

All the children will be going back to school refreshed and relaxed after their break. We have a lot of exciting activities planned, with a strong emphasis on Scottish history and culture. This follows on from last year, when the children created their own Scottish dance and designed and made colourful kilts. We are also planning this year to take the children to some musical performances and to see Scottish Ballet perform at Christmas. Some music workshops will also be taking place in the school.

We will be continuing to work on making sure all the children have opportunities to be active and healthy. As well as their regular PE lessons, the children are also participating in their own football and running clubs. Outdoor education will include more sessions for the children to learn about new outdoor sports and improve in areas that they have started to become familiar with.

One significant change is taking place at Seamab: Ann Kennedy, the Depute Principal, is retiring after a long career as a social worker and manager in Scotland. Ann has made a real impact over the years that she has been in post at Seamab. Her commitment to the children has been exceptional, and she has contributed to the development of many individuals over her time in post. She will be remembered at Seamab for her ability to talk about real issues and always put children first, and will be missed by many of us. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her work and wish her a happy retirement.

Joanna McCreadie  
Chief Executive

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## Kinross and District Pipe Band

### Success at Perth Highland Games!

After T in the Park, the Band took a much deserved short break from competitions and engagements towards the end of July, but were right back into the thick of things in August, starting with leading the Leslie Gala parade, followed by competitions, firstly at the World Championships in Glasgow, and the very next day at Perth Highland Games. Despite excellent weather and a pretty strong performance, we failed to qualify at the Worlds, but a great time was nevertheless had by all. The next day at Perth, however, the band put in some reassuringly strong performances to win both competitions in our own Grade 4, and come second while playing up in Grade 3. This left Kinross sitting at the top of the Branch Championship table with only one contest to go – Crieff. With a nod to the Olympics, the band managed to pick up three “Golds” at Crieff, winning both best Branch Band and Best Branch Drum Corp in Grade 4, and even Best Branch Drum Corp in Grade 3.

In other news, we hope to continue and build on the piping and drumming tuition that started at the Campus earlier this year, and this is scheduled to start from Tuesday 28 August, with a slight change, in that due to a change of instructors, the learner drummers will now attend on a Tuesday evening, and the chanter lessons will be on a Friday - in both cases from 4pm to 5pm.

For all other queries about the band, as usual, please visit [www.kinross-pipe-band.co.uk](http://www.kinross-pipe-band.co.uk) or call Nigel Kellett on 07801 182283.

## Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

(Affiliated to Ramblers Scotland)

September can be a lovely month. Make the most of it by walking in our beautiful countryside. Walking is one of the easiest ways to improve general health and fitness so 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 us. Walks are led by volunteers from our group and new members are made very welcome.

**Sunday 9 September: Black Spout and Craigower Hill.** 8½ miles. Up through oak woodlands to a waterfall then across to the village of Moulin. Along the old north road and up to the Beacon Hill of Craigower. Beautiful views on a clear day. Ascent 300m. Circular route back to Pitlochry. Note: No dogs please. Accompanied children welcome if fit.

**Thursday 27 September: Dunbarney and Silver Walks, Bridge of Earn.** 4 miles. Circular walk along quiet roads, footpaths and woodland tracks. Optional stop at coffee shop. Note: Dogs: yes.

Given our weather, you do need appropriate clothing (not jeans) including boots and waterproofs. For weekend walks, you'll also need water and a packed lunch. A warm drink is advisable too.

For further details and where to meet us, please call our Group Secretary Jacqui Ritchie on 01577 866813.

### Club Correspondents

If sending your submission by **Email**, please put the name of your community group in the **Subject Line** of the Email message. Thank you.

## 'Wheels' within a Wheel



Members of the Kinross and District Inner Wheel Club enjoyed a visit to the Falkirk Wheel in July. Traditionally the new President, this year Liz Pottie, invites members to a fun day out at the start of the club's year. Fourteen members enjoyed a 'sail in the sky' followed by lunch and then a visit to Callendar House in Falkirk, which houses a fascinating display about the industries that the original joining of the Forth and Clyde and Union canals brought to the area.

The club's main objectives are to promote true friendship, encourage the ideals of personal service and to foster international understanding – all of which the Kinross group successfully manages, alongside raising considerable amounts of money for charities, both local and international, suggested by the membership. We also assist the Rotary Club with some of their events, as well as having a great deal of fun (and lots of lovely cakes).

Already this year, members have planned two coffee mornings and an afternoon tea as well as the usual monthly meetings with a whole host of interesting speakers.



Members of the Kinross and District Inner Wheel Club visit the Falkirk Wheel

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## Portmoak Primary News

We are back into the new term at Portmoak Primary and everyone here is looking forward to another busy year. Hopefully 2012-13 will be another high achieving year for us, as we look forward to another year of fun and learning.

### Class Updates

Mrs Kellie welcomed 17 new P1s into her P1/2 class. Once again we are pleased to have been able to accept a large proportion of placing requests to boost our numbers in our youngest class. All of the P1s have made a super start to their school careers, and are wee Portmoakers already! The P2s in P1/2 have been fantastic role models so far.

Miss Gibson's P2/3 class have been enjoying getting to know their new teacher. The children have settled quickly and are helping Miss Gibson to settle into our school too.

Mrs Simpson was delighted to welcome back her P3s as P4 this year and they have really hit the ground running.

The P5/6 children in Miss Kettles class have already started thinking about their big assembly this term and have also agreed to perform Oliver with P6/7...more on this to follow in the future.

The P6/7 class are settling in well with Mrs Black. The P6s have been helping the P7 House Captains to set the tone for the rest of the school and get the wee ones into the swing of Portmoak Life. The P7 House Captains are already planning their first fundraising venture with a coffee afternoon on **Monday 10 September** (after our

'Meet the Teacher' class visits) in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care.

### Staffing updates

Ms Gibbon, Mrs Thomson, Mrs Williams and Miss Smith are all back to make sure all of our children are well supported in class and in the playground. Mrs Greenshields and Mrs Pearson continue to run a tight ship in the school office. Mrs Livet and Mrs Drysdale continue to provide high quality meals cooked on the premises. Mr Ireland is still looking after our school and grounds this session. We have secured Mrs Illsley, a very experienced pupil support teacher, to replace Mrs MacDonald until our Support for Learning teacher post goes through the recruitment process. We were pleased to be able to secure

continued support from our visiting specialists - Mr Young is back teaching music again this year and we have kept Mr Ainsworth for PE. Ms MacGillivray continues to support every class in the school during their teacher's planning time.

With such a dream team (of staff and pupils!) in place, I am sure that our school will continue to go from strength to strength.

As ever, if you have any ideas of how the community can be further involved in the school please do not hesitate to get in touch. My email is Portmoak@pkc.gov.uk or you can call the school office on 01592 840 232.

Thank you for reading our news.

Louise Gordon  
Headteacher



*P1/2 pupils at Portmoak Primary School*

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## Milnathort Primary School

**New Session:** After the summer vacation it is back to school and in the Olympic theme, Ready, Set, Learn! Well over 30 children have started their journey through school with us and the new P1s have come in every day with smiles and a wonderful eagerness!

**Active Schools and Sports:** We have a busy sporting schedule this session, supported by Cath Devanny, Active Schools Coordinator. It all starts on 27 August with weekly rugby sessions for P6/7. I'm sure we have all been hooked on the Olympic Games and you can help support the legacy of London 2012 to inspire our young people to take up sport by helping us at Milnathort PS. If you are able to support at any of the taster sessions, keen to be a Helper at events, able to run lunchtime or after school activities then we are really keen to hear from you! Contact the Headteacher, Sandra McColgan or Cath Devanny on 01577 867260. Let's keep London 2012 legacy alive!

**Dates for your Diary:** From day one on 14 August we "hit the ground running" at Milnathort PS and in next to no time we'll all be wondering if we really were off for over 6 weeks! Details have been distributed to all our parents/carers prior to the end of last session regarding key dates, however

I'd like to highlight our "Bingo Tea" (back by popular demand!) at 6.30pm on **Tuesday 18 September**. Tickets will be on sale w/c 3 September and members of the community as well as parents/carers are welcome to join us for a fun night! Contact the school office on 01577 867260 for ticket sale details.

**Supporting your School!** We are keen to share our events and achievements with everyone and this newsletter, with its wide circulation, is one way to do so! We are also keen that Milnathort PS is at the heart of the community and that is about partnership working. At school we support events at the parish church, help around the village with

projects/initiatives, host the annual Milnathort Community Summer Fair and extend invitations to join school events (e.g. Bingo Tea above!) You can help us in a variety of ways and it needn't be a huge commitment! You might not realise it but you will have a talent/skill that we could benefit from! Our gardens need regular tending and this can be done outside school hours! If you're handy with a paint brush our playground games painted on the tarmac need brought to life again! There's always helping directly with the children whether it be sharing aspects of your job or hobby: everyone has something to offer! Contact us on 01557 867260.



*Some of the new P1 children*

## Kinross and District Art Club

September for us means the big event of the year, the **Annual Exhibition and Sale of the work of our club members** in the Parish Church. Do join us if you can, for our **Opening Evening**, on **Wednesday 5 September** from 7-9pm with our celebrity guest, Gillian Galbraith, highly successful crime author and local resident. Gillian's books, as well as being tantalising mysteries, also deal with challenging social issues, making them gripping and thought provoking reading. Becoming a successful author is no mean feat in the highly competitive world of publishing and Gillian will share with us what it takes to achieve this.

Entry to the exhibition is **FREE** and will be open to the public from 3.30 - 8pm on **Thursday 6th and Friday 7th**, and from 10.30am - 4pm on **Saturday 8th**. As well as paintings for sale, there will be a craft section and the ever popular produce table. There will also be a display of the work of the Sixth Year Kinross High School Pupils.

Once again we are part of the **Perthshire Open Studios event**, an opportunity for people to get out and about and see the work of the many talented artists in Perthshire and



Kinross-shire. Brochures are available in participating cafes and some shops in the town and you can download one at [www.perthshireopenstudios.com](http://www.perthshireopenstudios.com). The brochure is arranged in coloured routes to help you plan an afternoon or day out. Kinross-shire artists are on the **Turquoise Route**. We are venue 48 and there are seven other studios on this route where the artists would love to have you visit and see their work, so why not make a day of it and plan to stop off for a refreshment at one or more of the cafes listed in the brochure, who are supporting us?

You might also like to travel a little further afield to see some of the Perthshire venues, and to help you decide which to choose, a Showcase Exhibition of the whole event is being held at **The Bield at Blackruthven** from **25 August-9 September**. Instructions for finding this event are on the inside front cover of the brochure.

Don't miss out on the unique opportunity of this one week in the year to view and enjoy the work of so many talented people!

For more information on the Exhibition or the club, visit our web site at: [www.kadac.co.uk](http://www.kadac.co.uk) or call Sybil, the Club Secretary, on 01577 830347.

## Bishopshire Horticultural Society Flower Show – Prize Winners 2012

Opdahl Cup for most points in Baking Section – Linda Band

Elliot Cup for runner up in Baking Section – Wilma Barclay  
£2 by the Society for best exhibit in Baking Section – Betty Elliot

Tullis Cup for most points in Handicraft Section – Norma Smith

Bell Cup for best exhibit in Handicraft Section – Donna Brown

Buchan Rose Bowl for most points in Produce – Elaine Carruthers

President's Prize – £2 by Sandy Band for runner up in Produce – Wilma Barclay

£2 by the Society for the best exhibit in Produce – Wilma Barclay

Fulton Quaich for most points in Floral Art – Hilda Lawrie

John Boyd Salver for best exhibit in Floral Art – Jane Martin

Hunter Trophy for Novice Class Floral Art – Hilda Lawrie

Clydesdale Shield for most points in Baking, Handicraft, Produce and Floral Art – Wilma Barclay

Lamont Cup for most points in Cut Flowers – John McDonald

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£2 by the Society for best exhibit in Cut Flowers – Isobel Baird

Isabella Foreman Quaich for best single rose – Jane Martin

Eric Sword Tankard for best 3 gladioli spikes – Betty Nicol

Bag of compost from Carrs Billington for best 3 vases sweet peas – Jimmy Gardiner

Akerman Rosebowl for most points in Pot Plant Section – Deborah Fladgate

Gift Token by Willie Robertson, Milnathort for runner up in Pot Plants – Jane Martin

Flint Quaich for best exhibit in Pot Plants – John McDonald  
Donaldson Shield for most points in Vegetable Section – Deborah Fladgate

Gift Token by Willie Robertson, for runner up in Vegetables – Stewart Wallace

£2 by the Society for best exhibit in Vegetable Section – Deborah Fladgate

Jamesfield Trophy for the best collection of potatoes – Deborah Fladgate

Prize by Kirkcaldy Garden Centre for best collection of vegetables – Deborah Fladgate

Songhurst Cup for best 6 tomatoes – David Martin

BHS Premier Tray Certificate + £3 – Deborah Fladgate  
Certificate + £2 – David Martin

BHS Premier Vase Certificate + £3 – David Martin

Gardenland Trophy for most points in Fruit Section – Stewart Wallace

BHS Trophy for most points in Horticultural Classes – Deborah Fladgate

Kirkness Trophy for Best Kept Garden – First Equal – Simon & Sylvia Herrington and Kor & Diane Newhouse.

Third – Kate Thomson

Portmoak Quaich for best exhibit in Photography Section – Bill Paton

George Harley Cup for best exhibit classes 1, 4, 5, 10, 11 – Heather Wilson

Anne Robertson Cup for most points 6-9 years – Amber Wilson

Prize by Margaret Brown for best exhibit 6-9 years – Heather Wilson

Prize by Sheila Wardell for best exhibit 10-15 years – Victoria Baird

Loch Leven Cup for the most points 10-15 years – Victoria Baird

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## Kinross Parish Church

### Faith in Action: Talents

The local response by Kinross Parish Church to a national decision that all Church of Scotland congregations are to review the stewardship of time, talents and money will this month come to a peak. The church has chosen to consider 'Talents' in 2012 and launched the theme with an elder-led service in June. In September there will be two 'Faith in Action' open days in the church: on **Friday 14th** from 6 - 8pm and on **Saturday 15th**, 10am-3pm. Invitations and information leaflets will be delivered by elders and others to all those associated with the church but anyone else is welcome to attend. The open days will celebrate what is going on within the church amongst the different organisations. They are intended to allow people to give some thought as to how they might find an outlet for their particular talents in the church in the coming year.

The open days will be followed by Faith in Action Sunday on **16 September** and the final event will be the Harvest Thanksgiving services at 10.30am and 6.30pm on **30 September** when there will be an Offering of Talents and Re-dedication.

Writing in the church's magazine of the Open Days, Session Clerk Jaffrey Weir says: "This is an opportunity for us all to meet each other in fellowship and gain a better understanding of the roles of organisations and groups in the church. I hope that it gives us the opportunity as individuals to reflect and become more aware of how we might use our talents to spread the gospel through our membership of Kinross Parish Church".

### Sports Theme for Church

This summer at Kinross Parish Church has seen a lively sports theme in honour of the Olympics and Paralympics. In June the church, with St. Paul's Episcopal church, provided refreshments when the Olympic Torch came through the town and, on the same night, hosted an Olympic



Film Night which, as well as being great fun, raised money for the charities supported by local torch bearer Hannah Clarke.

'On Your Marks...' was the games-themed Family Week held in and around the parish church in the first week in August for children and their families with the help of almost 50 volunteers. The week started with its own opening ceremony on Friday 27 July - before that other one, which was OK but you couldn't march behind a real Olympic Torch as you could in Kinross (thanks again to Hannah Clarke).

Now the church has decided, as part of its outreach to the wider community, to provide funds to two local charities which allow the disabled to enjoy sports in our own area. The church always has a 'retiring collection' for charity at its formal Communion services, which are held four times a year. At the next Communion on Sunday, 2nd September (10.30am and 6.30pm) this retiring collection is to be taken for two local groups for the disabled, Kinross Wheelchair Curling Club and Riding for the Disabled, Glenfarg, and divided between them.

### For More Local News: Kinross Parish Church Magazine

It may not quite run to the 100-plus pages of the Kinross Community Council Newsletter, but at 28 pages the magazine of Kinross Parish Church, covering the period September to November, provides lots of information and food for thought that cannot be included in the Newsletter. It is delivered to all households associated with the church but is also available from the Library or the church's office (at Kinross Parish Church, Station Road, open 10am - 12noon, Mon-Fri) or at services.

Articles include much on the church's various youth organisations, an interview with previous minister Leslie Barr, the Guild's plans for this important year - the 125th anniversary of the Church of Scotland's Guild, reflections from the General Assembly in May and an insight into the local impact of the First World War, as seen through the Kirk Session minutes of that time.

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### The Best Kept Village Competition Awards Presentation

The presentation of the awards for this year's competition took place at Portmoak Hall at which there was a very large turnout. The Chairman, Alistair Smith, introduced the evening and thanked everyone, the villages and hamlets, the Awards Committee for taking part and Robertson's of Milnathort for their continued support. He particularly thanked this year's judges, Mrs Judy Nicol, Mr Jimmy Proven and Mr Matthew Pease for all their hard work on the day of judging, which they all thoroughly enjoyed but it is still a considerable territory to cover in one day. Mrs Nicol then added some words on behalf of the judges, particularly commending all the villages and hamlets on their hard work in what has been a very dismal and wet year. Mrs Nicol then presented the prizes to the winners and runners up. The presentation was then followed by a very convivial evening where all the food and layouts were hosted by Kinnesswood and Easter Balgedie.

### Kinross Show

The Trust had its usual stand at the Kinross Show on the new site next to Vane Farm. It was a very enjoyable day with fine weather, dry ground and a very good turnout. We met a lot of old friends and new ones and everyone agreed that it had been a very worthwhile event. A big thank you to everyone who helped erect the tents, manned them and then took them down afterwards.

### Architectural Awards Competition

This year the competition will be for Architectural excellence in the design of old buildings with the aim being for conservation, conversion and extension of existing buildings. There will be an announcement about this in the autumn.

### Kinross-shire Civic Trust website

We have now created a new website: [www.kinross-shirecivictrust.org](http://www.kinross-shirecivictrust.org) on which you will now be able to keep up to date with all the Civic Trust activities as well links to other useful web sites. Please have a look and let us know what you think.

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**5.00 pm, FRIDAY 14 September**  
**for publication on Saturday 29 September**

### Buildings of Interest in Kinross-shire The Bield, High Street, Kinross

In the archive collection in Kinross Museum there is a small building plan titled *Plan No. 11 of Cottage for R B Begg, Esq, Kinross*. The drawings made by Henry Robertson and John Kinloch in 1864 are for a building that looks more like a mansion house than a cottage and refer to the elegant house at 1 High Street, Kinross, that stands opposite the Bank of Scotland.

Robert Burns Begg, junior, was a well-known figure in Kinross. He had built up a successful business as a solicitor and played a leading role in civic affairs in addition to writing about the history of the county. His father, who came to Kinross in 1823 and was the schoolmaster for over 50 years, was a nephew of the poet Robert Burns.



*The Bield, Kinross*

The 'cottage' at No 1 High Street was designed for Burns Begg by Henry Robertson, a Perthshire architect whose work is largely to be found in Perth and Kinross, for example at Blackford where he designed the parish church. The elegant building in Kinross, with its carved bargeboards and ornamental finials, was completed in 1867 and in 1896 a conical-roofed tower was added to the south-west corner, giving it the air of a mock baronial-style mansion. In its day it would have been styled a 'cottage ornée' and it would have stood in glorious isolation at the top of the High Street.

On the Robert Burns Begg monument, erected to his memory in the Kirkgate Churchyard overlooking Loch Leven, is carved the motto of the Burns family – "Better a wee bush than nae bield". The word 'bield', an old Scots term for a shelter, provided Robert Burns Begg, junior, with the perfect name for his 'cottage' in the High Street which he christened 'The Bield'.

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# Sports News

## Milnathort Golf Club

The Stewart Cup is the best net score over two rounds and the runaway winner on 28 July with a combined 131 was Ian Brown. Worthy of note in second place with a 141 was Bob Cargill, closely followed by Andy Walter's 145.

The Ochil League's match against Dunning to be held at Muckhart on 6 August, was cancelled due to bad weather and the greens at Milnathort were solid tined halfway through August (a sign of preparation for the autumn).

Donald Brown won Round 10 of the Summer League with an impressive 42 Stableford points. Neil Barlow came second with 40 and Ron MacDonald's 36 was enough to secure him third place. The Rollover two's money was divided between Kevin Webster and Colin Gibson for their shots at the 17th.

On Saturday 11 August the third round of the Kinninmouth Cup was won by Jim Marshall (71) and Ian Brown (73) second in Division 1 and Colin Gibson shot a 69 to win Division 2 and Kevin Webster and Murdo McHardy tied for second place with 72's with Kevin having the better inward nine (B.I.N.)

### Senior Section

Thursday 19 July was the fourth round of the Charlie Macari Trophy which was played on a reasonably mild day, and the winner of this Round was Colin Wilson, with John Mills second and Phil Leiper third.

On Friday 20th the Seniors hosted Dunning Golf Club Seniors in our annual Friendly Match which resulted in a 4 – 2 win for Milnathort. The match was played in a friendly and cordial manner with 'good crack' and many a laugh; and was followed by a most enjoyable lunch in the Clubhouse.



*Seniors Captain Roy Cogbill (centre) with John Gough (left) – with the Trophy for the Best Milnathort Player in our Invitational Tournament; and on the right John Mills, who was the 2012 winner of the Seniors Cup.*

Thursday 26th was the fourth Round of the Seniors Quaich but due to an administrative mishap there was a large number of disqualifications. The proceeds of the Sweep run in conjunction with this event were consequently donated to charity.

Thursday 2 August saw the second round of the Seniors Cup played in beautiful conditions. First home on the day was Ron Macdonald, followed by Phil Leiper in second and Dave Mitchell, third. That concluded the Seniors Cup, which is a two-round competition, so the winner of the Trophy for 2012 is John Mills, with Bob Tolson as runner-up. Well done to both and all who took part.

The Senior Centenary Trophy (drawn pairs) competition was played on Thursday 9th in ideal conditions. First home and winner of the Trophy this year was Sandy Fleming and Jim Hunter. The best individual score was recorded by Donald Stirling. Congratulations to all of them!

The fifth round of the Charlie Macari Trophy was played on Thursday 16th and was won by Sandy Fleming with a creditable 68. He was followed home by Willie Reid with Roy Stevens, third.

**Dates for your Diaries:** Remember the Seniors Open is on **Tuesday 4 September** – there are still slots available if you haven't yet entered.

### Junior Section

It has been a busy couple of months for the juniors at Milnathort Golf Club.

At the club the Summer League, played over five Thursdays, was won by Gareth Hutchison.

James Hay won the Junior Club Championship with Daniel Reilly coming second.

The Junior Open was held on 3 August with the lowest gross score coming from Jennifer Saxton of Kinross GC with a 76.

Cameron Wallace and David McIntyre both won ties in the Junior Bells Trophy second round match with Pitlochry GC but couldn't stop them progressing.

Katie Bell has been successful in county ladies events and Milnathort juniors have taken part in local junior opens at Scotsraig, Aberdour, Auchterarder and Crail as well as those at the local courses Dunning, Muckhart and Kinross.

The Ladies section hosted a Ladies and Junior Greensome competition which was followed by a barbecue at the clubhouse.

September sees the conclusion of the Autumn and Cumming Cup followed by the end of season Castrol Cup and prize-giving on Thursday 13 September. All juniors, not just those who regularly take part in the competitions, are invited to take part.

The Clubgolf coaching sessions end in September and have hopefully given youngsters the skills and confidence to progress with their golf over the rest of the year and into next season.

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## Milnathort Ladies Golf Club

The results are as follows for our competitions.

**Thistle Brooch:** Gwen Tate

**Montgomery Medal (Rd 5):** Karen Allan

**Flag Competition:** Deirdre Calderwood

**Ladies & Juniors Greensome:** Catriona Marshall and David McIntyre (Scratch); 1st Handicap: Elma McCulloch and James Hay; 2nd Handicap: Margaret Johnston and D Reilly

**Away Day Trophy** played at Elmwood GC (Greensomes): Patricia Lowry and Jillian Pemberton

**9 Hole Stableford Qu.** (Rd 4): Jillian Pemberton

### Senior Ladies Open

64 Ladies participated on a dry sunny 25 July day.

**The Giacopazzi Trophy** was won by A Moore (Kinross).

Group A: 1st Scratch J Sneddon (Milnathort), 2nd A Houston (Milnathort). 1st Handicap A Thomson (Kinross), 2nd K McConnell (Milnathort), 3rd P Lowry (Milnathort).

Group B: 1st Scratch P Simpson (Lundin Ladies), 2nd J Dunlop (Old Ranfurly). 1st Handicap E McCulloch (Milnathort) 2nd S Jones (Milnathort), 3rd M McCrae (Pitlochry).

Sponsors Prizes – Giacopazzi: J Gibson (Milnathort) McMichaels: P Simpson and J Dunlop.

**Ailsa Wade Trophy:** 13 teams competed on 22 July. Trophy winners: G Tate, M McPherson and J Milne. Runners-up: R Wilson, A Thomson and A Smith. 3rd B Brannan, A Moore and J Saxton.

£275.00 was raised for Macmillan Nurses.

## Kinross Squash Club

Congratulations to Elspeth Young! Kinross squash Club Champion 2012!

After a month of members' hard fought matches, two players rose to the top to contest the Kinross Squash Club Annual Championship final.

It was a case of 'Young' versus 'not so young'.

Rising star Elspeth Young defeated the experienced squash campaigner Archie Melville in 3 straight games 10-9, 9-4, 9-6. The contest lasted just under the hour and provided some very long and exciting rallies which proved tense for players and spectators alike. The first game of approximately 25 mins, combined with the extremely hot on-court temperatures, probably took its toll on the senior player. Archie commented that it felt like playing in a sauna! Elspeth is a worthy champion and has pursued her squash with great determination. At just over 16 years of age she is ranked 1 to 2 in Scotland and number 10 in Europe in the under 17 age group.

Credit is also due to Elspeth's coach, Mark Beaumont, who has continued to turn out excellent young squash players.

A big thank you must go to Crawford Heriot who, as tournament director, masterminded a superb 2012 Championship for the club.



*Champion Elspeth Young receives her trophy from tournament organiser Crawford Heriot*

## Kinross Golf Club

Just when you think there's some settled weather on the horizon, the rain starts to fall again. The green keeping staff have really had their work cut out this season to ensure the courses are open for play.

Men's Team matches:

In the Scratch League, the first leg of the quarter final against Dunkeld and Birmam saw Kinross win at home by 5 – 0. In the away leg we lost 3½ – 1½. The overall score was a 6½ – 3½ win for Kinross. In the home leg of the semi final against Pitlochry, Kinross won 3 – 2 with the away leg still to be played.

Kinross won their quarter-final match in the Coronation Cup against Dun Whinny at Gleneagles by three matches. The semi final draw is still awaited.

Bobby Lees won the Seniors June Medal, played over the Bruce course, with a net 73. Alan Boniface was the runner up. Alan went one better in July, winning the medal played over the Montgomery course with a net 75. Murray Dick was runner up.

This year the Seniors enjoyed their away day to Uphall Golf Course, with twenty four members playing. George Thomas returned the best net score.

The latest inter-club match against Lundin Golf Club resulted in an away loss for our Seniors.

**The Senior Men's Open** will be played on **Wednesday 5 September** and spaces are still available.

The Ladies Open Greensomes saw an entry of seventy four ladies playing and local girls Jennifer Saxton and Rachel Calder returned the best net score, 70.2. Best Scratch was 82 and returned by members from Blairgowrie.

Entries for the **Ladies' Open**, on **Saturday 8 September**, are now being accepted.

Entries for the Junior Open this year were very poor, however that didn't stop the McLeod brothers from winning – Ryan the Under 18 handicap, while younger brother Scott won the Under 15 Scratch.

The Junior champions for 2012 are: Under 18, Ogilvie Robertson and Under 15, Scott McLeod. Well done to them both.

Scott McLeod was selected to play in the Under 16 P & K County match at Monifieth in a Tri-County against Angus and the Lothians and had the best score for the P & K team. Application Forms for both Social and Full Membership to the Club can be obtained by calling Liz McKay, the club's Admin Secretary on 01577 862237, or email: [office@kinrossgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:office@kinrossgolfclub.co.uk).

## Kinross Cycling Club

[kinrosscyclingclub.co.uk](http://kinrosscyclingclub.co.uk)



**Sunday 9 September** sees the club hosting a Scottish Cycling sanctioned road race

around a circuit just north of Milnathort. The event will see three races, including a ladies race being stage along the circuit 9.43km that runs from Netherton into Duncruevie where take a left for sharp climb before taking another left back towards Milnathort before picking up a left turn just before Middleton.

The events have attracted riders from across Scotland we hope it proved a success as a race as well a benefit to local B&Bs, hotels, cafés and bars. More information can be found via our website.

## Kinross Curling Club

The summer is over before it even began and the curling season is upon us once more. The new rinks for Kinross Curling Club have been chosen with the following eight skips competing to win the coveted Rankine Cup:

Bruce Robbie, David Clydesdale, Craig Gudmundsson, Douglas Rodger, Ross McCleary, Dave Beveridge, Iain Cormack and Sandy Nelson.

In an effort to ensure the skips get the most out of their rinks, a **pre-season training session** has been arranged for **Monday 24 September**. This will allow some of our rusty curlers to practise their slides and get their eye in for the new season. The club's **opening bonspiel** will be held on **Thursday 27 September** at 7.45pm.

If you have never seen a game of curling before, why not come along to the Green Hotel and watch from the warmth of the curling bar?

For information about joining Kinross Curling Club, please contact Paul Baughan on 01577 863085.



## Kinross Wheelchair Curling Club

### Come and Try Session

Kinross Wheelchair Curling Club will be holding a Come and Try Session on **Saturday 29 September** from 12.15pm until 2.15pm at the Green Hotel ice rink, Kinross. If that date isn't suitable, please feel free to contact archie.bogie@talktalk.net and arrange another Saturday to "come and try".

Curling is a fantastic sport for wheelchair users and the sport itself is inclusive of all abilities. It is an adaptation of curling for people with mobility impairment. It is played using the same stones as regular curling. Curling sticks are used to deliver the stones down the ice, towards a target (the house) with the opposing team trying to do the same. It is sometimes known as 'chess on ice' for good reason.

Absolutely no experience is necessary as coaching and training is given on the ice by helpers.

This gives an opportunity to try, and perhaps take up a new sport and meet new people in a friendly and thriving club. All that's required is a wheelchair and a wish to enjoy yourself.

The curling rink is at the rear of the Green Hotel, 2 The Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AS.

## Kinross Junior Curling Club

Over the summer a few of our members have been honing their curling skills at the RCCC Summer Camps, based at Dolphin House, Culzean Castle, with training at Galleon Ice Rink, Kilmarnock. Ross and Kathryn attended the first, while Grant, Gregor, Alison and Finlay attended the second camp. A good time was had by all, with the opportunity to meet up with other young curlers from all over Scotland.

**The club resumes on Sunday 30 September at 5pm.**

Newcomers to curling as well as experienced curlers aged 12 – 21 will be most welcome. The sessions are a mixture of coaching and club competitions, with opportunities to represent the juniors in other competitions outwith the club. The club meets at the Green Hotel curling rink most Sundays from 5pm – 7.15pm. For further details contact Fiona on 01577 830268 or email fion.am.campbell@btopenworld.com



## Kinross Curling School

We hope everyone has had a good summer break and you have enjoyed

watching the spectacular athletes involved in the Olympic Games 2012. If you have been inspired to try a new sport, perhaps you would be interested in trying curling. The new curling season is fast approaching and we are lucky enough to have a local curling rink at The Green Hotel, Kinross.

Kinross Curling School is based here and it has a dedicated team of coaches who are always happy to encourage people into the sport.

One of our coaches, Lorna Rennie, won the Royal Caledonian Curling Club's Grassroots Coach of the Year last season and it was well deserved, with almost 100 volunteer hours put into the curling school, bringing on young curlers in our after-school clubs and helping with the RCCC talent programme. Thanks go to Anne Porter, another dedicated coach, who retired after 19 years with our mini-curlers. Another thank you goes to Ena Stevenson whose time, energy and enthusiasm has helped to increase the number of volunteer coaches and raise awareness of the great game of curling over many years.

Please take a look at the following information and hopefully there will be a date to suit you.

### 2012

Try Curling	Mon 17 Sept	7.45pm – 9.45pm
Beginners Course	Sat 29 Sept	2.30pm – 5.30pm
Beginners Course	Sun 30 Sept	2.30pm – 5.30pm
Beginners Course	Sat 13 Oct	11.45am – 2.45pm

### 2013

Beginners Course	Sat 19 Jan	11.45am – 2.45pm
Beginners Course	Sun 27 Jan	2.30pm – 5.30pm
Beginners Course	Sat 9 Feb	11.45am – 2.45am

There are also after-school classes for primary and senior schools.

If you are interested in any of the above sessions, please contact:

Claire Milne, Area Curling Development Officer - Perth & Kinross, Royal Caledonian Curling Club, c/o Curling Rink, The Green Hotel, 2 The Muirs, Kinross, Kinross-shire, KY13 8AS. Telephone 01577 863467.

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## Kinross Ladies' Curling Club

If you want to join a curling club and only have spare time in the evenings, then Kinross Ladies' fits the bill. We have a membership of 23 ladies and we are looking for new members, of any age, to join us. No equipment is needed and no previous experience is necessary, as coaching sessions are available. If you would like to come and try or just come along and see what it's all about, contact: Anne Moore on 01383 838292 or Elaine Paterson on 01577 840695, who will be more than happy to help.



### Looking for Contact Details?

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## Kinross Tennis Club

It has been a busy summer of tennis with two successful junior summer camps and lots of enthusiastic players taking to the courts.



**Mini Tennis Rally Awards** involve assessment in rallying, serving, net play and competing and seven of our members successfully achieved their awards in July. Congratulations to Logan Carlisle, Amy Holdsworth, Finlay Steel, Isla Steel and Ross Telfer on Red 5, to Jack Muncey on Orange 10 and to Lewis Carlisle on Green 10 success.

**Junior Coaching:** A new block of junior coaching commenced on Tuesday 14 August with sessions six days a week. Spaces may still be available; further details are available by contacting Helen at [kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com).

**Adult Coaching:** An eight-week block of adult coaching commenced on Tuesday 14 August. This block will focus on "Improvers" from 7 until 8pm, and "Competitors" from 8 until 9pm. Members and non-members are welcome. Enquiries for adult coaching should be made to Susan at [kinrosstennis@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosstennis@gmail.com).

**Tennis Tayside Henderson Vase Mixed Leagues** are just drawing to a close with both our teams competing in higher divisions this year (1 and 3 respectively). There have been some extreme and interesting lessons in tennis, however the matches have all been enjoyed. Our social ladies have also been in force in the **Perth & District Ladies League**. Though opposition has been tough in division 1, the tennis and teas have still been very much enjoyed.

**Club Championships:** the mini finals were scheduled for 18 August, the junior finals for 25 August and the senior finals for 1 September. Results and further details to follow in next month's newsletter (assuming the weather allowed play).

Further information can be found on our website [www.kinrosstennisclub.org](http://www.kinrosstennisclub.org) or by contacting our secretary Susan Malcolm on 01577 863774 or by emailing [kinrosstennis@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosstennis@gmail.com).

## Inspired to Play Hockey

For those of you who may have been inspired by the Olympic Games to give hockey a go, Kinross Hockey Club is running **beginners' sessions for adults and juniors** over the next few months.

**Adults** (aged 15+) can take part in a ten-week beginners' course being run on a Tuesday night, 7.30pm to 8.30pm at the KGV Astroturf Pitch in Kinross. These will start on **Tuesday 4 September** and will run till Tuesday 6 November. This course will teach all the core skills needed to enable you to take part in and enjoy the game of hockey.

**Juniors** (aged 6-14) can take part in the Kinross Kobras junior hockey sessions which take place on a Thursday night, 6.30pm to 7.30pm, also at the KGV Astroturf Pitch in Kinross. Kobras training restarts for the new season on Thursday 30 August. Sticks will be provided but participants are recommended to have mouth guards, shin pads and appropriate footwear for an astroturf pitch. For further details please contact Andrew McIntyre, Junior Convenor, on 07974 072085.

## Kinross Ladies Hockey Club



The first training session this season took place on 15 August and saw the coaxing of limbs, both young and old, up and down a pitch which seemed to have doubled in length since last season. Many slices of chocolate cake were regretted as we battled through monsoon-like conditions to begin our preparations for pre-season friendlies and fast approaching League fixtures. By the end of the session there was not a dry item of clothing between us – thank you, lovely summer weather!

If you have been thinking about dusting down your old school stick, or are being encouraged by a partner with a sudden interest in the game after watching the Dutch Ladies team in the Olympics (personal experience here – they even merited a switch over from the beach volleyball!), then please join us at training. New players are always received with a warm welcome from age 14 up, whatever standard of play. We would also love to hear from anyone who would be interested in coaching us. The Club trains at the Astro pitch at KGV playing fields, the Muirs, Kinross every Wednesday from 6.30pm until 8pm, training fee £2.

The club has two teams playing in the Midlands Outdoor League in divisions 1 and 2 and have been winners of division 1 for three consecutive years. Both teams are entered in the Midlands knock out and league cups and the club is represented in the SHU district cup and the Midlands indoor league. More information on results, fixtures and social events can be found on our website [www.kinrossladieshockey.co.uk](http://www.kinrossladieshockey.co.uk). For any other information, please contact the club secretary, Libby Simpson, on 07941 465811 or e-mail [libbysimpson1@gmail.com](mailto:libbysimpson1@gmail.com)

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If your community group has items it would be prepared to lend or hire out, please add them to the list.

## Kinross Bowling Club

We have played a few more friendlies, again in mixed weather: rain, more rain and a spoonful of sunshine. They were:

Friendly against Cambo at Cambo.

Friendly against Falkland at Kinross.

Friendly against Lochore at Kinross was cancelled by Lochore because they couldn't get a team; unfortunately this was scheduled for the same weekend as the National Championships at Ayr.

Friendly against Glenfarg at Glenfarg was cancelled by Glenfarg as they have a disease on their bowling green.

One-day Club Competition, the George Waddell Ford, was played and the winner was Bob Moffat and runner-up was George Rennie.

One-day Ladies competition was played, the E. Ford Trophy, and was won by Sheila Rennie with runner-up Jean Cousar.

Our Senior Ladies rink won through to the National Championships at Ayr and won their first two games, but unfortunately got beaten in the third game, but they all enjoyed the experience and honour of representing their club at this level. They were: Chris Bennett, Betty Paterson, Anne Bell and Janet Mitchell, but let's not forget Jenny Nelson who played in the team which qualified for Ayr, as Chris was unwell at that time and Jenny played the winning bowl to win the game which took them to Ayr.

Our Ladies Open Pairs competition was played on 5 August on a **dry day** (the first time in three years that we have had dry weather for this competition, and in fact the first time we have been able to complete the competition in three years). We had 30 Ladies pairs on the green on the day who came from Fifé clubs, Perth clubs and Clackmannan and Kinross. The winning pair came from Strathmiglo: Marion Davie and Lesley Boyle. The runners up from Cambus were Veronica Hislop and Liz McKay.

Many thanks to our sponsors – Sidey Ltd, Nicholson Decorators and Meiklem Drainage – without them we would not be able to run this competition.

Thanks also to everyone who baked, cooked etc towards the day, this is appreciated by everyone at the club, and the men who worked in the kitchen all day, Douglas, Jim and Bob, to Jenny for selling the raffle tickets all day and to everyone who provided raffle prizes, and to George for organising the green, and the competition and running it smoothly on the day.

Now we are concentrating on getting club competitions played to final stages, so please let us get some sunshine.

## Orwell Bowling Club

The fourth time for the Ladies' rink at Ayr proved not to be a lucky one - their first draw was against the eventual winners Thurso, who were on devastating form and swept all before them; worthy winners indeed.

The Friendlies have fared little better, with Alloa South, Lochore and Glenfarg all cancelled due to unplayable greens. A win at Dalgety Bay on 29 July by about 10 shots was followed by the usual defeat at Cambo. The winner of the Ladies Section of the Haig Cup on Friday 3 August was Sandra Fullerton, the Gent's Section John H Taylor and Gordon Morton took the Roy Dougray Trophy on Sunday 5th.

Finally we have blue-ish skies and fine, if slightly humid, weather to complete the season, with we hope, an influx of new members as part of "the legacy of the Olympic Games" – we may grow old, but we can stay active!!

## Kinross Rugby Club

### Seniors

There have been a good number of senior players taking part in pre-season training at Kinross Rugby Club and their hard work has started to show in the pre-season friendly matches against Lenzie, Aberdeen Wanderers and Crieff. It's been encouraging to see some of the younger players blend so well with the more "experienced" guys and we are now looking forward to our opening league match away to Alloa on 1 September.

A full list of fixtures is available on both the KRFC and SRU websites.

New players are always welcome at our training on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Training for the youth teams is at KGV on a Monday evening. Full details of matches, training and who to contact are available on the KRFC website: <http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/kinross>

### "Kinross Cougars" Mini Rugby

The 2012-13 season has commenced.

Kinross Cougars are the junior section of Kinross RFC, and we train boys and girls from school years P1 to P7. P1-P3 focus on the FUNDamentals of rugby, through a combination of fun games, activities and multi-sport drills and practices, with P3 age playing at TAG / touch festivals. P4 - P7 age play regular fixtures of contact rugby. All players, regardless of ability, are encouraged to participate. Training sessions take place at the KGV playing fields in Kinross at 10.30am every Saturday (weather permitting) and last for 1 hour for P1-P3, and 1½ hours for P4 - P7. There is a £2 charge and all those attending should wear appropriate clothing and bring plenty of drink. All new players welcome.

The club now also has its own development officer – Darren Moon, who will be specifically targeting the introduction of rugby into local schools. During the school holidays, a summer camp was organised over three days which around 20 children attended each day. This proved to be a great success, with fun and increased skills all gained.

For more information, please contact the Kinross RFC youth convenor Kelman Chambers on: [kelman\\_chambers@hotmail.com](mailto:kelman_chambers@hotmail.com).



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## Kinross Road Runners



By the time you read this, the Olympics will be over. It has been hard to tear ourselves away from the television and get out and run, such has been the spectacle of the Games. The athletes we're watching on TV are so inspiring. But each and every one of our members, in their own way, is also inspirational - some we think of as our very own gold medal winners!

Here are just some of the races our members have taken part in recently:

### Donkey Brae 22 July

Ten KRRs did this race which is part of Aberdour Festival. It's a 7 mile race from Aberdour to Dalgety Bay and back, and includes the eponymous hill at the end! Andy Laycock was the first male KRR in 42.37, Jillian Gordon first female KRR in 45.20.

### Dundee Half Marathon 29 July

Congratulations (and gold medals?!) to the KRR Ladies and Ronnie Ritchie for their outstanding achievements in the Dundee Half Marathon. Jillian Gordon beat a very strong field in order to finish 1st female and an incredible 11th overall. Maureen Hill ran a huge course PB to finish 1st Female Super Vet. Amanda Rennie ran a fantastic time on a very tough course on her first (and hopefully not last) Half Marathon. Finally, a very very BIG congratulations to Judith Dobson who was 1st Female OVERALL in the Marathon. This was an incredible result considering she was using it as a training run for the Speyside Way race at the end of August. Well done all the Kinross Ladies and you too Ronnie.

### Club Summer Handicap 4 August

On a very warm sunny day we held our club's summer 10km handicap, the route of which is an out and back from Lathro to part-way along the Dalqueich road. First home was Gordon Donnachie in a clock time of 01:01:01 and scratch time of 0:57:29. Pippa Coutts was first lady, with a clock time of 01:01:56, scratch time of 0:45:39. The day was rounded off with a barbecue and one or two (!) beers. Thanks to Roger Stark for hosting the race and to Gillian Black for opening up her home and garden for the barbecue.

### Knockhill 7 August

The Graham Clark Memorial race is an unusual one in venue and distance. Organised by Carnegie Harriers, it's 3.9 miles (3 laps) around a surprisingly undulating racing track. It's a unique opportunity to run where usually only cars and motorbikes are allowed! As one of our club championship races, it's always popular with our members, helped by the lovely spread put on afterwards.

Well done to speedy Allan Kemp who was the first KRR man across the finish in 22.51 and Jillian Gordon who motored home to be first KRR lady in 23.45.

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## Kinross Volleyball Club

At the AGM on Monday 20 August 2012, the following office-bearers were elected: Chairperson: John Cameron; Treasurer: Fiona Wilkie and Secretary: David Munro. Some club members took part in the 39th International Volleyball Tournament in De Haan, Belgium, on 11 and 12 August. (See article on page 20.)



*Above: the mixed team which competed in the Recreational League at De Haan.*

*Below: the men's team which competed in the Provincial A League.*



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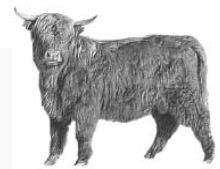
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# Out & About

## RSPB Loch Leven



Colin Shaw is away on his holidays this month, so I'm officially renaming this Caroline's column in his absence! Apologies in advance for the lack of Scots speak...

We've had some great bird sightings here recently, highlights being a pair of spoonbills who stopped off at St. Serf's for a day, a stunning short eared owl swooping over the reserve and sightings of a marsh harrier hunting over the wetlands.

Ospreys have been delighting visitors with their regular appearances in Vane Bay, with up to three at a time seen hunting in Vane Bay tearing into their lunch time fish on the reserve. September is a great time to spot them, as birds that have spent the summer further north make a pit stop here on their way back to Africa. What better way to see them than sitting upstairs in our café, cup of tea in hand, with one of Lynne's freshly baked scones?!

As the ospreys head south, so too do our other summer visitors. Swifts haven't been seen here since mid August, the latest bird to arrive and the first to leave! Swallows and martins too will start their long journey south, along with tiny warblers. An amazing feat that such small birds, weighing only a few grams, can undertake a migration over thousands of miles, with some of the young only having just learned to fly!

Of course, as they leave us, new birds will arrive. The end of September usually brings the first of thousands of pink footed geese and whooper swans, arriving here in their family groups from Iceland. The sight of the first skeins flying overhead, the birds calling to each other as they go, always heralds the real start of autumn for me.

Waders too, are on the move. Large flocks of calling curlew are already arriving, and we've seen black tailed godwits, whimbrel and greenshank stop off for a rest and refuel on their migration.

Birds aside, our dedicated team of volunteers have been hard at work on the reserve as ever. Their most recent project has been to revamp the ponds beside the Gilman Hide. School groups regularly use these for pond dipping during term time, so the team have cut down the encroaching vegetation around the ponds, improving access to the ponds and the views to the loch and Bishop's Hill.

In the shop, we have some good offers to keep your garden birds happy this month: 2.25kg bags of feeder mix and ground mix are now just £2.99 (from £6.49), and bags of 'peck & mix' are buy one get one free (£3.49). Don't forget to pick up your new RSPB Nature Rewards loyalty card when you're here.

Finally, if you've been to see 'Brave' then you won't want to miss our family event on **Saturday 8 September**. We're honing our bushcraft skills to make bows and arrows. Call the visitor centre to book your place!

Back to Shawster next month!

Caroline

## Loch Leven NNR



It's been the busiest month of the year at Loch Leven, both in terms of numbers of visitors to the reserve and numbers of events taking place. The members of the Kinross 41 Club enjoyed a visit to RSPB Loch Leven, as well as those of you that turned out to see dragonflies, both adult and larva. The Osprey Walk was also very well attended by people, although sadly no ospreys on that particular evening! Hopefully you'll have learned enough to know that any evening through August and into September it would be worth a look for them. We were pleased to have attended this year's new look and vibrant Kinross Show, and hope you all enjoyed it as much as Steve and Neil did. A big thank you to Professor David Munro for agreeing to lead the History of Loch Leven walk which also promises to be a well attended and informative walk.

There has been a lot of Himalayan Balsam bashing going on with groups of volunteers and school groups, as well as a few concerned locals too, as we try to control the spread of the invasive species. As September approaches it will also soon be time to begin our annual mowing regime at various points around the reserve, so look out for us out and about over the next few weeks. We'll be the guys with all the heavy grass-cutting machinery!

We look forward to welcoming Kinross High School's new S1 year group to Loch Leven this month, for an exciting couple of days of activities around the loch. We hope they take away a well-rounded impression of life at Loch Leven and are inspired by the cross-curricular approach toward the rest of their high school education.

### Fungi Forays

**Sunday 16 September, 2-5pm - Burleigh Sands**

**Sunday 30 September, 2-5pm - Findatie**

This month also sees the annual instalment of Fungi Forays for all you mushroom enthusiasts out there. Whether you've attended these guided walks before or not, expert or beginner, there's always some surprises in store when delving into the world of fungi. Even the variety at Loch Leven can provide tales of poison, cultivation, intoxication, and folklore. This year we welcome Keith Cohen, local mycologist as our guest walk leader to explore the variety on display through September. Please call 01577 864439 to book your place on either walk. That's all for now folks,

Craig

Introducing our new monthly feature:

### Fact of the Month

Did you know that approximately 25% of all known species are beetles!



## Farming



I've always loved Kinross Show but I didn't expect to love it even more at this year's new venue – it turns out, I did. Congratulations to everyone involved; the show field at RSPB Loch Leven is brilliant, all my favourite elements of the day were retained and there was space for new events like dog scurrying too – thank you. I just had to use this space to tell everyone!

All this nostalgia has me considering how the farming community interacts throughout the year after the show is over. I know once folk find out I'm a sheep farmer, I end up answering all manner of questions as people probe such things as "Why are lambs only born in spring and why do tractors drive so slowly?" It seems many people have a genuine interest in farming and it's the reason I started writing this column in 2006. Some farmers take it further and blog or tweet the latest developments – a quick online search uncovers quite a few farmers from the USA with thousands of followers. Mike Hayley from Ohio states he loves raising Simmental cows and crops. Mike has 17,455 followers who find out when he sows the barley and how wet the fields are. Sound familiar? One of his most popular retweets was about cows in Kentucky being fed candy due to the shortage of corn. I couldn't find many Scottish farming tweets so maybe there is a gap for the farmer with a good sense of humour at Backward Farm, by Kinross to take to Twitter? I think I'd be one of many to sign up to hear how his day is unfolding.

A fantastic initiative with the sole aim of connecting children to farming and the countryside is the Royal Highland Education Trust (RHET). Farm visits, classroom speakers, projects and curriculum-linked resources are on offer free to all schools. The successful 'Count and Grow' project takes place in many P2, 3 & 4 classes where pupils plant potato tubers at the start of the year, look after them and harvest in early summer. The project has many curriculum links that include health and wellbeing, literacy and numeracy but above all it is fun way to learn. In this area about 30 farm visits and 25 classroom talks take place each year, organised by the local co-ordinator who will take the teacher through the risk assessment prior to the visit. Health and Safety concerns can be a barrier to farm visits so this support means they can take place safely and pupils can get up close to livestock and farm machines to see for themselves where their food comes from.

Of course if farming is not this year's topic for your offspring, you can always get them interested in other ways. Why not send them round the supermarket to find out where the potatoes, carrots or strawberries come from? Often it's Fife or Angus. Or pop into the local farmers market and talk to the farmer who produced the mince for your spag bol or get the date in your diary for next year's Kinross Show – Saturday 10 August 2013. I'll be there!

Fiona

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## Weather



### July Weather Report

**From Carnbo** by *Malcolm Smith*

July turned out to be even worse than the previous three months, with no settled weather leading to high rainfall totals and very little in the way of dry, sunny days.

Total rainfall	156.3 mm (156% of normal)
Highest day total	22.8 mm (18th)
Dry days 2, trace days 4, rain days 25	
Highest temperature	22°C (5th)
Lowest temperature	4°C (21st)
Lowest ground temperature	2°C (21st)
Average temperature	12.6°C

8 days complete cloud cover, cloud cover 75%

Thunder recorded on 2 days: 28th and 29th

### Local Attraction Opening Times

#### Lochleven Castle, Castle Island, Kinross



Famously where Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned in 1567 and forced to abdicate before dramatically escaping, this semi-ruined 14th century castle is set on an island in beautiful Loch Leven, within a National Nature Reserve. There are lawns and picnic benches on the island. No wheelchair access. Dogs not permitted.

The property is reached by boat, operated by Historic Scotland and departing from the fishery pier, where there is parking, a Historic Scotland shop and a bistro. Opening times for 2012:

1 April to 30 September:	Daily, 9.30am to 5.30pm (last outward sailing 4.30pm)
1 to 31 October:	Daily, 9.30am to 4.30pm (last outward sailing 3.30pm)
Admission prices: (includes boat trip)	Adult £5, Child £3, Conc £4. HS members free.

#### 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.

#### Balvaird Castle

A late 15th century tower on an L plan. Refined architectural details. View exterior only. Near Gateside and Glenfarg. Grid ref NO 169 115.

#### Elcho Castle, near Bridge of Earn

A 16th century fortified mansion, five miles NE of Bridge of Earn, in a tranquil setting. It has an orchard and dovecot. Opening times: 1 April to 30 September, daily, 9.30am to 5.30pm. Admission prices: Adult £4, Child £2.40, Concessions £3.20.

#### Abernethy Round Tower

One of the two round towers of Irish style surviving in Scotland dating from the late 11th century. Good views of the Firth of Tay. Follow signs on site for key (not Mondays).



# Gardens Open

More information about these gardens  
can be found on our website,  
[www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org)  
Leisure info also on [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc)



Gardens, and some properties, open regularly not too far from Kinross				Admission		Disabled	Contact
Opening Arrangements				Adult	Child	Access	Number
Falkland Palace & garden (NTS)	to 31 Oct	Mon-Sat	1100-1700	£11.50	£8.50	gdn only	0844 4932186
		Sun	1300-1700				0844 4932186
Hill of Tarvit mansion & gdns (NTS)	1 Apr-29 Oct	Thu-Mon	1300-1700	£9.50	£6.50	partial	0844 4932185
Hill of Tarvit grounds only (NTS)	all year	daily	to dusk			yes	0844 4932185
Kellie Castle & garden (NTS)	September	Thu-Mon	1230-1700	£9.50	£7.00	partial	0844 4932184
Kellie Castle garden & estate only (NTS)	1 Apr-31 Oct	daily	1000-1800			yes	0844 4932184
Culross Palace, study, town hse and gdns	September	Thu-Mon	1200-1700	£9.50	£7.00	no	0844 4932189
Culross Palace gardens only (NTS)	all year	daily	1000-1800			difficult	0844 4932189
Branklyn Gdns, Dundee Rd, Perth (NTS)	1 Apr-31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£6.00	£5.00	partial	0844 4932193
Scone Palace grounds only	1 Apr-31 Oct	daily	0930-1745	£5.80	£4.00	yes	01738 552300
Botanic Garden, Canongate, St Andrews	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
Barham, Bow of Fife, KY15 5RG (SGS)	25 Apr-26 Sep	Weds	1400-1700	£3.00	free	no	01337 810227
Braco Castle gardens, Braco (SGS)	1 Feb-31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£3.50		partial	01786 880437
Cambo House, Kingsbarns, KY16 8QD	all year	daily	1000-1700	£5.00		yes	01333 450313
Drummond Castle Gardens, Crieff	1 May-31 Oct	daily	1300-1800	£5.00	£2.00	yes	01764 681433
<b>Gardens open by arrangement</b>							
Briglands House, Rumbling Bridge	on request			£4.00	free	partial	01877 840205
Glassmount House, by Kirkcaldy	19 Mar-30 Sep	by arr		£3.00		no	01592 890214

**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:** SGS, a registered charity since 1931, organises the opening of hundreds of gardens, ranging from formal castle gardens to small cottage gardens, to raise money for charity while giving pleasure to garden lovers. 60% of entry fees to gardens in this scheme benefit SGS's charities, which include: The Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland, Gardens Fund of the National Trust for Scotland, Maggie's Cancer Caring Centres and The Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society. 40% of entry fees goes to a charitable cause chosen by the garden owner. For more information, see the book "Scotland's Gardens: Our Guide for 2012" or the website [www.scotlandsgardens.org](http://www.scotlandsgardens.org)

## Special Days Open in September under SGS

There aren't any gardens open under SGS particularly close to Kinross in the coming weeks: the following are all around a 50-minute drive from Kinross.

**Tayfield and Willowhill** gardens at Forgan, near **Newport on Tay**, have a combined opening on **Sunday 2 September** from 2pm to 5pm. **Willowhill** is an evolving three-acre garden which has mixed, vibrantly coloured borders of bulbs, shrubs and herbaceous perennials. Also alpiners, vegetable plot, grassland area with a wildlife pond and trees. Route: 1½ miles south of Tay Road Bridge. Take the B995 to Newport off the Forgan roundabout. Willowhill is the first house on the left hand side next to the Forgan Arts Centre. The grounds at **Tayfield House** have a wide variety of trees established over 200 years. Route: 1½ miles south of Tay Road Bridge. Take the B995 to Newport off the Forgan roundabout. Admission: £4 for the two gardens (40% to RIO Community Centre). Partial disabled access, refreshments and plant stalls. Dogs on leads allowed at Tayfield but not Willowhill.

The garden at **Avonmuir House**, Muiravonside, by **Linlithgow**, EH49 6LN is open on **Sunday 2 September**, 2pm-5pm. A walled garden with fruit trees, also shrubs, young trees, a walk by a ruin and burn. From 2pm until 4.30pm, the Linlithgow Union Canal Society will run short canal trips every half hour. Admission £4 (40% to Combat Stress), children free. Partial disabled access, plant and produce stall, homemade teas. Sorry, no dogs. See SGS website for route.

**Gargunnoch House** in Stirlingshire has five acres of mature gardens, woodland walks and a walled garden. The grounds have featured in The Scotsman and Scottish Field and are open on **Sunday 23 September**, 2pm-5pm. Admission: £4 (20% to CHAS, 20% to Gargunnoch Community Centre). Full disabled access, homemade teas, plant sales, dogs on leads welcome. Location: Gargunnoch, FK8 3AZ, on A811, five miles west of Stirling.

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**JOHN** and **PHYLLIS FRASER**, Station House, Crook of Devon, celebrated their Ruby Wedding on 23 August 2012.

**DOUGLAS WOOD**, a former pupil of Kinross High School, graduated with a BSc Honours in Product Design from Dundee University.

Congratulations to the ladies of Cleish SWRI who featured strongly amongst the prize-winners in the 'Rural' tent at Kinross Show. Also to **DOROTHY MORRIS** and **ALISON MORRIS**, of Cleish SWRI, who both achieved success in the Handcrafts Competition at the Royal Highland Show.

Well done, our Kinross Olympian, **EILIDH CHILD**. Eilidh made it through to the semi-finals of the women's 400m hurdles and helped the women's 4x 400m relay team make it through to the final. (See also Letters and Thanks).

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## Thanks



**PAT DUNCAN**, Milnathort, would like to thank all the friends who gave her presents on her birthday.

**DR IAN CAMPBELL** would like to thank all his colleagues, friends and patients for their generous gifts and good wishes on the occasion of his recent retirement.

**CHILD: Ronnie, Gill, Catriona, Jamie and Iona** would like to thank everyone in Kinross-shire for all the support and good wishes they got for **Eilidh** competing at the London 2012 Olympic Games. A very proud family were made to feel even prouder, knowing so many people were behind her. We loved the visual messages of support in the windows and the banner displayed at Kinross Primary School which have been photographed for the scrap book.



**CHRIS RENTON:** To all the kind people who sent me such lovely cards, flowers, gifts and phone calls on my 90th birthday - I was just overwhelmed, so I want to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone, especially to all my family, for my wonderful party. God bless you all. You made an ageing lady very happy.

**THE KINROSS HUB, CAFÉ FOR CARERS**, would like to thank the carers and families who attended the "Grand Opening" on 6 August 2012. Thanks to Sainsbury's for donating tea and coffee and Dobbies for donating plants; these were given to carers at the end of the Café. Also thanks to the volunteers, Kathleen Little and Iris Raitt, and to all colleagues who have supported Elaine and Gail with the new venture in Kinross.

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#### Collection at Kinross Show

The total proceeds of the collection at Kinross Show on 11 August 2012 by pipers for Rachel House Children's Hospice, Kinross amounted to the magnificent sum of £384.56. Our grateful thanks to all who donated so very generously to help this excellent Hospice.

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**Church open for visiting or quiet contemplation Mon-Fri 10am-12 noon** (But note Pram Service on Tuesday mornings during school termtime).

### Leasing Church or Church Centre

Contact Church Office or Church email (see above).

**For more details of events see: [www.kinrossparishchurch.org](http://www.kinrossparishchurch.org)**

**Events listed below are in the church unless indicated otherwise.** The church has disabled parking, ramp access and a disabled toilet. Kinross Church Centre, High Street, has ramp access and a disabled toilet.

### New Session

Kinross Parish Church provides many opportunities for all ages to take part in activities and to experience different types of worship, bible study or prayer at a range of times during the week. Many of these are restarting in the coming weeks after the summer. This may be your chance to take up some of these opportunities in this new session. The Faith in Action Open Days (see below) could help you decide.

### 'Faith in Action' Open Days (in the Church)

Friday 14 September 6pm – 8pm

Saturday 15 September 10am – 3pm

All those associated with Kinross Parish Church are invited to attend one of these Open Days, to see displays on all that the church does, find out where help could be given and to consider the opportunities for using our talents in God's service.

### Regular Services and events

- Sun** 10.30am: Morning Service  
 Crèche, Junior Church (age 3 to P7) and 'Jam Pact' (Secondary age) during Morning Service and, at 7.30pm, 'Crossfire' (S1 upwards) in church centre
- Tues** 10am Pram Service.
- Wed** 12 noon Mid-week at Mid-day: Time for Prayer.
- Fri** The Brigade restarts in church centre from 7 September. Anchor Section 6-7.15pm, Junior Section 7-9pm, Company Section 8-10pm (Contact: David Munro 862126).
- Sat** 10am-noon 2nd hand book stall and café, Church Centre.

### Special Services and events in September

- Sun 2** 10.30am: Morning Service including quarterly Communion.  
 6.30pm Evening Communion (Common Cup)  
 Retiring offering at both services for Riding for the Disabled (Glenfarg) and Kinross Wheelchair Curling Club
- Mon 3** 8.00am: Time for Prayer - Silent Meditation (30min)
- Tue 4** 2.30pm: Service at Whyte Court
- Sat 8** 8.30am: Prayer Breakfast (numbers in advance to church office)
- Sun 16** 10.30am: Morning Service, Faith in Action Sunday
- Thu 20** 9.00pm: Time to Pray: late evening service of Compline (20min)
- Sun 23** 10.30am: Morning Service, including dedication of the Guild  
 12 noon: New Members' Lunch, Church Centre
- Tue 25** 2.30pm: Service at Causeway Court  
 7.15pm Guild, Church Centre  
 8pm Bible Study and Prayer Meeting
- Sun 30** 10.30am: Harvest Thanksgiving with Offering of Talents  
 6.30pm Informal Evening Service: 'Gifted for Purpose'

## Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church

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### Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:

10am Portmoak Church,  
 11.30am Orwell Church.

All children welcome. Crèche available during Sunday Services.

**Prayer Meeting** held 30mins before each service

**Evening Service** most weeks at 6.30pm in Orwell Hall (1st and 3rd Sundays).

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

**Services at Levensen:** first Tuesday of the month at 4pm

### Morning Prayers at 9am

in Portmoak New Room on Monday and Thursday each week  
 in Orwell Church on Tuesday and Friday each week

### Dates and events for your diary

**Saturday 8 September** – Church Sale in Portmoak Hall  
 10am until noon.

**Sunday 9 September** – Communion Sunday

**Saturday 15 September** – Men's Breakfast in Orwell Hall  
*Speaker David Ferguson.*

**Friday 28 September** – Oasis in Portmoak New Room  
*Share a favourite recipe.*

**Sunday 21 October** – Back to Church Sunday

**Saturday 27 October** – Harvest Soiree in Portmoak Hall  
 7pm until 9pm

**Saturday 28 October** – Harvest Thanksgiving Services  
**Everyone Welcome**

**Oasis** Ladies' meeting in Portmoak New Room.  
 10.15-11.45am last Friday of the month.

**Guild** meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in Orwell Hall  
 7pm between September and March.

**Church office & shop** open Mon – Sat. 10am until 2pm.  
 29 South Street, Milnathort KY13 9XA.

Christian cards, gifts, bibles & books for sale. Also internet access; printing & copying facilities; recycle ink toners, spectacles, stamps & batteries. Meeting room available to let.

Contact the Office 01577 861200  
[orwellportmoakchurch@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:orwellportmoakchurch@yahoo.co.uk)

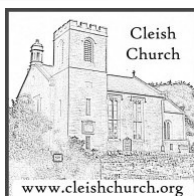
## Kinross Gospel Hall

Montgomery Street, Kinross  
 Website: [www.kinrossgospelhall.info](http://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)

### Cleish Parish Church Church of Scotland

Locum Minister: Mr Brian Ogilvie  
Telephone: (01592) 840823  
E-mail: [brianj.ogilvie1@btopenworld.com](mailto:brianj.ogilvie1@btopenworld.com)  
Session Clerk: Gordon McMillan  
Telephone: (01506) 825641  
E-mail: [gordon.b.mcmillan@tak21.com](mailto:gordon.b.mcmillan@tak21.com)



Website: [www.cleishchurch.org](http://www.cleishchurch.org)

**Sunday Services** 11.15am

**Crèche and Junior Church** 11.15am

#### September

- Sun 2** 11.15am Sacrament of Holy Communion: Rev. David Reid. Coffee and Fairtrade after the service.  
**Sun 9** 11.15am All Age Worship: Brian Ogilvie. Congregational Lunch in Cleish Village Hall.  
**Sun 16** 10.00am Early Birds Service for all ages. 11.15am Morning Worship: Brian Ogilvie.  
**Sun 23** 11.15am Guild Dedication Service: Brian Ogilvie.  
**Sun 30** 11.15am Morning Worship: Brian Ogilvie.

### St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church

Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AY

Mrs Sarah Oxnard Telephone: (01577) 864213  
Mr Sandy Smith Telephone: (01577) 862536  
Website: [www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk](http://www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk)

#### September Services

- Sun 2** 8.30am Holy Communion, 11.00am Sung Eucharist.  
**Sun 9** 8.30am morning prayer, 11.00am Sung Eucharist.  
**Tue 11** 7.30pm informal worship in meeting room.  
**Sun 16** 8.30am morning prayer, 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.  
**Sun 23** 8.30am morning prayer, 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.  
**Sun 30** 8.30am morning prayer, 11.00am, Sung Eucharist.

2nd Tuesday of month 7.30pm informal worship in meeting room.

#### Everyone welcome at all services

Sunday School and Crèche during the 11.00am Services.

**Thursday Morning 10am, group Bible Study.** Everyone welcome. For further information, please contact Jan Campbell, telephone (01577) 862391.

### 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.

**Evening Service:** On the **second Sunday** of every month at 6.30pm. No formal format; lots of praise, worship and joy in the Lord. Everyone welcome, irrespective of faith or denomination.

### Healing Rooms Kinross and Loch Leven

Every Thursday from 10.30am to 12 noon  
at 29 South Street, Milnathort, KY13 9XA.

No appointment needed. No charge. Totally confidential. Trained volunteers from different churches will pray for your healing. Call 07531 435715 for further information.

[www.healingrooms-scotland.com](http://www.healingrooms-scotland.com)

### Fossoway Parish Church

**Church of Scotland** (Charity number SC013157)

Locum/Reader: Mr Brian Ogilvie Telephone: (01592) 840823  
Session Clerk: Mrs Janet Harper Telephone: (01755) 840225

#### Sunday Services at 9.45am

#### September

- Sun 2** 9.45am Rev David Reid. Sacrament of Holy Communion.  
**Sun 9** 9.45am Locum Brian Ogilvie. Morning Worship.  
**Sat 15** Fossoway Men's Group. 'What sort of church will we need in 2050' led by Rev Ian McFadzean.  
**Sun 16** 9.45am Steve Hamblin. Morning Worship. 6.30pm Evening Service of Praise and Thanksgiving. Join us to enjoy singing some of your favourite hymns of praise.  
**Sun 23** 9.45am Locum Brian Ogilvie. Morning Worship.  
**Sun 30** 9.45am Locum Brian Ogilvie. Morning Worship.

**Wrigglers Group (0-3 years), Junior Church, crèche and teens group** every Sunday at 9.45am. All meet in church for family worship and thereafter in their own space.

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

**Café Refresh:** Every Thursday, church hall, 2-4pm

**Yoga classes:** Mondays 7pm - 8.30pm

**Joint Choir:** Wednesday evenings, 7.30pm.

**House group:** Resumes again in September. Please contact Fred for details 01577 840833.

### 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.

### Recently bereaved? Needing some support?

#### AMONGST FRIENDS

(Bereavement Group)

meets at the Health Centre, Kinross

on the last Friday of the month, 2.30pm to 4pm

A warm welcome awaits all

For details phone Marg 01577 863557

## Acknowledgement

**REID** – Tom and family wish to thank most sincerely all relatives, friends and neighbours for their many kind expressions of sympathy, cards, phone calls and visits in their recent sad loss of Maisie. Special thanks to all the staff and nurses at Ward 8, Perth Royal Infirmary and Cornhill Macmillan Centre, Perth; the Rev Angus Morrison for his kind words and comforting service; Stewart Funeral Directors for all their help with arrangements and to all who paid their last respects to Maisie at Perth Crematorium, grateful thanks for the generous donations received for the Cornhill Macmillan Support Group which amounted to £1135.

# Playgroups & Nurseries



## 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 us  
on 07989 795259  
or e-mail [milnathortbt@gmail.com](mailto:milnathortbt@gmail.com)  
or facebook [milnathort toddlers](https://www.facebook.com/milnathorttoddlers).

## FOSSOWAY PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

**Glenbank Cottage, Powmill**

Partner-provider for P&K Education

Places available for 3-5-year-olds and Rising Fives  
Sessions daily 9.30 – 12 noon

Contact Pat Irvine 07703 177766 or  
[www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross](http://www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross)



## LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

**Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross**

**Session times (term time only)**

Tuesdays 9.30 – 11.15, Fridays 9.30 – 11.15

Contact Laura Reilly 07779 208919, [kinross43@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kinross43@yahoo.co.uk)  
All Mothers, Fathers, and Carers are welcome to attend, with  
children aged birth to 5 years if accompanied by a younger  
sibling who shall be 3 years old or younger.

## 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

## PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

Portmoak Hall – between Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell  
(only 10 mins from Milnathort and Kinross)

We are a friendly and relaxed playgroup welcoming  
children aged 2-5. We offer a wide range of activities  
including arts and crafts, dressing up, outdoor play and  
stories. We also on occasion arrange outings, parties and  
have special visitors who come to the playgroup!

Babies and Toddlers (birth- 3yrs), Tues 10am – 11:30am  
Playgroup (2yrs onwards), Mon & Fri 10am – 12noon

Contact Laura Porter (Play leader) 07547 076696  
Website: <http://portmoakunderfives.wordpress.co>

## SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

**21 -23 Swansacre**

Kinross-shire Playgroup Association

Aka Swansacre Playgroup

Registered Scottish Charity Number SCO17748

**TEL: 01577 862071**



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

### Playgroup sessions

**Tues to Fri 9.15-11.45am; Mon and Fri 12.45-3.15pm**

Children from the age of 2 yrs welcome.

### The Inbetweeners session

**Tues 12.45-3.15 with Lunch Club beforehand**

Children from the age of 3 yrs welcome

### Rising Fives sessions

**Mon 9.05-11.20am; Wed 1.00-3.15pm, both with Lunch Club.**

This is complementary to preschool Nursery.

**For availability or more information, please contact  
Kim 07504 445949, [enrolments.swansacre@gmail.com](mailto:enrolments.swansacre@gmail.com),  
or Playgroup 01577 862071**

### Baby and Toddler Group – Thurs 12.45-2.45pm

Ante-natal to pre-school.

Fun for children; coffee and chat for the parent/carer.

For more information, please contact **Alison 07885 644448**.

The premises are available to hire for **Private Functions**. For  
more information, please contact **Michelle 07894 305272** or the  
**Playgroup 07807 908833**.

## LOCHLEVEN TWOS CLUB

**Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross**

**Thursdays 10.00 to 11.30 (term time only)**

A relaxed, friendly group for children from about 18  
months to pre-school with their parent/carer. Activities  
include painting, craft, dressing up, stories and singing as  
well as a variety of toys. A snack is provided. Younger  
siblings also welcome.

**Contact Victoria Jackson on 01577 865617  
for further details,  
or email [victoriajackson1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:victoriajackson1@hotmail.co.uk)**

## GLENFARG BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

We meet in the newly refurbished village hall, Greenbank  
Road, Glenfarg on Wednesdays, 9.30-11.30am.

Healthy snack for children

Coffee/tea & biscuits for carer

Lots of toys

Friendly support for all carers

First session free, £2 thereafter (£1 for additional children)

Contact Lucie on 07810 201935 or just come along!



# Notices

## Life Drawing Classes

with tutor **Simon Reekie**

at Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross

**Wednesdays 7pm-9pm**

Cost per course: Adults: £49 Pupils: £34.50

Course dates: **29 August to 3 October 2012**

**31 October to 5 December 2012**

**16 January to 20 February 2013**

All abilities welcome. Easels and basic materials provided.

**To book:** Call 01738 475000 for debit/credit payments or send cheques payable to Perth & Kinross Council with your contact details (tel, postal address and email) to: Arts Development, Blackfriars, North Port, Perth, PH1 5LU.

A discount may be available on written application.

Enquiries: 01738 475000 enquiries@pkc.gov.uk

## Does anyone own a Citroen 2CV?

I am getting married at Orwell Church on 20 July 2013 and would love to be driven to the church from my home in Milnathort as I think these cars are beautiful!

No one in Scotland seems to hire these cars out, so I was hoping if anyone out there owned one they could drive me and my father to church? (I would pay for your time and fuel etc).



If you do own one and would like to help me out, please get in touch!

Kirsty McNeill telephone: 07525359284

email: kirstymac\_1985@hotmail.co.uk

## Art Workshops

### Explore still-life painting

The Fergusson Gallery in Perth will be hosting a series of art workshops for adults in September 2012 that explore different approaches to still-life. Tutor and artist Frances Law will lead the workshops, considering three themes:

Bold and Bright	Wednesday 5 September
Flowers and Form	Wednesday 12 September
Decoration and Design	Wednesday 19 September

Participants can attend individual workshops, or come to all three. Each workshop costs £20 each, which includes materials, and runs between 10am and 4pm.

Places must be booked in advance as numbers are limited. For further information, or to book your place, please call the Fergusson Gallery on 01738 783425.

## The Thursday Group

**6 September**

*Ian Whitehead, Governor of Shotts Prison*

This is a women's group which meets on the first Thursday of the month in the Lower Hall of the Church Centre at 7.30pm. New members welcome. Contact 863421.

Orwell and Portmoak Church

**PORTMOAK CHURCH**

## Annual Sale and Coffee Morning

**Saturday 8 September**

10am – 12 noon

Portmoak Hall, Scotlandwell



## OPEN EVENING

**Wednesday 12 September**

7pm – 9pm

Loch Leven Community Campus,  
The Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FG



## Commonwealth Games Legacy -

### what does this mean for Kinross-shire?

More activities and opportunities for all age ranges and abilities in the community?

Only you know - come and tell us!

### *"An Active Scotland"*

*We want to inspire the people of Scotland to be more active. To take part in physical activity and sport. To live longer, healthier lives. The Games offer a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to get Scotland more active and, by using the power and excitement generated by this landmark event, we will encourage everyone - young and old - to get involved in a wide range of physical activity and sport."*

A Games Legacy for Scotland

This is an open evening - just turn up on the night. If you would like further information or are a community group and would like to be involved in the planning for the evening, please contact:

Caroline Ness, Sports Development Officer

CMNess@pkc.gov.uk or telephone 01738 472242

Part of the Commonwealth Games Legacy for Communities Programme with Scottish Community Development Centre

## Kinross Garden Group

Have spare seats on their bus to **Threave Garden** near Dumfries (National Trust for Scotland) on

**Thursday 13 September**

Cost: National Trust members £11.20, others £17.20.

For more details and departure times, contact

Mrs Christina Rodger, 01577 863785

## Swansacre Playgroup

Charity No. SCO 17748

## PHOTOGRAPHY DAY

**Thursday 13 September**

Our annual Photography Day is approaching fast! Top Class Photography are once again taking our photos at Swansacre Playgroup in Kinross.

Slot times: 2pm – 7pm.

Slots will be approx 5 mins in duration.

Book your space today!

Pop in to Swansacre or contact us on 01577 862071.

# **Michael Bruce Trust Annual Illustrated Talk**

7.30pm

**Thursday 20 September**

Portmoak Hall

This year's Annual Michael Bruce Illustrated Talk will be presented by Trust Chairman Professor David Munro whose subject is "**Lochore Meadows: the making of a landscape**", the subject of a recent publication.

Entry at £4 per person includes tea and coffee which will be served after the talk.

# **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Arnotlea, Main Street, Kinnesswood

**Friday 21 September**

10am – 12 noon

All welcome

# **Dunfermline Strathspey and Reel Society**

## **22nd FIDDLERS' RALLY**

Carnegie Hall, Dunfermline

**Saturday 22 September**

Commencing 7pm

Guest Artiste - ALAN ROY, Award winning Accordionist

Conductor - RON SMITH

Tickets £10.00 and £8.00 Concession

Carnegie Hall Box Office, Tel. 01383 602302

# **Milnathort & Kinross**

## **Scottish Country Dancing Class**

every Wednesday at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall

New season starts on

**26 September 2012**

for more info contact Helen on 01577 861349

or visit our website

[milnathortcountrydancing.blogspot.com](http://milnathortcountrydancing.blogspot.com)

# **Kinross Floral Art Club**

Our next meeting is at the Windlestrae Hotel

**On Thursday 27 September**

7.15pm start

Everyone welcome

# **Potager Garden**

## **BIG COFFEE MORNING**

in aid of

**Macmillan Cancer Support**

10.30am until 12 noon at the Potager Garden

**Saturday 29 September**

Plant Sales Raffle Refreshments Home Baking

Planting Advice

# **Orwell Girl Guiding And Scouts**

in aid of the Refurbishment of

Guide and Scout Hall

## **JUMBLE SALE**

on

**Saturday 29 September**

at 10.30am

Guide and Scout Hall

Church Street, Milnathort

# **Former Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Scouts from Milnathort**

Our Guide and Scout Hall is in need of upgrading. We are trying to get former Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Scouts to come together for a sponsored walk from Kirkgate, Kinross to the end of Loch Leven trail. On 18 November it will be 75 years since the hall was officially opened. Fund raising started in 1935 and in 1936 the former Inchmerry stables was bought for £100 plus £9 legal expenses.

The walk is 7½ miles and we hope to get 75 former guides and scouts to do the walk with the present guides and scouts.

Log into Facebook – key in former rainbows brownies guides and scouts from Milnathort. You will get all the information on what is going on with our fundraising efforts, or call Alison 01577 864262 for a sponsor sheet.

# **Loch Leven Community Campus**

## **Autumn Fair and Car Boot Sale**

**Sunday 30 September**

10am – 2pm

Free Public Entry

£10 per Stall/Car

For more information or to book, please contact

Loch Leven Community Campus, tel 01577 867200

email [lochlevenreception@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:lochlevenreception@pkc.gov.uk)



# **A Day out in Dollar – 10 November 2012**

A **Christmas Bazaar** is to be held in the Church of St James the Great, at the west end of Dollar, on Saturday 10 November, between the hours of 10am and 4pm.

In the Parish Rooms, adjacent to the Church, there will be a Santa's Workshop and Face-Painting for the young and young-at-heart and at the east end of Dollar, in the Castle Campbell Hotel Ballroom, an Exhibition and Sale of Embroidery, Small Paintings, Wall-Hangings, and local Crafts. A special "Bazaar Light Lunch" will also be available in the hotel.

This promises to be a fun day out for all the family so make a note in your diary.

An admission charge of £2.00 per adult gains admission to both venues while children will pay only for the visit to Santa's Workshop where they will receive a small gift. Come and enjoy a great day out in Dollar.



## THE KINROSS HUB - A CAFE FOR CARERS

St. Pauls Church Hall, Kinross  
First Monday of Every Month 10—12 noon

### GUEST SPEAKERS

**3rd September 2012**

Fiona Mathews (Alzheimer Scotland)  
& Card Making Demonstration

**1st October 2012**

Rhona Garrad (Occupational Therapist)



Contact Gail Boath  
or Elaine Kincaid  
Tel. 01577 867306 or 867310



The hub cafe is an informal meeting place to chat over a cuppa with other carers, cared for and family members.



## Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre

based in the centre of Perth

Offers free, confidential, non-judgemental advice and support to anyone facing a pregnancy related crisis.

In a safe, secure environment we aim to assist women (or couples) in making their own informed decisions about their future and support them through the process if they require it.

We offer confidential advice, free pregnancy testing, pregnancy crisis and miscarriage support, adoption advice and counselling for post abortion stress.

The office is open 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday and outwith those hours can be contacted on the office number 01738 621174.

On-line support and information can be obtained from our website [www.careconfidential.com](http://www.careconfidential.com)

Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre, 40 St John Street, Perth, PH1 5SP

[www.careconfidential.com](http://www.careconfidential.com)

email: [hope-pregnancy@btconnect.com](mailto:hope-pregnancy@btconnect.com)

Helpline 01738 621174

We are a Scottish Charity SC037103

## Can you give A Greyhound A Home

Look on our Website  
[www.greyhoundrescuefife.com](http://www.greyhoundrescuefife.com)

Then contact us to arrange a suitable time to come along and see them for yourself and find your perfect hound



Volunteers needed for our Kennels

*16 years and over please*

Please call or email for details

Phone: 01592 890583 (evenings)

Mob: 07826244765 (daytime)

email us on [femiejimmyf@aol.com](mailto:femiejimmyf@aol.com)

## Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

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

**Monday 29 October, 4pm to 8pm**

**Tuesday 30 October, 4pm to 8pm**

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

## Disability Sport

There are many activities for people with disabilities at local, regional and national level which welcome people with physical, learning and sensory disabilities. Sports available include swimming, athletics, boccia and bowling. If you would like further information or would like to be included on an email distribution list to keep up-to-date with what is available, please contact Caroline Ness, Sports Development Officer by telephone on 01738 472242 or email [CMNess@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:CMNess@pkc.gov.uk)

## Springwell

**Inclusion • Wellbeing • Recovery**

*Supporting positive mental health in Strathearn and Kinross-shire for adults between 16 and 65.*

We support people to improve the quality of their life and wellbeing, be more involved in their community, help them achieve their ambitions and manage their mental health. We support people to get involved in their community, improve social contact, be more active, access education, voluntary opportunities or work. The support and activities we offer are flexible and can change and develop over time, depending on what people need and benefit from.

For more information or an informal chat phone Charlie Wilson 01577 867320, [CharlesWilson@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:CharlesWilson@pkc.gov.uk)

## Dementia Café for Perth & Kinross



A "Drop in" Café is held on the first Wednesday of every month, 10am-12.30pm, at The North Church Hall, High Street, Perth.

This service aims to offer information, support and a chance to have a chat for people with dementia, their carers and families. Volunteers along with professionals from health and social work are available each month.

For further information contact:

Jackie Daly 01796 474818, Andy Bennet 01738 636358, Debbie Howie 01738 562201.

## Blythswood Care

Sainsbury's Car Park

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

**Tuesday 18 September**

**between 10.30 am and 11 am**

Further details from 862258

## Hedges/Bushes/Trees Causing Obstruction

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



## Community Learning & Development Adult Learning

### Free local and friendly support with -



### Basic Computer Tuition

*In small groups at a pace to suit the individual, no prior knowledge of computing is necessary.*

- Get to know the computer
- Using Word for basic documents
- Introduction to the Internet
- Using E-mail

### English as a Second Language

Would you like to improve your ability to –

- Talk to friends and neighbours
- Understand what people say to you
- Give information
- Talk on the phone
- Fill in a form
- Apply for a job

### Adult Literacy & Numeracy

Reading Writing Spelling Numbers

"I can enjoy books now"

"I feel more confident"

"Filling in forms is less scary"

"I passed my driving test"

### BOOKING ESSENTIAL

If you would like further information regarding any of the tuition please contact:

**Roseanne Gray**  
Adult Learning Worker  
Loch Leven Community Campus  
Email: rgray@pkc.gov.uk  
Tel: 01577 867216 / 867177

### Perth Samaritans

Need to talk? We'll listen.

Contact us by

**phone** on 01738 626666 or 08457 909090

**Email** us jo@samaritans.org

or **visit** us at 3 King's Place, Perth, PH2 8AA

Mondays 1630 – 2130 Thursdays 1630 – 1900

Wednesdays 0830 – 1100 Fridays 1000 – 1630

and 1930 – 2130 Sundays 0800 – 2130

**No pressure, no names, no judgment.**

**We're here for you, anytime.**



Community Learning & Development  
Adult & Family Learning Team

### Technology Drop-in



**CONFUSED BY YOUR COMPUTER?**  
**INTRIGUED BY THE INTERNET?**  
**ERRORS IN YOUR EMAIL?**  
**FLUMMOXED BY YOUR PHONE?**

The IT Tutor with Community Learning & Development at Loch Leven Community Campus is holding drop-in sessions to help with any basic technology questions you may have

**the second Friday of every month**  
**starting 10 August, 2pm – 4pm**  
in the ICT room within the library.

No need to book, just drop-in!

If you need further information please telephone  
**01577 867177** or email **sfowler@pkc.gov.uk**

### Mobility Scooters

Available to hire, free of charge, seven days a week  
from the Kinross pier

1st July – end October, 10am – 4pm

Telephone Simon Lennox on (01577) 862670  
to make a booking.

*This facility is available due to the generous co-operation of  
Historic Scotland and Montgomery Hotels Group/Kinross Estate*



Every Friday 11am - 2pm  
@ The Millbridge Hall

For further information, or if you  
want to be involved please ring  
07766 515 950 or 07771 696 830

The Cafe where  
everything is  
**FREE!**

Soups

Snacks

Hot Drinks

Cold Drinks

Home-cooked lunches

All brought to your table by our friendly staff

The Talking Donkey is a Christian venture so there  
will always be people on hand to offer

Prayer For Any Need



### Monthly Reiki Share Group

Second Tuesday of the Month, 7pm - 9pm

Venue: Green Hotel, Kinross (Gairney Room). To enrol,  
email Susan King: sking77409@aol.com  
or telephone 01577 865533

### Mindspace Counselling Service

#### YOUNG PEOPLES COUNSELLING SERVICE 11-25 YEAR OLDS



Mindspace Counselling Services offer counselling to adults and young people aged 11-25 at The Loch Leven Health Centre on Mondays and Tuesdays. Sometimes we all have problems that worry us and it's not always easy to talk to someone close to us. A counsellor is someone you can talk to in a different way, someone who will listen to you very carefully, who will not judge you or tell you what to do.

We offer counselling to people who are facing a wide range of difficulties or challenges such as: Feeling depressed/anxious; Making friends/keeping friends; Chaos at home; Feeling angry and don't know why; Bullying; Having a tough time; Parents splitting up; Death of someone special; Confused feelings about who I am; Wanting to hurt myself or others.

If you are interested in this service you can self-refer via email to [info@mindspacepk.com](mailto:info@mindspacepk.com), by telephone on 01738 631639 or by visiting our website at [www.mindspacepk.com](http://www.mindspacepk.com). You can also be referred by your GP.



## Milnathort filmhouse

### 50's icon film night



facebook vote

audrey hepburn



v's marilyn monroe

**Like us on facebook and look  
out locally for posters to see  
what the winning film is and  
join us for a great night out!**



**saturday sept 8th 8pm**

### 2012 Forthcoming Programme

**Breaking Dawn 1**  
**Monsters vs Aliens**  
**Arthur Christmas**

Sat 27 October, 8pm  
Sun 28 October, 3pm  
Mon 24 December, 5pm

### Loch Leven Community Campus Partnership

As a member of the Community, your views and ideas in the development of this facility can be represented through the Partnership.

Contact the Loch Leven Community Partnership on [campuspartnership@kinrosshigh.pkc.sch.uk](mailto:campuspartnership@kinrosshigh.pkc.sch.uk)

### Ceilidh Dancing

Come and join us from 2 till 3 every Monday in the Guide Hall, Milnathort, and learn to ceilidh dance. You don't need a partner and it is all very informal and great fun.

All proceeds go to the Scouts and Guides.

Just come along - the more the merrier. No age limit.

### Kinross Recycling Centre, Bridgend

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

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

### Grants and Funding Websites

[www.pkgrantsdirect.com](http://www.pkgrantsdirect.com)  
[www.scottishcf.org](http://www.scottishcf.org)

## Community Councils

**Kinross:** Secy: Mrs M Scott (01577) 862945  
KinrossCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
**Cleish & Blairadam:** Secy: Patty Fraser (01577) 850253,  
CleishCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
**Milnathort:** Chair: Bruce Hamilton (01577) 830616  
MilnathortCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk  
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fossoway.cc@gmail  
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PortmoakCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

## Perth and Kinross Councillors Kinross-shire Ward

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

www.gordonbanksmp.co.uk

Email: banksgr@parliament.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.

## Loch Leven Community Library

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

Telephone: 01577 867205

Email: lochlevenlibrary@pkc.gov.uk

### Opening Times

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

## Fossoway and Cleish Community Office

A service for the Community, open:

Thursdays 2 pm - 4 pm

Saturdays 10am -12 noon

Out of hours there is an answering machine

Tel: 01577 840185 Email: fcco@btinternet.com

## Mobile Library

**Week 1:** Visiting Powmill, Rumbling Bridge,  
Crook of Devon, Fossoway, Cleish and Milnathort  
every second Wednesday. Next visit: **5 September**

**Week 2:** Visiting Mawcarse, Glenlond, Kinnesswood,  
Scotlandwell, Hatchbank and Cambo  
every second Tuesday. Next visit: **11 September**

Any queries, telephone AK Bell Library 01738 444949

## Kinross Community Councillors

Margaret Blyth	6 Muir Grove	
David Collier (Vice Chair)	10 Rannoch Place	864037
Barry M Davies	60 Lathro Park	865004
Bill Freeman	64 Muirs	865045
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Laura Mackay	Brunthill Farm	07872 499145
Dot Mackay	29 Green Park	864635
Margaret Scott (Secy)	21 Ross Street	862945
Campbell Watson	7 Gallowhill Gardens	861544
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## Member of the Scottish Parliament for Perthshire South & Kinross-shire Roseanna Cunningham MSP

To raise a concern or issue or to book an appointment to see Roseanna, you can contact her directly by email or by phoning or writing to her constituency office at:

9 York Place, Perth, PH2 8EP

Email: Roseanna.Cunningham.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

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You can also follow Roseanna on Twitter @strathearnrose

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## Perth & Kinross Council

www.pkc.gov.uk

### Customer Service Centre

Tel: 01738 475000

(Mon to Fri, 8am-6pm)

### Out of Hours Emergencies

Tel: 01738 625411

(Roads, flooding, environmental health and dangerous buildings)

### Clarence (for non-emergency road and lighting defects)

Tel: 0800 232323

## 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 Wednesday 2.00 – 2.30 pm

**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.

# Kinross-shire *Day Centre*

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

## Weekly Programme

<b>Monday</b>	Exercise Class	11 am	Elderberries	1.30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Relaxation Class	1.15 pm	Bingo	1.45 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Morning Service	10.45 am	Quiz Afternoon	1.30 pm
	Dominoes	1.30 pm	Scrabble	1.30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Art Class	1.30 pm	Film Afternoon	1.30 pm
	Dominoes	1.30 pm		
<b>Friday</b>	Scrabble	1.30 pm	Dominoes	1.30 pm

## Additional Events for September

**Kinross Community Care Drop in  
Advice & Information**

**Friday 28th 11 am - 12pm**



**Please note:** The activities that take place in the Day Centre are open to anyone. Please feel free to come in and have a game of Scrabble or bingo, swing your hips in our exercise class or dance the afternoon away at the Tea Dance, you will receive a very warm welcome.



**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  
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

**Sundays: The nearest open pharmacy is Asda,  
Dunfermline**



## 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. The next visits are:

**11 & 25 September**

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.

## Newsletter Deadlines 2012

Please note, deadlines are now on a **FRIDAY**. Deadlines for the whole year can be found on our website.

In very rare circumstances it may be necessary to change a deadline at short notice. Check Newsletter website for latest information: [www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org)

Issue	Deadline	Publication Date
October	Friday 14 September	Saturday 29 September
November	Friday 12 October	Saturday 27 October
December	Friday 16 November	Saturday 1 December

## Perth & Kinross School Holidays, 2012-2013

The Autumn term begins on Mon 13 August 2012 for teachers, Tue 14 August for Primary pupils and Wed 15 August for Secondary pupils (extra in-service day for Secondary schools).

	Start	End
<b>Autumn Holiday</b>	Mon 8 Oct 2012	Fri 19 Oct 2012
<b>Christmas Holiday</b>	Mon 24 Dec 2012	Fri 4 Jan 2013
<b>Spring Holiday</b>	Fri 29 Mar 2013	Fri 12 April 2013

*In-Service Days and Occasional Holidays:*

Thu 15 and Fri 16 Nov 2012; Wed 20, Thu 21 and Fri 22 Feb 2013; Mon 15 Apr 2013; Mon 6 May 2013 (May Day, tbc).

*The Academic Year ends on Thu 27 June 2013.*

## Local Correspondent

for Perthshire Advertiser and Fife Herald newspapers

**Linda Freeman**

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## Classified Adverts

The Newsletter publishes items for sale listed on the 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, subject to space.

### Items for Sale

#### Mahogany Wardrobe £2500

Mahogany wardrobe with 3 doors, one with a mirror, and two compartments, plus drawer to store various items.

#### Single Bed with Headboard £2500

Single divan bed.

For above items contact: Ian Jack 01577 863980  
ian\_jack@btopenworld.com

#### Pool Table

Offers welcome

Selling due to house move. Pool table comes complete with balls. Has slate top so is very heavy and self returning slope. Measures 80" x 44" and in good condition. Would suit a youth group as well as a home. Buyer to uplift.

Seller details: Fiona Dunning 07939 124934  
fionadunning@btconnect.com

#### Rascal 388d Mobility Scooter £500.00

As new bought from Allardycy 20011. Used only 3 times. Captain seat.

Seller details: Ann Dyson 01577 861245  
ann\_dyson28@msn.com

#### Sofa bed £175.00

Ikea Lycksele sofa bed (142x100x87) with Havet mattress (140x188) plus mattress cover and underbed storage box. Loose cover in royal blue needlecord.

Seller details: Joan Gibson 01577 865895  
joanpgibson@mypostoffice.co.uk

#### Boy's Black School Shoes £10.00

Black leather, size 2H with two velcro straps. Bought in Clarks in June 2012, only worn once so excellent condition. Cost £38 new.

Seller details: Julia Fulton 01577 865530  
juliafulton1@hotmail.com

#### Labradoodle Puppies £TBA

Beautiful third generation home reared Labradoodle puppies. 8 Black and 3 Blonde (2 blonde girls, 1 blonde boy, 3 black girls and 5 black boys). Puppies will have 4 weeks pet insurance, starter pack, 5 generation pedigree and 1st vaccination on delivery. For further info/viewing contact seller.

Seller details: Maggie Quigley 01592 840526  
quigley91@btinternet.com

#### Mini Fridge £2500

6 litre black "egg" shaped table top fridge (Argos). Ideal for student hall of residence. Very good condition.

Seller details: Morag Wellman 01592 840387  
morag.wellman@btinternet.com

#### Rucksack £5.00

Ideal for starter rucksack. Little used and in excellent condition.

Seller details: Andy Butler 07732 117888  
andbutler@talktalk.net

#### Panasonic Stereo System £50.00

SC EH501 5 disc changer and 5 speakers, radio and cassette player.

Seller details: Raymond Millar 07760 138997  
ray19mond37@rrma.freemove.co.uk

#### Yamaha Tyros 2 Keyboard £500.00

Excellent condition, with speakers and cover.

Seller details: Dave Fowler 07718 210072  
djmfweller@hotmail.com

## Classified Adverts continued...

#### Coal/Log Scuttle £2500

Brass - "Helmet" shaped. Very good condition.

#### Computer Desk & 2 Office Chairs £6000

1.6m long - shaped front - 1.2m & 0.8 deep. 2 tone - grey/white. Metal frame - recessed wiring trough. Excellent condition. Plus two upholstered office chairs. Price for the lot.

#### Two Coffee Tables £1000 each

1. Round with nest of 4 triangle tables under. Needs polishing and top marked. 2. Octagonal table - 1.5m x 0.5m. Dark polished wood. Very good condition.

#### LAPIDARY Pebble/Rock Polishing Ket £30.00

Electric 3 Barrel Tumble Unit. Instruction books and assortment of rough stones.

For above items contact: Ken Campbell 01577 864014  
kenchriscampbell@yahoo.co.uk

## Situations Vacant

In conjunction with www.kinross.cc, the Newsletter is pleased to publish local situations vacant. Please go to the 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').

#### Packer (Part Time), John Moncrieff Ltd, Kinross

Required for busy online lighting company. Duties include picking and packing orders, keeping warehouse clean and tidy and emailing customers. Positive attitude more important than experience as training and support will be given. 16 hrs per week, minimum wage.

Closing date: 7 September. Please send copy of CV to admin@jmoncrieff.co.uk

## WANTED – Work Experience Opportunities

Kinross High School is looking for work experience opportunities for senior High School pupils. This is a SQA Accredited Employability Work Placement Scheme for young people in S5 looking for work experience in the Kinross area. Days required are Tuesday and Wednesday mornings until 10.30. Interested employers please contact Jeanette Hickman on 01577 867138 (during term time), email jeanettehickman@pkc.gov.uk.

# newbies

Every Monday, 2- 3pm

Loch Leven Community Campus

A new group for new parents and new babies!

Come along and meet other parents for a blether, whilst the babies play.

Parents with babies 0 - 18 months FREE!

# Diary

*A more extensive and regularly updated  
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