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# Letters

## Editorial

For the first time in over a year we don't have a waiting list for display advert spaces. Quite a number of adverts have come out this month, for a variety of reasons. Unfortunately we have had to take a few out due to non-payment. Some have come out due to retirement (or emigration!) and we greatly appreciate the support that these advertisers have given the Newsletter over many years and wish them well in the next phase of their lives.

The summer holidays have begun! There is plenty to do in Kinross-shire. This Newsletter contains details of children's activities at the library, RSPB Loch Leven, Kinross Tennis Club, Family Week and more.

Happy holidays from the Newsletter team.

## Note to Contributors

A great deal of the Newsletter comprises reports supplied by local clubs and other organisations. These reports are accepted in good faith. Clubs etc should ensure that reports are factually accurate and do not contain material which could cause legal proceedings to be taken against the Newsletter.

## Letters Policy

Senders must supply their name and address, which will be published with the letter. Letters should be truthful and not contain matter which could cause legal proceedings to be taken against the Newsletter. The Newsletter does not necessarily agree with any of the views expressed on the Letters pages. In *special circumstances* addresses may be withheld from publication on request (but must still be supplied to the editor).

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## Abbreviations:

PKC: Perth & Kinross Council

CC: Community Council

Cllr: Councillor

CCllr: Community Councillor

## Charity Plant Sale

"Never again!" I said to myself in the week prior to 18 May, but I survived and had a great time on the actual day in spite of looking like a "drookit rat" by afternoon. So it looks as if another sale is on the agenda for May 2014.

People came early to beat the rain so by lunchtime we had raised over £600 and the final total was an amazing £940, which was divided equally between CHAS and the Kinross-shire Day Centre.

Thanks to everyone who came along and gave so generously; my helpers on the day, Chris and Effie who helped me set up; Helen and Jim for their gazebo and the BBs for their tables.

I didn't have a lot of plants left but what there was are now scattered in pots and in the garden – ready to take cuttings and collect seeds for next year!

I still have plenty of plant pots and have no room for more, but cells for bedding plants would be very welcome.

Thanks once again for supporting two worthy local causes.

Jean Miller

24 Gallowhill Road, Kinross

## Council spending priorities

I must refute much of what Jack Cannon said about me in last month's 'Newsletter'.

Firstly, I wanted to stimulate a debate on Council spending priorities. Read my letter again, Mr Cannon; I didn't give an opinion. I asked a question. Secondly, I have 'bothered' to find out the cost of the classes to the council taxpayers of Perth and Kinross. The official with whom I met could not put a cost on the provision of the service, but answered along the lines of Mr Cannon's letter, i.e. the officials running the courses are employed anyway, implying no 'extra' cost. Some readers may consider the logic of this reply questionable. Thirdly, I refute Mr Cannon's implication that Kinross-shire is somehow not getting its fair share of PKC funding for roads etc. Does he have any evidence of this? Can he show that Ward 8 Councillors are less assiduous than others in seeking resources for infrastructure?

The feedback which I obtained from my article suggests that while most (but not all) were sympathetic to the Council's funding of Relaxation classes, the priority in times of reduced income to the council should be spending on infrastructure. I am grateful for those who responded to my article.

Councillor Joe Giacomazzi

## New Cycle Path

I am a resident of Montgomery Way, and some time ago the new cycle path and walkway was opened behind our properties.

When we were notified this was to happen all the residents whose property backed on to this area were assured (in writing) that once the pathway was constructed we would have trees and bushes planted between our gardens and the cycle path, so as to give us all some privacy and keep the noise levels down!

This has never happened! All we have are weeds, which grow to 6 ft high behind our own fences!

I have been in touch with Councillor W. Robertson on several occasions, but it seems he is not getting much satisfaction from PKC, having been told that they cannot do this now as there is a gas pipe running all along this area. Surely this would have come to light during the time plans etc were being made for cycle path, plus the fact that long before the cycle path materialised all the residents were offered to extend their gardens! So where was the gas pipe then?

Does the council think we are all stupid? Already several fences have been kicked down by youths in the evening.

It's time PKC got their act together and fulfilled their commitments to the residents!

Sheila M Rennie

17 Montgomery Way, Kinross

## Kinross-shire Visitor Information Points

Loch Leven Fishing Pier; Robertson's of Milnathort;

Kinnesswood Village Store;

Fossway Stores, Crook of Devon

## Blairadam and Outh Muir Wind Farms

Kinross-shire Civic Trust has been advised that planning applications will be lodged in July with Fife Council for two Wind Farms.

One will be at Blairadam in the middle of Forestry Commission property and one will be next door to it at Outh Muir. They will read together as one installation. Blairadam will be for 11 turbines of 115m (380 feet) high while Outh Muir will be for up to 10 turbines of 110m (360 feet) high. Both are proposed to be higher than the Forth Rail Bridge, which is a ready local comparison at a "mere" 100.6m (330 feet) to the top of the spans. The towers of the Road Bridge are 150m (495 feet) from the water.

Both these wind power stations will be set at the top of the Cleish Hills and will have an enormous visual impact across the whole of Kinross-shire. The hills of the sites are about 150m (495 feet) above the level of Loch Leven and these turbines will be a further 110m (360 feet) to the tip of the blades above the hills.

The proposals are contrary to the Kinross Area Local Plan 2004 (the current adopted Local Plan) in many ways:

- Policy 17 states that Windfarm developments will not be permitted ..... along the ridgeline of the Cleish Hills, Ochils or Lendrick Hills
- There is an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV) running along the Cleish Hills from the county Boundary down to the foot of the hills
- Within this AGLV, there are three Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)
- and a Scheduled Historic Monument
- There are further AGLVs opposite in the Ochils as well as along Benarty and Bishophill
- Loch Leven is a National Nature Reserve, a Special Protection Area, a SSSI and has two Scheduled Historic Monuments on it
- The County Town of Kinross contains the important Category A Listed Building of Kinross House, which sits in a listed Designed Landscape and has important landscape views contained in the original Bruce design
- Kinross and Cleish are important Conservation Areas in Kinross-shire
- Scottish Natural Heritage carried out a Landscape Character Assessment of Kinross-shire in 1995 and the Local Plan places strong emphasis on it
- Supplementary Guidance for Wind Energy Proposals 2005 by Perth and Kinross Council clearly identifies Strategically Sensitive Areas, and Wind Energy Policy 2 states that 'Within the Strategically Sensitive Areas there shall be a presumption against wind energy developments unless it has been demonstrated that they utilise wind turbines of a size and scale appropriate to their location, etc.
- Diagram 1 of the Guidance clearly identifies the Cleish Hills as one of those Strategically Sensitive Areas

Kinross-shire is gradually being surrounded by wind farms. They start with Westfield Quarry in the southeast and then from the east side of Loch Leven, those at Raith, near Mossmorran are clearly visible. Looking to the west, the farms at Stirling and the Gargunnock Hills are clearly visible, followed by the Gleneagles development, (which the reporter at the Public Inquiry stated would not be visible) and finally Lochelbank, by Glenfarg. All of these are visible from Kinross-shire, but the visual impact of

Blairadam and Outh Muir will be far more critical than any of these. In addition we can see the continued proliferation of smaller wind turbines across the floor of Kinross-shire.

As far as the Trust is aware, it seems to be the case that in choosing their sites, none of these factors have been taken into consideration. The developers have taken matters as far as the Fife boundary and stopped.

No formal Notification has so far been given to any body in Kinross-shire with respect to these two developments.

The Trust will therefore be keeping a very close eye on matters on Fife Council's planning website and we will write into the next edition of the Kinross Newsletter, the details of how the applications can be seen as well as placing the papers on the Trust's web site.

The Fife Council planning reference for Blairadam is 12/00190/SCO and 13/01197/PAN and you can find it at <http://planning.fife.gov.uk/online/applicationDetails>.

Blairadam does not yet seem to have its own website.

The Outh Muir developers, REG, have their own pages at <http://outhmuir.regwindpower.co.uk>

These two developments are going to have a major impact on the landscape of Kinross-shire and it is vital that as many people as possible who object to them, lodge their comments and objections to Fife Council.

Alistair Smith, Chairman

Kinross-shire Civic Trust

Ashtrees, W. Balgedie, KY13 9HE

## Thank You and Goodbye

Nine years ago, with great trepidation, I put an advert in the Newsletter and started travelling around sorting out wireless networks, printers and delinquent computers.

In the course of my work I have met so many interesting people, and discovered areas of Kinross-shire that I never knew existed. Each job was different, a new challenge, but each one taught me something and I gained great satisfaction from every one.

Sadly I will not be able to continue as this summer we will be relocating to America. Maybe I will continue over there, but for now I need to concentrate on arranging the move and clearing out 17 years of clutter.

I would like to thank the Newsletter which, as my only source of advertising, has provided a steady stream of telephone calls. But most of all I want to thank all of you for the challenges you presented and the recommendations that you passed on to your friends. I have loved solving your problems and I hope that most of the time I have been able to help.

Angela Wilcox



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# News & Articles

## Councillor Giacopazzi

### Hopeful Signs

#### Forth Bridge

You may recall my rant in last month's Newsletter against the proposed closure of the Forth Bridge to allow a pedestrian parade on a Sunday morning in September next year on the 'occasion' of the bridge's 50th 'birthday'. Well, it now seems that my forceful representations to the Board have had some effect; the whole matter has been reviewed and will come back to our next meeting of the Forth Estuary Transport Authority. A compromise solution will be discussed, whereby only half the bridge will be closed for the parade, with the other half remaining open to traffic. The timing of the partial closure will be scheduled for the evening when traffic volumes are lightest.

#### Kinross Town Hall

At last month's meeting of the Development Management Committee, permission was granted unanimously for the construction of flats to the rear of the Town Hall. Also granted was permission for change of use and for refurbishment of the external structure of the building. I sought, and was given, assurance that the refurbishment element would begin in relatively early course (within a year, subject to negotiation with PKC over the conditions being applied). Given the manifestly high quality of the houses and flats which Simon Wilson Homes has produced in Kinross-shire, I am hopeful that the long running dereliction of the Town Hall and the surrounding area may finally be entering its final chapter.

#### Curling in Kinross

Following the meeting which I arranged a couple of months ago between my fellow Ward 8 Councillors and Ian Miller, the Leader of the Council, PKC officials have been examining the proposal for a refurbished ice rink at the Green Hotel. I am pleased to report that officials seem to be of the opinion that the curling trust's proposals are realistic and well considered. At this stage my understanding is based on informal discussions which I have had; I would hope to receive written confirmation fairly soon. The second hurdle to be overcome will be to find the £100,000 of funding from within the Council's budget. Given the cuts in our budget from central government, the Council **really** is cash strapped, like every other Scottish local authority. Recognising the importance of curling to Kinross-shire, both socially and economically, I will continue to press the curling trust's case for funding from within the administration.

*[See also Sport, p. 71 for a statement by the Kinross Curling Trust.]*

#### Council Recess

At the end of this month, the political side of the Council goes into recess. In reality this means a sharp reduction in the number of meetings which Councillors are expected to attend in Perth. Some essential committees will, of course, continue to meet. Please note that I shall be available to any constituent who wishes to contact me throughout July and August.

## Councillor Cuthbert

**English and Mathematics Teaching in Kinross-shire:** Last month, I was contacted by several parents with concerns over the quality of the teaching of their children in English and Mathematics at both Primary and Secondary level within Kinross-shire.

I am not sure if this is a national problem, perhaps caused by Michael Gove's comment that Scottish schoolchildren risk falling behind their peers in England in the '3Rs', or one specific to Kinross-shire, so I have asked for the performance statistics for the schools in Kinross-shire, with a view to getting a firmer picture of what is going on.

I want to look at this with as wide a view as possible and so would welcome any comments you want to make to me. Email me your thoughts on [dcuthbert@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:dcuthbert@pkc.gov.uk)

**Former Kinross High School Site:** I attended the presentation by Persimmon Homes on their proposals and have to say that I was disappointed to note that there was no provision in their proposals for an area of public parking on the site. It is my firm view that the parking currently available in front of the High School will need to be replaced when the site gets developed. St James and the Parish church both use this area for parking along with many who work in the town centre. Not replacing the parking will lead to problems for all these people.

In addition, I was disappointed to note that the proposal assumed the demolition of the Edwardian part of the building. The site sits within the town's conservation area and demolition would, in my opinion, take away an important part of the town's heritage.

**Kinross Town Hall:** A flatted development to the rear of Kinross Town Hall was granted planning permission on 22 May. This application included repair work on the Town Hall. I have asked that the paperwork be completed on this as quickly as possible.

**Kinross County Buildings:** Three notes of interest have been received for the County Buildings. I have asked for a closing date to be set as soon as possible.

**Roads Repair Work in Kinross-shire:** I have been working with the three other local Councillors to bring some focus onto road repairs in Kinross-shire. I am pleased to say that we have had some success in achieving this and can report that the following work will be done this financial year:

1. Resurfacing of roads around the T in the park area:
  - a. U214 Walkmill: patching and surface dressing
  - b. U219 Dalqueich: patching and surface dressing
  - c. U224 Benarty Hill Road: patching and surface dressing
2. C494 Coldrains: carriageway overlay
3. Old Cleish Road: resurfacing
4. Ross Street / Montgomery Street: resurfacing
5. U29 Middle third: patching
6. Footpaths, Balado village: slurry sealing
7. Linden Park Terr, Milnathort: curbs and resurfacing
8. B9097: resurfacing, Vane Farm area
9. High Street Kinross: patching and some resurfacing
10. Burns Begg Street (outside Kirkgate Cottage): Gullies to be cleaned in June followed by patching and resurfacing.
11. Pier Road: patching
12. A91: cats eye replacements, Auchmuir Bridge area (8km approx)

# T in the Park 2013

You should receive a leaflet, 'T in the Park – A Guide for Local Residents', with this copy of the Newsletter. This contains important information for all residents, whether attending the festival or not. A copy of the leaflet can also be downloaded from:

[www.tinthepark.com/local](http://www.tinthepark.com/local) (password loch leven)

**Fireworks** this year are planning for Saturday (around midnight) and Sunday, no later than 11.30pm.

## Hours of Operation

**Arena music** finishes at midnight on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. **Campsite music** finishes at midnight on the Thursday, and **2am** on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights (i.e. into the following mornings).

**Noise problems:** If you wish to complain about excessive noise, telephone the Local Resident Enquiry Line or the PKC Line **at the time the noise is taking place.**

**Thursday 11 July - Monday 15 July**

## Local Resident Enquiry Line

(manned 24 hours per day, starting 11am on the Thursday)

**01577 212030**

## Perth & Kinross Council

**01577 212035**

Lines open:	Thu	8am – 12.30am
	Fri, Sat & Sun	8am – 2.30am
	Mon	8am – 2pm

## Police Scotland 101

Before, during and after the event, contact liaison officer Sgt Sandra Williams on 101 for all non-emergency calls.

## Free link bus, Service 604

During the weekend of T in the Park a **FREE** shuttle bus service for those attending the event will operate between Kinross (Muirs, Station Road), the T in the Park site and Milnathort (South Street). As well as serving existing bus stops along the route, buses will also operate via the Kinross Park & Ride site. On Thursday, Service 604 will start at midday and operate at 30 minute intervals finishing at 7.00pm. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday the service will start at 10.30am and operate at 15 minute intervals until

1.00am the following morning. On Monday the service will depart the T in the Park site at 7.00am and operate at 30 minute intervals until 2.15pm. At peak times the service may operate at longer intervals.

If you are walking to Kinross, Milnathort or the surrounding area from the event, then please use the walkways and pavements on Gallowhill Road. Do not attempt to walk along the A91 towards Milnathort or along the B918 next to the Golf Ball as these roads are unsuitable for pedestrians.

# Public Transport Information Notice

## Service 204 diversion during T in the Park

Due to road closures and the one way traffic system in place for T in the Park, it will be necessary to divert Stagecoach Fife Service 204 from its normal route on **Saturday, 13 July**. On journeys to Kinross from Dollar the diversion will be A91, via Mawhill Road, B918, Tillyochie Road and A977 to Kinross. Journeys may operate a few minutes later than timetabled.

Journeys from Kinross to Dollar will operate their normal route.

Perth & Kinross Council regrets any inconvenience that this may cause.

### For further information please contact:

Stagecoach Fife	01592 757378
Public Transport Unit	0845 3011130



*The Service 204 route on Saturday 13 July  
Issued by Public Transport Unit, The Atrium, 137 Glover Street, Perth*

## T in the Park Drop in Centre Volunteers needed!

Last year Kinross-shire Day Centre took over the Drop in Centre for "T in the Park". It was a scary time as it had been going so well for many years and we had big shoes to fill (Peter Flounders and his team). But we all had a fantastic time, the atmosphere was great, and we raised a total of £710.

This year we are going for it again. We are opening our doors to "T in the Park Revellers" on **Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 July** from 8.30am until 1.30pm.

As we all know, breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so we will be offering revellers a cooked breakfast including tea/coffee and toast for £3.

We would be extremely grateful for any help. If anyone could spare an hour or so over the weekend, please contact Nan or Isobel on 01577 863869 between 8.30am and 4pm, Monday-Friday.

## MP congratulates Milnathort in Bloom on Awards for All grant

Gordon Banks, MP for Ochil and South Perthshire, has congratulated the Milnathort in Bloom committee on their successful application for a £10,000 Awards for All grant from the Big Lottery Fund.

The funds will be used to carry out improvements to the village's War Memorial monument and surrounding gardens, in time for the 2014 national commemoration of World War One. This project meets the Awards for All outcome of 'People have better and more sustainable services and environments' and the grant will contribute towards the cost of repairing the surrounding stone wall, replacing iron railings and painting gates.

Milnathort in Bloom was founded in 2000 and they have done much to improve the appearance of the village over the years, with hanging baskets and regular litter clean-up events, to name but some of their activities. □

Gordon Banks MP said: "I'm delighted to hear that Milnathort in Bloom has been successful in their application for this £10,000 Big Lottery Award. The group has done some excellent work in Milnathort over the years. This is another commendable project that will ensure the War Memorial and the surrounding area will be at its best in time for the 2014 national commemoration of World War One. □ Congratulations again and well done."

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## J & G Wilson charity quiz success

Kinross solicitors and estate agents J & G Wilson celebrated their 125th anniversary recently with a charity quiz night in the Windlestrae Hotel, in aid of **Scottish Huntington's Association**. Many local businesses and organisations supported the event by submitting teams and/or donating excellent prizes for the raffle and auction. Celebrity quizmaster Tich Frier conducted proceedings in his inimitable fashion and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all, even the booby-prize winners who secured anonymity with a generous donation.

A total of £1,031 was raised and handed over to Joan Macleod (Fundraising Manager, SHA) by partner Eric Williamson.



*Pictured (l to r): Tich Frier, Joan Macleod and Eric Williamson*

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## Newsletter Review of the Year

Members of the Newsletter team and directors of Kinross Newsletter Ltd have recently held meetings to review performance over the last financial year, i.e. April 2012 to the end of March 2013.

Things have continued to run smoothly. There have been no staff changes. We lost one outlet – Shoppextra – when the owner retired and the shop closed.

In July 2012 the Newsletter reached its 35th anniversary, and in September 2012 we published the 400th issue.

Circulation for the year averaged 2,136 per issue, which is similar to the previous year.

Numbers of submissions had increased slightly, and the Newsletter in 2012-13 was on average 5% bigger than the previous year.

A surplus of £13,994 was made in the financial year 2012-13, and this will be transferred to Kinross Community Council Newsletter Ltd (KCCNL), a charitable company. KCCNL, operated by Kinross CC, gives out grants to local good causes.

In reporting to Kinross CC, the editor thanked **Campbell Watson** for his help with the occasional legal queries that crop up. Thanks also to Campbell and **David West** and **Dave Cuthbert** for giving their time as directors of Kinross Newsletter Ltd.

The Newsletter staff and directors would also like to thank **Isobel Gillon** who acts as the Newsletter's hand-in point in Milnathort.

We thank *everyone* who sends in contributions to the Newsletter, whether they are individuals or representatives of organisations. We would like to make special mention, however, of some people who contribute regularly to the Newsletter on a voluntary basis and are not doing so on behalf of any organisation. They are: **Malcolm Smith**, who sends us the weather report for Cambo and **Rita Wilson**, who sends us the weather report for Kinross; and **John Buchanan** and **Fiona Turnbull** who educate us and entertain us alike with their tales of farming in Kinross-shire.

We would also like to particularly thank two club representatives, **Norma Smith** of **Kinnesswood in Bloom** who sends us recipes every month, and **David Munro** of the **Kinross-shire Civic Trust** who writes the Buildings of Interest column. We do appreciate having these extra features.

The editor would also like to thank the volunteers at **Kinross Museum** who have provided access and guidance when research has been required for articles, and for kindly providing photographs on occasion.

We also sincerely thank all our advertisers, stockists and, of course, our readers.

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## Turffit garden wins bronze award

A charity show garden built with the help of local company Turffit has won a bronze award at Gardening Scotland 2013.

'The Five Elements of the Orient' garden was designed by former soldier Ray Howie of Ballingry to support 'Garden Leave', a charity that helps veterans suffering from combat-related stress.

The garden included horticultural references to the Chinese five elements earth, fire, water, metal and wood, and featured a Giant Panda and a Red Panda made from turf.



*Roddy Baird of Turffit and Ray Howie of Gardening Leave with the turf Giant Panda donated by Turffit*

Roddy Baird of Turffit said: "This has been a real team effort over the last year designing and implementing the show garden. We were thrilled to be given a bronze award! It was a testament to Ray and the Turffit team and we also raised awareness and funds for Gardening Leave."

Serving and ex-service personnel who are suffering from anxiety and stress find that attending Garden Leave sessions makes them feel less isolated. The sessions can also help improve fine motor skills, memory, concentration and mobility.

### The Kinross Community Council Newsletter

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High Street, Kinross

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New Road, Milnathort

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Main Street, Kinnesswood

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## Loch Leven Community Library

Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross  
Tel: 01577 867205 Email: lochlevenlibrary@pkc.gov.uk

### What Can You Get From Your Library?

Are you getting the most from your library?

To help you, your library has arranged FREE 'Know Your Library' sessions (all about resources, making requests, renewing books and much more). These sessions are held on the following dates:

<b>Wednesday 3 July</b>	1030 - 1200 hrs
<b>Saturday 6 July</b>	1115 - 1245 hrs
<b>Monday 8 July</b>	1400 - 1530 hrs

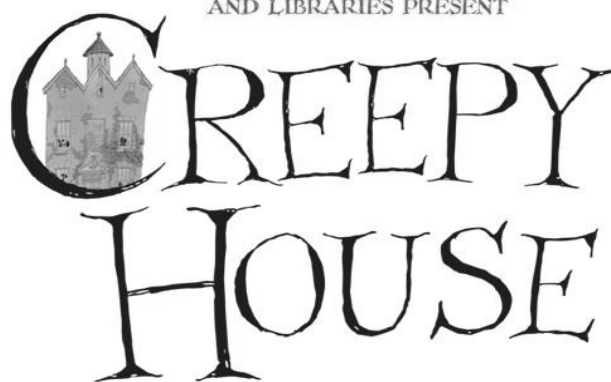
To book a place, contact the library.

### Film-Book Night at the Library

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Please contact the library for further information and to book tickets. This film is shown in conjunction with Milnathort Filmhouse.

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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2013

[www.creepy-house.org.uk](http://www.creepy-house.org.uk)

**Creepy House starts in Loch Leven Community Library on Friday 28 June to Saturday 17 August – and it's absolutely free to take part!**

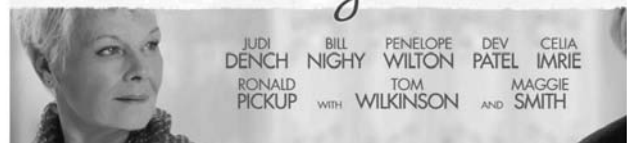
Spine-tingling exploration and hair-raising adventure are at the heart of this year's Summer Reading Challenge in libraries.

Children aged 4-11 are invited to come along for the thrilling adventure and start reading their way through the summer. Within the Creepy House children can explore The Awful Upstairs, The Frightful First Floor and The Sinister Cellar, whilst receiving rewards for their reading.

There will also be special Creepy House stories and activities including:

<b>Mon 1 July</b> 1500-1600 hrs	<b>Spine-tingling tales and scary bookmarks</b>
<b>Mon 8 July</b> 1100-1200 hrs	<b>Explore the world of 'Meg and Mog'</b> <i>Witch hat and cat mask, activity sheets</i>
<b>Mon 15 July</b> 1500-1600 hrs	<b>Magical monsters with 'Beastquest'</b> <i>Read opening paragraphs; create monsters</i>
<b>Mon 22 July</b> 1100-1200 hrs	<b>Ghostly tales and 'Horrid Henry' hunt</b> <i>Ghost rescue books, Horrid Henry hunt; Ghost strip</i>
<b>Mon 29 July</b> 1500-1600 hrs	<b>Concoct a creepy tale</b> <i>Dress up as a character, creepy objects in a bag to weave a story, activity sheets</i>
<b>Thu 8 August</b> 1100-1200 hrs	<b>'Worst Witch' spells and potions</b> <i>Quill writing in blood, making potions, Worst Witch activities</i>

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**Loch Leven Community Library**  
Loch Leven Community Campus, Kinross  
Thursday 22 August 2013 | 7.00pm  
Tickets £3.50, must be booked in advance from the Library  
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# Kinross-shire Agricultural Society Flower Show

## Sponsored by Mr Nick Pragnell, Bulbs4U, Strathmiglo

**SATURDAY 10 AUGUST 2013 RSPB Vane Farm, by Loch Leven, KINROSS**



### Flower Show Marquee

Convenor: Mrs Claire Paton, Lethangie, Kinross

Committee: Margaret Kilpatrick, Alice Getley.

Flower, Vegetables, Eggs & Children's Section Judge: Mr. Hamish Matheson, St. Andrews.

Floral Art & Childrens Sections Judge: Mrs. Pat Denahy, Eskbank, Dalkeith.

Photograph Competition Sections Judges: Mrs. Pat Denahy & Mr. Hamish Matheson.

**JUDGING COMMENCES 10am. ENTRIES: £1 per Adult Exhibit and 50p per Child Exhibit.**

Entries accepted on Show Field until 9.00pm on Friday 9 August and from 8am until 9.30am on Saturday 10 August.

Boards available on request. Entries can be uplifted at 4pm. **Prize Money:** In all Classes 1st- £3, 2nd- £2, 3rd- £1.

### FLOWER SECTION

- |                                                        |                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Pot Plant - Flowering any type                      | 7. Four Marigolds (any variety) to be shown on a board |
| 2. Pot Plant - Begonia                                 | 8. Four Pansies (any variety) to be shown on a board   |
| 3. Pot Plant - Fuschia                                 | 9. Vase of Three Roses Same Variety                    |
| 4. One Vase mixed Herbaceous                           | 10. Best Single Rose                                   |
| 5(a) Vase displaying 3 stems of annuals (same variety) | 11. Vase of Five Sweet Peas One Colour Only            |
| 5(b) Vase of 3 stems perennials (same variety)         | 12. One Gladioli any variety                           |
| 6(a) Vase of Three Dahlias - Decorative                |                                                        |
| 6(b) Vase of Three Dahlias - Cacti                     |                                                        |
| 6(c) Vase of Three Dahlias - Ball/Pompom               |                                                        |

### FLORAL ART SECTION

**NAFAS Rules need not be adhered to. Simply read the schedule carefully and pay attention to size and materials. Space allowed width 76cms by 60 cms depth.**

**All exhibits to be composed of natural plant material - i.e. Fresh, Dried or Preserved unless otherwise stated. All Fresh plant material to be in water or water retaining substances. All Flowers and Foliage to be in good condition.**

13. **Exquisite Detail** - A Miniature exhibit in a container of your choice – height not to exceed 12cms and width 8cms.
14. **Bowl of Beauty** - An arrangement in a bowl with flowers and foliage from your garden.
15. **Dramatic Simplicity** - An exhibit using 3 blooms only. Foliage allowed. Accessories allowed.
16. **Ring of Fire** - An exhibit using an Oasis or wreath-type ring (any size). Fresh or dried flowers may be used - no accessories.
17. **Let's go Green** - An exhibit using (green) fruit and (green) foliage. Accessories allowed.
18. **Farmhouse Kitchen** – An exhibit using flowers, foliage and accessories to depict a busy kitchen!

### CHILDREN'S CLASSES

- 19(a) **A bowl of floating flowers** (any size of bowl any number of flowers) for 14 years and under. Glass Bowls will be provided if required.
- 19(b) **Design a Birthday card** for Granny/Grandad (can be done by computer) Age 5 and under.
20. **Design a postcard** 'Greetings from Kinross' (can be done by computer) Age 6 – 8 years.
21. **2 Decorated Digestive Biscuits** Age 5 and under - Plates will be provided.
22. **A model of An Animal** using fruit and vegetables. Age 6 - 8 years.
23. **An arrangement of "Garden Flowers in a Jam Jar"** Age 8 and under.
24. **Your favourite animal** made from re-cyclable materials. Age 9 - 14 years.
25. **A "Garden in a Seed Tray"** not exceeding 40cms x 25cms using natural material only. Age 8 and under.
26. **A "Garden in a Seed Tray"** not exceeding 40cms x 25cms using natural material only. Age 9 - 14.
- 27(a) **Model Farm in a Seed Tray.** Models Allowed. Age 8 and under.
- 27(b) **Model Farm in a Seed Tray.** Models Allowed. Age 9 - 14.
- 28(a) **A decorated Wellington Boot.** Age 8 and under.
- 28(b) **A decorated Wellington Boot.** Age 9 - 14.

### NEW SECTION OF CLASSES FOR CHILDREN – Pick Up and Bring

1. Pick up and Bring - A Shell - Age 5 years and under.
2. Pick up and Bring - Your favourite farm toy - Age 7 years and under.
3. Pick up and Bring - A 'photo taken by you' of your favourite Pet/Animal – this to be brought along to the Flower Show. Tent until 9.00pm Friday evening, with your name, address and age and not any larger than 6x8 inches. Age 8 - 9 years.
4. Pick up and Bring - A photo taken anywhere in Kinross-shire – this to be brought along to the Flower Show Tent until 9.00pm Friday evening, with your name, address and age and not any larger than 6 x 8 inches. Age 10 to 14 years.

**ALL PHOTOS WILL BE ON DISPLAY FOR JUDGING IN THE FLOWER SHOW TENT ON SHOW DAY**

*Schedule continues over page...*



## Kinross-shire Agricultural Society Flower Show continued...

### VEGETABLE SECTION

All Vegetables to be presented washed and in Good Condition. Paper Plates will be provided.

- |                            |                                                                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 29. 3 Courgettes any size. | 33. A plate of 6 tomatoes (any variety)                            |
| 30(a) 3 Onions White       | 34. 6 Pods of Peas                                                 |
| 30(b) 3 Onions Red         | 35. 4 French Beans                                                 |
| 31(a) 4 Potatoes - White   | 36. 3 Leeks                                                        |
| 31(b) 4 Potatoes - Red     | 37. A Vegetable Marrow or overgrown Courgette to be judged on size |
| 32. 6 Runner Beans         |                                                                    |

### FRUIT SECTION

All Fruit to be presented washed and in Good Condition. Paper Plates will be provided.

38. 6 Plums any Variety.  
39. 3 Eating Apples same Variety Named.  
40. 1 Plate of any other seasonal fruit

### EGG SECTION

All Eggs must be washed and polished. Paper Plates and Shavings will be provided. All Decorated Eggs must be hard boiled.

41. 3 Hens Eggs Any Variety – Age 12 and under  
42. 3 Hens Eggs Any Variety – Age 13 to adult  
43. 1 Decorated Egg Any Variety - Age 12 and under  
44. 1 Decorated Egg Any Variety - Age 13 to adult  
45. 3 Duck Eggs – Open to all

**Carrs Billington, Milnathort have kindly donated two £10 vouchers for the two best exhibits in the egg classes.**

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

### TROPHIES

The Trophies for the most points, Classes 1 to 12 and 13 to 18 inclusive, will be assessed 3, 2, and 1 for the first three prizes.

**CAIRNS CUP** for the most points overall, + Rosette.

**BALADO SALVER** for the most outstanding entry in Classes 1 to 12 + Rosette.

**FISHER BOWL** for most points in Dahlias.

**CAESAR TROPHY** - Sweet Peas.

**THE KIRKNESS TROPHY** for the most points in the Floral Art Section + Rosette (Classes 13 to 18 inclusive).

**THE RENTON TROPHY** for the most outstanding exhibit in the Floral Art Section + Rosette (Classes 13 to 18).

**THE GAVINE LINDORES TROPHY** for the best Single Rose (Class 10).

**THE SCOTT-DAVIDSON CUP** presented by the late W. Scott-Davidson for the winner of Children's Class 24.

**LENA GRAHAM QUAICH** (small) winner of Children's class 25.

**LENA GRAHAM QUAICH** (large) winner of Children's class 26.

**THE MAISIE PIRIE CUP** also Rosette & £3 for the most outstanding exhibit by a child under 8 years.

**THE CATH PIRIE CUP** also Rosette & £3 for the most outstanding exhibit by a child age 9 to 14 years.

**PATON PRODUCE TROPHY** - For best exhibit in the produce classes.

**MAWCARSE SALVER** - Best Exhibit Overall in the Show.

### SPECIAL PRIZES

Rosettes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places will be presented in Children's Classes 19 to 28b and in New Children's Section 1 to 4.

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## Kinross-shire Agricultural Society Show



### COMPANION DOG SHOW

(By kind permission of the Scottish Kennel Club)

**Sponsored by Cameron & Greig, Vets, Milnathort**

Dog Ring, 1pm.

**Entries will be taken on the Field from 11.30am at the Cameron & Greig Trade Stand**

Convenors: Mrs. Dora Smith & Mrs. Lynn Ballantyne

**Judge: Mr. Hugh Campbell, Butterwell Farm, Milnathort. Entry Fee: Adults £1.00 per class Children 50p per class.**

**Class 1.** Puppy - any variety - Dog/Bitch (6-12 months)

**Class 2.** Sporting - any variety - Dog/bitch (Hound: Gun Dog or Terrier)

**Class 3.** Non-Sporting - any variety - Dog/Bitch (Pastoral, Toy: Working or Utility)

**Class 4.** Open - any variety - Dog/Bitch

**Now BEST IN SHOW – from unbeaten first-prize winners of each of the above classes**

**Class 5.** Novelty Class - Dog/Bitch from crossbreeds such as Labradoodles, Springadoors, and Mongrels etc

**Class 6.** Open – any variety - Dog/Bitch – Confined to Kinross-shire

**Class 7.** Dog or Bitch with Waggiest Tail

**Class 8.** Dog or Bitch with Most Appealing Eyes

**Class 9.** Dog or Bitch - any variety - Handled by a boy or girl 14 years or under

**Prizes - First £1.00 Second 70p; Third 50p. Special Prize £5.00 for Best in Show.**

Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may enter for exhibition at this show. Your dog is vulnerable and **AT RISK** if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog. If your dog is found to be at risk, forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liable for any damage caused.

The Premium List, Flower Show and Dog Show schedules for Kinross Show are also available to download from the Kinross Show website at [www.kinross-show.co.uk](http://www.kinross-show.co.uk). For all the latest news on Kinross Show please look at the facebook page [www.facebook.com/KinrossShow](http://www.facebook.com/KinrossShow)

Note also that dogs can be taken on the Free Bus Service that the Show is running again this year.

### French Connection

Sainsbury's Kinross got together with Milnathort Primary School to tie in with their French topic. The children loved the different French cheeses and surprised Sainsbury's colleague Jane Thomson by choosing a creamy blue cheese as their favourite.

*Milnathort Primary School pupils sampling French cheeses*



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## Win a book!

We have two copies of Gillian Galbraith's book *The Road to Hell* to give away this month. *The Road to Hell* is the fifth in the Alice Rice mystery series, and was released in paperback in May.

When the body of a woman is discovered in an Edinburgh park, a murder investigation is launched. The victim has not been reported missing and there are few clues to her identity. Soon after, a prominent clergyman is found dead, also in a park. DS Alice Rice wonders if the same killer is at work, and if so, what is the connection between the apparently motiveless attacks? *The Road to Hell* takes the policewoman to new personal depths and along a trail that leads to some of Edinburgh's darkest and scariest corners.

**About the author:** Gillian Galbraith grew up near Haddington. For seventeen years she was an advocate specialising in medical negligence and agricultural law cases. She now lives in the Kinross-shire countryside.

When asked what was the best thing about being an advocate, Gillian said: "It's a very stimulating job – you have to quickly come to grips with the facts and put together a convincing argument. I learned something new every day." And what is the best thing about being a writer? "When things are going well you can lose yourself entirely. Writing becomes more vivid than actual life for that moment. Not to mention the freedom to drop everything and walk the dogs."

### COMPETITION

To win a copy of *The Road to Hell*, answer the following question:

#### In which city are the Alice Rice mysteries set?

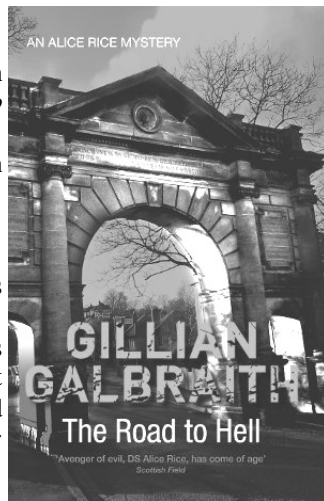
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By post to: The Editor, Kinross Newsletter, 50 Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AU or

By email to: editor@kinrossnewsletter.org (put 'Competition' in the subject line of the email)

Two entries will be drawn at random and winners notified.

**Closing date for entries: Wednesday 31 July.**



## Kinross Otters going swimmingly on route to PACES award

Kinross Otters Swimming Club have become the latest sports club in Perth and Kinross to achieve PACES (Perth and Kinross Club Accreditation Scheme) accreditation for their hard work and dedication to the sport.

Established in the early 1970s and based at Live Active Loch Leven, the club has already achieved Scottish Swimming's SwimMark Award and is highly regarded as a breeding ground for Scotland's next generation of top swimmers.

Club Chairperson Fiona Crawford said: "We are a small club; our swimmers consistently outperform expectations, leading to some really impressive results over the last couple of years. We are hoping that this recognition will allow us to further the club and develop what we can offer our local swimmers and our volunteer coaches."

Perth & Kinross Council's Sports Development Manager Alan Clark added: "Kinross Otters represent exactly the sort of community sports club we are here to support. The club is very well run by a committed group of volunteers and I am delighted to be presenting them with their PACES Award to recognise that fact."

For further information on the Perth and Kinross Club Accreditation Scheme, please contact the Sports Development team on 01738 472236 or email pkcsport@pkc.gov.uk

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## Historic records compiled for St Paul's Church

On Sunday 2 June, St Paul's Episcopal Church, Kinross, was presented with a beautifully bound Record of Furnishings compiled by volunteers from the Tayside branch of the National Association of Decorative & Fine Arts Societies. The words and prayers for the presentation ceremony were especially written for the occasion by the Rector, Father David Mackenzie-Mills.

Every item in the church has been recorded in great detail, together with a photograph. The family history of those commemorated, and those who have gifted items, has also been researched. Churches are a rich source for exploring our social and cultural history and a NADFAS Church Record preserves this key resource for the congregation, and for posterity.

Father Mackenzie-Mills said, "Who would have thought that a church with such a small footprint would have revealed so much in such a massive document? We are deeply grateful to all the volunteers for the many years of research that have gone into the production of this fantastic piece of work. The fine detail that is captured in this Recording, the first of a church building in the county, is already proving to be an invaluable resource."



*l to r: Murray Smith, Virginia Cardwell-Moore, The Rector, Father David Mackenzie-Mills, Robert Walker, who took the photographs for the Record, Bridget Lindsay, Sarah Sherlock, Rosemary Pitcaithly, Lilian Fleming, Brian Whitten, Nan Kennedy*

St Paul's Church, with its distinctive bell tower, is a familiar building to all in Kinross-shire. An unexpected discovery in a newspaper report of the opening service revealed that the church originally had a belfry on the west gable. The bell tower was added in 1882 as a memorial to Mr James Marshall, WS, of Duncricvie, who acted as Treasurer of the church and who died aged 31.

A decorative scheme for the interior of the tower to form a baptistry, and a memorial window for Mr Marshall, were never implemented.

Many of the memorials reflect Britain's imperial past with individuals governing Mauritius, building railways in Ceylon and fighting in Somalia and Afghanistan. There are three memorials to young men who died in the first World War, and one to Guide Captain Kathleen Anderson, of the First Kinross-shire Girl Guides, who drowned in St Andrews bay in 1929, along with her Patrol Leader, Barbara McFarlane, "in an endeavour to save the life of a Guide". Next to her memorial is the memorial to her

brother, Bertie, killed in training in the Royal Flying Corps in 1917. The St Andrew window on the opposite wall commemorates their father, Provost Murdoch Christie Anderson, Provost of Kinross from 1914 to 1923.

In the Service Registers, Rectors have recorded comments on world events of the day, and even on the weather. "Will it never end", one wrote of an appallingly wet winter when the "roads were running like rivers".

The church has some fine stained glass windows of the 19th and 20th centuries, those of the 20th century being by noted Scottish makers, including St Andrew by David Smith and St Margaret by Douglas Hamilton.

The scheme for such a recording was initiated by the Victoria & Albert Museum in London in 1973 when they realised how much ecclesiastical heritage was being lost through age and decay, changes in liturgy and, sadly, theft and vandalism. NADFAS Societies throughout Britain have to date compiled Records of nearly 1,700 churches of all denominations, an average of 65 being completed each year. This is the first Record completed by the Tayside Church Recorders.

Selected information from these Records is in the process of being compiled into an online Index, which is available free to anyone interested in researching Church Records. It is of particular value to academics and researchers, and those investigating their family history. The index includes the names of over 18,000 artists, manufacturers and retailers; the subjects of stained glass windows and paintings, and the names of 80,000 donors and those commemorated. The information from the St Paul's Record is not yet available.

([www.nadfas.org.uk/church-recording/church-records-index](http://www.nadfas.org.uk/church-recording/church-records-index))

Information is also shared with organisations such as the National Inventory of War Memorials and the Scottish Stained Glass Symposium, which is currently compiling an inventory of all stained glass in Scotland.

For further information, please contact: Mrs Bridget Lindsay, Group Leader, Tayside DFAS Church Recorders.

Mrs Bridget Lindsay, telephone 01592 840252, E-mail: [bridget.lindsay@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:bridget.lindsay@dsl.pipex.com)

## Scotland and Japan come together for Diamond winning recipe

A trade award won by local butcher Hunters of Kinross is going to be highlighted by a Japanese sauce company!

Last month we reported that at the Scottish Craft Butcher Awards, Hunters received a Diamond award for their Scottish Venison Stir Fry, created by apprentice Conner Stuart. Due to its popularity, Hunters then had difficulty obtaining enough of the specialist Teriyaki sauce used in the recipe.

Pamela Hunter explained: "We use the best Japanese Teriyaki sauce available – Nippon Shokken from Japan. The supplier we use ran out on two occasions. The Japanese company then sent a supply via their German distributors, then to London, then to us direct!"

Hunters then received a visit from Masaaki Kobayashi, a representative of Nihon Shokken, the company that makes Nippon Shokken Teriyaki sauce. He was intrigued to hear of the sauce being used with venison, and proclaimed the recipe 'great!'

Hunters' Diamond award will be featured on the Japanese company's literature at a London trade show.

## Mitzy the Therapet

by Charlotte-Louise Yeaman, Kinross High School

I have three Cavalier King Charles Spaniels. Two of them are six years old: one is an agility dog (Millie) and another is a therapy dog (Mitzy). The third is my own puppy, Bella, an agility dog in training. I'm fifteen and live on a farm on the outskirts of Kinross.

### Mitzy's Job

I have been going to Levensen Nursing Home for about a year with Mitzy but she has been a Therapet for about six months now. We also go to Ashley House, another local nursing home in Milnathort.

Mitzy's job is to behave really well with the people we visit at the nursing homes. She loves attention naturally, so just loves it when the residents clap her and cuddle her. She also shows them tricks, the best one and favourite of most people being when I pretend to have a boxing match with her, which is really fun!

Mitzy knows Levensen Nursing Home like the back of her paw; she knows how to get there too. She is always off the lead in Levensen because she behaves so well and can see the people on her own free will. When we go into the lounge before seeing anyone in there, she heads straight for the biscuit cupboard in the kitchenette! She knows where the food is, also in the kitchen and in the vending room! Most of the people give her small amounts of biscuits too, but when she goes to the lounge the nurses always give her a pink panther biscuit!



*Mitzy the Therapet with Olive*



*Mitzy meets Portmoak cubs*

She is very important to the people we visit. The people are also very grateful for the time we give them. Mitzy brings out the best in them; she brings back memories of the pets they used to have and she has also helped some people to overcome fears and phobias of dogs. The residents are very fond of Mitzy, one so much that he is painting a canvas of her. His name is Ted and he is very good at art. One of the ladies, also at Levensen, is knitting Mitzy a jumper for Christmas! She says Mitzy is her best friend and we make her day. One of the ladies we used to go and see, named Madge, lived until she was 102! Sadly she passed away in October. She was an amazing lady; she told me all about the Labradors she used to keep and all of her stories from when she had her days with dogs. Most of the people we visit have dementia and find it hard to remember but even just in the instance of seeing a dog, they remember lots – all the way back to their childhood.

### We Love It

Mitzy and I both love going into the nursing homes. It makes me feel happy because I know that I've made someone else's day just by bringing Mitzy to see them. Mitzy loves it because she gets loads of attention and fussed over, she also gets food!



*Mitzy loves visiting nursing homes*

The people in the nursing homes adore her and seeing them so happy makes me happy too. Some of the residents don't get any visitors at all and we are all they have. It's nice to know the people at the nursing homes look forward to your visits and appreciate us as much as they do.

### Keep Up With Us

If you want to keep up to date with Mitzy and her Therapet outings, you can follow her on:

Instagram.com/mitzycavalier

Mitzy is sponsored by UrbanPup.com, a dog boutique. They have given her a hoodie and a harness lined t-shirt to wear while on duty some times.

Mitzy is available to come and see individuals within their own household as well as available to come to nursing homes, hospitals, schools, cub/brownie groups etc.

Call Charlotte-Louise Yeaman 07904 107951 to arrange your Therapet visit with Mitzy today!

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*The first in an occasional series, based on the brochure prepared by Fons Scotiae for Scotlandwell in Bloom.*

*Fons Scotiae publishes work by Iain W D Forde, whose venture is to use Scots as if it had continued as the modern national language. This series, written in both Standard English and Scots, is intended to provide an insight into the Scots language as well as the history of Scotlandwell.*

*Scots is the language of Lowland Scotland, based on the Anglian tongue brought to the British Isles from northern Europe by the post-Roman immigrants. Scots is also sourced from neighbouring countries: Ireland, the Scandinavian countries, France, the Netherlands and England. Like all languages, Scots has dialects that are mutually intelligible. Scots declined after the Union of the Crowns in 1603. It survives in speech, song and poetry.*

## Introduction

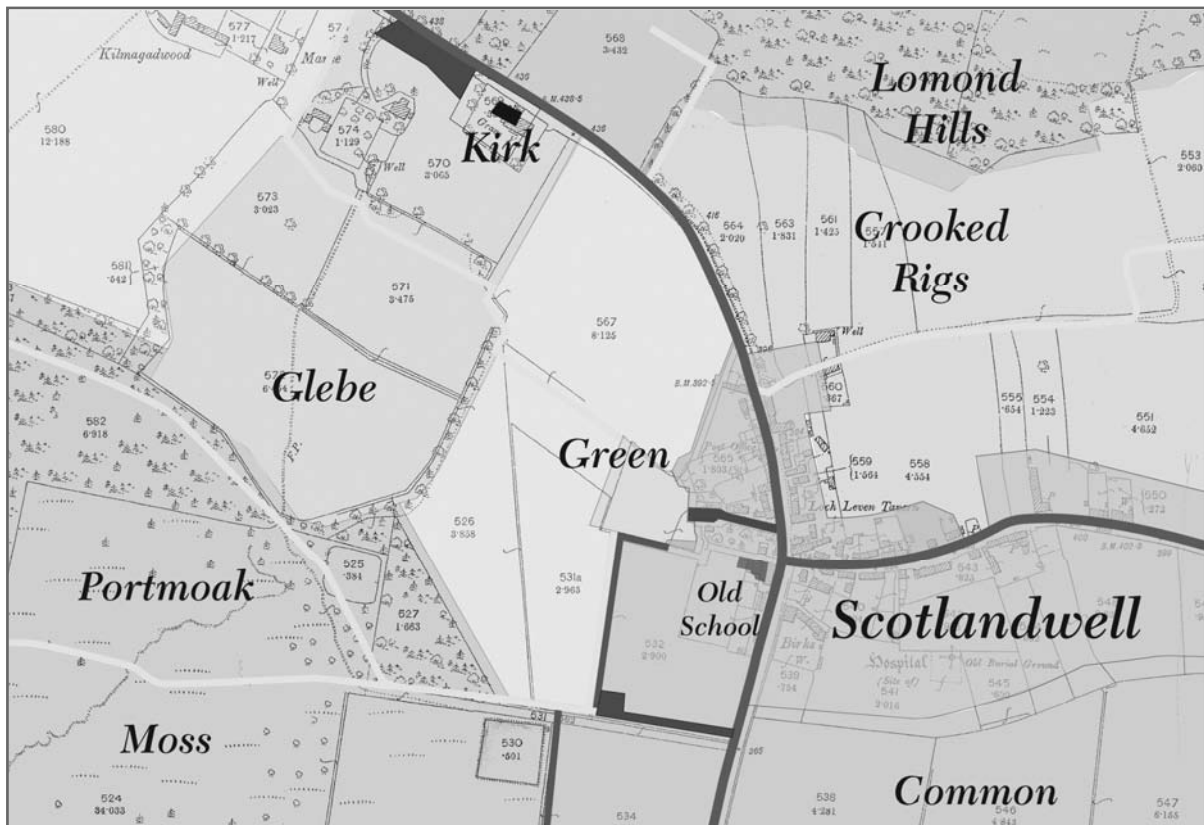
The village of Scotlandwell is an example of a Scottish farmtown. This historically was a small group of houses the occupants of which used the open land around them communally. This way of life was changed by Acts of Parliament in 1695 allowing enclosures of fields. However, the people of Scotlandwell were very conservative and some of the enclosures round the village were only complete by 1926.

This has left a discernible land-use pattern which goes back many centuries. The present villagers wish to conserve this and allow you to share their pleasure in it.

## Innins

The veillage o Scotlandwall is ane exempil o a Scotch fermtoun. This lang-syne wes a smaw griup o houssis whaur the indwallers wirkit the apen laun roun an about in commoun. This wey o lyfe wes chynged bi Aks Perlament eir 1695 allouin inclosin o feilds. Howsomdevir, the fowk o Scotlandwall wes ge्यान thrawn an a whein o enclosins roun the clachan wes anerlie feinist bi eir 1926.

This hes leivit a clair decernabil laun-uisse paittren at gaes bak monie hunner eir, an the veillagers o the day wiss ti hain this an allou ye ti skair thair plaisur intil' t.



## The Scots Language

The Scots language is still very commonly used in Scotlandwell. However, the speakers of it tend, out of politeness, to keep it between themselves, except at the annual Burns' Supper.

The older Scots language was used in the 'Chronikal o Scotland' that was written by Andrew Wynton, the Prior at St Serf's Island in Loch Leven, between the years 1420 and 1424. A chronicle is a history book, and the book was no doubt written on vellum that the people of Kinnesswood were famous for preparing.

This small history of Scotlandwell is not written on vellum, but it is in a style that includes both old and modern Scots.

## The Scotch Tung

The Scotch tung is aye verra commoun in Scotlandwell. Howsomdevir the speikers, lik out o guid mainers, haud it atweIn thairsells, excep at the onwal Burns' Sipper.

The alder Scotch tung wes uised in the wrytin o 'The Orygynal Cronykil' bi Andra Wynton, the Pryor o Sanct Serf's Inch in Loch Leven, atwein eirs 1420 an 1424. A cronykil is a buik o histore, an the buik wes nae dout wrate on vellum at the fowk o Kinnesswood wes fawmous fur the fettlin o.

This wie histore o Scotlandwall isna wrate on vellum bot is in a styall at inhauds baith auld an modren Scotch.

# Police Box



## T in the Park

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**At night** your cycle **MUST** have white front and red rear lights lit. It **MUST** also be fitted with a red rear reflector (and amber pedal reflectors, if manufactured after 1/10/85). White front reflectors and spoke reflectors will also help you to be seen. Flashing lights are permitted but it is recommended that cyclists who are riding in areas without street lighting use a steady front lamp.

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## Community Officers

### Telephone 101

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**Constable Jim Pentley**

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## Fashion Show boosts ice rink project

The Shop at the Green held a sellout Charity Fashion Show on Friday 31 May at the Boathouse Bistro down by the loch side.

The outside decking made for a spectacular setting with dramatic views over the loch.

Organiser, Caroline Liddle, said: "It was the first time we've staged an event like this outdoors but we were extremely lucky and the rain stayed away!"

"It was a great show and a huge success and £1,200 was raised for the Kinross Curling Trust.

"A big thank you to the models, helpers and everyone who supported us."

The Kinross Curling Trust plans to lease the local curling rink from Montgomery Hotels and to raise funds to refurbish the facility. The curling rink is in danger of closing because the type of refrigerant in the plant will become illegal by December 2014 and major investment is required to bring the facility up to standard.

The Kinross Curling Trust has announced that it has received enough financial support to progress with plans to commit to taking over the lease, but further funding is required to carry out all the planned work.

A report commissioned by PKC, Live Active and sportScotland on leisure needs in Perth & Kinross

recognises the importance of the Green Hotel ice rink and supports its retention. The report, dated 2012, states there is a shortage of curling provision in the local authority area.

*See our front cover for another dramatic photograph from the fashion show.*

*See pages 4 and 71 for more on the Curling Trust project.*



*The Boathouse Bistro by the loch made a spectacular setting for the fashion show*

*Photo courtesy of Tracy Gow Photography*

# 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 June Meeting

Present at the meeting held on Wednesday 5 June 2013 were: CCllrs D Colliar (Chair), C Watson, W Freeman, D West, B Davies, D Mackay, M Scott (Secy), I Jack and G Thomas; P&K Cllrs W Robertson, M Barnacle and D Cuthbert and eight members of the public. Apologies were received from CCllrs M Blyth, M Wood and P&K Cllr Giacopazzi.

**Minutes of May meeting:** Correction: the place name mentioned by Cllr Barnacle in relation to the Police Force should have read 'Cleish'.

**Co-opted member:** Gareth Thomas was accepted as a co-opted member.

**Newsletter:** Eileen Thomas and Ross McConnell, Editor and Treasurer of the Newsletter, gave reports for the year 2012-2013. (*See Articles, p. 9.*)

CCllr Watson reaffirmed the set up in relation to both the trading account (Kinross Newsletter Limited), and the charity account (Kinross Community Council Newsletter Limited), which was set up to make disbursements. The current directors of each are:

**KNL:** Eileen Thomas, Ross McConnell, Campbell Watson, David West and David Cuthbert.

**KCCNL:** Campbell Watson, Margaret Scott, Barry Davies and David Cuthbert.

It was suggested that David Colliar be made a director of both. A counter proposal was made that the directors for both companies remain as at present. The latter was agreed. There is a charge for changing directors.

Eileen and Ross were thanked for attending and presenting their reports and were asked to convey the CC's gratitude to the staff for their efforts.

**Police Report:** In the absence of a police representative, a report was provided. There have been incidents of vandalism to cars at various locations; most are under enquiry, with one detected. There have been several thefts; one from a vehicle, one of a bicycle and one by shoplifting.

In the summer the Police will target resources to dealing with problems at beauty spots, e.g. rowdy behaviour, dropping litter and inconsiderate parking. Members of the public are encouraged to report such matters.

T in the Park police comment: *See Police Box, p. 24.*

### Kinross Buildings

**Shop:** Cllr Cuthbert is still making enquiries into ownership of the shop. CCllr Mackay commented that she believed the owner was Ronnie Klaus.

**Town Hall:** The recent planning application has been approved. CCllr Colliar said that positive comments have been received regarding the Ivy Garden development.

**Former High School:** CCllr Colliar attended the Persimmon Homes presentation and was disappointed at the lack of detail in relation to the houses proposed, layout etc. There is to be a further presentation on 9 June in Kinross Parish Church. Persimmon Homes have offered to attend a meeting with the CC to outline their proposals, however they have asked that this meeting exclude members of the public. CCllr Colliar

has approached the Council for advice regarding this and awaits a response. The title query in relation to part of this ground is still ongoing. Cllr Robertson added that this is an important site and that he requested the Council consider possible use(s) for this site, however this was rejected. He would have preferred the site to be used for a new Primary School with housing and parking.

**Mill Street (PKC office):** The title is still being investigated.

**County Buildings:** Three notes of interest have been received and a proposal made to set a closing date.

### Planning Applications Submitted

13/00720/FLL Land 80m north west of Baltree Farm, Hatchbank: Erection of three dwelling houses and garages. CCllr Colliar will look into this application and comment to the CC members.

### Planning Applications Approved by PKC

13/00560/FLL Chance Inn Farm: Restoration of disused quarry.

13/00630/FLL Land 550m north east of Baltree Farm, Hatchbank: Erection of an agricultural shed.

13/00626/FLL 24 Muirs: Alterations and extension to dwelling house.

### Reports by Perth & Kinross Councillors

#### Councillor Cuthbert

**Campus car park:** He is to discuss this subject with senior management.

**Road resurfacing:** *See p. 4*

**English and Maths tutoring:** Commented on extra tuition being provided to students at the Primary and High School and asked that anyone with information on this should contact him. Some discussion was held on the subject.

**Campus booking:** A survey reveals that 78% are dissatisfied with the booking system. Cllr Robertson added that the number of respondents was low.

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**Councillor Robertson**

**Swansacre:** In view of the planned changes to the High Street, a meeting with residents has proposed making part of Swansacre a one-way system from School Wynd to Piper Row.

**Speedwatch:** This operation ran successfully at Crook of Devon and it has been suggested that a trial be carried out locally. Cllr Robertson is pursuing this matter and suggested Springfield Road be used in the trial.

**Minor Council works:** Cllr Robertson has verification from the Council that small jobs would be attended to without the necessity of raising a work order. This would cover works such as cleaning out gullies.

**Roundabout at Bridgend:** The signage has been covered up in this area. Some discussion was held on the installation of traffic lights. It was agreed that this should be considered as a matter of urgency.

**Councillor Barnacle**

**20mph speed limit:** Cllr Barnacle commented on a letter issued in relation to the introduction of 20 mph speed limits in certain areas.

**A997 speed limit:** This speed limit will be one of the last to be implemented.

**Transport Scotland:** Cllr Barnacle has contacted them regarding submissions.

**Forest Plan consultation:** Mention was made to the Draft Plan.

**Transit vans etc:** The four Councillors are to meet with planners on this subject.

**Wind turbines:** Cllr Barnacle commented on applications issued for 25 turbines and how these developments are increasing.

**Reports from CC members:** None.

**Correspondence**

**Grounds maintenance:** PKC has reviewed responses and a report is being prepared for the Environment Committee on 5 June which takes these into account alongside the savings which still need to be made. A further update will be issued once committee approval is received and the revised maintenance schedules are in place.

**School provision:** An email was received from a member of the public regarding proposed developments in the town and the lack of school facilities to cater for the additional pupils arising from these. She added that Kinross Primary School is currently massively over populated and the building itself is in a very sad state. The last inspection, made seven years ago, states "Overall, insufficient attention has been given to

the maintenance of the school building for a number of years. In a few classrooms, furniture was shabby and not always the appropriate size for the pupils." Overall, accommodation and facilities were only described as adequate. She hopes that it would be possible to get more information on the plans for the school, regarding upgrading, expansion, or even relocation, and that the CC would be able to facilitate this.

**Premises licence:** Application received from the Golf Club in relation to sale of alcohol from buggies.

**Scottish Government Consultation Paper on the Scotland Rural Development Programme (SRDP) 2014 - 2020.**

**Walkers are Welcome:** Information received on scheme for walker-friendly towns and villages. The CC will look into this.

**Seminar:** Scottish Voluntary Sector and Community Resilience Seminar, 25 June.

**Police Scotland:** A link was provided to access the community page for Kinross-shire.

**Draft Joint Commissioning Strategy for Older People:** Comments requested.

**Developer contributions consultation:** in relation to supplementary guidance on the use of developer contributions to assist in delivering Perth's Transport Future. Further period of consultation until 24 June.

**National Planning Framework:** Scottish Government's resource pack re. National Planning Framework 3 Scottish Planning Policy - Engagement - Community Councils. Information available online.

**Tellmesotland** online portal for public information notices. Information available online. Free registration and advice. The CC agreed to register.

**Town and Country Planning:** Changes have been laid in Parliament and come into force on 30 June.

**CCs:** Supporting the role of Community Councils Action Plan. Further information available online.

**Wind farm developments:** Civic Trust report received on presentation held in Kelty on 23 May with proposals for wind farm in Blairadam Forest. (See letter by Civic Trust, p. 3.) Kinross-shire is going to have considerable visual impact from this development. How much Perth and Kinross knows about this has not been revealed.

CCllr Colliar proposed that the CC arrange a joint meeting with all CCs in Kinross-shire to discuss this matter and include the Civic Trust. Cllr Robertson confirmed that he was planning such a meeting and he would arrange this to take place before the end of June. Cllr Barnacle advised that new guidelines are to be developed.

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**Newsletter grants:** Applications from KLEO, Milnathort Town Hall and St Serf's archaeology project will be discussed at the next meeting.

The payment for Fossoy Church is being progressed.

**Kinross Curling Trust** (letter of support request): The CC agreed to lodge a letter in this regard.

**Swansacre Playgroup** requested funding towards purchase of play equipment. The CC agreed to donate £1,000.

**Kinross-shire Fund:** CCllr Colliar commented that the level of fund is low and consideration was to be given as how to raise monies. Swansacre have applied to this fund in relation to a secondary project.

#### Other business

**Sub-committees/admin:** It was agreed to hold a meeting to appoint sub-committees and discuss some other issues.

**Railway line:** CCllr Colliar suggested the CC invite Keith Brown MSP to one of the CC's meetings to discuss, amongst other matters, the reintroduction of a rail link to the town. This is to be placed on the agenda for a future meeting. Some discussion was held on this.

**First World War names:** CC Watson confirmed that he had a fair response to his enquiry into this matter. He also understood that Alistair Smith had carried out research and that a list of names from the memorial(s) were available from the library. The cleaning of the memorial was suggested prior to the anniversary next year. Milnathort raised funds for this purpose. Cllr Robertson advised that a fund was also launched to which groups could apply.

**Laptop:** The CC agreed to purchase a new laptop and printer for the Secretary.

**The Next Meeting of Kinross CC will take place on Wednesday 3 July 2013 at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.**

#### Agenda for the Meeting to be held on 3 July

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of interest.
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 June.
4. Police report.
5. Matters arising.
6. Report on KCC meeting of 26 June 2013.
7. Report on Joint Meeting of CCs.
8. High Street improvements.
9. Newsletter funding applications.
10. Planning matters, including Blairadam and Outh Wind Farm developments.
11. Report on Persimmon Homes by Kinross Parish Church.
12. Reports from P&K Councillors.
13. Questions from the floor.
14. Miscellaneous correspondence.
15. Other competent business.
16. Date of next meeting.

**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) 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.

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## Milnathort Community Council

### News from the June Meeting

Cllr Hamilton, Chair, welcomed Cllrs Smith, Halford, Cottingham, Milne-Home, and Thomson to the meeting, held on 13 June. Also in attendance were P&K Cllrs Barnacle and Giacopazzi, and 11 members of the public. Apologies were received from Cllrs Bennet and Pettinger and from P&K Cllrs Cuthbert and Robertson.

**Police matters:** The Chair advised that one of three Park & Ride facilities would be set up at Balado to serve the Ryder Cup competition at Gleneagles in 2014 from the east.

Sgt Williams provided a brief verbal report. Recent speed checks in South Street and Perth Road had resulted in one ticket being issued, but during the last few days checks in Burleigh Road in the late afternoons had resulted in five tickets issued – a significant proportion of traffic. The summer drink driving campaign was underway; recently two drivers had been caught over the legal limit. She highlighted issues of vandalism and a theft of equipment from vehicles in Touchie Wood.

A member of the public advised that there had been a recent theft of heating oil from a property in the vicinity of Tillyrie.

The Chair emphasised that crimes must be formally reported to the Police if the Police are to be able to investigate them. Sgt Williams advised members of the public to seek advice from the Police about protecting their property if they had concerns. Finally Sgt Williams asked that if members of the public have issues about the forthcoming 'T in the Park' event, they should contact the local police.

### Planning Applications

The following applications in Milnathort were discussed:

**13/00873/IPL:** Residential development (in principle)

**Forth Wines Ltd**, Crawford Place, Milnathort. Several members of the public raised concerns about the application from Forth Wines who wish to move to a site in Kinross, and to seek to build about 30 houses in an area occupying about half the current location. The issues raised included change of use from industrial to either housing/mixed, future access/traffic close to the Primary School, resulting industrial development near Auld Mart Road and consequential lorry traffic in the village – whereas the current Forth Wines site is better suited to industrial traffic near the motorway. After lengthy discussion it was agreed that MCC would not object to the application, but would express concerns about access and the potential increase in traffic in the vicinity of the school unless access was moved to South Street.

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**13/00929/FLL:** Alterations and extension to dwelling house, Beechwood Park, Old Perth Road, Milnathort. No comments or issues were raised.

**13/00814/FLL:** Erection of replacement football/community pavilion, **Donaldson Memorial Park**, Milnathort. This application generated many issues and a lengthy discussion followed; it was clear that many felt that the village had suffered from the abandonment of the site by the previous club. Concerns voiced by members of the public included:

- The legacy of a defunct football club, an abandoned facility and the resulting fire.
- That the proposed new changing facility was far larger than previously and outside the existing footprint.
- The site of the proposed facility in Donaldson Memorial Park, just off Church Street, was not appropriate as heavy vehicles including a fire engine could not access it.
- The intention to also build a large amenity hall and the potential late night noise.
- Milnathort is well served with halls, so another is not needed.
- Access to the site by the Fire Service in the event of emergency.
- The role of PKC in the event of another football club becoming defunct.

Cllr Barnacle advised that PKC encouraged development of sporting clubs, but its role was to inform clubs of possible sources of funding to support clubs, rather than to take any direct responsibility for the running of clubs.

The Chair summarised the discussion; he emphasised that it was not appropriate for the MCC to suggest alternatives to PKC, but rather to voice concerns. He advised that MCC supported the development of sporting activities in the area, but agreed that the proposed site and footprint of the new buildings were inappropriate, that MCC had concerns about access to the proposed facility and that Milnathort was already well served with community halls, so another would be inappropriate.

Cllr Cottingham agreed to write to PKC giving the MCC's concerns about the application.

### Planning applications approved by PKC:

**13/00504/FLL:** Alterations and extension to Tillyrie Farm, Milnathort.

**13/00655/IPL:** Erection of a dwelling house (in principle)  
16 Burleigh Road, Milnathort.

**Heads Hill Community Wind Farm:** The Chair advised that he had received a letter from 'Community Windpower Limited' (CWL), requesting pre-scoping information for their proposal to install up to 25 turbine generators with a rating of between 3 and 4 megawatts (typical tip height of up to 150 M), at Heads Hill near Warroch, approximately 5km northwest of Kinross. After discussion the Chair advised MCC would reply raising MCC's concerns about visual impact, size and scale. Cllr Barnacle advised that he had concerns about the profusion of wind turbine developments both approved and in the planning pipeline. He wished PKC officers to provide a map showing all of these so that a strategic assessment of impact could be taken by PKC to inform its decision-making.

**Joint CC meeting re wind turbines 25 June:** Cllrs Thomson and Cottingham agreed to attend this meeting.

**PKC's CC AGM:** After brief discussion it was determined that no member of the MCC was available to attend this meeting on 30 June.

**Verge cutting and weed killing:** PKC commenced verge cutting 10 June for 8 weeks with priority for A Class Roads, then B Class Road, then other classified roads which would receive one annual cut. PKC will carry out weed-killing between 27 May and 21 June 2013 providing one annual spray and a second one on main approaches to towns and villages during the last two weeks in July. Members of the public raised their concerns about the poor service the PKC was providing, particularly on the issue of verge cutting at junctions, e.g. the junction from the Kinross Community campus. Cllr Giacomazzi agreed to examine the road safety issue with PKC. The Chair advised members of the public to inform their local Councillors if they have issues with verge cutting.

**Milnathort Festival 2014:** Cllr Thomson outlined the background to previous local festivals and galas in the village. She explained proposals from the Church to generate a truly local village event to develop village community spirit, which included participation by local children, and sought MCC's support. After discussion MCC wholeheartedly supported the proposal, which might include a shop window competition. The Chair invited members of the public to come to the next MCC meeting and bring ideas on how to develop a community event.

**War Memorial:** Graeme Stewart, Secretary to 'Milnathort in Bloom', briefed the meeting on progress with the Orwell War Memorial. The grouting and pointing of the joints has been done, however cracks had been discovered on the finial supporting the orb at the top. Stone was on order to craft a new finial and to replace the concrete pillars on the path between South St and Donaldson Park. He also advised that the railings were beyond repair and so will be replaced with copies. MCC supported his proposal that the new pillars being built should be engraved with 'Orwell War Memorial 1921'. He was conducting research to discover the history of those named on the memorial and to find out if further names should be added. Graeme Stewart advised that to date they had raised £38,058, however with the increased costs of the stone and railings, a further £8,732 will need to be raised.

**Comments from the floor:** Members of the public raised issues about grass cutting in Donaldson Park and about the Forth Wines proposal. On the former, the Chair explained the cutbacks on environmental funding within PKC, which effectively superseded any previous agreements with PKC; he advised that the grass had been cut recently, at the correct time after daffodil dieback, so it was not appropriate to raise concerns with PKC at this time. On the second issue, the Chair explained that the Local Development Plan is the vehicle to select the appropriate sites for housing and industry.

Cllr Thomson advised that the local allotment initiative had been successful.

#### **Comments from Perth & Kinross Councillors**

Cllr Barnacle advised that he had not been given the opportunity to vote on PKC funding for environmental services, which included grounds maintenance. He believed that there could be some scope for adjustment in-year. He also advised that he had taken up the issue of Gaelic road signs within PKC, and was awaiting written confirmation that only those highland areas with PKC would have replacement bilingual signs.

Cllr Giacomazzi noted that cutting environmental services provided PKC with a quick return on savings whereas, for example, Social Services savings would be slow to be realised. He would explore with PKC whether funding could be clawed back to environmental services. He advised that the 20 mph roundels had been agreed and would be progressed, work on the Town Hall was progressing with funding being sought, and he undertook to raise the issue of grass cutting of verges with PKC. He noted the success of 'Placecheck' and remarked that the village was looking all the better for these efforts.

**The Next Meeting of Milnathort CC will take place on Thursday 11 July 2013 at Orwell Church Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.**

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## Fossoway and District CC News from the AGM

In attendance at the AGM held on 7 May 2013 were: CCllrs S Morrison, T Wigman-Duffy, A Lavery, K Borthwick, S Anderson and A Cheape; P&K Cllr M Barnacle and 17 members of the public. Apologies were received from: CCllr R Paterson; P&K Cllrs D Cuthbert, J Giacopazzi and W Robertson.

### Chair's Report

The elected members of the CC are: Kevin Borthwick, Trudy Duffy-Wigman, Rod Paterson, Alistair Lavery and Sandy Morrison. The co-opted members are: Sheila Anderson and Angus Cheape. Minutes: Graham Pye.

The CC has had another very busy year with eleven scheduled meetings and two special meetings, one regarding the travellers' site and the other on the Local Plan. The main issues during the year have been:

- **Crook Moss planning application** for a travellers' site. This matter has taken up a considerable amount of time covering numerous issues raised by the community. There has been extensive written and verbal communication with the Planning Department officials and face-to-face meetings. A formal complaint was made over the Report of Handling and two points were upheld. The application has still to go back to the Development Management Committee.
- **Community Speed Watch programme:** This was completed and did have a limited impact.
- **Local Development Plan:** Further input was given to local councillors to raise with Planning. The plan has now been lodged with the Scottish Executive.
- **Fossoway Church car park:** Planning permission was obtained in October and the church is now fundraising.
- **Core Paths:** These have now been finalised and signposting is commencing.
- **Lambhill site:** The planning application has not been determined. There has been considerable correspondence by local residents and the CC objecting to the way the application is being dealt with.
- **Glen Quey Quarry:** The planning application has still not been determined.
- **Wind turbines:** There have been a number of applications which have engendered considerable discussion. The Council have been requested to produce a detailed guidance note for dealing with this type of application.

In addition to these specific issues, there have been numerous planning applications, other issues the CC has been consulted on, extensive correspondence and a significant number of meetings to attend. The meetings have included the Outdoor Access Forum, T in the Park, Planning Users' Forum, Kinross-shire CC Network, SEPA etc.

Thank you to my fellow councillors for their support and considerable efforts they have made in dealing with their portfolios. Also thanks to Graham Pye for very timeous production of the minutes.

Our local Councillors Barnacle, Cuthbert, Giacopazzi and Robertson have also provided significant support and assistance to the CC on various matters. Gordon Banks, our MP, has also provided considerable support, so thank you to all of them.

### Secretary's Report

After volunteering for the post of secretary at last year's AGM I had to hit the ground running, and having never done anything like this before, I was certainly glad of Trudy's help in the early days to show me the ropes.

Nobody had really prepared me for the amount of work involved, but fortunately as I work from home, I tried to keep on top of things on a daily basis.

Over the past year I have dealt with 916 incoming emails, and have sent out 471. I also ran off 1576 prints for the correspondence, and agendas etc. When you include phone calls and meetings it soon adds up to a fair bit of work.

To try and streamline things a bit we have made a few changes to our process over the last year. After a lot of groans from the public when it came to reading out the correspondence, we decided to change the way this was done, and now we print correspondence sheets for members of the public to review during the meeting, and we highlight any important items that are not on the agenda. Also we are adding a more detailed agenda for the next meeting, to minutes we post on the notice board, removing the need to add a separate agenda later in the month. Sandy and I also get together just before the public meetings to go over and create the meeting agenda.

At this point I would also like to highlight the amount of time and effort that Trudy gave to the CC during her time as secretary. After having been secretary myself for a year, I have a good understanding of the commitment she gave to the community, and for this I thank her very much.

Sandy thanked Kevin for all his hard work.

### Treasurer's Report

The annual accounts were approved. The surplus for the year was £410.94, however it should be noted that the CC has not been invoiced for the school rentals, due to PKC misfiling the paperwork. Hence the closing balance is actually £78 higher than it should be. The closing balance for the year after all payments had been made was £751.99.

### Confirmation of Office Bearers

The Office Bearers all resigned from their current posts. All were happy to continue on the committee. The following were proposed and seconded:

Chair: Sandy Morrison. Secretary: Kevin Borthwick. Treasurer: Angus Cheape. Vice-Chair and Planning: Alastair Lavery. IT and Deputy Treasurer: Rod Paterson. Minute Secretary: Sheila Anderson. Deputy Secretary: Trudy Wigman-Duffy.

**The date of the next AGM** was set for 6 May 2014.

### News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 4 June 2013 were: CCllrs S Morrison, T Wigman-Duffy, K Borthwick; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle and W Robertson and 16 members of the public (MoP). Apologies were received from: CCllrs S Anderson, A Lavery, R Paterson and A Cheape; P&K Cllrs J Giacopazzi and D Cuthbert.

**Declarations of interest:** Sandy reminds all that only CC members need to declare interests.

**Community Policing:** No Police officer was present, but a report sent. No crimes of note in this area last month. Thefts of heating and diesel oil are prevalent due to the prices, so it's good idea to take precautions to protect tanks. Concern from MoP that although there are frequent checks of 30mph limits, people seem to be ignoring the 40mph limits – could checks be done in these areas? Cllr Robertson has asked senior

Police Officers when the Community Speedwatch will be reinstated. Cllr Barnacle reports that PKC is preparing a business case for further speed control measures on the A977.

**Wind Co-operative:** Paul Phare of Energy4all (a not-for-profit organisation) and Ian McLean of Locogen gave a presentation about two wind turbine developments at Carden Farm, 1km south of Crook of Devon, and South Kilduff Farm, 2km south-west of Balado. Planning is likely to be submitted start of July and end of June respectively, expecting a decision by October. The 45m high (30m tower, 15m blade) turbines would be slightly shorter than the Bankhead turbines. Turbines will be placed to maximise separation from residential developments. Ownership to be based on the Danish model – a co-operative set up to be run by a board of local people and funded by a public share offer, minimum £250, maximum £20k, with further finance being sought from other co-operatives and normal sources if necessary. Similar schemes have generated 10% return over the life of the project. Any extra profits would be distributed to community, of the order of £5k to £10k per annum. The landowner will receive a ground rent. Energy4all will assist in setting up co-operative, which will probably take about three months after planning approval. Cllr Barnacle points out that the whole area is being surrounded by multiple schemes, and this proposal will add to that cumulative impact. Further it has been demonstrated that photomontages being prepared for planning do not reflect the reality of what gets built, and new rules are coming into force to address this. Discussion ensued about paying for end-of-life restoration. The planning authority will insist on a bond to decommission site, and the co-operative could choose to extend the planning permission and continue with the site or replace the turbine with a newer one.

**Green Routes:** Brian Cargill from PKC explained the thinking behind these. Local Cllrs had requested the scheme, and after consulting with Clacks, who reported that they were very successful, PKC investigated. In conjunction with surrounding councils it was possible to make continuous routes. Simply putting up speed limit signs doesn't work, so other measures are needed to make the limits effective. There are sixteen routes (twelve in this CC's area) proposed. The process of consulting local CCs, allowing any legal challenges to be resolved etc is taking place. Sustrans passed over £61k which they couldn't deploy last year, and addition of other finance has allowed two of the schemes to be implemented already. Two more locations have been funded by Sustrans this year. Speed limits corresponding to current actual speeds will be imposed, together with signs advising drivers the road is also being used by cyclists, walkers and horse riders. Concern had been expressed about the loss of separation between the pavement and the road on the A977 due to the widening work – Brian replies that there is no evidence that this increases risk. MoP point out that there are other areas that don't have pavements at all: why weren't they fixed first? Brian replies that there is a long list of outstanding requests for pavements, and there isn't a budget for those. There was extensive discussion about whether these schemes will actually improve safety. Long-term traffic analysis has shown gradual increase in traffic volumes on A977, but no more than on other roads, and the percentage of HGVs has not increased. Speed data shows that it's private cars and not HGVs that are exceeding the speed limits. Police traffic cameras are being used to reduce accidents, and hence are deployed in the same places where accidents have

occurred in the past. Brian would welcome suggestions for other locations to become Green Routes.

**Rumbling Bridge hydro scheme:** The CC requires considerably more detail and regular updates to determine its position on community involvement.

**Outh Muir wind farm:** John Anderson sent a report. The liaison group is currently discussing distribution of any potential community benefit (estimated at £62,500 per annum) should the scheme go ahead. The planning application is expected to be submitted to Fife Council later this month (June). Next meeting of the liaison group is on 10 June.

**Blairadam wind farm** will have eleven turbines with a height of 115 metres. Seven to nine will be visible from Yetts of Muckhart, four to six from Cambo and one to three from Crook of Devon. At the presentation about the wind farm, it emerged that the developer is substantially owned by a Canadian Pension Fund and the turbines would be constructed outwith Scotland! A Proposal of Application Notice for this major scheme was registered on 23 April, implying that the planning application could not be submitted before July.

**Heads Hill wind farm:** Proposal for 25 turbines five miles northwest of Kinross, i.e. above Cambo. Cllr Barnacle suggests that this is the same location as a previous scheme that was turned down. Kinross Civic Trust wants to arrange a joint meeting of community groups to discuss the further proliferation of wind farms in this area. It was agreed that the CC would attend.

**Blairingone War Memorial:** Cllr Barnacle reported that he'd written to relevant parties to propose a site meeting to mark out the exact new location.

**Signposting Core Paths and Rights of Way:** George Harley has still not had the meeting with D Stubbs.

**Craigton Wood:** The landowner had not been contacted, and did not wish a circular path to be constructed: legal advice was being taken. The CC had understood that a core path had been designated and that a meeting had been held with D Stubbs, and adjacent farmer, and others, on site. The CC had therefore put in place a working group from the Powmill area to take the matter forward. It was now apparent that agreement had not been reached with the landowner, and the CC therefore disbanded the working group. The CC unreservedly apologises to the landowner for any distress caused by this misunderstanding.

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**Travellers' site, Crook Moss:** Still awaiting the application to be resubmitted. Cllr Barnacle has requested a meeting with Nick Brian, PKC Forward Planning and local representatives to discuss the continued deferral of this application, and the proliferation of gypsy sites.

**Glenquey Quarry:** The traffic and tourism report has been received. Alastair has replied on traffic matters. The next DMC meeting is 19 June, but it's not yet known if this application will be on the agenda. Also noted that Cemex propose to extend the quarry near Falls of Clyde.

**PKC grounds maintenance review:** Response has been received from PKC that they are awaiting a detailed report after Committee decision.

### Reports from P&K Councillors

**Cllr Barnacle:** The resurfacing of the track between Naemoor Road and the river is still being held up by the landowner's refusal to allow the contractor to access the site.

U231 passing places: Cllr Barnacle has been told that he can't set up this meeting, it can only be arranged by Development Control. Discussions continue.

**Cllr Robertson** has suggested to PKC Roads department that they set up a "flying squad" of two or three workers who could quickly go and fix small problems without needing to arrange an external contractor – this idea will be carried forward.

PKC has no policy on red squirrels, so Cllr Robertson is proposing some measures to be put in place to encourage reds and discourage greys.

### Planning

13/00970/FLL Erection of a dwelling house, land 100m south-east of Briglands Lodge, Crook of Devon. Application for a house in the garden of Briglands House. A previous related application, 10/01768/IPL, was rejected on the grounds that it detracted from a listed building. The CC did not comment on this application. The present application has been modified to take the planner's comments into account. No CC comment.

13/00940/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house, Loaningbrae, Drum. Removal of a garage and addition of three rooms. No CC comment.

13/00839/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house, Tigean, Main Street, Blairingone. Removal of a small, single storey extension and replacement with a larger one. No CC comment.

13/00830/FLL Erection of a dwelling house, land 800m northeast of Blairingone Parish Church, Main Street, Blairingone. The site is outwith the settlement boundary and no justification is given under the Houses in the Countryside Policy other than being part of a group of buildings near the church. The site is within the Kinross Local Plan AGLV. Since this application's comment date was before this meeting, it was discussed by the CC members who agreed to recommend rejection, on the grounds that the application is contrary to the Kinross Local Plan, as it is within the AGLV and is outwith but adjacent to the Blairingone settlement boundary.

**Lambhill, Blairingone:** 12/01354/FLL Storage of waste wood material on concrete hardstanding (in retrospect), land at Lambhill, Blairingone for Barnhill Estates has been **given approval**. PK/97/1665 Modification of existing consent to allow change of use of agricultural shed for the processing and storage of biomass materials, land at Lambhill, Blairingone for Barnhill Estates has been **withdrawn**. The

CC considered that these two applications should have been taken as a single development. Activity related to the withdrawn application has been carried out on the site for some time and has been subject to scrutiny, but not stopped, by PKC. It is not at present clear what is now going to happen at this site. The CC should keep the matter under review. Cllr Barnacle spoke to Nick Brian who says that storage of approved material is acceptable, but not the previously proposed change of activity. Cllr Barnacle says that it would be a good idea to make a site visit along with PKC's planner, enforcement officer, and CC representatives. The CC agrees.

**Note:** 11/01225/FLL Erection of dwelling house and garage, land 420m southwest of Middleton, Fossoway. This application was submitted in July 2011 and was not discussed at any CC meeting. It was given approval, without objection, in January 2013 and was only then brought to the CC's attention. Following investigation, and thanks to Cllr Cuthbert, the CC has established that the application was listed properly but not picked up by the CC or others in the community. The site appears to have no "neighbours".

**13/0658** (from last month): The CC has written to PKC asking for clarification on the Report of Handling referring to traffic issues.

**Correspondence:** A full list was circulated to the attendees. Kinross Curling Trust wrote asking for a letter of support to keep curling in Kinross, which has been sent.

Michael Gallagher of CPKCC tells us that the CC can directly contact the Reporter to comment on the Local Development Plan, and the input will be considered.

**Dates of future CC meetings** were circulated – note that the November meeting will be the first Wednesday, so as not to occur on the 5th.

**Draft Agenda for next CC Meeting:** Welcome and Apologies. Declarations of Interest. Community Policing. Minutes of last meeting. Matters Arising. Community Councillors - Meetings Attended. P&C Councillors' Reports. Planning Applications. Correspondence. AOCB.

**The Next Meeting of Fossoway and District CC will take place on Tuesday 6 August 2013 at 7.30pm in Carnbo Village Hall. All welcome!**

**There is no meeting in July due to holidays.**

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## Cleish & Blairadam CC

### News from the June Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 3 June 2013 were: CCllrs P Fraser, R Kitchin, H Somerville, N Robertson, M Traylor and R Jeffrey, Associate Member C Culley, P&K Cllr M Barnacle, George Lawrie (TRACKS) and seven members of the public. Apologies were received from CCllr J Moore.

**Greenacres:** The number of access roads, the new containers overlying the mains water and the woodland 'remodelling' were all discussed with Cllr Barnacle. He was hoping to meet with PKC Forward Planning to discuss *all* travelling sites in the area, in particular the concerns regarding lack of control and spreading out of sites, retrospective applications. He reported to be unhappy with PKC planning dept performance, who he feels aren't responding to local member concerns.

**Crime Prevention:** No police in attendance. Nothing specific in our area was reported. A couple of local initiatives: local 'beauty spots' to be targeted for littering, drunken behaviour etc.

It was thought that the CC should ask for some police attendance because there have now been many meetings without representation, along with a couple of matters that have been brought to the attention of the police without any reply or feedback.

**TRACKS:** George Lawrie reported on the final stage of the Loch Leven Heritage Trail. It is hoped to start construction in July and complete by next spring. A combination of fundraising and donations has helped raise £740K.

There is also a feasibility study to be undertaken for a cycleway between Crook of Devon and Kinross.

The new small part of footpath on the B9097 is part of the Green Route link, a PKC initiative to promote mixed use of rural roads, along with slowing traffic down on these roads.

Other projects included: Easter to Wester Balgedie footpath; and from Vane Farm over Benarty to Lochore Meadows.

The Chairman voiced our thanks to George for the hard work by him, all involved with Tracks and Trails, and to Neil Kilpatrick for all their efforts and the huge success of the Loch Leven Trail.

**Correspondence:** Convention of PKCC: Letter to PKC stated their view that P&K Councillors didn't act on or heed the views of CCs regarding the new LDP. The reply stated that all correspondence will be considered by the Reporter.

**Cleish & Blairadam CC website:** There are still between 30 and 50 sessions per day. Still request some Maryburgh photographs to put onto the site. It was suggested to place a link to the Heritage Trail page.

**Blairadam wind farm:** These are large turbines and there is concern that proposed developments could result in joining up of sites to form a solid line across the southern border of Kinross-shire. There is a policy that turbines shouldn't be sited on ridgelines. It was also suggested that there should be better cross-border co-operation and discussion with Fife with regard to these applications.

The CC is still waiting for the new guidelines in the LDP.

A local resident declared an interest in wind farms (construction of turbines) and added to the discussion, with an opinion that it would be unlikely to have 14 turbines at this site and that the 'huge' turbines are unlikely to be acceptable. It was also suggested that as a community we should look at the possibility of developing turbines to both benefit economically but also to restrict other local developments along the southern hills along the Cleish valley. Grant funding can be available to local community

renewable schemes. It was agreed to place this matter on the next agenda for further discussion.

CCllr Fraser is still going to the Community Liaison meetings for the Outhmuir development.

**Report from Blairadam:** There is concern regarding a letter submitted to PKC from the developer's architects regarding the four proposed new houses at 27a Keltlybridge. It was submitted (and accepted) after the public comment dated. Local residents feel that it is wholly inaccurate. The history of both the site and the submitted photographs of 'local' developments are grossly misleading. Cllr Barnacle is aware of the number and strength of local objections and will speak to the Planning Officer about this application and the late submitted letter.

Trail bikes are now a common problem, coming from Keltly up into the Forest.

### Planning

Residential dwelling house at **Cleish Mains:** Outline consent granted at DCC. Cllr Barnacle reported that the Planning Officer had recommended refusal, the local CC had objected and local members weren't in favour – he fails to understand how this was granted.

**Lochran Sidings:** This site originally had a maximum of three houses agreed by PKC Planning Officers. Previous applications for this proposed gap space have been rejected.

**Beauford Cottage:** There is to be an application for an extension at Beauford Cottage.

**Church Manse:** The Church is looking to sell the Manse, but not the Glebe. The Village Hall Committee should look at the possibility of purchasing the Glebe for local community space. The CC agreed to write to the Session declaring a potential interest in the fields, with an interest in either a long-term lease or an option to purchase.

**Cleish Field:** Some funds have already been raised, and news about other possible grants is still to come in.

### Other business

A local resident informed the CC that he reported a deer being shot on his property to the Police. His concerns were regarding safety, in that a large bore rifle had been used to shoot a deer on or across a public highway and onto his property. The Police are yet to reply to him after four weeks. There is currently more deer culling taking place in the cleared woodland above Cleish.

A Police Scotland report informed us about a meeting with four local members about the change to a single force. The local priorities identified for our region include speeding, drugs and housebreaking.

The white lines into Cleish have been repainted – thank you.

The ditch west of Cleish that was cleared has now filled in again with silt from the potato farm traffic.

**The Next Meeting of Cleish and Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 5 August 2013 in the Tabernacle Hall, Keltlybridge, at 7.30pm.**

Cleish & Blairadam CC minutes are posted on the website  
[www.cleishandblairadam.org.uk](http://www.cleishandblairadam.org.uk)

## Portmoak Community Council

There was no meeting of Portmoak CC in June. The next meeting of Portmoak CC will take place on **Tuesday 9 July 2013** at Portmoak Hall, commencing at 7pm.



# Club & Community Group News

## Common Grounds



Yes, it's still summer, despite having passed the longest day. In the garden all the summer bedding pots, baskets etc will all be near to being at their best. By the time this goes to press, the school holidays will be upon us, so enjoy and make the most of them.

**Celebration Lunch:** Our celebration lunch on 12 June in the Guide and Scout Hall in Milnathort surpassed our wildest hopes. Our guest speaker was Alexander McCall Smith and his lady wife Elizabeth came along with him. We made them most welcome. Alexander spoke for some thirty minutes and was extremely interesting and very funny; we could have listened to him for much longer. He spoke about a whole host of things and people. He told us about the No. 1 Ladies Detective stories and other characters from his various sets of books and that he has written some 20 children's short stories. He also told us how the Really Terrible Orchestra came about, which he plays in himself. As a sign of our appreciation and thanks for him giving us his precious time we presented him with a carving of a family of intertwined giraffes, which was made in Kenya. Elizabeth was given a vase of seasonal, scented flowers. The delicious lunch was provided by Powmill Milk Bar and our thanks to Ann. We also wish to thank the Kinross Church Centre for the use of their tables and chairs, the Guide and Scout Hall Committee for the use of the extra facilities and we especially thank all those who attended the lunch and helped make it a truly memorable event.



*Author Alexander McCall Smith was the special guest at the Common Grounds celebration lunch to mark donations to self-help groups reaching over £100,000*

**Project:** Our project for July is Freedom from Fistula – Balcraig Foundation. This charity works with women in Kenya, Sierra Leone and Malawi who are suffering from obstetric fistula caused by prolonged, obstructed childbirth and lack of access to maternity care. The effect on women is devastating and often condemns them to a life of solitude and despair. The charity's aim is to help these women by providing free surgeries to heal their fistulas, free maternity care to prevent fistulas and ensure safe childbirth. They also train local health workers.

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Thanks to Andy Baird and Jim & Beryl Harley for their donations of wood. If anyone else has any to donate, we would be very grateful; please contact James on the number below.

Our opening hours are still 10am–1pm 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.



*Dr Elizabeth McCall Smith cuts the celebration cake  
to r: Elspeth Caldwell, Linda Freeman, Alexander McCall Smith, Dr  
Elizabeth McCall Smith, John Colbourne, James Henry and  
Claudia Pleass*

## Kinross Museum



Museum activities in June got off to a flying start with the launch of our new exhibition *A Loch of Bronze*, featuring items from the Bronze Age found in recent years around Loch Leven. In addition to this, we are now planning a major schools exhibition linked to the 'Growing up with Loch Leven' educational project. With contributions from all the schools in Kinross-shire, this exhibition is scheduled to open in late August.

The Museum has been out and about in June with talks given to Kinross-shire Round Table and the Steep Trail Conference on Art-Science projects held in Edinburgh, as well a presence at the *Loch Leven Discovery Day* held in the Kirkgate Park where youngsters were to be found colouring in pictures of Loch Leven Castle and the Watch Tower.

Back in the Museum we welcomed pupils from Kinross Primary School working on a project entitled 'Kinross our town' that is designed to explore Kinross past, present and future. Our links with the High School also continue to develop in providing assistance with history projects being developed by the History Department's Local History Group.

Visitors to the Museum Study Room are made welcome by a group of active volunteers each Thursday and Saturday. If you have not yet been to the Museum yet, come and find out more.

## Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club



The July meeting will be held on **Thursday 4 July** at 2pm in the Millbridge Hall. The speaker will be Bill Imlay whose subject is "Memories of a Headmaster".

At the June meeting, Jim Paterson gave a very interesting talk on Kinross, ably assisted by his daughter Fiona.

**Summer Outing 14 July:** Our trip by steamer to Loch Katrine is now fully booked. Bus leaves Green Hotel at 10am.

**Annual Holiday 2014:** This holiday to the Royal Clifton Hotel, Southport will take place from 9 to 14 March. Names now being taken. Contact: Pat Crawford on 01577 862962.

**Theatre Outing:** "Hello Dolly" at Pitlochry Festival Theatre **3 July**. All tickets are now sold. Bus leaves from the Green Hotel at 6.30pm prompt. Contact: Edith Oswald 01577 865731.

The club has also made an advance booking for the show "It's a Wonderful Life", again at the Pitlochry Festival Theatre on **4 December** at a cost of £27.75. Names now being taken. Contact: Edith Oswald 01577 865731.

### Away Days

**Thur 11 July:** Inchcolm Island

**Thur 25 July:** Loch Tummel and Aberfeldy

The coach leaves opposite the Green Hotel at 9.15am. Regrettably no advance bookings for trips can be accepted prior to the monthly meeting. Contact: Mary Muirhead on 01577 863564.

### Friday Walkers

**5 July:** A new walk for the club, starting in Auchtermuchty, going up through Auchtermuchty Common, then following the Glassart Burn and the road passing Pitmedden Farm until reaching the deer farm at Reediehill and making our way back to the start. This is a walk of great interest and is along a variety of paths with some stretches on roads.

**19 July:** The Glen Tilt Trail from Blair Atholl – this is our usual six-mile walk along the roads of the Atholl Estate. The minibus is not available for this walk, and cars will be leaving at the earlier time of 9am.

### Friday Hill Walkers

**12 July** Loch Skiach Bill 8.30am

**26 July** Arbroath Cliff Walk Jackie 8.30am

**9 Aug** The Knock/Hosh - Crieff Anne 8.30am

### Activities:

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

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

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### 2013 Programme of Events

#### Outdoor Car Boot / Indoor Table Top Sale – Sunday

**7 July.** This will be a Car Boot Sale with Outdoor Pitches and Indoor Tables available. Free Public Admission from 10am – 1pm with sellers set up from 9am. All Pitches and Tables must be booked in advance. Please contact Gerry McGregor at lochlevenreception@pkc.gov.uk for a booking form. Price is £10.00 per Outdoor Pitch or Indoor Table which includes Hot Roll or Sandwich & Hot Drink.

#### Antiques, Vintage, Retro and Collectors Fair – Saturday

**17 August.** There will be buying, selling and valuations given. Admission will be from 9.30am – 3.30pm with entry fee of £1.00 per person. For exhibitors booking please contact: Angus on 07944 416565 or Duncan on 07808 773258.

#### Vintage Day 40's Style – Sunday 25 August

Turn back time at Vintage Day with free Public Admission from 11am – 5pm. Come along and see how life was in the 40's with Scottish Military Vintage Vehicles on display, a Vintage Fair, 40's Displays, Pathé Newsreel Screenings and lots of Children's Activities. 40's dressing up is optional and there will be 40's hair and make-up specialists available on the day. The Campus Museum and Library will be open with 40's and Vintage Displays.

#### As part of Vintage Day there will be a 40's Style Afternoon

**Tea Dance** in the Assembly Hall from 2-4pm with doors open from 1.30pm. Tickets are £5.00 per person and are on sale at Campus Reception. So why not practise your 40's dance moves over the summer and come along with the family for an afternoon of traditional 40's dancing together with a lovely afternoon tea. There will be limited number of tickets, so get yours early!

**Vintage Day:** If any group or individual would like to be involved either to share their experiences or put together a display with a 40's theme whilst fundraising for their group or charity, then please get in touch with Gerry McGregor as soon as possible at the contact details above.

### Other Events for 2013

Sat 21 Sep	Antiques and Collectors Fair
	Special Valuation Day (TBC)
Sun 29 Sep	Fife Cat Shelter Charity Auction
October	Car Boot / Table Top Sale (date TBC)
Sat 19 Oct	Antiques and Collectors Fair
Sat 2 Nov	Charities Christmas Cards Sale
Sat 9 Nov	Christmas Festival and Craft Fair
Fri 15	KLEO Music Festival
Sat 16 Nov	KLEO Music Festival – Ricky Ross
Fri 22/23 Nov	KLEO Music Festival
Sat 14 Dec	Antiques and Collectors Fair
Sun 15 Dec	Kinross-shire Churches Together Christmas Service

## Kinross Garden Group

We had a successful trip to Berwick and Lindisfarne with good weather.

Our next trip is to St Andrews and Wormistoun House, Crail, on Thursday 18 July.



## Scottish Handcraft Circle

### Kinross Branch

In May, the biennial exhibition of the Scottish Handcraft Circle was held in the Kinross Parish Church and was a great success, with well over three hundred visitors over the three days.

The magnificent venue was adorned with a vast array of exhibits from the three branches (St Andrews, Glasgow and Kinross), including a wide variety of textile art, embroidery, handmade bags, garden sculptures (wire-formed animals) to name but a few.

It was gratifying to have so many people from the local community visiting the exhibition, as well as those who had travelled from further afield.

Our thanks go to everyone who made the event such a success – exhibitors, volunteers and particularly the representatives of Kinross Parish Church, whose help was invaluable at every stage of the exhibition.

If anyone is interested in finding out more about the Scottish Handcraft Circle, please contact Meg Murray (Chairperson of the SHC) on 01592 265773 or by email to [kingdomcrafts@rocketmail.com](mailto:kingdomcrafts@rocketmail.com), and she will be able to put you in touch with your nearest branch.



*An impressive exhibition of textile craft and art took place in May*

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**Subject Line** of the Email message. Thank you.

## Queen's Scout Award

Three members of Milnathort Explorer Scout Unit, Duncan McDiarmid, Liam Duffy and Sarat Roy, were presented with their Queen's Scout Award by Aileen Campbell, MSP, Minister for Children and Young People at the Scottish Awards Ceremony held in Easterbrookhall, The Critchon, Dumfries.



The Queen's Scout Award is the top award in scouting, demanding high standards of self discipline and leadership. The award takes a minimum of 18 months' work to achieve, requiring active participation in the life of the explorer unit, including spending 18 nights camping, participation in international activities, environmental work and reflecting on their personal values. To meet the international aspect, the explorers attended the Icelandic Centenary Jamboree and visited volcanic and glacier sites. Inspired by completion of the John Muir Award in the Sandwood Bay area where they learnt about the fragile ecosystem supported by the local ranger, the explorers joined the Fife Conservation volunteers for the monthly work parties at Lochore meadows. Values auctions, homelessness activities and drug and alcohol debates helped them reflecting on their own values.

In addition they completed their Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards, hiking across Scotland, volunteering for 12 months, participating in a four night residential event, learning to drive and pursuing new physical activities. The final aspect of the award was an impressive 30 minute presentation they prepared on their achievements to an audience that included scouts from Glenfarg and Kinross Troops and scout commissioners. When asked what was the activity they enjoyed most they all replied "Iceland Jamboree".

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## Kinross Parish Church

### Local Church Team Links with Youth in Hungary

A team of volunteers of all ages from Kinross Parish Church of Scotland head out to Debrecen, Hungary in July to help in an "English Speaking Camp" run by the 'Great Church' in that city. Many of the volunteers have experience of the Family Week held in the Kinross church every summer and parts of the Camp's programme of children and young people finding out about God and Jesus in a friendly and fun way will be familiar. However, a large part of the Camp is helping the students, from 10 to 20 years old, improve their English language skills.

To that end the volunteers have been studying teaching materials aimed at four levels of ability.

Following the Camp in Debrecen, four young people from the Hungarian congregation will travel to Scotland to help in Kinross Parish Church's own Family Week programme.

As part of the Hungarian Reformed Church, the Great Church has close contacts with the Church of Scotland. Its building (see photo) is one of Hungary's most important and was the scene of two major historical events in the country's history with the government meeting in the church and in the church's theological college after



*Debrecen Protestant Great Church*

the declaration of independence from Austria in 1849 and the Temporary National Assembly meeting also in the Great Church in December 1944.



### ... and more from Kinross Parish Church!

Photo at left shows some of the Men's Group from Kinross Parish Church set off on a recent cycle around Loch Leven

### Kinross in Bloom

Kinross in Bloom held their AGM in the Church Centre on Wednesday 12 June, where a good turnout of members heard Chairman Iain give a comprehensive report of the year's activities, the main item being the purchase and erection of a polytunnel and storage hut on ground kindly donated by Dobbies Garden Centre. This has been put to good use this year.

The treasurer introduced our balance sheet for the year, and this was discussed and signed off.

Office bearers for the year are as follows: Chairman – Iain Todd, Vice Chairman – Derek Lawrence, Secretary – Clare Hill, Treasurer – Aileen Sorbie.

Elsewhere, our hanging baskets, barrels and planters should be in full bloom by now. These plants were all brought on in our polytunnel and were looked after and watered by our members, so we should have a better display this year.

The 200 Club winners for June are:

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. No.63 Pauline Watson | 2. No.59 Kate Francis  |
| 3. No.50 Cath Watson    | 4. No.39 Eileen Thomas |

Congratulations to all.

Our next meeting is **Wednesday 10 July** in the Garden Room at the Church Centre.



### Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

(Affiliated to Ramblers Scotland)

Summer has arrived – let's hope it lasts this year! It's the perfect time to get out walking, make new friends and improve your general health and fitness. 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.

**Saturday 6 July: Abernethy-Castle Law Circuit, 5 miles.**

Flat walk through village then on to Castle Law (option of climbing hill), returning via Glen Path. Children welcome with a responsible adult. Dogs welcome on leads.

**Sunday 21 July: A Rait Guid Walk, 6½ miles.**

Starting from the Antiques shop, a circular walk past Fingask Castle and around the Braes of Carse. Not suitable for children. Registered assistance dogs only.

Given our unpredictable weather, you do need appropriate clothing (not denim jeans) including boots and waterproofs. 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.

**Please mention The Newsletter when answering advertisements**

## Kinnesswood in Bloom

Once again the hanging baskets will be delivered before the Portmoak Festival. They should provide a lovely display for the summer.

The vegetables at the school are coming on well. The children have been painting pictures of the wildlife around Loch Leven and these have been framed, making a wonderful art display on show at Portmoak Church during the festival. Some may be on display elsewhere throughout the summer before they are returned to the children. They are well worth seeing.

There was considerable concern at the last meeting about the quality of the work done on the wall in the Picture Garden. The bus shelter was to be repointed but the wall was not specified as part of that work. The hedge by the park was damaged by weedkilling last year and has not recovered despite assurances that it would in due course.

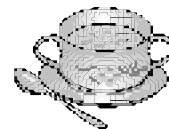
The end of Lavender Walk is currently being developed by Ray and Deborah, who regularly tidy the shrubs and trees in the "nature strip". They are making a significant improvement to the area.

Since John Nicol retired recently he has been seen on a daily basis, cutting grass, strimming, planting and painting. Thank you, John, for all the work you are doing. We all hope you and Pat enjoy the Royal Garden Party.



## Recipe

supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom



### Butternut Squash and Sweet Potato Soup

#### Ingredients

1 large butternut squash	2 medium onions
50g butter	2-3 sweet potatoes
2 chicken stock cubes	Pepper to season

#### Method

Sauté the chopped onions in melted butter until soft. Add the butternut squash and sweet potato. Cover with boiling water and simmer until the vegetables are soft. Liquidize together, add stock cubes and a good ground of black pepper. Add a dollop of crème fraîche or yogurt at the end for a creamy taste.

## Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme



At the AGM held in May, Chairperson Fiona Mapp stepped down and Ken Paterson took over as Chair of the group. Committee members Elaine Matthew and Jim Ferrier had intimated that they were not standing for re-election and Sandy Smith, Maureen Grant and Mike Thomson were welcomed on to the committee. Chairman Ken thanked Fiona, Elaine and Jim for all the work they had done over the years on behalf of KVG&ROS.

After the business part of the meeting, an excellent talk was given by Neil Kilpatrick about the Heritage Trail. As everyone at the meeting seems to use the facility on a regular basis, it was interesting to hear about plans for the final section of the trail.

The purpose of the KVG&ROS is to provide transport and befriending to people in need in Kinross and the outlying areas. Our co-ordinator, Ann Munro, reported at the AGM that the group had provided 3588 journeys last year, enabling members of our local community to access facilities which otherwise would not be possible. These included transport to hospitals, health centre, community centre, shopping and visiting relatives.

We have set charges for trips, see below, and the volunteers are paid out-of-pocket expenses to an agreed format. The service we provide is highly valued in the area and many clubs, groups, churches, charities, etc support our work with donations, for which the committee and users are always grateful.

For further information please contact our co-ordinator Ann Munro, 01577 840196.

The following charges are currently in place:

Health Centre from Kinross or Milnathort	£3
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## Kinross-shire Day Centre

On Friday 7 June some members of Kinross-shire Day Centre enjoyed the second barge trip of the year from Ratho on the outskirts of Edinburgh.

We are fortunate to have the mini-buses which enable us to have days or afternoons out in the summer. Two further barge trips are planned for later in the summer so that all of our members will have the chance to take part.

We have also taken advantage of the recent good weather with shorter trips through Glen Devon and to Birnie Loch Nature Reserve.

Kathy Crabb (volunteer)



Members of Kinross-shire Day Centre enjoy their barge trip

## Kinross Camera Club

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

Those who participated in the weekend away and arrived earlier than the Friday or stayed on after the Sunday may have benefited from better weather than members who were only there over the weekend for, while the Friday was beautiful, a sea mist came in overnight and the Saturday was initially misty and subsequently very wet! However it encouraged a number of the participants to go to Alnwick Castle to appreciate its fine interior, the peopled battlements and the landscaped gardens: even in the rain, the Cascade had a certain character! The writer is still hoping to see Bamburgh Castle as other than a ghostly image!

Our Entertainments Secretary is keeping us well informed about events occurring in the locality; members went to West Fife Show and also to Markinch Highland Games, while an enthusiastic report has been received from those who have recently been to Perth's Branklyn Gardens. Looking ahead, some of us are shortly going to the Isle of May and hoping the weather will be better than on the last occasion. Before that, there is the Royal Highland Show at Ingliston and the model aircraft flying Open Event at Balbedie, both of which are sure to offer many opportunities for photography.

The Scottish Photographic Federation's Exhibition at Brechin proved well worth the visit and in August the Edinburgh Photographic Society's 151st International Print Exhibition will be held at their premises at 68 Great King Street, Edinburgh – again, well worth seeing.

For further details of membership, please contact the Secretary: [alisonbradley101@btinternet.com](mailto:alisonbradley101@btinternet.com) or via the website.



## Kinross & District Town Twinning Association



Everyone is looking forward to the visit of our friends from Gacé for this summer's official twinning visit in early August.

The Town Twinning Association exists to promote the long links between the twin towns and is open to all, whether members or not. **Anyone who would like to participate in this summer's programme of events for the week long visit is more than welcome to join in.**

We regret that the expected numbers travelling are fewer than we expected, so people showing interest in hosting this time are thanked for their interest and we hope they will keep in touch and join us again with a view to participating in the twinning visit to Gacé in two years time.

### Programme (Dates are in August):

- Sun 4th: Gacé party arrives around 6pm at the Community Campus.
- Mon 5th: Free time with families.
- Tues 6th: 09:00 Assemble at Community Campus for day trip (with picnic lunch) to Culzean Castle, Burns Cottage and high tea at Castlecary House Hotel. Cost £25 per person.
- Wed 7th: Free time with families.
- Thu 8th: 09:00 Assemble at Community Campus for day trip (with picnic lunch) to Dundee. Start point as Discovery Point (£8.75, concessions £6.75, child £5), with options for Science Sensation, swimming pool, shops etc. Meet back at coach for 12:30. Afternoon option to Camperdown Park. Return across Tay Road Bridge via Strathmiglo (bowling club) for barbecue/cooked meal. Duck race on River Eden. Cost £7 to cover evening meal, entry fees to locations of choice to be paid by individuals.
- Fri 9th: Free time with families. Afternoon/evening set up for Kinross Show.
- Sat 10th: Kinross Show. Come along and sample the three "Cs" – Cheese, Cider and Calvados, provided by our twin town.
- Sun 11th: Evening dinner and exchange of twinning gifts at Milnathort Town Hall with musical entertainment. Cost £20 per person.
- Mon 12th: 08:00 Assemble at Community Campus for departure of Gacéans for their return journey to Normandy.

Anyone wishing to join in any of the above should contact chairperson Jeannie Paterson (tel. 01577 862159).

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## Portmoak Primary School

**Health Week:** Staff and children actively participated in our recent health week. We started the week with a big clean-up of the school grounds and surrounding area and then had a litter free lunch in school where the children considered the amount of packaging we use in our everyday lives. That Monday also saw us competing for our houses at our annual sports day. Over the course of the week the children had opportunities to prepare food such as healthy pizzas, smoothies and dips and teachers planned tasks that allowed children to make links in their learning. In Primary 1/2 the children wrote recipes to share their learning and similar activities were happening across the school. It was super to see almost all of our Primary 5, 6 and 7 children out on their bikes on Friday afternoon and one of the highlights was certainly seeing our older pupils helping younger children in the school as they worked together in orienteering. A big thank you to all of the parents, pupils and staff who worked together to make the event enjoyable for all.

**Sports Day:** We were very fortunate to have glorious weather on our sports day and it was great to see the large number of families who came to support and cheer on the children. Leven managed to retain the trophy for the second year running and our Fair Play award went to Bishop. All of the children did their very best and had an enjoyable day cheering on their team mates.

A number of parents were involved in contributing to and running the refreshments stall which was a big success. We raised £177 for the Teenage Cancer Trust. Well done and thank you to all involved.

**Cricket Success:** Portmoak pupils brought home the silverware once more after a successful turn of events at the Kinross-shire cricket tournament. Two of our teams went on to the Perth final having come first and fourth in the tournament. More success followed as Team 1 collected the winners' trophy at Doo'cot Park on 5 June.

Well done to all our cricketers – Portmoak is the top team in Perth and Kinross for the third year running!

**P6/7 Mary's Meals:** As part of their RME work, P6/7 took part in a Backpack Project for the charity, Mary's Meals. We worked on this project with members of Orwell and Portmoak Guild. Mary's Meals aims to provide one meal per school day for chronically poor children in centres all over the world. We were fortunate to have a visit from a volunteer speaker from the charity who was able to tell the children about the positive difference that the backpacks make to children in Malawi. This was an excellent opportunity for the children to hear about and see the impact their help will have. Our backpacks have now been collected and are making their way to Africa. Global citizenship in action!

**Fundraising News:** A fantastic £355 was raised in our latest Bags 2 School collection. Thank you to everyone who handed in clothing and textiles here or at Buchan's Garage. We are continuing to use Easy Fundraising at Portmoak Primary and have so far raised £128.12. If you haven't already used this site, please consider joining to boost our fundraising efforts:

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/portmoakprimary](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/portmoakprimary)

It's been a very busy year full of learning and achievement for our pupils. We would like to thank everyone who has supported the school this year and look forward to welcoming many of you back in school next session.

Thank you for taking an interest in reading our news.

*Anna Nesbitt, Acting Headteacher*

## Seamab School

In my last Newsletter article, I wrote about why Seamab exists – or more straightforwardly – what are we here for? In this month's article I will be writing about what we do – how we care for children, the education we provide, and how we work to help the children heal, grow and learn.

We have two different campuses for Seamab – one where the children live, and one where they go to school. On the campus where the children live, we have three bungalows, which are just like ordinary family homes. The children live in small groups and they are cared for by teams of care workers. These teams get to know the children very well and they develop strong relationships. Through the experience of these relationships, the children can learn to trust adults and feel safe. Often the children need support to learn basic everyday skills, such as buying something in a shop or eating a meal at a table. Over time, the children can develop in confidence and feel better about themselves.

In school, the children are in small classes with a primary school teacher and an education support worker. Their teacher offers teaching and learning which is tailored to the individual child's needs. Children in the same class may be working on the same topic, but have very different tasks. Often the children's previous experience of school has been difficult – their emotional and social problems have got in the way of their learning. It can therefore take some time for children to build their confidence. The relationship with their teacher and education support worker is crucial in helping the child make progress.

At Seamab, we also offer the children a range of structured activities and groups. Currently these include music, drama, arts and crafts, knitting, swimming and jogging. All of these are based on what the children are interested in and help the children develop their skills and confidence.

To help the children recover from their past experiences, we do offer lots of opportunities for them to talk with trusted adults and to explore their feelings. Sometimes the children use play for this or they may choose to use story telling. What's important is that they start to understand their own history in a way that helps them.

Seamab is a unique service, and we are committed to developing how we work, to try and achieve the best results for the children we are responsible for. That's why we have introduced different ways of working, including using iPads to support learning.

In my next Newsletter article, I will write about the support that Seamab has and the plans for our twenty-fifth birthday celebrations.

*Joanna McCreadie, Chief Executive*

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## Milnathort Primary School

by Hannah Black, P6/7

On Saturday 1 June, Milnathort Primary had their annual summer school fair. It was a beautiful day apart from a few showers. The Fair had lots of stalls such as Ice Cream stalls, BBQ, Jewellery stall, Cakes, Teddies, a bottle tombola and lots of others. There were also two giant bouncy castles and 'sponge the Dad' where unsuspecting fathers were pelted by wet sponges. The Kinross Pipe Band performed to open the fair and Nikki Matthews Dance Academy gave an excellent display. They were all amazing!

Miss McColgan, our Head Teacher, had challenged our P6/7 class to run a coffee stall at the fair, as our topic is Businesses and Products. We worked out the prices it would cost to buy the products that we required and wrote letters to our local businesses such as, Loch Leven's Larder, Asda, Sainsbury's, Costa, Kinross Rugby Club, Marg Mead (a fair-trade business) and Tesco.

We told them all about our summer fair and asked them if they would be able to donate us some coffee, tea, biscuits etc. All of the companies wrote back but sadly not all of them were able to donate us some goodies.

We tried to get as many treats and drink supplies as possible to maximise profits for school funds. Which we managed to do! Asda in Dunfermline kindly donated us a £20 voucher, which we used to buy trays of donuts, cookies and yumyums. Sainsbury's donated us some delicious biscuits. We received fair trade tea, coffee, hot chocolate and sugar from Marg Mead and Costa delivered us some cups and rather luxurious looking muffins. Loch Leven's Larder kindly gave us some cups, sugar and drink stirrers and provided us with the ingredients required to make fruit scones. It was great fun and they were one of our best sellers on the day.

We each made logos and names for our stall and our head teacher decided on the name 'GeT MuggeD'.

We worked out our costings to the nearest pence per cup, devised a rota to ensure that the stall was fully staffed at all time. We also wore 'GeT MuggeD' branded T-shirts during our shifts, which were really cool. Some of us made posters and leaflets to attract custom and advertise our goodies. A few children painted trays with our logo on them for a mobile delivery service around the stands. We also had a Gingerbread decorating stall which appealed for the younger children and was quite busy throughout the afternoon.

In total, once we had deducted our costs, we made £244.91 and we still have some tea, coffee etc left for next time. We would like to say a big thank you for all the kind donations and to all the customers who stopped by for a Coffee or Hot Chocolate with Cream and Marshmallows.

*See also Thanks, p. 89.*



*Hannah Black with staff at Loch Leven's Larder, who donated scone ingredients and other things*

## Milnathort Primary School Parent Council

### Gardening Volunteers Wanted

Milnathort Primary School are looking for some volunteers who quite like gardening and who have a little time on their hands to take ownership of an area of the school garden. It would be great to have a few people to weed and care for a small section. The school grounds would be open for volunteers outside of school hours. If you would like to help or would like further information, please contact [elyse.kirkham@milnathortprimary.org.uk](mailto:elyse.kirkham@milnathortprimary.org.uk) or telephone 07747534513. Thank you.

## Kinross-shire Round Table



Round Tablers thoroughly enjoyed the talk given by Professor David Munro at the Green Hotel on Tuesday 4 June. The topic of his talk was "Ten things you should know about Kinross-shire".

On 18 June we played a round of golf at Milnathort Golf Club, where we also enjoyed a meal. In July, Kinross-shire Round Table and volunteers will be working hard at T in the Park. Fingers crossed for fine weather.

Our programme, with details of events, is available on [www.kinross-shire.roundtable.co.uk](http://www.kinross-shire.roundtable.co.uk)

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## Kinross High School Parent Council



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A full copy of all Parent Council meeting minutes can be requested by contacting the Clerk.

The sixth meeting of the 2012-13 session was held on 27 May and the KHSPC discussed the following items.

**Headteacher's Report:** The school was in the midst of the exam period for S4, S5 and S6. S1, S2 and S3 have moved on to their 2013/2014 timetable. PKC have conducted interviews at the school with parents, pupils and staff re progress on HMIE recommendations and concluded that good progress is being made but an increase in pace and improved strategic management should now be the focus. Mr Keatings reported on staffing.

Concerns regarding new examinations following the move to Curriculum for Excellence were discussed. Some useful websites were highlighted, and Mr Keatings indicated that there is particularly useful information under the heading of "Nationals in a Nutshell" on both the Parentzone and Glow websites. Further information on the new national examinations will be placed on the school website but he is happy to organise another information evening should that be required.

On Friday 7 June, Parent Council members supplied cakes to the school as a thank you to the great many members of staff who drive and support activities well above and beyond their regular duties from which our young people benefit. The Parent Council would like to take this opportunity once again to thank everyone at Kinross High School for their efforts.

This year at Parents' Evenings, focus groups have been run by the school to help parents engage with the school. These have been successful and will continue. The Parent Council has been invited to suggest topics for the focus groups to take place in session 2013/14. Please forward any suggestions you might have to the Clerk.

The Parent Council website should soon be available as part of the High School website. Please bear with us while this change takes place. In the meantime, if you wish a copy of the current minutes, please contact the Clerk.

Current postholders of the Parent Council are: Douglas Ogilvie (Chair), Rory Stewart (Vice-chair), Alan Miller (Treasurer).

The Parent Council is in place to represent the views of parents and guardians of pupils at the school, to help ensure that our young people can learn and develop to their maximum potential. We work in partnership with the school to create a positive and proactive environment which supports pupils, staff and parents. The Parent Council is on hand to help support the process of communications with the school and we are always keen to hear from you, whether it be good, or not! If you would like to join the Parent Council you would be most welcome. Please contact the Clerk if you are interested.

Thank you.

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## KHS Mary's Meals Project

by Gemma Matthews, Head Girl

### Starting with a Bang

Kinross High School's new charitable initiative has got off to a great start with an impressive amount of money already raised for Mary's Meals.

Pupils from first to third year seized the opportunity to raise money through a sponsored walk and managed to collect an amazing £2,000.

Donations from a dance show and a second year enterprise group brings the total raised so far to £2,500.

The group organising the fundraising is eager to continue the good work and is now meeting regularly to plan fundraising events for the new school year. With this encouraging start, the group's hopes of meeting the target of £11,000 look within reach.

This money will be used to build a kitchen in Africa to provide meals at a village school. It takes just £10.70 to feed a child one meal a day in a place of education for a year so every penny counts!

The school's charity group hopes the community will get involved to support this worthy initiative and help raise awareness of global citizenship.

"Watch out for a range of exciting events throughout the year," said one of the organising group, Brad Herd.

## Ladies Circle

June and July are busy fun and fundraising months for Ladies Circle. On Saturday 8 June we went through to Callander for the **Annual JSA Lunch**, a fantastic day organised by the Callander Ladies Circle, where the colour pink and fancy shoes were the theme for the day!



*Ladies Circle members on a day out in Callander*

On Saturday 15 June we provided the refreshment stop for the **LEPRA Bike Ride**.

In July the Ladies Circle, along with Kinross Round Table, run the Refresh Area during the **T in the Park** weekend.

We also meet every other Thursday for alternate business meetings and social evenings. If you would like to join us, please contact Emma on 07967155234 or check out our website [www.ladiescircle.co.uk/kinross](http://www.ladiescircle.co.uk/kinross)

## Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation

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

### Mary Queen of Scots event in Kirkgate Park

In conjunction with the Rotary Club, KLEO will be organising a Mary Queen of Scots event in Kirkgate Park on **Saturday 17 August** starting at 2pm.

There will be an **exhibition** about Mary Queen of Scots in the marquees and a small additional display in the Watch Tower. Prof David Munro (Kinross-shire Historical Society and Kinross Museum) will lead **'walking talks'** at 2pm, 3pm and 4pm from the marquee to the watch tower and burial ground at the end of Kirkgate Park. The Orwell Dramatic Society will stage a **re-enactment** of Mary Queen of Scots arriving at the park shore by rowing boat. There will also be various **children's activities** (arts and crafts with a historical theme, bouncy castle etc) organised by Swansacre Playgroup. **Singer-songwriter** Gillian Shackleton will perform and in the evening there will be a **ceilidh** in the marquee with Gail and Neil Paterson of the Orwell Ceilidh Band.

More information about the whole programme will feature in the next Newsletter but put this event in your diary!!!



*A re-enactment of Mary's escape from Lochleven Castle is one of many attractions on 17 August. The picture shows a similar event from 1987.*

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### Ricky Ross (from Deacon Blue) at Kinross-shire Music Festival

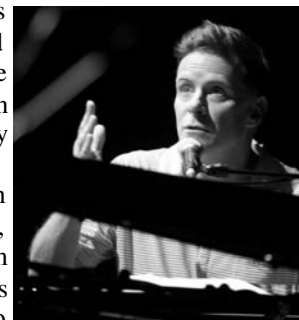
As announced in last month's Newsletter, we are delighted Ricky Ross will perform at the Kinross-shire Music Festival on 16 November at the Community Campus.

Ricky celebrated 25 years in Deacon Blue in 2012. This year, Ricky has released a solo album 'Trouble Came Looking'. This has given him the opportunity to hit the road again, performing songs from his solo career together with classic Deacon Blue songs.

Ricky's concert will be on **Saturday 16 November**, 8pm at the Community Campus in Kinross so, as from the quote from the Glasgow Evening Times: "Sit down and listen to a master songwriter".

We are also delighted to announce that local, upcoming band **Sienna** is the support act for this evening.

Tickets (£22) for the concert are for sale through our website [www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.kinrossmusicfestival.co.uk), TicketWeb, Milnathort Post Office and the Macbeth & Currie Estate Agents in Kinross.



*Ricky Ross*



*Sienna*

### BluesUp

BluesUp at the Thistle Hotel takes place on the first FRIDAY of each month for the rest of the summer. Our line-up of bands through until September:

**Fri 5 July**

**Fri 2 Aug**

**Fri 6 Sep**

**GT's Boos Band**

**Dirt Road Blues**

**Laura Mays Blue Rays**

Entry is FREE and the music starts at 9pm.

### Leven Voices

Leven Voices, the community choir led by Horsecross tutors, has a summer stop at the moment. Sessions will continue from Tuesday 17 September, 7.30pm at the Kinross Parish Church. If interested please e-mail [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk)

## Cultural and Community Services Community Learning and Development



**Tracey Ramsay**

**Senior Community Capacity Building Worker**

Kinross-shire, Bridge of Earn, Glenfarg, Abernethy and surrounding areas, based in the Loch Leven Community Campus, Kinross.

**Dear community members**, my role is to support: • People to be confident, skilled and active members of the community • Communities to be active and have more influence • Community organisations to get access to resources and to deliver services effectively • Community organisations to plan, manage and assess their work effectively • Community organisations to include a wide range of people in their work • Productive networks and relationships.

A brief overview of work I have been involved in over the period April 2012 - March 2013:

### **The Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group (KCLDG)**

This group aims to work together to share information with individuals, groups and communities to inform services, identify and respond to needs and improve the quality of life locally.

KCLDG membership draws representation from across all sectors and is in the process of inviting further identified services and agencies to be involved. The group has 33 members and meets every six weeks. The group has facilitated a range of opportunities to share and develop good practice and knowledge of local needs and priorities. They are currently working on a joint action plan and have been instrumental in the delivery of the Better Place to Live Fair, Volunteer Fair and Make a Difference Family Fun Day.

**Group developments:** • Partners Directory • Spotlight 1st Edition • Webpage on the local website • Partners have worked jointly to deliver various workshops and courses • Supported Make A Difference Family Fun Day 2012 and the Volunteer Fair 2012.

The next **Better Place to Live Fair** is **8 March 2014**, Loch Leven Community Campus.

For more information about the KCLDG visit:

[www.pkc.gov.uk/article/2103/Community-Capacity-Building-in-Kinross-Shire](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/article/2103/Community-Capacity-Building-in-Kinross-Shire) or [www.kinross.cc/cld\\_group/index.htm](http://www.kinross.cc/cld_group/index.htm)

### **Make a Difference Family Fun Day**

Over 30 local organisations came together to highlight the important role that volunteers play locally, nationally and globally. The event proved a real success with over 380 people attending. Feedback suggested this be an annual event. Comment from one of the stallholders:

*"Fantastic event has really enabled us to promote the association. Would love to do it again next year! Thank you everyone for your hard work!"*

### **International Women's Day Event**

This was held at the campus on 23 March 2013. The event provided an opportunity for over 20 local community groups, organisations and local services to provide relevant information and activities for all women and their families in Kinross-shire. There were around 140 people involved. It proved a success in terms of networking opportunities, information sharing and an opportunity for those who visited the event to take part in family tennis, therapies, belly

dancing and lots more. Thank you to everyone for their support on the day.

### **Olympic Torch Relay**

A host of activities was co-ordinated by a committee of 12 local services and community members, brought together and supported by the local Senior Community Capacity Building Worker, to celebrate the Olympic Torch coming through Kinross-shire on 13 June 2012.

The committee organised a detailed time line with activities from Milnathort to Kinross with celebrations at the Loch Leven Campus, which aimed to enhance and encourage the community members line the streets to cheer on the torchbearers selected for Milnathort, Kinross and Crook of Devon. Many thanks to all those involved in contributing to mark the occasion. It was a great morning.

### **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations**

This was a joint working initiative with the Kinross Day Centre to provide an opportunity for Day Centre clients, family members and friends to take part in celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee at the campus on 5 June 2012.

Comments from Day Centre visitors:

*"Fine way to spend an afternoon. We were all very happy, loads of smiling faces."*

*"Afternoon was very nice. I very much enjoyed the dancers and the singer. It was good to be included in the singing".*

### **The Volunteer Fair**

This was held at the campus on 7 June 2012. It provided an opportunity for community groups, organisations and local services to recruit volunteers and provided an opportunity for residents to find out how to get involved in volunteering and how this can benefit their communities. Over **20 local groups** and organisations came together to highlight the important role that volunteers play and opportunities available.

The event was not that well attended – around 50 visitors overall – however it proved a success in terms of the people who did attend. Feedback highlighted it should be an annual event.

### **Supporting Local Community Organisations**

Numerous groups have been supported through the process of constitution, committee skills and funding advice, in turn enhancing the area by providing new services and opportunities for the people of Perth & Kinross.

### **Funding**

- Funding information distributed to CCB database of local community groups and organisations in the area, the local Kinross-shire website and Newsletter.
- Funding workshops delivered by request for numerous groups and group representatives.

### **Texting Project**

Over 200 people from Kinross-shire have signed up to this free information service that uses text messages to send relevant, up-to-date information to people of Perth and Kinross about events and services that directly impact on them.

### **CCB Database**

There are over 200 groups, organisations and local services on the CCB database. If anyone would like to be added or removed from the database please advise using the following contact details.

*If you would like to discuss this report, please contact Tracey Ramsay (Senior Capacity Building Worker), Loch Leven Community Campus, The Muirs, KY13 8FQ, alternatively you can call 01577 867124 or email [Tramsay@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:Tramsay@pkc.gov.uk)*

## Potager Garden

We were very lucky to have a lovely sunny morning for our **"Blooming Great Tea Party"** at the garden on 8 June. Thank you to all who helped, and who came along, and for your generous donations, totalling **£170 for Marie Curie Cancer Care**. Thank you, too, to Dobbies and others for their raffle prize donations.



*A sunny day helped make the Potager's 'Blooming Great Tea Party' a success*

**Thank you to Pat** who donated to us some plant trays and cloches, and a compost bin, which we have passed on to the Primary School.

**Mrs Wardlaw's class** have now finished their visits to the garden for this term, but will return after the holidays for their harvesting and tasting session. They all worked well with their learning, and practical work in the garden, and the vegetable beds are now almost full.

The garden is looking good with many flowers as well as vegetables, and lots of insect visitors, as well as the usual slugs and snails, and even a frog! The garden is **open every day**, and visitors are welcome, but **children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult**, for safety reasons, and please do not eat anything which you find in the garden, even if you think you know what it is.

Our **volunteer sessions** continue on Monday mornings from about 10.30, when you can also come to see our plants for sale.

If you have any questions, comments or ideas about the garden, please contact the Convenor Amanda James, on 01577 840809 or [amanda@tyafon.plus.com](mailto:amanda@tyafon.plus.com).

Check out our website, [www.potagergardenkinross.com](http://www.potagergardenkinross.com)

## Dobbies Community Champion

It has been good to see some summery weather recently for gardening, or relaxing in your garden.

On 2 June, our **Little Seedlings Club** enjoyed learning about the importance of bees, and how to help them in the garden, and they planted their own sunflower to grow at home. The July meeting will be at 11am on **Sunday 7 July**, about butterflies and their life cycle, and we will plant up a pot of flowers for them in your garden. The August meeting, on **4 August** will be learning about different environments, and the animals and plants which live there. The club is free, for children aged 4 to 10, who must be accompanied by an adult. Please phone 01577 863327 to book your place at these sessions, and I look forward to seeing you there.

Some pupils from **Kinross High School** have recently started an exciting new project, growing vegetables at an **allotment at Blair Adam**, near Keltbridge. Dobbies have helped them to get growing with a donation of tools, seeds and young plants. Some of the young gardeners are shown in the photo below.



We have also made a donation to the **Nursery garden at Kinross Primary School**, which they are currently developing.

If your school or community group are planning a planting project, and would like some assistance, please contact me at [herewegrowkinross@dobbies.com](mailto:herewegrowkinross@dobbies.com) and we will consider your request under the **"Here we Grow" scheme**.

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*Amanda James, Community Champion*

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## Kinross Boys' Brigade

**Queen's Badges Presentation:** Two members of the Kinross Company were presented with their Queen's Badges at the mid-Scottish ceremony held at Holy Trinity Parish Church in St Andrews on Sunday 9 June.

Staff sergeants Jack Finnie and Matthew McDonald received the highest award in the Boys' Brigade from Margaret Dean, Fife's Lord Lieutenant, and Depute Provost of Fife, Kay Morrison.

A number of other members from the Kinross Company are working towards their Queen's Badges and they will hopefully be part of next session's presentation ceremony.



Jack Finnie and Matthew McDonald receiving their Queen's Badges.  
 l to r: Margaret Dean (Lord Lieutenant of Fife) Jack Finnie, Kay Morrison (Depute Provost of Fife) and Matthew McDonald

**Sainsbury Bag Packing:** Thanks to the friendly staff at our local Sainsbury's supermarket and the general public of Kinross-shire who donated the marvellous sum of £589 at a recent bag packing day in aid of the Kinross Company's summer camp activities.

**Company Summer Camp:** A party of 30 from the Kinross Company will be travelling to Kenmore for this year's annual summer activity camp where members will be participating in a range of outdoor sports and activities, the highlight of which will no doubt be the canyoning and white water rafting.

**Marquee Hire:** This will be a busy season for the Kinross Company with an increase in bookings for their 40' X 20' white marquee tent. There are still spaces in the calendar for further bookings. Company members will erect and take down the marquee at a cost of £200 per occasion. Contact Company Captain David Munro (01577 862126) for details.

**New Session:** Following the summer break, the Kinross Company will resume in Kinross Church Centre on Friday 6 September. The Anchor section is for boys and girls in primaries one, two and three and meets from 6 till 7.15pm. Junior Section is for boys and girls in primaries four, five and six and meets from 7 till 9pm. Company Section is for boys and girls in primary 7 till age 14 and Senior Section is for those aged 15 and above, with both sections meeting from 7 till 10pm.

### Looking for Contact Details?

For listings of local clubs, businesses, public services and more, visit [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc)

## Rotary Club of Kinross & District



The 'Noble Art' was the subject for our first speaker in May, when Kinross's former Scottish International Amateur boxer and founder of the Kinross Boxing Club, Andy Caulfield, spoke about his experiences in the sport as a competitor, coach, and more recently as a referee. At the London Olympics last year, he became the first Scottish Olympic referee for 28 years.

Moving from the ring to the sea, the mystery and theories surrounding the Mary Celeste, the ship found abandoned in the Atlantic but undamaged and with cargo intact, but minus a crew, were explored by Ian Fairley from Kirkcaldy in our next talk. Not to be confused with the Marie Celeste, the fictional ship referred to in the book by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

A little closer to home for the next two weeks, we heard firstly from Peter Forster about the operation of the family business covering four farms in East Fife, and Jack Eadie from Dunfermline reminded us of the days when ship breaking was big business on the Forth. Many present remembered viewing from the roadside, the dismantling of large liners and warships in the yard at Inverkeithing. Some had been lucky enough to purchase fixtures and fittings which used to be sold off prior to break up.

The Club's annual involvement in the T in the Park Music Festival once again was confirmed, and over the next few weeks, the work rotas for the Bacon Buttie service at Lethangie campsite, and the Left Luggage store at Balado will be drawn up for the second week in July. Long hours and late nights lie ahead in an operation involving all available Club members along with any friends and family who can be dragged along!

The Club meets on Monday evenings at the Windlestrae Hotel for a meal at 6.30pm. More information can be obtained from Secretary Neil Maclure at [neil.maclure19@gmail.com](mailto:neil.maclure19@gmail.com)

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### Best Kept Village Competition

Judging will take place this year on **Tuesday 6 August**.

This is not just for flower tubs, but for the whole village, and needs the whole community to help.

We have a beautiful county with very attractive villages, thanks to all who get involved.

With increasing cuts in the Council environment service, there is an opportunity for even more people to be involved in maintaining your area.

If you are not yet involved, you can help by:

- tidying your own patch if you have a garden and hedges
- organise a litter pick
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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.

## News from the Rurals



**BISHOPSHIRE** – On 13 June, Bishopshire WRI celebrated their 90th birthday, in the company of friends from the other Institutes in Kinross Group, and from Perth & Kinross Federation.

National Chairman Isobel Robertson presented Honorary Member certificates and badges to two of our stalwart members, Jenny Sword and Margaret Brown. Jenny joined Bishopshire in 1946, and she gave an account of what the Institute was like, and its activities in the earlier days. Both she and Margaret have held every office, and Margaret is also a Past President of Kinross Group.



Isobel Robertson (centre) presents Honorary Member certificates to Margaret Brown (left) and Jenny Sword

We must thank all the members who provided a wonderful buffet supper, and Jane Martin for her beautiful floral table decorations.

The entertainment took the form of some song choruses, interspersed by Jenny's piece, Moira Ogilvie giving a short account of the Institute's activities in the war years, and Marion Sutherland explaining how to give a cat a pill! The evening was wound up with a performance of 'The Doctor's Waiting Room', a sketch written and produced by Avril Rogers. It wasn't quite a case of 'it'll be alright on the night', but much laughter resounded round the hall.

All in all, this was a very special celebration of our 90 years.

**CARNBO** – President Elizabeth Campbell welcomed members to the June Meeting. Mr Colin Shaw from RSPB showed lovely slides of garden birds and answered questions.

Competitions:

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# Sports News

## Kinross Volleyball Club

### Kinross Teams at Scottish Open Volleyball Tournament - Volley au Soleil

The sun shone brightly over the last weekend of May at the twenty eighth Scottish Open Volleyball Tournament and it certainly felt like Perth was the volleyball capital of the world that weekend, with ten different nationalities being represented from the one hundred and two teams who played in festive mood, thanks to the sun overhead.

Friday evening saw the Annual General Meeting of the Scottish Volleyball Association and Kinross Volleyball Club were presented with a framed certificate as runners-up in the SVA's Club of the Year Award thanks to the club's development work within the community.

Yes, sunburn was the order of the day for those who didn't bring sun screen or expect the Scottish weather to produce such a glorious weekend after all the recent variety of winter weather we have been experiencing.

Saturday morning's sunshine on Perth's North Inch ensured that everyone was in good spirits and all eight divisions, three men, two women and three mixed, were in full flight.

Kinross had two teams in mixed division three with ladies' newcomers playing in the "Nae Direction" team along with "Mongrels," one team in men's division one (entered as Kelty Chiefs who amalgamated with Kinross eight years ago) and one team in men's division two "I'd Hit That."

Men's division one turned out to be very closely contested with four countries being represented in section two: Scotland's "Kelty Chiefs," London's "Tea Who You," Italy's "Nonni Volante" and Belgium's "National Drinking Team." The Nonni Volante team's entry had a local flavour with Kinross player Carlo Fiorentini inviting his brother to enter a team from Genoa. It didn't take long for four women and four men to sign up along with a team coach for their Scottish adventure. This section was so close, with the Londoners finishing top and the other three all level on points and sets won. It was down to set point differences and the Belgians just pipped the Italians and the boys from Kelty by the narrowest of margins.

Aberdeen based Jedziemy z Cyganami finished top of section one and went on to win the trophy, remaining undefeated throughout the weekend.

Men's division three saw Inverness based "Neil's a Leg-end" finish top of their section with John Booth's Kinross based "I'd Hit That" topping the second section. It was no surprise that the two would meet head to head in the final, with the Inverness side triumphing.

Women's division one was tight with little to choose between Mersey Angels, Liverpoles and the Faroe Islands' girls. It was the Faroe girls who finished on top after Sunday's play.

Indoors in the Men's Division of Honour, City of Edinburgh Rega qualified for the semi-finals by dumping Team Fife 25-20; 25-12 but in turn they were beaten by Ecosse 25-14; 27-25. The second semi-final was a closer contest with South Ayrshire just pipping Edinburgh Jets 22-25; 25-22; 15-5.

The Women's Division of Honour semi-finals saw a piece of volleyball history being made as City of Edinburgh's

Joanne Morgan served 25 points without reply to win their second set against Edinburgh Jets 25-0 after winning the first set 25-8. The second semi-final saw Internationals see off North Lanarkshire 25-18; 25-20.

The Women's final saw City of Edinburgh overcome last year's winners Internationals, 25-22; 25-17.

The Men's final had a particular Perth interest with father and son playing against each other. Iain Cook was playing as outside hitter for South Ayrshire and son Sean was playing libero for Ecosse. It was son Sean who came out on top as Ecosse defeated South Ayrshire 25-19; 25-21.

As always the mixed divisions provided half of the total number of entries, with 61 teams competing in divisions 2 and 3.

Tournament Director, Dave Munro, thanked the teams for supporting the 28th SOVT as well as the committed band of local volunteers who make the whole thing happen year after year, adding much to Perth's local economy over the weekend.



*SVA President Mel Coutts present Kinross Volleyball Club secretary Dave Munro with the Club of the Year runners' up award*

### Kinross VC AGM

Sixteen club members attended Kinross Volleyball Club's Annual General Meeting at Kinross Chinese Restaurant.

Chairman John Cameron welcomed everyone and summarised a very successful season in his usual inimitable style, with our teams winning both the Premier and Recreational Leagues in Perth and finishing as runners up in Scottish Volleyball's Regional League.

John was re-elected as chairman with Fiona Wilkie and Dave Munro re-elected as treasurer and secretary respectively.

The club continues to meet on Monday evenings at 7 pm on the grass area to the rear of the Community Campus for park volleyball (weather permitting). New members are always welcome - just turn up and play - free.

Preparations are almost complete for club members to take part in this August's De Haan tournament in Belgium under the name of "McDuvel's Marauders" in celebration of this, the 40th tournament, and again sponsored by the famous Duvel Belgian beer.

## Kinross Otters

### Midland District Distance Championships 2013

Olympia Pool, Dundee, 24 – 26 May

In what is definitely the last competition at the Olympia pool in Dundee before it shuts, the Otters performed admirably in the Midland District Distance Meet Championships. They broke four club records and won 18 medals in what Head Senior Club Coach, **David Haig**, described as “the most satisfying championships ever, as everyone performed to the level expected of them.”



Some of the medallists from the Midland District Distance Meet.  
From left to right: Niamh Mullen, Finlay Nesbitt, Aaron Gillon, Rachel Brisbane and Jack Watson

There was no doubting the star of the Otters medal show as **Finlay Nesbitt** (12) decimated the field to win six gold medals (400m Individual Medley, 200m Backstroke, 200m Individual Medley, 800m Freestyle, 200m Breaststroke and 1500m Freestyle) and one silver in the 10-12 year old Boys category. He broke four personal bests.

**Jordan Curtis** (16) produced an excellent display of pace and stamina to win three bronze medals, all in personal best times, in his specialist freestyle stroke in the 15-16 year old category. He broke the Otters club records for the 400m by

six seconds in 4.25.91 (previously held by international junior triathlete champion, Cameron Milne), the 800m by 24 seconds in 9.13.67 and his own recent 1500m record by a quite amazing one minute eleven seconds (17.48.10).

**Aaron Gillon** (14) was selective in what he entered and this paid off with two silver medals in the 200m Backstroke and 200m Freestyle in the 14 year old Boys category, the latter of which was a small personal best. If that were a small improvement, the same could not be said for his 1500m Freestyle where he took one minute 45 seconds off to record 18.50.79 and gain a bronze medal. Not bad for a sprinter!

**Rachel Brisbane** (15) continued to pick up medals with two silvers in the 200m Breaststroke and 400m Individual Medley (4 second personal best). **Ryan Curtis** (14), much improved of late, won a bronze medal in the 800m Freestyle (12 second pb).

**Jack Watson** (12) was very impressive as he took a chunk off his pb (14 secs) in the 200m Backstroke to win a bronze medal and is now pushing **Finlay** hard at this event.

Last but not least was Butterfly specialist **Niamh Mullen** (14) who won a superb gold medal in the 200m Butterfly, winning by a clear 12 seconds and taking yet another three seconds off her own club record in 2.43.66.

As usual there were many other good swims too numerous to mention from some of the above and others. The Otters completed the three-day weekend knowing that they had indeed performed well.

#### Other Meets

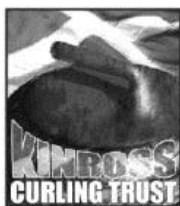
The Hearts ASC Novice Meet 2013 took place at the Musselborough Sports Centre on 12/05/2013 and the Otters took a very young and inexperienced team. The Otters stand out was **Liam Slater** (10) who won their only medals in the 50m Freestyle (40.84 - silver) and 50m Backstroke (50.57 - bronze). Well done!

Congratulations to **Ruairidh Haig**, **Niamh Mullen**, **Aaron Gillon** and **Rachel Brisbane** who qualified for the Scottish National Championships, swimming with the likes of Olympic silver medallist Michael Jamieson and World Champion Hannah Miley.

## Kinross Curling Trust

At the beginning of June, the Board were pleased to announce to members and curlers that enough funds had been committed to allow the decision to be taken to progress with plans to take over the lease of the rink.

Subject to the lease being signed, the Trust will take over the business in September 2013. Work to replace the refrigeration plant and the ice hall floor will start in April 2014. This is due to the enormous response to the plea for financial contributions from local curlers. There is still a long way to go to raise enough funds to complete all the planned work. Extensive renovations are necessary including replacing the roof and recladding the walls. Assistance with funding is still being sought from various sources, including the World Curling Federation and Perth and Kinross Council.



#### Tuesday Mornings

Loch Leven Leisure Centre

@ 9.45 - 10.45am

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#### Tuesday Evenings

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@ 8 - 9.15pm - Yoga for Active Sports

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## Kinross Tennis Club

With the Wimbledon Championships having started on 24 June, the tennis season is now in full swing; so, no time like the present to pick up your racket and join us at KTC for a game of tennis.

We have adult and junior + adult and child coaching sessions, social tennis on weekdays and weekends plus league matches for adults and juniors; something for everyone at all levels of ability.

### League Matches - Tennis Tayside

Our Men's team, playing in Division 3 of the league, has experienced mixed fortunes after early season success. Results have recently proved elusive: out of eight matches played, the team has won three, lost four and drawn one. They are currently lying fourth in their Division.

Our Ladies team, playing in Division 1, has found the going in the top level tough. They have so far won one out of seven matches played and are currently sixth in their Division.

In addition to the Men's team in Division 3, we have also entered in a team in the inaugural 4 Man League. Record to date: played four, won three, lost one.

### Perth & District Junior League

The Perth & District Junior 14 and Under League is now finished for this season. For the second year running the juniors have competed well in all of their matches, in some cases against very strong opposition. Wins have been elusive, with one match being tied. This is a young team, many of whom will still be eligible to play next season - well done to all who participated.

### AEGON Mini-Red Tennis + Competition

The Kinross Mini-Red team have played all of their matches in the AEGON Mini-Red league. In their first taste of competitive tennis they all played well, and although no overall matches were won, there were some notable victories by individual players. All have enjoyed the experience.

KTC hosted a mini-red (ages 8 and under) regional tournament on 2 June. This was well attended in glorious



weather and thoroughly enjoyed by all of those involved. The tournament was won by Andrew Tod from Kinross.

### Coaching

Considerable emphasis has been placed upon junior coaching this year, a consistent improvement in standards of play being noted at all levels.

**Summer Tennis Camps** are being run from **1 to 5 July** and **22 to 26 July**.

		<i>Member</i>	<i>Non-Member</i>
Mini (ages 5-8)	0900-1015	£22	£24
Midi (ages 9-10)	1030-1230	£35	£38
Junior (ages 11-16)	1300-1600	£50	£55

Junior coaching at all levels will also be available from 13 August to 5 October.

Places are still available for all sessions.

Booking for junior coaching and camps please contact Helen Buchanan, at [kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com) or mobile phone number (07918055434).

Adult and Child Coaching sessions have proven to be extremely popular; they are a great way to introduce very young players to tennis and at the same time ignite or reignite the interest of parents in tennis.

### Club Championships

We are now requesting members to sign up for the senior and junior club championships, matches to be played during July and August, with finals day for seniors on 7 September and juniors on 31 August. In addition the Mini Red, Orange and Green club championships will take place on Saturday 24 August.

### Tennis Club Open Day

Kinross Tennis Club will hold an Open Day on **Saturday 29 June**, which will include on-court sessions from midday through to 3pm.

A Junior Open Day is currently planned for **10 August**.

### Non-Members/Visitors

Sands the Ironmongers are able to provide access to the tennis courts for a small fee.

**Further Information** on Kinross Tennis Club can be found on our website: [www.kinrosstenniscub.org.uk](http://www.kinrosstenniscub.org.uk)

## Kinross Kobras Junior Hockey

The 2012-13 season has ended and players can get a well-earned rest before it starts up again at the end of August.

Kobras were represented at the U15 Inter-district Championships where Georgia Smith played for the Midland District U15 Girls team which came third out of all the districts that took part. In total, three Kobras played for District teams this year, which shows the progression the club has made. The club has had successful teams at U10, U12 and U14 level during the season and special mention must be made to the coaches Neil, Alisa, Monty, Ian, Ollie, Dan and Serena who, together with assistants Megan, Struan and James, have made this success possible.

Monty will be opening up the pitch on a Thursday evening, 6.30-7.30, during July for those juniors who want a knockabout and training will restart in August to allow those playing for school teams to get some practice in before that season starts.

## Summer Mixed Hockey

For those who thought hockey was a winter sport, it is time to think again. Once again Kinross Hockey Club is running its annual turn up and play summer mixed hockey at the KGV Astro turf on Tuesday nights, 1930-2100. The format is simple: turn up, pay £2 to cover pitch costs and run around. Mixed hockey is a friendly way to burn off some calories, de-stress after exams or work and a great chance to rekindle you hockey skills, or find new ones. All ages (13 and up) and abilities are welcome and, you never know, you might enjoy yourself so much you keep playing right through into the perishing cold of winter.

For further information, come down to the KGV or email [vicecaptain@kinrosshockey.co.uk](mailto:vicecaptain@kinrosshockey.co.uk)

**Deadline for all Submissions**  
**5.00 pm, FRIDAY 19 July**  
**for publication on Saturday 3 August**

## Kinross-shire Cricket Club

The 2013 season is well under way and we have had a good mixture of success and challenges. Our U18 team has progressed to the second round of the U18 Scottish Cup after a record-breaking victory over Falkland. Kinross batted first and scored a new club record of 208 for 4 in 20 overs. U15 skipper, Fred Culley showed true skill and class, scoring 91 not out, with U18 Skipper, Fraser Gosse, blasting a rapid 55 to get us off to a great start. Falkland gave a good performance in hitting 95 before they lost their final wicket. Kinross-shire play Arbroath in the next round on 18 June but will be missing Fraser due to a broken hand caused in a game of garden rugby. The U15's and U13's await their second-round games in their respective national cups after straightforward wins in the first rounds.

Junior numbers continue to rise and the club passes on sincere thanks to all the helpers at the recent primary schools festival held in May. Many congratulations to **Portmoak Primary School**, winning their third consecutive Kinross-shire title and then going on to win the P&K Area title. Best of luck in the National finals on 18 June.

Congratulations to **Hannah Drew** who was selected for the Scotland U17 Girls team to play a Tayside & Fife Boys Select XI at Doo'Cot Park on Sunday 8 June. Hannah is the 12th Kinross-shire Junior to be selected for a Scotland age group team since 2006 and we wish her all the best for the coming season.

July will see the start of our very own Junior Mid-week T20 competition, **"THE WEE STRAMASH!"** Junior players are invited to put their names forward to coaches and we will select four teams to play each other over six weeks ahead of finals day at the end of August. The format is eight-a-side, with a number of exciting adaptations to the normal rules to make sure everyone has a great time and chance to play to their own ability. The club is **looking for local sponsors** who might be interested in getting their logo and brand name on one of the teams for a very modest sum to cover "T-shirt" printing costs. Any budding IPL team sponsors looking to dip their toe in the water can contact the secretary via the club website for a sponsors pack.



The winners of the **club logo design competition** were awarded their vouchers at Junior night on 9 June. The final design was based on the three features of Loch Leven, Cricket and Bishop Hill and three entries had these features as integral parts of their designs. Pictured above are the winners with club chairman John Ross. The new logo will start to appear on club materials from the start of July.

The senior team got off to a great start with a win against St Modan's but have suffered a string of non-cricket injuries since then and have yet to win another game. Those who recall previous seasons will reflect that this is normal for us as we juggle players to accommodate school exams, Duke of Edinburgh weekends and key players off on representative duties. As a team we tend to come back strong from the end of June when all players tend to be available. One of the new additions to the 1st XI is Australian Ben Wright, who is over on a player exchange from Joondaloo Kinross Cricket Club, Western Australia. Ben will be playing for the club all season and has already made an impact as a high quality bowler/batsman. One of the highlights of Ben's stay was the chance to travel down to Edgbaston to watch Australia play New Zealand in the ICC Champions Trophy. The club was contacted by Mr Steve West, of Springfield Road, as he had two tickets for the match that he was unable to use and very generously offered them to the club. As Ben did not have work commitments he jumped straight on a train and travelled down to see the game. Many thanks to Steve West for such a great gesture.

The new ground at Loch Leven's Larder has proven to be a fantastic venue. The work carried out in the early season has produced a very high quality wicket, which has proven to give batters a good chance to hit runs (Fred's 91 a point in case) but also provides the bowlers with a little movement and bounce. Many of the regular players have commented on how nice it is to have spectators coming to watch the games as visitors to the Larder walk down and take some time to chat and admire the setting.

Work is still ongoing with SEPA finalising the details of the water treatment for the new pavilion and, all being well, work should start on the building at the end of this year ready for next season.

### Upcoming home fixtures for July:

Sat	13th	KCC 1st XI v St Modans
Sun	14th	Invitational T20 tournament
Sun	21st	KCC XI v Doune
Tue	23rd	KCC U13's v Perth Doo'Cot U13's
Sun	28th	KCC 1st XI v Forthill XI

The club is always keen to bring new players into the sport and are hosting a number of fun Lads' & Dads' (Mums' & Galls') matches to encourage parents who "haven't played for 20 years", as they always say, to get back playing. The club website and the pavilion notice board have more details on these games.

**Training times** are: Juniors (7-15yrs) on Mondays 6.15pm to 8.00pm, Ladies and seniors on Thursdays 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Full details of all events, fixtures and news items can be found on the club website [www.kinrosscc.co.uk](http://www.kinrosscc.co.uk)

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## Milnathort Golf Club

### Senior Section

On Thursday 23 May, we held a Sweep Stableford which was well attended! Some good scores were recorded with Bob Tolson taking the lead, followed by Roger Stark and John Gough in third place.

Thursday 30 May was the second round of the Seniors Quaich (and Hall of Fame Qualifier). Returning home first with a fantastic 63 was Roy Stevens, with Colin Wilson second and Hugh Cumming third. Well done to all who took part and supported the charity as well as the Medal!

Round 2 of the Seniors Medal Matchplay Qualifier was played on Thursday 6 June on a scorcher of a day and this was reflected in the red-hot scores (some of us) returned. First home was Dave Mitchell with a 63, followed by Bill Michie with the same score (losing out on the countback) and in third place was John Gough.

A Stableford Sweep was held on Thursday 13 June, which, in glorious sunshine, was well attended. First home was Ron Macdonald with an excellent 42 points (Nett 62), followed by John Power in second place and Willie Reid coming third.

### Dates for your Diaries:

**Thu 11 July** Sweep – Three Clubs and a putter

**Thu 1 August** Outing to Schawpark Golf Club – more names would be welcomed!

**Thu 8 August** Senior Centenary Trophy

**Thu 22 August** Match versus the Ladies of the Club

**Watch the Notice Board for further information**

### Junior Section

The Junior Section has been busy over the past month. David McIntyre won the May Medal with a net 69, Jamie Fulton won the Montgomery Cup and Gardner Trophy over

the two legs with a net 61 and a net 63 and Murray Raeburn won the June Monthly Medal. Handicaps have been falling with David, Jamie, Murray and Blair Addison all getting theirs cut.

The club's Junior Bells team lost its match against Crieff Golf Club over two legs and will look for some ad hoc matches to give the team members more matchplay experience. Gareth Hutchison has been selected to play for a Perth & Kinross County Golf team to play against the Lothian team over the next few weeks and we wish Gareth well in that.

July sees the Summer League competition, which takes place every Thursday at 1pm, and the Juniors will be practising ahead of the **Milnathort Junior Open on Friday 2 August**, which will hopefully be well attended by all local junior golfers.

### Ladies Section

Many of our ladies are entering the competitions and enjoying a blether in the clubhouse afterwards.

The results are as follows:

Ladies Invitation Greensomes: A Thompson & J Saxton Milnathort/Kinross 66.5

Stark Quaich Rd 1: G Pemberton 67

Daily Mail Foursomes Qualifier: G Pemberton/ M Hooper 69.5

SLGA Medal Rd 2: J Sneddon 69

Match at home against Kinross won. Milnathort regained the prized "putter".

Match away against Canmore lost.

Our knockout matches are well underway and next month we will be able to announce our Ladies Club Champion and also the Handicap Winner.

We look forward to seeing the ladies who have just got their handicaps on the course and in competitions.

## Kinross Bowling Club

Several more friendly games have been played against Falkland and Cambo, both at home and away.

Our open fun day on 18 May unfortunately was rained off after about an hour and half, which was very disappointing for all concerned; however, watch for another one being arranged soon. Notices will be posted in shops etc. Come along and join in with us!

Scottish and County competitions are well underway by now with our ladies pairs being narrowly beaten in a Scottish competition by a ladies pair from Spittalmyre near Stirling at the semi-final stage. Better luck next time!

We still have quite a few friendly games to be played and several one-day club competitions, plus all our club competitions (internal ties).

Our popular ladies open pairs competition is due to be played on **Sunday 4 August** and we still have a few places left.

Having had a week plus of excellent weather, the change is on again – let's hope for not too long!

If you would like to have a go, telephone George Rennie on (01577) 864727.

## Kinross Rugby Club

Now that the playing season is completed, it was time to reflect on our successes and there is no better place than at the annual club dinner.

This year the dinner was held at the club, which was a great success. The main speaker, Craig Chalmers, was great entertainer. This was also the seniors awards night with the following awards presented:

Player of the Year	Stuart Hunter
Players' Player of the Year	Keith Tolson
Most Improved Player	Garry Tolson
Young Player of the Year	Ben Mitchell

Over 35s Players of the Year Martin Bell & Neil Gibson

The new season is just around the corner so the prep work is about to start.... Tuesday and Thursday training 7pm start, newcomers always welcome no matter of fitness and ability. So if you fancy a new challenge, come down and give rugby a go.....

### Date for your diary:

**Fri 9 August Quiz Night** in the Clubhouse, teams of four, £4 per team.

Ever thought about using the rugby club for a function? Please pop down and ask for a look around.



## Kinross Vaulting Group



Competition season is well under way at the moment and our vaulters, coaches and horses are very busy! As well as training for all the competitions coming up, we also manage to put in two or three sessions a week, training our new horse "Ben".

On 1 June, nine vaulters and two horses, Ali and Robbie, competed at the Welsh championships again. We had some fantastic results and more importantly a lot of fun!

Intermediate squad: 1st place. Hannah Ballantyne, Heidi Ballantyne, Kirstin Henderson, Yazmine Williamson, Molly Turner and Atholl Pettinger on ILPH Islay, lunged by Lynn Ballantyne

Senior individual: 3rd Yazmine Williamson, 6th Sonyarisa Duckhouse both on ILPH Islay, lunged by Liz Mackay. (Sonyarisa was also senior Welsh champion.)

Junior individual: 2nd Molly Turner on Robbie, 3rd Hannah Ballantyne on ILPH Islay, 6th Beth Doran on Robbie, all lunged by Liz Mackay.

Child individual female: 1st Kirstin Henderson on ILPH Islay and 2nd Heidi Ballantyne on Robbie, both lunged by Liz Mackay.

Child individual male: 1st Atholl Pettinger on Robbie, lunged by Liz Mackay.

Pas de deux: 3rd Hannah Ballantyne and Kirstin Henderson on Robbie, lunged by Lynn Ballantyne

Novice individual: 1st Kirstin Doran on Robbie, lunged by Liz Mackay.

Walk pairs: 11th Atholl Pettinger and Yazmine Williamson on Robbie, lunged by Janice Henderson.

Walk trio: 1st Molly Turner, Beth and Kirstin Doran on Robbie lunged by Janice Henderson.

Atholl Pettinger was also awarded the British equestrian vaulting shield for the highest ranked British child male individual 2012.

I also failed to mention in my last report that at the Ingliston competition in March, ILPH Islay won best overall individual horse for the day and Robbie won best overall team horse – a fantastic achievement for them and us!

We were also delighted to be asked to do a demonstration at the Glenfarg fête, which we did and had a really great day. The weather was amazing, and our vaulters who took part were really fantastic and gave the audience a great display! Well done, vaulters, and thank you Glenfarg for having us and being a superb audience!

Our next competition is on Saturday 15 June, followed closely by an international competition at Oatridge equestrian centre, 12-14 July. This is an amazing opportunity for our vaulters to compete at international level literally on our doorstep!

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## Kinross Road Runners



### Stornoway Half Marathon

Sometimes Kinross Road Runners like to venture further afield than the usual local races for a new running experience. This year a KRR runner drove to Ullapool and took the ferry across to the beautiful Isle of Lewis to take part in the Stornoway half marathon. This was organised by Stornoway Running and Athletics Club, and incorporated the North District Half Marathon Championships. The first half of the race wound in and out of the town, and the second half was off-road around the beautiful grounds of Lewis Castle. It was an enjoyable, but challenging, route and a very well organised event. The organisers went out of the way to welcome runners visiting from the mainland and beyond. The day was finished off with a ceilidh, and amazingly some people still had the energy to dance. Sadly the KRR representative didn't win any prizes for running, but was lucky enough to win a spot prize of a Stornoway black pudding!

### Strathallan Five Mile, 1st June

Starting and finishing in the grounds of Strathallan School, it offers a great five-mile race over two laps of undulating, scenic and quiet country roads. The race is organised by Carnegie Harriers.

The first KRR was Allan Kemp in 30:12, 9th overall out of 100 entrants. Next was Angus McCulloch who was 17th in 31:24. Jillian Gordon was 23rd in 32:21.

### Templeton Trail race, Dundee, 7th June

This is a six-mile race, which is especially good as an introduction to trail racing, with the reward of a beer and burger afterwards. The four KRRs who took part needed no introduction and their experience showed in their results: Andy Laycock came 6th out of around 60 entrants in a time of 35.59, Allan Kemp was 11th in 36.33. Jillian Gordon was 22nd and first lady in 39.51 and Pippa Coutts was second lady and 33rd overall in 44.47.

As always, we welcome new members. Please come along on either a Tuesday evening to Kirkgate Park for a training session or to the old health centre on a Wednesday at 6.45 for an off-road run.

## Kinross Squash Club



The annual club tournament continues this month. Good luck to all, and try to get your games played promptly please – it helps Crawford get the tournament scheduled and keeps the momentum going.

The club is thriving, with new members joining each month: we're up to 42 full members. We run six leagues, which are played on a monthly basis. We also hold an annual tournament in the summer. There is also a club team who play in the Fife district league. There are also monthly club nights, on the last Tuesday of each month. If you're interested in taking up the sport or want to get back into it, the monthly club night is a great way to come along and meet the other members. It's run as a friendly handicap tournament, so it caters for all standards.

If you're interested in joining the club, simply add your name to the list on the notice board beside the squash courts at Loch Leven Leisure Centre, or contact Simon Hawdon on 07968 347596 for details.

## Kinross Colts

Congratulations to the 1999 squad for winning the North Berwick Tournament on Sunday 9th July. The team had to beat the home favourites North Berwick to reach the final and boosted by this achievement they then went on to beat Bonnyrigg in the final by an impressive 5-0. Over 500 players across the different age groups took part in the tournament.

The players of the 1999 squad have been the subject of interest from professional clubs. Dan Cochrane, the captain of the team, has just signed for St Johnstone and Adam Wallace, the top goalscorer, has been attending trials with Cowdenbeath. This is a great achievement for the boys; they are a credit to Vince Banks their coach and everyone connected with the 1999 squad.

Also in June the 2000 squad won The FFDL Fair Play Game at the Warout Stadium in Glenrothes against Aberdour. The game was very close but some impressive goalkeeping by



Struan Ross and an excellently taken second half goal by Euan Duthie was the difference between the two sides. The final score was Kinross Colts 1-0 Aberdour.

On 16 June the club is holding an event at Loch Leven Campus in which all 120 footballers across the eight Kinross Colts teams will come together and

play in mixed tournaments and have some fun - more on this in next month's Newsletter.

If you would like your child to be considered for a place in one of the Kinross Colts teams or if you would like to become involved as a volunteer in the club, then please contact [kinrosscolts@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosscolts@gmail.com).



*Kinross Colts 1999 Squad*

## Bishopshire Curling Club

One of the oldest curling clubs in the area, Bishopshire formed in 1867 and was generally made up of members from the Bishopshire area, that being the villages along the Bishop Hill such as Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell. You can still see the old curling pond at the entrance to the Tetley Tea Trail at Scotlandwell.

The club now has a broader membership stretching from Glenrothes to Kinross and the Path of Condie as well as those from the Portmoak parish. We are a mixed club with men and women of various abilities from absolute beginners to international medal winners and junior curlers. We curl primarily in the evenings at The Green Hotel, Kinross and occasional games at Dewar's Rink, Perth.

A small but mighty club, with just 25 members, we have our place in history as champions of the Grand Match in 1963, when the north of Scotland took on the south on a frozen loch.

We are always keen for new members so we can continue to write our place in the history books. We would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be interested in joining us, whether they have played before or not. Please contact Michelle McIntyre on 01577 865448 or alternatively ask for Mike Silvera at Lochend Farm Shop, Scotlandwell.



## Kinross Cavaliers Basketball Club

The final training session prior to the summer break was held on Tuesday 25 June.

We will be losing some of our older players as they progress and continue playing basketball, training with Perth Phoenix. We wish them well and lots of fun in the future. Good luck Matthew, Ryan, Craig and Hamish and well done for making the transition to Perth. The Head Coach, Russel Kesson, can be contacted on 0794 387 5824 or at [www.perthphoenixbasketball.co.uk](http://www.perthphoenixbasketball.co.uk)

The coaches at Kinross Cavaliers focus on fitness and having fun, and learning new basketball skills. If you are under 14 and are interested in basketball or would like to give basketball a try, just come along to the campus any Tuesday from 6pm to 8pm.

Our weekly training sessions cost £3.00 each and, if you want to join the club, there is a one-off annual payment of £10.00. The one-off payment includes the loan of a club strip for the season.

Training will resume on Tuesday 20 August at 6pm. Hope to see you then.

If you would like to get involved in any capacity, or would like any further information,

please call Karen Nicholson on 07795 101719 or email [k.e.nicholson@btinternet.com](mailto:k.e.nicholson@btinternet.com) or Fraser Notman on 07506 241653 or email [chippysauce@btinternet.com](mailto:chippysauce@btinternet.com).

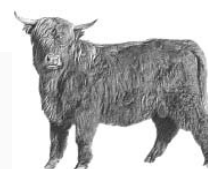


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# Out & About

## RSPB Loch Leven

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Hello again, folks. Weel at least the summer hiz finally got here. Been some richt grand days lately – some no sae grand enaw, mind, but guess that's the wey o' summer weather noo.

Oan the reserve, the lapwings hiv hid quite a guid year so far, wi a total o' around 50 nests. Fledged chick numbers hiv held up weel and so far it's been yin o' oor best years fur a whiley, despite the mingin spring. The ither big news is that we hiv hid a pair o' little ringed plovers, a rare bird in Scotland never mind a breedin yin. They nestit oan yin o' the islands oan the flood and hiv fledged fower wee chicks, which belt about the island like wee daffies. This is the first breedin record fur Loch Leven NNR and is a bit o' a feather in Vicky, wur warden's, cap. It means the management work we are carryin oot is creatin the richt conditions fur waders tae breed. Wi ony luck it micht encourage a pickle mair rarities tae visit and raise a faimily in the future?

Noo then, the shop hiz a sooster sale stertit oan hunners o' stuff. It covers wheengs o' items fae selectit books, ootdoor, gairdenin, hoosehold, kitchen, jewellery, scarves, feeders 'n' stuff like that. Yiv plenty o' time tae come in fur a browse roond cause it's oan tae the end o' August. Regulars will ken Elaine in the shop wha hiz returned tae work efter her recent marriage and honeymoon so she will noo be officiaily kent as Mrs Drew, no Broon as wiz.

Caroline Rance oor Visitor and Events Officer hiz departit tae tak up an internship in Malta workin wi wur Birdlife

International Partner "Birdlife Malta" tae combat the slaughter o' migrant birds that goes on every year jist fur the fun o' it by Maltese hunters. Guid luck in her new challenge and ta fur awe the work she hiz done ower the last couple o' years.

Caroline finalised the **summer events programme** before she left so durin the summer hoolidays we will be hoddin kids events oan Mondays, Wednesdays and Sundays.

**Minibest Mondays** will be about bugs, beasties 'n' pondy stuff, swallows, butterflies 'n' moths.

**Wildwood Wednesdays** will be things like Elves 'n' Fairies, prints, poo myths, magic, woodland survival, buildin shelters, predators and prey.

**Super Sundays** will be about ancient woodland creatures like lynx, wild boars n bears. Bumblebees, buildin hooses n awe that kinda stuff.

Soonds a blast tae me! Tae get further details or tae book places, which will be limited, please phone us oan the usual number 01577 862355 as advanced bookin is essential. Costs per child per session will be £3 members and £5 for non-members. If ye mak yer kids members before, durin or efter the event we will refund the price difference – bargain! You also open up a whole world of wildlife tae spark their interest, which could last a lifetime.

Enjoy the sunshine – weel, when it's oot.

Till next time, ta ta

Colin

## 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:

29 March 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: Adult £5.50, Child £3.30,  
(includes boat trip) Conc £4.40. 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 £4.50, Child £2.70, Concessions £3.60.

### 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).



## Loch Leven NNR

We're pleased to report that this year's Discovery Day was a huge success! An estimated 600 people attended the event in Kirkgate Park, which was in celebration of the Year of Natural Scotland. Visitors and locals had the opportunity to discover what's involved with regard to managing Loch Leven NNR, and they were treated to some fantastic displays from 14 organisations within the main marquee. I'm told that the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology's (CEH) live loch cam, viewed through a laptop, was particularly popular, whilst the Fife Amphibian and Reptile Group's (FARG) tank of newts also drew lots of attention. We were especially pleased to welcome Fife's Knitted Nature to the event. This was an initiative from two SNH colleagues, Sarah Eaton and Elspeth Christie, to encourage knitters in the area to create woollen replicas of their favourite local critters, in celebration of the Year of Natural Scotland. Their display was fantastic, with everything from terns and puffins, to Great-crested Newts and Eels. They had even knitted the water and the grass!



Outside the main marquee there was also lots going on, with story-tellers Calum Lykan, Svenja Kruger and Angela Macari entertaining groups of families in the story-telling tent throughout the afternoon. We welcomed Liz Balfour to host an excellent willow-weaving workshop exhibiting a wide range of products created from willow, where people could have a go at making a trout, as well as building our own pea growers nearby, which is where I spent most of my afternoon! RSPB organised a nest box building tent which seemed hugely popular, next to the Boathouse Bistro's fantastic barbecue. Beyond the kerfuffle we located Jonny Chainsaw in the amphitheatre, where he studiously demonstrated his chainsaw carving skills to the fluctuating crowds that passed him by. We were so pleased with Jonny's performance that we're keen to commission a piece to feature at Loch Leven this year, as a permanent installation to mark the Year of Natural Scotland.

All in all it was a fantastic day - the weather was kind to us, the food was good, the enthusiasm and delivery from contributors was outstanding, and most importantly, you lot seemed to enjoy yourselves, so hooray for everyone! We're looking forward to next year's event already.

Elsewhere, we were very pleased with the turnout for both botany walks in June this year, and would like to thank Robin Payne (former SNH Vascular Plants Specialist) and Liz Lavery (local ecologist and botanical recorder) for their

support in leading these walks, in partnership with our resident botanist Stephen Longster. Both walks went really well, and Findatie Botany once again managed to wow participants with tales of carnivorous plants and historical references to Holy Grass. We were also pleased to welcome professional photographer Martin Pettinger to the walk, where he contributed some fantastic images to the Loch Leven NNR blog, as well as following up research on his forthcoming book - 'Around the Loch in 80 Days'. More information on Martin's work can be found through his own blog, [www.aroundthelochin80days.wordpress.com](http://www.aroundthelochin80days.wordpress.com).

We'll be embarking on a large scale invasive species control programme this month, in trying to tackle the growing problem of Himalayan Balsam around Loch Leven. This will involve a multi-pronged approach, and if you'd like to learn how you can help, keep an eye on the Loch Leven NNR Blog at



*The carnivorous Butterwort*  
Photo: Martin Pettinger Photography

[www.lochlevennnr.wordpress.com](http://www.lochlevennnr.wordpress.com), or contact us at the reserve office to express an interest. We'll need to gather a good gang of dedicated volunteers prepared to get down to some serious balsam pulling action.

That's all for now folks,

Craig

### Fact of the Month

Since colonising the UK in the 1800s, Himalayan Balsam is now the largest annual plant nationally, and the speed at which it spreads is part of the reason for it being considered a problem. Some individuals can reach over 3 metres in height, outcompeting smaller native plants.

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## Farming



Well it's amazing the difference a couple of months can make. Very little rain during May and (so far) in June has seen all but the most waterlogged areas dry out, allowing damaged areas of fields to be repaired. Although there are many machines available to improve the structure of soil damaged by the traffic of animals and machinery on wet land, the best cure is nature's own subsoiler – otherwise known as a good spell of dry weather.

As the ground dries out it shrinks, and cracks may open up, especially on heavier clay soils. This reopens drainage channels and lets air into the soil, helping to encourage microbial activity and allowing the soil to 'work' better by improving the availability of the nutrients to be absorbed by the roots of grass, cereals or other crops. Undoubtedly the biggest advantage nature's subsoiler has over a mechanical one is the amount of diesel it uses. It's drouthy work for a tractor and they often need to stop for a 'dram'.

A growing crop also sucks a lot of moisture from the soil, working in tandem with the weather to improve the soil structure. Of course, farmers are never happy with the weather and I have heard of some within Newsletter country who are already saying they 'desperately need rain' and things are too dry, but for us farming on the heavier land here at Backward Farm it's just grand and I hope to enjoy it being dry for a wee while yet.

Temperatures have been improving lately too, which is not before time, as everything has a lot of lost growing time to make up for since it was so cold earlier in the spring. We managed to keep one of our silage fields sheep-free through the spring so it is looking quite well now, along with another field which only briefly had sheep grazing it. They will be cut and baled at about the normal time (if there is such a thing as 'normal' time) although their yield will be lower than hoped for. The rest of the fields only had the sheep removed about a week ago (approx. 8 June), so it will be July before they will be ready to be cut for silage. This puts the whole schedule for the year 'oot the windae', as normally we take two cuts of silage, and allowing six or seven weeks between cuts, the second cut from these fields will not be ready until very late August, which then means we will only have very limited late summer grazing from them. The effects of the cold spring are far reaching indeed, but then farming would be boring if it was predictable!

I aimed to prioritise the best grazing for the sheep in the hope that the lambs will grow as quickly as possible, so we will be able to sell them quickly. We bought extra silage to keep the cattle inside longer as we didn't want them to be grazing silage fields and effectively eating next winter's feed. They are now all outside apart from a few exceptions and they are grazing on an ample supply of grass. Although it has been expensive, I believe we will benefit in the long run from keeping them inside that bit longer.

Apart from silage making, both for ourselves and a few other local farmers, the next big job on the list is shearing the sheep, which will hopefully be done by the time you are reading this.

Over the past few weeks our eldest son has been on study leave for his standard grade exams. This was very useful as he was regularly called on to help out, so much so that he renamed study leave as 'slave leave'. Perhaps we shouldn't have shackled him to a ball and chain! I think it's what is called character building. Very useful he was too, although he may now be considering a career other than farming!

Enjoy the sun while it lasts,

John

## Weather



### May Weather Report from Carnbo

May continued the rather cold, unsettled type of weather experienced during the last few months, but from the 16th to the end of the month there were signs that the weather was warming up a little.

Total rainfall	75 mm (110% of normal)
Heaviest fall	18.5 mm (3rd)
Rain days 19, trace days 2, dry days 10	
Snow not recorded, hail days 1	
Highest temperature	18°C (30th)
Lowest temperature	-1°C (2nd)
Average temperature	8.3°C
Ground frost on 4 nights, air frost on 1 night	
Total cloud cover on 2 days	
Total cloud cover 62% app	

### May Weather Report from Kinross

Total rainfall	56.4mm (2.2 inches)
Heaviest fall	14.1 mm (3rd)
Total sunshine for month	165.2 hours
Sunniest day	11.8 hours (25th)
Maximum temperature	average 14.05°C
Highest temperature	20.8°C (20th)
Minimum temperature	average 1.69°C
Lowest temperature	-3.7°C (1st)

### The Horror Story of Spring 2013 (from Carnbo Statistics)

The cold weather of last Winter continued through most of the Spring, with March being the worst with heavy snow and very low temperatures early in the month.

Total rainfall	207 mm (90% of normal)
Heaviest fall	24.3 mm (17 April)
Rain days 52, trace days 15, dry days 25	
Snow days 19, lying days 15, total depth 35cms	
Hail days 2	
Highest temperature	18°C (30th May)
Lowest temperature	-7°C (12th March)
Average temperature	5.2°C (2012 8.6°C!)
Ground frost on 43 nights, air frost 36 nights	
Sunless days 13	

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# Gardens Open

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	£12.00	£8.50	gdn only	0844 4932186
		Sun	1300-1700				0844 4932186
Hill of Tarvit mansion & gdns (NTS)	23 Mar-27 Oct	Thu-Mon	1300-1700	£10.00	£7.00	partial	0844 4932185
Hill of Tarvit grounds only (NTS)	all year	daily	to dusk			yes	0844 4932185
Kellie Castle & garden (NTS)	1 Jun-1 Sep	daily	1230-1700	£9.50	£7.00	partial	0844 4932184
Kellie Castle garden & estate only (NTS)	all year	daily	0930-1800			yes	0844 4932184
Culross Palace, town hse and gdns (NTS)	1 Jun-30 Aug	daily	1200-1700	£10.00	£7.00	no	0844 4932189
Culross Palace gardens only	all year	daily	0900-1700			difficult	0844 4932189
Branklyn Gdns, Dundee Rd, Perth (NTS)	23 Mar-31 Oct	daily	1000-1700	£6.50	£5.00	partial	0844 4932193
Scone Palace grounds only	1 Apr-31 Oct	daily	0930-1745	£6.00	£4.20	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
Braco Castle gardens, FK15 9LA (SGS)	1 Mar-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 Gdns, Crieff, PH7 4HZ	1 May-31 Oct	Daily	1300-1800	£5.00	£2.00	yes	01764 681433
<b>Gardens open by arrangement</b>							
Rowberrow, 18 Castle Rd, Dollar, FK14 7BE (SGS)	on request	by arr		£4.00	free	yes	01259 742584
Barham, Bow of Fife, KY15 5RG (SGS)	1 Apr-30 Sep	by arr		£3.00	free	no	01337 810227
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 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 Guide for 2013" or the website [www.scotlandsgardens.org](http://www.scotlandsgardens.org)

## Special Days Open in July under SGS

The garden at **Row House, Dunblane, FK15 9NZ**, is open **every Wednesday in July**, 1pm-4pm. Mature garden with wonderful views to Ben Lomond. Unusual trees and stunning borders. Adm: £4, children free. Charity: Crossroads Caring Scotland West. Partial disabled access. Directions: From Keir roundabout take the B824 to Doune. Will be signposted off the B824.

The garden at **Kemback House, by Cupar**, is open on **Saturday 6 July**, 1pm-5pm. The house and gardens date from the 15th century when they were owned by the Archbishop of St Andrews and the University. Fruit trees, herbaceous borders, potager garden and rose garden. Woodland walk with waterfalls and ponds. Fifty acre policy parks with specimen trees. Neolithic mound. Adm: £5, children free. Guided tour of house, £5. All proceeds to SG beneficiaries. Partial disabled access, dogs on leads welcome, homemade teas, plant sales. Off the minor road which runs through Dura Den from Pittscottie to Dairsie, KY15 5TN.

The garden at **Wormistoun House, Crail**, is open on **Sunday 14 July**, 11am-5pm. The garden at this 17th century Scots Tower House has been restored over the last 20 years.

The 1.5 acre walled garden is divided into 'rooms' and includes two award-winning garden pavilions. Woodland walks and pond. Soup and roll lunches 11.30am-2pm. Cream teas 3pm-5pm. Plant sales. Adm: £4.50, children free. Charity: CHAS. One mile north of Crail on the A917 Crail to St Andrews road. Signposted at end of lane on a sharp bend. KY10 3XH.

**Small gardens in the burgh of Crail** will be open on **Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 July**, 1pm-5.30pm. Varied styles, e.g. cottage, historic, plantsman's. Tickets and maps available from 2 Castle St and 44 Marketgate South. Teas in British Legion Hall. Plant sales. Adm: £5, children free. Crail British Legion Hall 10%, Crail Preservations Society 30%. Approach Crail on A917. Park in the Marketgate.

**Gean House, Alloa**, is open on **Tuesday 23 July**, 2pm-5pm. Beautiful parkland. Cream teas in Gean House. Adm: £4, children free. Charity: Scottish Society for Autism. Dogs on leads welcome. Tullibody Rd, Alloa, FK10 2EL.

**Balcaskie, Pittenweem**, is open on **Sunday 28 July**, noon-5pm in conjunction with Kellie Castle. In 1905 Balcaskie was described as 'one of the best and most satisfying gardens in the British Isles'. The gardens are being restored by the gardening team from Kellie Castle. Access is via Kellie Castle only. A free minibus will take visitors from Kellie Castle to Balcaskie. Adm: £8 for both gardens. **Kellie Castle** garden is open for SGS on **Sunday 28 July**, noon-5pm, in conjunction with the garden at Balcaskie (see above). Arts and Crafts style garden. Roses, herbaceous plants, 30 varieties of rhubarb and 75 different types of apple. Artist and craft stalls. Partial disabled access, teas, plant sales. Road: B9171, 3 miles NNW of Pittenweem. Adm: £8 for Kellie Castle garden and Balcaskie.

## Congratulations



Sandy and Lisa **PENNY** are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter **JESSICA MARIE** on Sunday 14 April 2013. A little sister for Jamie and granddaughter for Alex and Beth Penny and Murray and Janice Mentiplay.

**ALLAN** – Stuart and Laura (née Tolson), Nan Walker Wynd, Kinross, are delighted to announce the birth of their son, **MURRAY HUNTER ALLAN**, on Friday 17 May 2013. First grandchild for Kenny and Christine Allan and first grandson for Les and Agnes Tolson. Thanks to everyone for their kind gifts and good wishes.

**BAND** – Linda and Sandy are delighted to announce the arrival of their new granddaughter, **QUINN AMELIA MOIR**, born on Wednesday 5 June 2013 at Perth Royal Infirmary to Katrina and James. A sister to Lacey. A whopping 9lb 4oz!

**RON** and **TERRY MACKAY** of Kinross celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary in June.

**Dr BOB McINTOSH**, Director Scotland, Forestry Commission, has been awarded the CBE for services to forestry.

**Mrs HELENA CANT** has been awarded the MBE for services to people with disabilities in Perth and Kinross.

**Mr JOSEPH FISHER** of Prestwick has been awarded the MBE for services to disability sport. Mr Fisher is a founding member and technical director of Walking on Air, a charity that enables people with disabilities to glide. Walking on Air operates from the Scottish Gliding Centre at Portmoak Airfield, Scotlandwell.

**PATRICK MacHUGH** and his new partner for this year, Martin Campbell, have qualified to play in the Badminton World Federation World Championships (BWF) in August 2013 in Guangzhou, China. They have reached their highest ranking as a partnership at 113 in the BWF rankings.

**LAURA MUIR** of Milnathort won the Women's 800m at the Under-23 Athletics Championships in Bedford in mid June. Laura achieved a new personal best, running in 2 min 03.22 sec.

**EILIDH CHILD** of Kinross achieved a new personal best and a Scottish record when she won the 400m hurdles in a time of 54.93 seconds at the Athletica Invitation meeting in Geneva on 1st June.

**LOCH LEVEN'S LARDER** has won two awards in the East and Tayside Region of the Scottish Thistle Awards. The business came top in the Best Café, Bar or Restaurant category and was also named Best Shopping Experience. The Scottish Thistle Awards are run by VisitScotland, and are designed to discover and celebrate excellence and innovation by the Scottish tourism industry. Loch Leven's Larder will join winners from other regions of Scotland for the national finals in November.

## Thanks



I would like to say a huge thank you to all the patients who sponsored me for the 26 miles Edinburgh Kiltwalk on Sunday 19 May. Thanks to your generosity, and that of my family and friends, I raised £855.31 for the **Kiltwalk Children's Charities**. I would also like to thank Kinross Ladies' Circle for their donation. Thank you all for your encouragement and support, and to Chris Paterson for allowing me to have my picture taken with him at the end.



*Helen Coldwell with former Scottish rugby captain, Chris Paterson*

– **HELEN COLDWELL**  
(Angela Gault Dental Surgery)

**THE SHOP AT THE GREEN** would like to thank all those who supported their recent charity fashion show to support the **Kinross Curling Trust**. (See p. 24 for full story.)

**J & G WILSON** held a successful charity quiz in support of **Scottish Huntington's Association**. (See p. 8 for full story.)

The 2013 **MILNATHORT PRIMARY SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR** has raised over £1,800 including the £244 made by the P6/7s at their Barista Style Coffee Stall. The Milnathort Primary School Parent Council Fundraising Team would like to thank everyone who helped make the Summer Fair a huge success. A special thanks to the following individuals and organisations for their support: Asda, Loch Leven's Larder, Costa Coffee, Tayside Contracts, Sainsbury's, Giacopazzi's, Kinross Primary School Parent Council, Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation, Kinross Cycling Club, Scottish Natural Heritage, RSPB Loch Leven, Morag Thomson Freelance Marketing and PR, Kinross-shire Round Table, The Fairtrade Steering Group, Milnathort Filmhouse, Kinross and District Pipe Band, Nikki Matthew Dance School, Fire and Rescue Service; the kind people who donated home baking, bottles and teddy bears; the children, staff, parents, friends and families who supported the event; the volunteers who helped set up, run the event and dismantle on the day. Thank you also to the local businesses and organisations who helped promote the event.  
(See p. 55 for more about the Fair.)

**KINROSS CAFÉ FOR CARERS** would like to thank the staff of the "Integrated Team Base" at Loch Leven Campus who arranged a bake sale on 5 June. This was a great success, with some fantastic goodies for sale, resulting in a donation of £46.00 for the Carers Café. With many thanks, Elaine Kincaid and Gail Boath.

# Kinross-shire Churches Together



## Kinross Parish Church of Scotland

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Church website: www.kinrossparishchurch.org

**Church open for visiting or quiet contemplation Mon-Fri 10am-**

**12 noon** (Note Pram Service on Tues mornings during school term).

The Church website gives details of events, including photographs of recent events - see the 'Gallery' section.

### Leasing Church or Church Centre

The church is glad to host many local clubs, societies and other enterprises in the church itself or at its suite of halls at the Church Centre, High Street, Kinross. To book rooms, contact Church Office or Church Centre Lets email (see above).

*The Church Office now sells Fair Trade goods by Traidcraft. Call in and stock up.*

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.

### Regular Services and events (Summer Holidays: Note the changes from the usual programme)

**Sundays: Morning Services** at 10.30am From 30 June through July until 4 August there will be no separate Junior Church. The early part of the Sunday morning service will be child-friendly and led by members of the congregation, with separate children's activities for the second part of the service.

**Wednesdays:** 10.45am Midweek service in the Garden Room, Church Centre. Continues over the summer.

**Saturdays:** 9am - 12 noon: Book Sale and Coffee Bar at the Church Centre. Continues over the summer.

### Other Events and Services

#### June

**Sun 30** 6.30pm: Informal Evening Service.

#### July

**Mon 1** 8am: Silent Meditation (30 mins).

**Tue 2** 2.30pm: Service at Whyte Court.

**Sun 7** 10.30am: Morning Service. Informal communion after service.

**Tue 16 - Sat 20:** Team from Kinross Parish Church helping at a church camp in Debrecen, Hungary.

**Thu 18** 9pm: Time to Pray: late evening service of Compline (20min)

**Sat 20 - Sat 27:** BB Company Section camp at Kenmore.

**Fri 26** 6pm: **Launch Pad** for Space Academy Family Week.

**Mon 29 - Fri 2 Aug** 9.45am - 12noon: **Space Academy** Family Week.

**Tues 30** 2.30pm: Service at Causeway Court.

## Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church

### Church of Scotland

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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** at 6.30pm in Orwell Hall (1st and 3rd Sundays of month).

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

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

### Morning Prayers at 9am

Each Thursday at Portmoak Church New Room.

Each Friday at Orwell Church.

### Dates and events for your diary

**Sunday 7 July** Michael Bruce Service,  
6.30pm in Portmoak Church.

Everyone welcome

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Contact the Office 01577 861200  
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## St James's R C Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Father Colin Golden Telephone: (01577) 863329

<b>Mass Times</b>	Saturday Vigil	7.00pm
	Sunday	9.30am

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

## Kinross Gospel Hall

Montgomery Street, Kinross

Website: [www.kinrossgospelhall.info](http://www.kinrossgospelhall.info)

Sunday	10.30am	Breaking of Bread
	12.00pm	Sunday School
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	6.30pm	Gospel Meeting
Monday	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting
	8.15pm	Bible Study

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### Launch Pad: Fri 26 July, 6pm

**Space Academy: Mon 29 July - Fri 2 Aug**

We again welcome all children, from pre-school age to S4, to our Family Week at Kinross Parish Church. This starts with an opening event, 'Launch Pad', for all the family. The morning 'Space Academy' programme is Mon 29 July to Fri 2 August (registration at 9.45am, ends at 12 noon). Other events to be announced.

**Contact: Margaret Michie 01592 840602**



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**Sunday Services** 11.15am

**Crèche and Junior Church** 11.15am

#### July

**Sun 7** 11.15am All Age Worship: Brian Ogilvie, followed by tea and coffee in Village hall.

**Sun 14** 11.15am Morning Worship: Brian Ogilvie.

**Sun 21** 11.15am Morning Worship led by the Elders.

**Sun 28** 11.15am Morning Worship: Brian Ogilvie.

All welcome

### St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church

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8am Morning Prayer (Mondays and Wednesdays).

#### July Services

**Sun 7** Week of Proper 14. 8.30am Holy Communion, 11.00am Sung Eucharist.

**Sun 14** Week of Proper 15. 8.30am Holy Communion, 11.00am Sung Eucharist.

**Sun 21** Week of Proper 16. 8.30am Holy Communion, 11.00am Sung Eucharist.

**Thu 25** 8.30am Holy Communion for the feast of James the Apostle followed by a Breakfast Bible Study in the Meeting Room. 7.30pm Service of Healing and Wholeness.

**Sun 28** Week of Proper 17. 8.30am Holy Communion, 11.00am Sung Eucharist.

**Everyone welcome at all services**

During the week, St Paul's Church will be open to the public at the following times:

First Monday of the month: 10am - 3pm

Second and Fourth Tuesdays of the month: 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Thursdays: 12.30pm - 1.30pm

These are opportunities for visitors to sit quietly and perhaps light a small candle.



### Fossoway, St Serf's & Devonside 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

#### June

**Sun 30** 9.45am Morning Worship. Locum Brian Ogilvie.

#### July

**Sun 7** 9.45am Morning Worship. Locum Brian Ogilvie.

**Sun 14** 9.45am Morning Worship. Locum Brian Ogilvie.

**Sun 21** 9.45am Morning Worship. Rev Clifford Hughes.

**Sun 28** 9.45am Morning Worship. Locum Brian Ogilvie.

**Wrigglers Group (0-3 years), Junior Church, crèche and teens group** all meet during term time within the church family at the beginning of the service, and then in their own groups after 'Time to Talk'.

**DVD club and crèche is available for all children during the school holidays**

**Café Refresh:** Every Thursday, church hall, 2-4pm.

**Yoga classes:** Finished for the Summer - will restart at the end of August.

**House group:** Finished for the Summer - will restart in September. Please contact Fred for details, 01577 840833.

### 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.

### 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

### Obituary

We are sorry to learn of the death of **CHRIS RENTON** on Sunday 16 June 2013. We hope to publish a full obituary next month.

### Acknowledgement

**LOGAN** – The family of the late Margaret Logan would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and carers for their care and kind expressions of sympathy. Special thanks to Ward 5 PRI for their care in her final days, the Rev. Alan Reid for his lovely comforting service and all at Stewart Funeral Directors for ensuring that everything ran smoothly. Thanks also to all who gave donations to Rachel House in her memory.

# Playgroups and Toddlers <sup>54</sup>

## Milnathort Babies & Toddlers

**Orwell Church Hall, Milnathort  
Thursday & Friday 9.30am-11.15am**

A relaxed and friendly group  
Healthy snacks, tea & coffee  
Children from birth to 3 years  
(5 years if attending with younger sibling)  
Great fun for the kids, mums, dads and carers!

**PLACES NOW AVAILABLE ON FRIDAYS!**

To join in the fun  
call 07989 795259  
Email [milnathortbt@gmail.com](mailto:milnathortbt@gmail.com)  
Or find us on Facebook



## 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 Sylvia Flynn 07793 005732,  
[sylviaastewart@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sylviaastewart@hotmail.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

**Crook of Devon Village Hall**

Friday 9.30am - 11.00am

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

Contact - Christina Smith 01577 840733

## 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 9.30am - 11am  
Playgroup (2yrs onwards), Mon & Fri 10am– 12noon

Contact Lynda Hardie (Play leader/Manager)  
01592 840785 or 07594 328475

Email: [portmoakunderfives@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:portmoakunderfives@hotmail.co.uk)  
or find us on Facebook

## SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross  
Kinross-shire Playgroup Association  
Aka Swansacre Playgroup  
Reg Scottish Charity No SC017748



**Tel: 01577 862071 Mobile: 07592 392235**

*We provide a warm, friendly and stimulating environment in which children can learn and develop through play.*

**Playgroup:** Tues to Fri 9.15am-11.45am; Mon 12.45pm-3.15pm. Children from the age of 2 years welcome.

**Inbetweeners:** Mon 9.05am-11.20am; Tues & Fri 12.45pm-3.15pm with Lunch Club before or after. Children from the age of 3 years welcome.

**Rising Fives:** Wed 1pm-3.15pm with Lunch Club beforehand. 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 on telephone numbers above.

**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 Playgroup on 07592 392235.

The premises are available to hire for **Private Functions**. For more information, please contact **Michelle 07894 305272** or the Playgroup.

## 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 Sadie Allan on 01577 830807 or just come along!

## Private Nurseries and Childcare

For private nurseries and childcare services, please see advertisements throughout the Newsletter.



# Notices



**Bishopshire Horticultural Society**

## *Best Kept Garden Competition*

**Judging during the first week in July**

More information and entry forms can be obtained from

Lorna Ainsworth 840571	Sylvia Herrington 840519
Janette Gardiner 840352	Shelagh Goudie 840200
David Martin 840216	Eleanor White 840681

## **Orwell Old Folks Association BEETLE DRIVE**

Orwell Old Folks Association are holding  
a Beetle Drive to raise funds

Milnathort Town Hall

**Thursday 4 July**  
at 7pm

All ages welcome

Tickets are £3 for adults £2 for children and include tea/  
coffee/juice and some baking

## **Michael Bruce Trust Annual Service of Commemoration Sunday 7 July**

Each summer the Michael Bruce Trust invites people from Kinross-shire and beyond to celebrate in a service of commemoration the life and work of the Kinnesswood-born "Gentle Poet of Loch Leven", Michael Bruce (1747-1767). This year's service will be held in Portmoak Parish Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 7 July. The service will conclude in the churchyard with the laying of the wreath on the poet's grave by the Trust Chairman.



The Michael Bruce Service of Commemoration will be conducted by the Rev Dr Angus Morrison, Minister of the Parishes of Orwell and Portmoak, and the guest speaker will be the Rev Dr Douglas Galbraith, a member of the Church of Scotland's Ecumenical Committee and its Music Panel. Tea will be served after the service and donations will contribute to the upkeep of the poet's birthplace in Kinnesswood. All are welcome.

## **Macmillan Volunteering Group**

An open invitation to people interested in starting a fundraising group for Macmillan Cancer Support in Kinross

**THURSDAY 4 JULY**

2pm to 3.30pm

Salutation Hotel, 99 High Street, Kinross

Call or email April Davidson: 07834 191246, or  
adavidson@macmillan.org.uk

## **Bishopshire Curling Club Barn Dance**

**Saturday 20 July**

at Lochend Farm, Scotlandwell

8 til Midnight All Welcome Licensed Bar  
Tickets £10 in advance (includes live music and food)

Please ask at Lochend Farm Shop

or phone Michelle on 07753803093 to arrange tickets

## **Make a Difference Day**

Make a Difference Family Fun Day 2012 was held at the community campus on 27 October, organised by the Community Capacity Building Worker and supported by the Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group. The day was packed with activities for all the family and provided an opportunity for residents of Perth and Kinross to find out how to get involved in volunteering and benefit their communities.

Over 30 local groups and organisations in Perth and Kinross came together to highlight the important role that volunteers play locally, nationally and globally. The event proved a real success with over 380 people attending.

Feedback from the 2012 event suggested this be an annual event. Your local Community Capacity Building Worker is seeking to support and work with **some local people** to help plan and organise **Make a Difference Day 2013**. Could this be you? **WE NEED YOUR HELP to make this happen.** (See contact details below.)

This is a fantastic occasion for community members to be involved in bringing volunteers together to showcase how they work and make a difference, whilst promoting a volunteer friendly Kinross-shire.

Helping to plan and organise **Make a Difference Day** will provide an opportunity for community groups, organisations or charities to:

- **Celebrate** all the great things they do thanks to **volunteers and volunteering**
- Get people involved in their communities to **'Make a Difference'**
- **Share Skills** and recruit volunteers
- **Support** each other by promoting the value and benefits of volunteering itself
- Provide local communities with lots of fun **volunteering** opportunities they can take part in and to learn about the things your group, organisation or charity does to make a difference **locally, nationally or globally**.

If you would like to volunteer a little of your time and support me to plan and organise this event, please contact me by **1st August**: Tracey Ramsay, Senior Capacity Building Worker, Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ. Email: TRamsay@pkc.gov.uk, Tel: 01577 867124 or Community Learning Base 01577 867177.

## **Grants and Funding Websites**

[www.pkgrantsdirect.com](http://www.pkgrantsdirect.com)  
[www.scottishcf.org](http://www.scottishcf.org)

## Loch Leven NNR Events Programme 2013



Scottish Natural Heritage  
All of nature for all of Scotland



Year of  
Natural  
Scotland  
2013

Thu 15 Aug	Osprey Walk	6pm-8pm
Sun 29 Sep	Fungi Foray	2pm-5pm
Sat 26 Oct	Pink Sunset	4.30pm-7pm
Sat 28 Dec	Winter Bird Walk	10am-1pm

All our events are free and booking is essential. Please call 01577 864439 for more information, or to book your place on any of the above events.

## 'A Sense of Place' Watercolour Exhibition

Perth Museum and Art Gallery  
until 28 July

A new exhibition celebrating the inspiring nature of the Perth and Kinross area as a place to live, work and create art. Paintings are by members of the Royal Scottish Society of Painters in Watercolour and support the Year of Natural Scotland.

Open Mondays to Saturdays, 10am to 5pm and Sundays 1.30pm to 4.30pm. Admission free.

## Dr Donald Duncan Bequest Committee

### Grants for Educational Purposes

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

Application Forms can be obtained from Andersons LLP, Solicitors, 40 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AN.

## Adult & Family Learning

at Loch Leven Community Campus

**IT for Beginners Courses** aim to support people to learn about:

- Accessing the internet
- Completing online applications
- Using Word 10
- Setting up an email

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS** who are confident with all of the above for

**Fridays, 9am – 12 noon and 12 noon – 2pm**

Support will be provided and travel expenses will be reimbursed. For an application form, contact Jayne Ramsay, (01577) 867177, JRamsay@pkc.gov.uk



## Milnathort filmhouse



### programme aug – dec 2013

**The Croods** Sun Aug 25th 3pm

**Life of Pi** Sat Nov 2nd 8pm

**Epic\*** Sun Nov 3rd 3pm

**Christmas Eve Screening** choice by public vote! Dec 24th 5pm

\*TBC screening dependent on license release date

**Other film events locally** - The Campus Library are screening **The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel** at 7pm Thurs Aug 22nd (date TBC) as part of the 'Reel Reads' book group initiative this summer. We are delighted to work with them to spread the word for this event. Keep in touch with our facebook page for more information and collaboration for our **Life of Pi** screening in November!



## THE KINROSS HUB A CAFE FOR CARERS

### GUEST SPEAKERS

3 June  
Charlie Wilson (Springwell)

1 July  
David Munro (Historian, Kinross Museum)

The speakers will give a brief talk at 10.30am, then allowing time for one to one advice.

1st Birthday  
Celebration  
Monday  
5 August 2013  
12.00 - 3.00 pm  
Buffet Lunch &  
Entertainment



ST. PAULS CHURCH HALL  
KINROSS  
1st MONDAY of EVERY  
MONTH  
10am-12noon

Contact Gail Boath  
or Elaine Kincaid  
Tel. 01577 867306 or  
867310









**Loch Leven Community Campus**  
**The Muirs, Kinross**  
**KY13 8FQ**  
**www.pkc.gov.uk**

## 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:

**Jayne Ramsay**  
**Clerical Assistant**  
 Loch Leven Community Campus  
 Email: JSRamsay@pkc.gov.uk  
 Tel: 01577 867177

### Local Correspondent

for Perthshire Advertiser and Fife Herald newspapers

**Linda Freeman**

Tel 01577 865045. Email: linda.freeman\_64@btinternet.com

## 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

### 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.**

### 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

### Newsletter Deadlines 2013

Please note, deadlines are now on a **FRIDAY**. More deadlines for the months ahead 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
August	Fri 19 July	Saturday 3 August
September	Fri 16 August	Saturday 31 August

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



THE  
TALKING  
DONKEY

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



## 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 for 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.



### Need to consult an old Newsletter?

The Kinross (Marshall) Museum at the Loch Leven Community Campus houses a collection of every Kinross Community Council Newsletter ever published (July 1977 to the present day). Newsletters can be consulted when the Museum Study Room is open: Thursdays, 10am - 8pm and Saturdays, 10am - 3pm.

Electronic versions of Newsletters from September 2006 to the present day can be downloaded from the Newsletter website: [www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org)

## Perth Citizens Advice Bureau

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

**9 & 23 July**

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.



## 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.

## 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!



## Loch Leven Community Campus

Take part in

English as a second language - help build your confidence

Relaxation • Cookery • Origami  
Music and Art activities • Sports



Mondays 7pm - 9pm

### Please contact

Roseanne Gray Tel:01577 86721 Email:[RGray@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:RGray@pkc.gov.uk)

Jayne Ramsay, Mon - Fri 9.00am-1.00pm

Tel: 01577 867177 Email: [JSRamsay@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:JSRamsay@pkc.gov.uk)



A great big thank you to everyone who helped make Greyhound Rescue Life's 6th Annual Dog Show such a success

*See you all next year for number 7*



**Can you give A Greyhound A Home**

[www.greyhoundrescuefife.com](http://www.greyhoundrescuefife.com)  
contact us to arrange a time to come along to find **your** perfect hound  
Mob: 07826244765  
Phone: 01592 890583 (evenings)  
email us on [ferniejimmyf@aol.com](mailto:ferniejimmyf@aol.com)



## 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  
**Fossoway & District:** Secy: Kevin Bothwick (01577) 840845,  
fossoway.cc@gmail.com  
**Portmoak:** Malcolm Parkin (01592) 840389,  
PortmoakCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

## Portmoak Community Councillors

Robin G Cairncross	01592 840672
Bruce Calderwood	01592 840423
Susan Forde	01592 840128
Malcolm Parkin	01592 840389
Thomas Smith	01592 841160
Malcolm Strang Steel	01592 840459
Richard Williamson	01592 840538
Ian McGrattan	01592 840726

## Perth and Kinross Councillors Kinross-shire Ward

### Councillor Mike Barnacle (Independent)

Tel/Fax (home): 01577 840516.

Email: michaelabarnacle@gmail.com

Moorend, Waulkmill Road, Crook of Devon, Kinross, KY13 0UZ

### Councillor Dave Cuthbert (Independent)

Tel (home): 01577 861681. Email: dcuthbert@pkc.gov.uk

8 Highfield Circle, Kinross, KY13 8RZ

### Councillor Joe Giacomazzi (Scottish National Party)

Tel (home): 01577 864025.

Email: jgiacomazzi@pkc.gov.uk

38A New Road, Milnathort, Kinross, KY13 9XT

### Councillor Willie Robertson (Scottish Liberal Democrats)

Tel (home): 01577 865178. Email: wbrobertson@pkc.gov.uk

85 South Street, Milnathort, Kinross, KY13 9XA

## 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

## Kinross Community Councillors

Margaret Blyth	6 Muir Grove	
David Colliar (Chair)	10 Rannoch Place	864037
Barry M Davies	60 Lathro Park	865004
Bill Freeman	64 Muirs	865045
Ian Jack (Treasurer)	Burnbrae Grange	863980
Dot Mackay	17 Ochil View	864635
Margaret Scott (Secy)	21 Ross Street	862945
Gareth Thomas	50 Muirs	863714
Campbell Watson	7 Gallowhill Gardens	861544
David West	9 Leven Place	07824 313974
Malcolm Wood	The Woodlands, Hatchbank	850394

## 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

Telephone: 01738 639598

Fax: 01738 587637

You can also follow Roseanna on Twitter @strathearnrose

## Members of the Scottish Parliament for Mid Scotland and Fife Region

All MSPs can be contacted at the following address:

The Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh, EH99 1SP

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

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

**Jayne Baxter MSP** (Labour) Tel: 0131 348 6753

Email: jaynebaxter.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

**Annabelle Ewing MSP** (SNP) Tel: 0131 348 5066

Email: Annabelle.Ewing.msp@scottish.parliament.uk

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

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**Willie Rennie MSP** (Lib Dem) Tel: 0131 348 5803

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

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

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

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

## 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

Tel: 0800 232323

road and lighting defects)

## 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	11am	Elderberries	1.30pm
	"Stride for Life" Walking Group			2pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Relaxation Class	1.15pm	Games	1.45pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Morning Service	10.45am	Quiz Afternoon	1.30pm
	Dominoes	1.30pm	Scrabble	1.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Film Afternoon	1.30pm	Dominoes	1.30pm
	Art Class	1.30pm		
<b>Friday</b>	Bingo	1.30pm	Dominoes	1.30pm

## Additional Events for July

**Bingo Tea - fantastic prizes!  
Tea Dance/Concert**

**Friday 5th** 1.30 - 1.45pm  
**Tuesday 16th** 1.45pm



**Coffee Bar open 8.30 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**

## Art for Recovery Kinross

*Confidence building Skills Sharing Socialising*

ARK provides support through arts and crafts for people with health issues in Kinross and surrounding areas.

ARK offers peer support to those in need of a little company to socialise and learn new skills. Try drawing with pencils and pastels, painting with acrylics and watercolours, working with clay, felt-making and patchwork. Or just have a cup of tea or coffee!

The group meets **weekly on a Wednesday** from 1pm to 3pm in Orwell Church Hall, Ba' Hill, Milnathort. £1 per session. For more information, email [arkforart@gmail.com](mailto:arkforart@gmail.com) or call the Chair on 07590 387189.



## Mobile Library

*Mobile 2, Week 1, every second Wednesday:*

Visiting Powmill, Rumbling Bridge, Crook of Devon, Fossoway, Cleish and Milnathort. Next visit: **10 July**

*Mobile 2, Week 2, every second Tuesday:*

Visiting Mawcarse, Glenlmond, Kinnesswood, Scotlandwell, Levenmouth Farm, Hatchbank and Cambo. Next visit: **2 July**

*Mobile 1, Week 2, every second Wednesday:*

Visiting Glenfarg and Duncricvie. Next visit: **3 July**

For times of stops, see PKC website: [www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk)

Any queries, telephone AK Bell Library 01738 444949.

## PKAVS Carers Services

### Drop In Session for Carers

Do you look after someone, or know someone that looks after a loved one, who would not be able to get by without their help? If so, the Perth & Kinross Carers Centre are now running Drop In Sessions for carers to pop in and have a chat with our Carers' Link Worker about any needs or issues they require information and advice on.

**Every second Monday of the month between 10am and 11am at the Loch Leven Medical Centre, Kinross.**

No appointment is necessary. If you would like to meet outwith these times, please contact Kerry Donaghy on 01738 567076 or [kerry.donaghy@pkavs.org.uk](mailto:kerry.donaghy@pkavs.org.uk)

## Blythswood Care

Sainsbury's Car Park

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

**Tuesday 16 July**

**between 10.30 am and 11 am**

Further details from 862258

## 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

#### Gel Fireplace and fire gel £250.00

Freestanding Gel Fireplace and fire gel, excellent condition.

#### Solid wood bed frame £100.00

Solid wood king sized bed frame. Very good condition with a couple of small scratches. Fits king sized mattress 60" x 78". Collection only. Bed comes apart into sections.

For items above contact: Jessica McHardy 01577 863388  
jessicahind@hotmail.com

#### 3 pairs of sliding robe doors £20 per pair

Mahogany finish sliding robe doors complete with running rail 28.5" by 80". Reasonable to good condition. Buyer to take away.

Seller details: Jane Morrison 07859 403911  
jane6549@hotmail.co.uk

#### Kinross High School Boy's Blazer £250.00

Good condition. 100% polyester. Label says size 10R Chest 32. Would suit first year pupil of average size.

Seller details: Alison Lockhart 01577 865615

#### 2 Bar Stools £1500 each

New, unused – too high for us. Seat 30" from ground. Swivel seats 14" x 14" and very comfortable.

Seller details: Liz Mackay 07801 071754  
lizmacward@hotmail.com

#### Digital recorder/DVD Player £500.00

Model: Toshiba RD100KB. Lots of features. Perfect condition. User manual and remote control included.

#### Freesat HD digital receiver £500.00

Model: Sagem DS186 HD Freesat. Slimline design, HD viewing with HDMI upscaling, 8 Day Programme Guide, Digital Audio Output, Parental Control. Perfect condition. User manual and remote control included.

#### Digital satellite receiver £500.00

Model: Technomate TM-5400 CI+ USB Super+. Google it for all the things it does. Perfect condition. User manual and remote control included.

For items above contact: William Cooper 01577 865573

#### Boy's/Man's Falcon mountain bike £300.00

Falcon Axiom 26" wheel, 6 gear (Shimano) mountain bike for sale. In good condition and full working order. Good bike for a teenager. Looking for £30 or nearest offer.

Seller details: Rosy Cuthbert  
rosycuthbert@hotmail.com

## 2nd Kinross Rainbows

Do you have an hour or so to spare on a Monday evening from 4.30 – 5.30pm during school term time? 2nd Kinross Rainbows are looking for an Assistant Guider to join the current team. We have lots of fun and the girls enjoy games, crafts, baking, going out of the meeting place on torchlit walks, nature walks etc and attending Guiding Events. The girls in the unit are from 5 – 7 years old.

If you are interested, ring myself, Caroline McGregor, on 01577 863730 for a chat and more information on what it would involve.

## 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').

#### Office Administrator (Full time), Hatrick-Bruce, Milnathort

Experienced office administrator required. Must have excellent numeracy skills and proven ability to prioritise a varied workload whilst ensuring accuracy and quality is maintained.

To apply, email CVs to trish@hatrickbruce.co.uk

#### Weekend Housekeeper (Part time), Kirklands Hotel

Hours: Saturday and Sunday starting 9.00am for 4/5 hours each day. Duties: cleaning all public areas of the hotel and from 1 – 9 bedrooms depending on occupancy. Pay: negotiable. Previous cleaning experience preferable.

To apply: contact Shona Jack at The Kirklands Hotel 01577 863313 or info@thekirklandshotel.com

#### Children's Tutor (part time), Vivien Clarke, Milnathort

Expressions of interest are invited from qualified primary teachers with a view to joining an established tutor in expansion into a private after-school tuition service in Milnathort.

Contact Vivien Clark at viviendarke@btinternet.com or 01577 861323.

## Kinross Recycling Centre

Bridgend Industrial Estate

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

Bicycles, cans (inc aerosols, biscuit tins, aluminium foil), car and household batteries, cardboard, cooking oil, electricals (WEEE), engine oil, fluorescent tubes, long life light bulbs, food and drink cartons (Tetra packs), fridges, freezers, garden waste, glass, large domestic appliances, paper, plastic (rigid plastic packaging), rubble stone and soil, scrap metal, telephone directories, textiles (clothes and shoes), timber, tyres (maximum two per visit, strictly householders only) and non recyclable (general) waste.

Compost can be collected from the Recycling Centre, subject to availability. Maximum of 2 x 25kg bags per visitor.

## The Bike Station

Donate unwanted bikes, parts and cycling accessories for reuse. Bikes are refurbished and sold on to the public at affordable prices. Poorer bikes are salvaged for parts.

Bikes can be donated at the Kinross Recycling Centre (Bridgend Industrial Estate) or at The Bike Station at Mid Friarton, just off the Edinburgh Road in Perth.

Bike Station opening hours: Monday to Saturday, 10.30am to 4.30pm and late opening to 8pm on Wednesdays.

Weekly bike sales: Fridays, 10.30am-4.30pm (children's bikes) and Saturdays, 10.30am to 12.30pm (adults' bikes).

Tel: 01738 444430. Email: peth@thebikestation.org.uk Website: www.thebikestation.org.uk

## MOUBRAY HALL, POWMILL

Do you need to hire a venue for your club or society meetings, family get-togethers, birthday parties or functions?

Then look no further than Moubray Hall, Powmill.

Available to hire all year round with new kitchen and disabled toilet.

For further details, please call 01577 840330.

# Diary

*A more extensive and regularly updated  
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