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## Editorial

June appears to have been a month for major decisions.

Not as momentous as the European Referendum outcome, perhaps, but some important decisions for Kinross-shire were also made last month. These are covered in our 'Main news in brief' column on page 5, with more detail and opinion to be found in our local councillors' reports.

Speaking of the councillors' reports, these were all written before the Perth and Kinross Council budget debate took place on 22 June, as were the reports of the various Community Council meetings.

Some of the councillor and Community Council reports contain some critical or pessimistic remarks about the proposed budget, but in fact the budget as finally agreed at PKC had a more successful outcome for Kinross-shire than expected.

We had some spare space available just as we were about to go to press, so managed to bring you this news, also on page 5 (Late-breaking news, Good news for Kinross-shire).

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CCllr: Community Councillor

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It began as a way of letting residents know what Kinross Community Council was saying and doing, but soon expanded to be so much more.

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## Tourism in Kinross-shire

As the newly appointed chair of the Loch Leven Tourism Forum Steering Group, I want to make a difference for our area. It is, after all, for the benefit of everyone. We sometimes forget that every business has a direct influence over hospitality and tourism. When the local hotels, guest houses and bed and breakfasts do well, the knock on effect is seen by many. The coffee shops, restaurants and visitor attractions benefit, the local taxi company sees an increase in trade, the cobbler, book maker and gift shop all see an influx in clientele. This only works if we are all communicating and working together. My mission is to put Loch Leven on the map.

As a child at school we were told to ask for help if we were struggling with a problem so why should the same not be said in business. If a business is quiet then tell our fellow businesses. If we are fully booked then recommend another similar business who may benefit from this. Let's start talking and together we will make Loch Leven and the surrounding areas a truly super experience. Let's work together to keep our tourists and locals using our facilities for longer. Let's work to extend that one night stay to two and in turn two to three.

For this to happen we need members; we need existing members standing up to be heard and new members who want to work with us to see change.

We will need a new web site; fresh, vibrant and relevant with better SEO, better traffic, better awareness, better branding. We need links to our shops, businesses and attractions. We need links to our instagram account and twitter showing all the beautiful images that we have on offer locally.

This will be a marathon and not a sprint but if we can inject stability and a clear vision of where are we going, who is responsible for what and how are we going to get there then we can only re-energise our Loch Leven.

To date I have attended various meetings with Visit Scotland, Scottish Tourism Alliance, Perthshire Tourism Practice, Perthshire Chamber of Commerce and our flag is well and truly being flown.

2017 is the year of History, Heritage and Archaeology so let's get all our ducks in a row and sing from the same hymn sheet. The history element alone locally is enormous.

I ask any business who is not a member to contact me to discuss membership opportunities; the more members then the bigger our voice. We have incentives for new members and urge you to help us help you.

Here's to the future of the Loch Leven Tourism Forum Steering Group.

Andrew D Scott MiH

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## Thanks to Liz Rougie

Dear Editor, I am writing on behalf of Milnathort Community Council to record our thanks to Liz Rougie for giving up her time to take the minutes of our meetings whilst we established ourselves as a new team to act on behalf of our village and surrounding area. We are most grateful for the sterling effort she has put in to assist us. Thank you, Liz.

David Baudains

Chair, Milnathort Community Council

## Conservation Areas

Kinross-shire Civic Trust is becomingly increasingly concerned about the approach by Perth and Kinross Council towards Conservation Areas. The Scottish Government is very clear in its directive that all Local Authorities must examine their historical areas and determine whether they are worthy of being created as Conservation Areas, the better that they are conserved for present and future generations.

Kinross-shire already has several designated Conservation Areas, namely Kinross, Cleish, Scotlandwell, Kinnesswood and Wester Balgedie. The Kinross-shire Civic Trust has had a considerable involvement in the creation of them. It is therefore all the more surprising that Milnathort, which probably has more historic elements than any of them, has not had marked out and created a Conservation Area. Milnathort CC decided not to support the KCT proposal for a Conservation Area at its meeting in January 2015, but the minutes record that the CC was uneasy about taking that decision. It had taken a decision not to support the proposal at its December 2014 meeting despite agreeing not to do so until the January 2015 meeting on the basis of the response by residents, but there was no record of how many residents actually opposed the proposal, who they were or where they lived. A recent article in the Courier encourages the residents of Milnathort to have their say about a Conservation Area. It is important that people who support this proposal should make their voice heard as well as those opposing it.

Cllr Giacomazzi has made great play about the problems with windows and doors and is now supported by Cllr Cuthbert. However, windows and doors are important elements of the architecture of old buildings and their visual appearance. If the rules are relaxed for them, it is liable to allow their replacement with elements that are totally out of character with the whole building and future generations will only look at the results and wonder how they came to be permitted.

However, the major concern with Conservation Areas is future development. While development is perfectly permissible, the directives from Historic Environment Scotland make it quite clear that any future development must relate to the existing buildings. There is a suspicion that that is the motivation behind the opposition to the proposal for a Conservation Area. Recently there was an application for a new house in a part of Milnathort that the Trust would like to see as a Conservation Area. Several neighbours objected on the grounds that the house was not compatible with the surrounding houses. If there had been a Conservation Area in place, compatibility with the surroundings would have been more assured.

The Trust is also concerned about the way Planning Applications for large developments are being handled by the planning authority in Conservation Areas. On several occasions the Trust and other local organisations have had to query why no Design Statement has been provided with a major application in a Conservation Area as required by the Local Plan and also why no Report from the Council's Conservation Area Officer was presented on the Council's website, so that the public was able to see what the report said. The Trust understands that 'informal' meetings are being held in the Council between the case Planning officer and the Conservation officer but no records are being taken of the results of the meeting. This is strictly not in accordance with the protocol agreed by the Council.

Before the public submits any comments or objections to such major applications in Conservation Areas, they ought to be able to see what the Conservation officer's opinions are.

The Trust has a membership and an elected committee which includes people with considerable professional experience in the fields of planning, engineering, heritage and architecture. It does not regard itself as a 'pressure group'. The Civic Trust is also one of a community of 150 amenity societies throughout Scotland under the banner of the Scottish Civic Trust which campaigns for, and offers advice on, achieving high standards of building design and conservation for the benefit of the community. Under the Presidency of The Prince of Wales, the Scottish Civic Trust also has a democratically elected board and, through its branches, a wide membership.

The Scottish Government positively encourages community involvement. That includes interested bodies outside elected parties, because it recognises that organisations like Kinross-shire Civic Trust has, within its membership, people who have considerable professional expertise and local knowledge that can add to the discussion on local matters.

Interestingly, the Scottish Government, through Historic Environment Scotland, has announced a new initiative, worth £10 million over the next three years. The funding, which is distributed through Historic Environment Scotland's Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS), encourages local authorities to invest in their historic environment, repairing and restoring the built environment, whilst helping to stimulate economic regeneration.

This is the seventh round of funding bringing the overall contribution to £45 million invested by Historic Environment Scotland since 2007 to the benefit of more than 56 projects across the country.

Kinross-shire Civic Trust's primary objectives are promoting and encouraging a public interest in, and care for the beauty, history and character of, the areas of Kinross-shire and Glenfarg in order to maintain the essential character of the area as well as the preservation, conservation, development and improvement of buildings of general public and historic interest and a high standard of architecture and planning in the area; all very reasonable aims.

Alistair Smith  
Chair, Kinross-shire Civic Trust



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Planters in Kinross Town Centre

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you in order to seek the views of your readers on an issue I have raised with officers.

I attended a meeting on Kinross High Street outside the Town Hall and suggested that planters (100cm long x 40cm wide x 50cm High) should be placed between the stone pillars.

My view on the effect of these would be threefold: to enhance the area with planting; to prevent cars from parking on the pavement which they do with monotonous regularity and to make the pavement feel safer.

The officers have responded by saying that: *“With regards to planters I think there needs to be some joined up thinking here. There is always a balance to be struck with these shared spaces with regards to (among other things):*

- 1. Minimising clutter in the space (for safety and event planning / flexibility reasons)*
- 2. Facilitating and encouraging easy and safe access and flow of pedestrians around the space*
- 3. Delineating the vehicle areas sufficiently so that vehicles do not encroach into zones intended for pedestrians*
- 4. Not delineating the zones within the space so much that it segregates vehicles and pedestrians in a traditional manner and causes drivers to speed up*

The current design has been arrived at by the project team in consideration of all of these things.

My initial thoughts are that, while I am not against planters as a general idea to enhance the space, there are an awful lot of planters on your proposal and they may contradict points 1, 2 and 3 above. I think if it is proposed to have any further planters then it requires some careful consideration and input from various teams in PKC. I think, given that it is a streetscape planting scheme, then Greenspace would need to drive this forward as this is their area of expertise (with input from others such as the Traffic and Network Team, Regeneration and our team).”

A second officer responded as follows: *“It is Community Greenspace’s opinion that the current number planters provided by Kinross in Bloom is appropriate for the High Street particularly in the context of points 1-4 in the email of 1st June, with which we agree.”*

I wondered what your readers thought of this idea and would welcome feedback from them. I can be contacted by email on dcuthbert@pkc.gov.uk, by phone on 07799 750289, or by post at 8 Highfield Circle, Kinross, KY13 8RZ.

Dave Cuthbert  
Independent Councillor for Kinross-shire

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Have you ever thought about volunteering in your local area to help people less fortunate than yourself? I have been involved over many years, and for two charities in particular, which are very dear to me for personal reasons. I am continually amazed and humbled with the generous amounts donated.

I co-ordinate the Marie Curie Daffodil Day in March and deliver the outreach collecting boxes to many local businesses throughout the country then collect them in again and count with a very good friend in April.

In May I collect for Christian Aid Week in Gallowhill Road and Gardens, in all weathers, where I find the residents extremely willing and generous so I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for such loyal support for these worthwhile causes.

The amounts raised were:

Marie Curie Daffodil Day	£795.34
Marie Curie Outreach Boxes	£777.29
Christian Aid	£218.91

There are many more great causes in our locality, at home and abroad, so if you ever feel at a loose end with some free time, why not give it a go?

Frances Drysdale  
(address supplied)

Proposed Milnathort Conservation Area

Much as I have become to understand that, as a politician, Cllr Giacopazzi appears keen to have the last word on most topics, in the matter of a potential for a Conservation Area (CA) in the core and historic part of Milnathort, I feel a response is justified.

Cllr Giacopazzi makes much of, according to him, no evidence of support for the CA, yet to my knowledge there has been no great effort to canvas opinion and he has not produced convincing evidence that a CA is not supported.

In defence of the Giacopazzi (NISA) Supermarket he claims any alteration to the building has been "to the internal layout **and to the rear of the building.**"

The property to the rear, in Back Loan is, in my opinion, not in harmony with the generally traditional buildings in the proposed Milnathort Conservation Area.

The property also includes an old building, which, I understand, has some function in the production of Giacopazzi ice cream. This building appears to be in a state of some considerable disrepair but does have a potential to contribute to a designated CA if restored sympathetically. Some cost would of course be required to make the building harmonise with and complement the immediate surroundings, which include several attractive, including listed, buildings. The effort to do so would I suspect be well appreciated by the local community of Milnathort.

Ken Miles  
Turfhills House, Kinross

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## Main news in brief

### No change to Kinross-shire boundaries

The Kinross-shire electoral ward is expected to remain as it is following the publication of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland's reports and recommendations to Scottish Ministers in late May.

As part of its Fifth Statutory Review, the LGBCS had proposed that part of the Kinross-shire ward should be split off and put with the Almond & Earn ward, and that the number of Kinross-shire councillors should be reduced from four to three.

However, following the public consultation period, which saw over 200 people comment on the Kinross-shire ward proposals, the LGBCS now recommends that the Kinross-shire ward boundaries should remain as they are, and that the ward should continue to have four councillors.

The September and October 2015 issues of the Newsletter carried several articles on this subject, including detailed research and analysis by Councillor Cuthbert, which assisted members of the public making representation to the LGBCS. *For more on this, see Councillor reports on pages 6 and 23.*

### 91 houses to be built at former High School site

Persimmon Homes have been granted planning permission to create 91 houses at the former Kinross High School site. 87 of these will be new-build houses and four dwellings will be created from an existing school building.

An application by Persimmon to demolish all the school buildings and erect 102 houses was refused in spring 2014. With the application that was granted consent on 8 June 2016, the section of the school building fronting Kinross High Street will be retained and converted to four houses. This building dates from 1906 and is described in the Council's Conservation Area appraisal as a key building of interest.

Kinross CC and Kinross-shire Civic Trust objected to the planning application, as the number of houses proposed is higher than the allocation of 70 in the Local Plan. Both organisations also expressed concerns at the lack of information provided by the developer regarding materials, finishes and the lack of detail in the plans for the Edwardian building.

*For more on this, see pages 6, 7 and 17.*

### New Kinross Primary School gets planning permission

Planning permission has been granted for the new Kinross Primary School, to be built on the playing field in the grounds of the existing primary school.

Permission was granted by delegated powers, i.e. the application was approved by planning officers rather than going to the Development Management Committee of councillors.

The school lane that runs from Station Road to Bowton Road is expected to be closed for 18 months as from 4 July 2016 while construction work takes place.

*For more on this, see Councillor report on page 17.*

## Late-breaking news

### Good news for Kinross-shire

Kinross-shire is set to benefit from last minute changes to the Perth & Kinross Council budget agreed at a full council meeting on 22 June.

Following lengthy discussions with officers, the other opposition groups and the SNP administration, local independent Councillors Mike Barnacle and Dave Cuthbert managed to get four items added to the budget proposals, which subsequently gained cross-party support.

The first item to be added to the budget was £500,000 for cemetery extensions. The reason behind this is that both Kinross North and Orwell cemeteries are approaching capacity with no expansion space planned. Portmoak has one lair remaining with no expansion space. The councillors felt it would be wrong for Kinross-shire folk to have to be buried in Perth.

Secondly, road safety initiatives to the value of £300,000 were added to the budget. The four local members have a list of 46 outstanding items relating to road safety, some of which date back to 2012. In addition, they are petitioning for a safe crossing in Kinross town centre and have been told it will take at least 2 years to achieve as this year's road safety budget is fully spent already.

The third item is the traffic upgrade, signals and renewal programme. This had been excluded by officers from the budget but Councillors Barnacle and Cuthbert felt it was important to maintain traffic infrastructure and so requested that £300,000 be put back in the budget for this.

All the above funds will be phased over several years.

Finally, and most importantly, after many years of campaigning, Councillor Barnacle has managed, with the help of Councillor Cuthbert, to persuade the administration to budget for mitigation measures on the A977 to help manage traffic flow on 'the forgotten road'. £600,000 will be spent in two phases.

£100,000 will be spent in 2017/18 on speed limits and speed-activated signs for the villages on the A977 along with significant gateway features to the villages to help inform road users that they are entering a village environment.

On top of this, £500,000 is budgeted for 2018/19 to provide a large roundabout at the A977/B9097 junction between Crook of Devon and Drum. (27% of the vehicles using this section of the road are HGVs, buses, goods vehicles and vans and the A977 carries the highest number of vehicles of any A class road which is not trunked in Perth & Kinross.)

These projects are to be funded by reducing the budget proposal for Perth City Centre Placemaking (e.g. lighting buildings) by £1.1 million and a reduction in ICT infrastructure of £600,000.

These concessions were agreed with the administration in collaboration with the Labour, Liberal Democrat and Conservative groups who supported the recommendations.

Councillors Barnacle and Cuthbert were delighted that these projects were included in the administration's motion, with Councillor Barnacle commenting, "I returned home from the budget debate with a rare sense of achievement!"

## Councillor Cuthbert

### Local Government Boundary

### Commission Scotland (LGBCS)

Following my piece in the last Newsletter, the LGBCS have announced their recommendations for councillor ward boundaries.

These came out at the end of May and the really good news is that the latest proposals leave Kinross-shire intact.

A huge well done and thank you, to the 250+ people who wrote to the Boundary Commission or signed a petition to object to their original proposals.

The bad news is that the LGBCS appear intent on taking one Councillor away from Perth and Kinross Council (PKC) and have proposed in their latest announcement that the North Perth ward should be subdivided and one Councillor removed.

I think this proposal is outrageous, as it has come completely out of the blue, leaving residents in the area with almost no chance to comment and is completely unnecessary.

The next stage in this process is that the proposals being made by the LGBCS will go to Scottish Ministers for them to make a final decision.

### Former Kinross High School site

The proposals to demolish most of the Former High School in Kinross and the building of 91 houses were given approval at a Development Management Committee meeting on 8 June. I managed to get three additional conditions added to the approval, these being:

1. Detailed plans and elevations to be submitted showing the retained section of the former High School, clearly indicating the extent of retention of the historic fabric and any additional alterations.
2. A demolition methodology to ensure that the historic elements proposed for retention are protected during this process.
3. Full details of all proposed new and replacement external doors and windows.

It was also agreed that an informative would be added requesting that the developer approach the owner of 27a Alexander Drive to agree the sale of a 3 metre wide piece of ground to the residents to allow them to protect their amenity.

Unfortunately the motion I put forward for this application to be deferred pending the production of an up to date parking survey for Kinross and for a comment to be submitted by the Council's Conservation Officers was only supported by Councillor Robertson, so did not carry.

I see this as unfortunate, as, in my view and Councillor Robertson's, there will be a problem with parking in Kinross following the loss of the existing off street parking.

The Conservation Officer's comment is also in my view important as I am not a conservation expert and I believe all significant applications in Conservation Areas should have the view of an expert recorded for the sake of transparency.

I raised the question of whether the use of concrete roof tiles, UPVC fascia boards, windows and drainage goods was appropriate in a Conservation Area. The committee were advised that this was acceptable, which I find somewhat surprising given the demands on householders to use traditional materials when replacing doors and windows in the same Conservation Area.



I also asked the following question: "PAN 82, which deals with Local Authority Interest Developments, says: "The site selection process must be rigorous and transparent, so that it can be clearly demonstrated that choices have been made solely in the interests of proper planning." Are you content that this has been done?" I was advised that it had been.

I then asked what was being provided on the site by way of affordable housing given that Kinross has a Common Housing Register pressure ratio of 5.7, which is the same as Scone, which has been identified as pressurised.

I was advised that the 25% affordable housing provision would be provided by way of low cost housing for purchase. I don't think this will resolve the problem of the waiting list for social rented housing.

I have written to the Chief Executive to express my disappointment at this situation.

### Apology

In a previous article I mentioned that I had been told that the collection of refuse bins adjacent to the Roxburghe Guest House had been caused by changes made to the back of the Town Hall by Simon Wilson. I have now been told that this was not the case and that the additional bins were the result of new legislation.

I apologise for this incorrect statement, which I understand upset Simon Wilson's family.

### Kinross Town Hall

Talking about the Town Hall, I understand that it is on the market and offers of £175,000 are being sought. I also understand that there are three notes of interest on this property and a closing date has been set for 1 July. So the good news is that something may well be done about the building, which is essentially a shell at the moment, with little of the inside remaining.

The disappointing thing is that I would have liked to have seen the building coming back into community use. I fear that there will not be time to put a community based offer in for the property.

### Fossoway Community Council

At a recent meeting of the Fossoway CC, a plea was made for new members. Two of their existing members are resigning for personal reasons, and this will leave the CC rather light. If you live in the Fossoway area (Blairingone, Powmill, Crook of Devon, Carnbo and most of the area in between), please consider joining the CC. Community Councils are very important as they provide a local voice which I and the other three elected members listen to carefully.

The work involved can be as little as attending one hour and a half meeting per month. If you are interested, give me a ring on 07799 750289.

### Capital Budget at Perth and Kinross Council

As I write this piece, the Council is in the process of deciding what capital projects it will invest in over the next seven years.

The process followed appears to revolve around Council officers coming up with ideas, writing outline business cases, costing them and then giving them a priority scoring.

As far as I can see this is a totally officer-led process, with the only Councillor recommended project (mitigation measures on the A977) being scored below the line and therefore unlikely to get investment. Daft, if you ask me!

**Councillor Dave Cuthbert**  
**Independent Member for Kinross-shire**



## Councillor Robertson

**Persimmon Homes,  
former High School site**

Planning consent was granted at the June meeting of the Council's Development Management Committee for the application for 91 houses on the former site of Kinross High School. The Edwardian frontage of the high school building will be preserved and the building converted into four town houses. A parking area will be provided behind Kinross Parish Church to hold 17 cars. The access onto Green Road, which was a major concern for local people, will be a 'secondary access road' and all traffic will be expected to use the Muirs entrance.

### Capital Budget

This is due to be debated at the June meeting of Perth & Kinross Council. As I write this report prior to this meeting I am unsure of what the outcome will be. However there are a couple of spending proposals over the next five years which cause me major concerns. These are:

Perth City Lighting Plan - £7.7 million. It is proposed to use lighting to highlight city features and areas like Broxden and Inveralmond roundabouts. This, we are told, will draw visitors to Perth and revitalise the shops and businesses. I am totally not convinced it will.

Perth Harbour - £870,000 to dredge the River Tay. Perth Harbour has been losing trade steadily over the years despite millions being spent improving the berths and infrastructure of the harbour. It currently runs at an annual loss of over £200,000 per year, which the Council pays. It is anticipated that only 17 ships will visit Perth this year, an average of one every three weeks. To try and encourage more shipping, the Council want to spend £870,000 to dredge the river. This



money is being spent with no guarantee that more ships will use Perth.

### Roads Issues

Over the past month myself and my fellow Kinross-shire councillors have met with roads engineers to discuss various roads issues.

**Kinross High Street** – We have asked for a safe crossing point for the High Street and bollards to be sited opposite the Salutation Hotel to protect pedestrians.

**Kinnesswood Main Street** – The narrowness of the road through Kinnesswood and the lack of proper pavements is a real safety issue. We have asked for a 'give-take' traffic system for the village centre to allow the pavements to be widened. We have been told that because of lack of money it could be two to three years before funding will be available to do these works. Hence my annoyance about large amounts of money being spent on the projects mentioned in the capital budget above.

### Dog fouling

Milnathort CC has raised this as an issue for the village. They have gathered complaints through their Facebook page and I have now sent all the issues raised on to the Council's Dog Warden service and asked them to respond to the points raised. The main issues are as follows:

- Lack of bin by the field next to Websters, Stirling Road, Milnathort. Many residents requested one here.
- Constant overflowing bin at edge of golf course at Auld Mart Road.
- Lack of bin along paths/cycle paths Arlary to A911 - Burleigh Castle and Burleigh Steadings.
- Lack of education and lack of seeing a warden.

**Councillor Willie Robertson**



## Mary, Queen of Scots

# 'The Great Escape' - Boat Race

Sunday 28 August, 12 noon

**Register your team now and come and join the fun at Kirkgate Park!**

Teams cost just £30 to enter with all proceeds going to charity. Teams consist of 5 adults (over 16 yrs) and one of the team must be dressed as Mary! There is a prize for the best Mary! The race is a timed out and back competition - races start at 12 noon. The more teams the better! Prizes to be won. Food and drink available. Entertainment for the whole family. Bring a picnic, bring a BBQ – Make a day of it!

**For more information and to register your team contact:**

**Barry Davies – barrydavies57@btinternet.com – 07809 644 760**

**Brian Timms – brian.timms230@btinternet.com – 07880 503 288**

**Team registrations will also be available on the day!**



## Local author opens new retirement flats

Crime writer and Kinross-shire resident Gillian Galbraith officially opened McCarthy and Stone's new retirement living development, The Sycamores, in Kinross in June.

Steve Wiseman, Regional Managing Director for McCarthy and Stone in Scotland said: "Our homeowners are settling well into the stylish retirement living that we have available at The Sycamores, and it was lovely to see Gillian also take the opportunity to host a signing of complimentary copies of her latest novel in our homeowners' lounge!" Gillian Galbraith said: "I so enjoyed meeting the residents and staff of The Sycamores and was impressed by the building and the most attractive gardens surrounding it. The whole complex

strikes me as a valuable addition to the town of Kinross." There are just a few one and two bedroom apartments still available at the development, which benefits from

a House Manager, 24-hour emergency call points, guest suite for friends or relatives as well as the homeowners' lounge for socialising and the beautifully landscaped gardens.



*Gillian Galbraith with Steve Wiseman of McCarthy and Stone with some of The Sycamores homeowners at the official opening*

### More Conservation Area Regeneration funds available

Historic Environment Scotland has launched another round of Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS) funding. £10 million is available to local authorities, community groups and other organisations.

CARS can be used to fund public realm conservation and restoration, small grants schemes, e.g. for homeowners or retailers, training opportunities and more.

To find out more, go to [www.historicenvironment.scot](http://www.historicenvironment.scot)  
The deadline for applications is Wednesday 31 August.

### Edinburgh airport expansion could affect Kinross-shire

Edinburgh airport is currently carrying out a public consultation on proposed additional flightpaths.

Local residents should have received postcards about this, as one of the proposed new arrival "design envelopes" would mean aeroplanes flying between 4,000 and 7,000 feet above Kinross-shire.

This could have an impact on the Loch Leven National Nature Reserve and the natural environment of the Lomond Hills area.

For full information, go to [www.letssofarther.com](http://www.letssofarther.com) and download the full consultation document.

Comments from the public are invited. The consultation runs until 12 September.

### Drawing Skills Workshop at Kinross Learning Centre

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- Suitable for beginners or those with experience.
- We will explore a different theme / still life each day with teaching on skills.
- We'll use pencils, pens, charcoal and other media to draw in different styles and scales.
- A great introduction or refresher course.
- Bring your own sketchbook and basic materials (please ask for a list).

Dates: Monday 25 – Friday 29 July 2016

Time: 10am – 1pm daily

Cost: £60 for the week

To book a place, please call the Learning Centre on 01577 863863, email [pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk](mailto:pc.kinross@perth.uhi.ac.uk) or call into the centre at 15 Swansacre, Kinross, KY13 8TE.

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## ◆ Bronze Age Fair a Success ◆

by Sarah Winlow, Perth & Kinross Heritage Trust

The Bronze Age Fair at Kilmagadwood was a success, with over 150 people attending the pop-up exhibition and archaeology fair held last month in Portmoak Village Hall and on the Green at Scotlandwell.

The Fair was all about the discovery of over 20 cremation urns dating from the Bronze Age on the site of the two new houses on the Kinnesswood side of Kilmagadwood. The urns are between 3,500 and 3,900 years old and were excavated in 2013.



One of the decorated Bronze Age urns found at Kilmagadwood

Archaeological scientists and researchers came together with members of the local community with an interest in heritage to present over a dozen stalls to the public, all themed on the amazing discovery or the archaeology of the local area. Osteoarchaeologists from the University of Edinburgh and curators from the National Museums Scotland brought along some of the contents of the urns – cremated bone, bone and



Experimental archaeologist and potter Graham Taylor explains how the urns were made. The large urn in the foreground is Graham's replica of the urn found at Kilmagadwood in the 1940s



Nathan Welch, MSc student in Human Osteoarchaeology, points to the bone toggle he found during laboratory excavation of Urn 7 as Dr Alison Sheridan of the National Museums Scotland looks on

bronze artefacts – as well as a few of the urns themselves. Living history experts in Bronze Age technologies breathed life into ancient techniques of ceramics and bronze smithing.

The research into the urns is only just in its initial phase and is part of a much larger post-excavation programme that requires funding. The Fair certainly demonstrated there is lots of interest locally in the discovery, and it is hoped this interest will help build the funds required to complete the analysis of this unique find for Kinross-shire.

The Fair was funded by Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust as part of Perth and Kinross Archaeology Month and a Let's Celebrate grant from the Living Lomonds Landscape Partnership. Huge thanks are



Microscope image of the bone toggle from Urn 7. This would have been used to fasten the deceased's funeral garment

Photo: Alison Sheridan,  
National Museums Scotland

also due to the volunteers, in particular, Wendy MacPhedran and John Nicol of the Portmoak Village Hall Committee; David Munro of Kinross (Marshall) Museum; and all the volunteers who helped on the day.

You can keep in touch with what's happens next via Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust's website that has a latest news section, or via twitter @PKHeritageTrust or facebook @PKHT.Outreach.

If you missed the Fair, the exhibition can be downloaded as a pdf from PKHT's website:  
[www.pkht.org.uk/index.php/news-events/archaeology-month](http://www.pkht.org.uk/index.php/news-events/archaeology-month)

# Two new tracks for Kinross-shire

by George Lawrie of TRACKS

You may have thought that once TRACKS had completed the Loch Leven Heritage Trail that our work was completed and no new paths were planned for the Kinross-shire and Glenfarg area, but in fact we have been busy over the last six months creating two new routes.

fundrers, The SITA Trust, Heritage Lottery Fund and Sport Scotland through their Active Places Fund for providing the funding to make this project happen. This was to create a link between Loch Leven and Lochore Meadows, connecting people in the Lochore and

created a new path from the visitor centre at RSPB Scotland Loch Leven at Vane Farm up the hill and east along the bottom of the ridge to connect into the forestry track in the Egg Plantation above Ballingry.

As you can imagine, there are some areas that are quite steep and care should be taken if cycling or walking on this section.

By the RSPB visitor centre, we have also created a new 350-metre loop trail through a young woodland behind the centre. This loop is an easy path, suitable for pushchairs, mobility scooters and wheelchairs.

To celebrate the opening of this path we are planning to have a fun weekend at RSPB Scotland Loch Leven at Vane Farm on the weekend of **23 and 24 July**. Over the weekend we will have on site a woodcarver who will create three carvings to act as cycle chicanes on the path. There will be a free, guided place names walk on the new path on both days and plenty of things to do for all ages around the visitor centre at RSPB Scotland Loch Leven.

Please come along for the day and learn lots more about the area, its history and nature.

*TRACKS is The Rural Access Committee for Kinross-shire.*



*Part of the new cycle way using the old Dollar railway*

## Drum to Aldie Cycle Way

The first is a cycle way from Drum to the Aldie road using the old Dollar railway. This work was carried out with the help of Sustrans and SNH, who have provided the funding for the path. This is stage one of a three-stage project that will eventually link Crook of Devon with Kinross.

To celebrate the opening of this section, we are having an official open on **Saturday 9 July**, meeting at Tullibole Castle at 2pm for light refreshments. We will then walk down to the Drum end of the path to cut the ribbon at 3.30pm. You will then have the opportunity to walk the new section and if anyone feels like a longer walk we will walk up Aldie road to join the golf course path that takes us past the bull stone back into Crook of Devon and then back to Tullibole Castle.

We look forward to seeing you on 9 July.

## Loch Leven to Lochore Meadows

The second route that TRACKS have been working on has been a joint project between RSPB, the Living Lomond Landscape Partnership and ourselves. We would like to acknowledge our

Ballingry area to the fantastic natural resource of Loch Leven National Nature Reserve. There was a good network of paths on the Fife side but once you got to the top of Benarty Hill using the forest track there was nothing on the Kinross-shire side. We have now



*The new path joining Lochore Meadows and RSPB Loch Leven*





## Loch Leven Community Library

Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross

Tel: 01577 867205

Email: lochlevenlibrary@culturepk.org.uk

### Opening Times

Sun & Mon	closed	Fri	10am-6pm
Tue, Wed & Thu	10am-8pm	Sat	10am-4pm

(Saturdays 1-4pm staffed by volunteers)

### Regular Sessions for Young Children

No need to book, just come along:

#### Bookbug Rhymetimes

Saturdays 10.30am-11am. Wednesdays 2pm-2.30pm.

#### Pre-school Story Time

Tuesdays 10.15am-10.45am. Thursdays 10.45am-11.15am.

Parents, grandparents or guardians and toddlers will be made most welcome at these free, open sessions.

#### Stay and Play

Wednesdays 2.30pm. Fridays 11am.

Pop into the library where you can meet other parents, have a coffee, chat, read a magazine or just relax while your child plays. Toys provided. Family friendly. These sessions are suitable for pre-school children and their parents or guardians.

#### French Storytelling, First Saturday of each month

French themed story-time for 4-8 year olds.

11.30am-12pm on the first Saturday of each month. This project aims to support the 1+2 approach to modern languages, where every child has the opportunity to learn a modern language from P1 onwards. Contact the library to book your free place.



#### IT Drop in Sessions

Need help with a specific task such as setting up an email account, completing online applications, using Microsoft Word, managing digital photographs? Then these informal volunteer-led sessions may be just for you.

**Thursday 4 August**, 2-4pm. Free session, but booking essential.



#### Big Friendly Read:

#### Tesco Bank Summer Reading Challenge Scotland

Join the fun at Loch Leven Community Library this summer with the 'Big Friendly Read'! This year's reading challenge starts Saturday 25 June, runs until 20 August and is open to all 4-11 year old children.

Reading for pleasure is very



important to children's successes, and this challenge is an ideal way to keep **your** child's enthusiasm for reading alive during the school holidays. Last year over 41,000 children took part in the summer reading challenge across Scotland. With stickers, a progress chart and goodies to collect along the way, not to mention fun filled library events, this is a great way to entertain your child over the holidays and keep them reading and learning.

'Big Friendly Read' fun filled activity sessions at Loch Leven Community Library:

Tuesday 12 July	2pm - 3pm
Friday 29 July	11am - 12pm
Tuesday 9 August	4pm - 5pm

Free events but booking essential.

*For further information on any of the events listed, or to book a place where required, contact the library. See header for contact details.*



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## Councillor Giacopazzi

### Planning approval for Kinross High School site

At its June meeting, the Development Management Committee (DMC) overwhelmingly approved Persimmon's latest application to build houses by 10 votes to 2.

You will recall that your four ward councillors unanimously condemned the original Persimmon application for 102 houses on this site when it came before committee in 2014. Upholding our concerns, the DMC refused the application for the following reasons:

1. Density of houses; although a town centre site would normally allow for a greater density of homes, 102 was felt to be excessive.
2. Demolition of the Edwardian era stone school building; although Historic Scotland refused to list the building, people felt the building was a worthwhile part of the townscape and the Kinross Conservation Area.
3. Houses being built too close to the Parish Church, a listed building, and the loss of parking provision for those attending church.
4. Concerns that the new housing on the Western boundary would adversely affect the privacy of existing houses.

Accordingly, Persimmon brought forward plans to address all four concerns. Only 87 new houses would be built; the Edwardian school would be retained and converted to four homes; the Parish Church would have a buffer between it and the new houses with the provision of 17 parking spaces; efforts were made to increase the separation between existing and proposed homes.

At the DMC meeting, Cllr Cuthbert took the lead in asking for further safeguards to protect the old school building. Three conditions were agreed by the Head of Planning. A further proposal was tabled to alleviate the remaining issues of overlooking on the South West boundary. This was all agreed. The committee felt that the applicants had done all that had been asked of them. Clearly, as there was no reasonable ground for refusal, the application was approved. I am relieved that this eyesore of a site, a magnet for vandalism and unauthorised 'camping', is finally moving towards a resolution. But I have positive reasons to applaud the DMC decision; 25% of the new homes are, in line with Council policy, to be 'affordable'. 56 of the homes will be of two or three bedroom design; the kind of homes which I consider are needed in Kinross. I continue to share the concern of my councillor colleagues that Kinross-shire would benefit from more social housing, by which I mean housing association accommodation. However, this is an argument for another day.

**Parking** remains an issue. Since 2010 the school grounds were used for ad hoc parking, which shall now disappear putting pressure onto 'on street' parking in the Muirs. There was nothing the committee or planning department could have done to allocate part of the site for parking, as the site is privately owned. The Council's decision to sell the High School site for maximum value to partly offset the cost of the new Campus was taken years ago by a previous Administration. I understand the view that consideration could have been given to the provision of both public parking and an element of social housing on the site. That said, I am not in possession



of the facts on which the original decision was taken and cannot, therefore, have an informed opinion.

**Continuing on parking**, your Ward 8 Councillors have been asking the Council's Roads team for a parking survey in Kinross for some time, in part to assess the effect of the loss of spaces at the old High School site and to suggest any required actions. Although such a survey, which is carried out by contractors, comes at a cost, our request has been granted. The work was scheduled for 25 and 30 June.

A recent report commissioned by English Councils says this, 'A well managed parking scheme, where spaces 'turn over' frequently can help to increase the number of visitors coming to a town centre and thereby help business'. As a former shop owner, I can confirm the truth of this statement. The spaces on New Road, Milnathort, for example, are limited to 30 minutes waiting. On a busy day these spaces are used by hundreds of motorists accessing the shops and facilities.

### Kinross Hockey

The artificial pitch at King George V is worn out. The Hockey club, to its credit, raised funds but even with a small contribution from the Council, the cost of a replacement surface seemed unachievable. An application for funding to the Arthur and Margaret Thomson Trust, of which I am a trustee, was made. I made the case in support of the application and the Trust made a grant of £80,000, enabling the Council to look again at its own contribution. Officials are proposing that the Council match the Trust's grant enabling the replacement to go ahead thus safeguarding a precious facility. At £136,000 the proposed grant includes a generous allowance for contingencies should they arise.

### Kinross Primary School

The User Reference Group met on 15 June to receive a progress report from officials and the builders. Also in attendance were representatives of Kinross Community Council and the Parent Teacher council. Work will begin on this exciting project on 4 July with the new building being handed over in December next year. We were shown extensive plans and artist's impressions of both the building and the grounds with considerable care being taken to preserve existing trees and hedges where possible. There will be an extensive pick up/drop off area within the grounds which will help avoid congestion on Station Road. Following several interesting presentations, we asked questions on details of the project. I am delighted with this landmark project to provide the next generation of our community in Kinross with such a cutting edge learning facility. It is a testament of our Administration's commitment to looking after Kinross-shire's youngest residents.

*Councillor Joe Giacopazzi*

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# The 186th Kinross Show

**Saturday 13 August, RSPB Loch Leven**



## New Education Area! Free buses!

The organisers of Kinross Agricultural Show invite you to join them on Saturday 13 August at RSPB Loch Leven. President Iain Campbell says: "We extend a warm welcome to everyone. The show is a super family day out, with attractions for all ages. Whether you are competing or spectating, please join us. The free buses will run all day to make it easy to get to and from our spectacular show field on the RSPB reserve on the banks of Loch Leven."

New for 2016, the committee is delighted to launch an Educational Marquee. In conjunction with the Royal Highland Educational Trust, children will have an opportunity to get closer to farm animals, pet a pygmy goat and learn more about the livestock that are kept in Kinross-shire. There are lots of opportunities for children to compete in the show: why not decorate a biscuit or your old welly boot or enter your own miniature garden? Check out the Flower Show schedule (below and following page) for more information. The annual fancy dress competition is open to all youngsters; entrants can be with or without a pony.

A special attraction within the Flower Tent will be a display of Orchids and Carnivorous plants with Scottish Orchid Society President Mr Peter Timoney on hand to answer all your questions.

Of course all the firm favourites remain, so expect to see a fantastic turnout of Livestock, Horses and Ponies, a full complement of Trade Stands, Highland Dancing, Vintage Tractors, Young Farmers Stock Judging, Ferret and Terrier Races and the Dog Show, which is open to all breeds. (Entries are taken on the day from 10.30 until 12.30pm.)

If you haven't visited the show before, wish to refresh your memory of what's on offer or download the Premium list, then check out the new website at [kinross-show.co.uk](http://kinross-show.co.uk) and like our Facebook page to keep up to date with the final preparations, bus timetable and entertainment schedule.

Show ground entry is £10 for adults, £7 concessions and children under 16 free. Parking is £2.

Please contact our Show Secretary if you require further information: Mary Morgan, Belmonte, 70 Whitecraigs, Kinnesswood, KY13 9JN, telephone 01592 840030, email [kinrossshow@aol.com](mailto:kinrossshow@aol.com)



## Kinross-shire Agricultural Society Annual Show Saturday 13 August 2016 RSPB Loch Leven Flower Show



Convenor: Mrs Claire Paton, Lethangie, Kinross. Committee: Margaret Kilpatrick, Alice Getley, Dr Julie Savin & Kirsty Gray.

**ENTRIES: £1 per adult exhibit and 50p per child exhibit. Entries accepted on Show Field until 9pm on Friday 12 August and from 7.30am on Saturday 13 August. Boards available on request.**

Flower marquee open to the public from 11.30am. Trophies presented at 3.30pm. Entries may be uplifted at 4pm.

Prize money in all classes (1st: £3, 2nd: £2, 3rd: £1) to be collected at the Secretary's Tent by 4.30pm.

Judges: Karine Murray, Calderwood, East Kilbride; Mark Crawford, Tullibody, Clackmannanshire; Andrew Brown, Leven.

**Judging commences at 10am prompt.**

### Flower Section

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| 1 Pot Plant – Flowering, any type                       | 9 Vase of Three Dahlias – Ball/Pompom                  |
| 2 Pot Plant – Begonia                                   | 10 Four marigolds (any variety) to be shown on a board |
| 3 Pot Plant – Fuchsia                                   | 11 Four Pansies (any variety) to be shown on a board   |
| 4 One Vase mixed Herbaceous                             | 12 Vase of Three Roses, same variety                   |
| 5 Vase displaying three stems of annuals (same variety) | 13 Best Single Rose                                    |
| 6 Vase of three stems perennials (same variety)         | 14 Vase of Five Sweet Peas, one colour only            |
| 7 Vase of Three Dahlias – Decorative                    | 15 One Gladioli, any variety                           |
| 8 Vase of Three Dahlias – Cacti                         |  |

### Floral Art Section

This year's theme is "LET'S SING". Please note that the space allowed is the space which will be marked out. You do not have to fill the entire space. NAFAS rules need not be adhered to. Simply read the schedule carefully and pay attention to size and materials. Space allowed: width 76cms by 60cms depth. All exhibits to be composed of natural plant material, i.e. fresh, silk flowers, 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.

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| 16 <b>Singing in the Rain</b> – An exhibit using fresh flowers and foliage. Space allowed: 91cms width by 60cms depth. Accessories allowed. | 19 <b>Anything Goes</b> – An exhibit using no more than 12 roses and fresh foliage only. Space allowed: 76cms width by 60cms depth.             |
| 17 <b>Happy Birthday</b> – An exhibit using flowers and foliage. Space allowed: 76cms width by 60cms depth. Accessories allowed.            | 20 <b>Walking in Winter Wonderland</b> – A modern/abstract exhibit using no more than 5 artificial or silk flowers and artificial silk foliage. |
| 18 <b>Summer Time</b> – An exhibit in a bowl using flowers and foliage from your own garden. No accessories.                                | 21 <b>Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star</b> – A petite exhibit not exceeding 25cms in width, height and depth.                                      |

*Schedule continues over page...*

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



### Children's Classes. This year's theme is "UNDER THE SEA".

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| 22 Bowl of floating flowers (any size of bowl, any number of flowers) for 8 years and under. Glass bowls will be provided if required.                      | 29 A model of Deep Sea Monster made from recyclable materials. Age 9 – 14 years.                     |
| 23 Bowl of floating flowers (any size of bowl, any number of flowers) for 14 years and under. Glass bowls will be provided if required.                     | 30 Garden in a Seed Tray, not exceeding 40cms x 25cm, using natural material only. Age 8 and under.  |
| 24 Drawing of Loch Ness Monster (can be done by computer). Age 5 and under.   | 31 Garden in a Seed Tray, not exceeding 40cms x 25cms, using natural material only. Age 9 -14 years. |
| 25 Drawing of Deep Sea Monster. Age 6 – 8 years.  | 32 Model Farm in a Seed Tray. Models allowed. Age 8 and under.                                       |
| 26 Two decorated Digestive/Water biscuits to include something from the Deep Sea (seaweed, coral, sting ray etc). Age 5 and under. Plates will be provided. | 33 Model Farm in a Seed Tray. Models allowed. Age 9-14 years.  |
| 27 A Deep Sea Monster from vegetables. Age 6 – 8 years.   | 34 A decorated Wellington boot. Age 8 and under.   |
| 28 Arrangement of Garden Flowers in a Jam Jar. Age 8 and under.   | 35 A decorated Wellington boot. Age 9 – 14 years.  |

### Pick Up And Bring

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| 36 Pick up and bring <b>some shells from the seaside</b> . Age 5 years and under. | 37 Pick up and bring <b>your favourite deep sea toy</b> . Age 7 years and under. |
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### Vegetable Section

All vegetables to be presented washed and in good condition. Paper plates will be provided.

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| 38 Three courgettes, any size. | 43 One lettuce (any variety).             | 48 Six Runner Beans.   |
| 39 Three onions, white.        | 44 One cucumber.                          | 49 Three leeks.  |
| 40 Three onions, red.          | 45 Six tomatoes on a plate (any variety). | 50 Vegetable marrow or overgrown courgette to be judged on size. |
| 41 Four potatoes, white.       | 46 Six pods of peas.                      |  |
| 42 Four potatoes, coloured.    | 47 Four French Beans.                     |  |

### Fruit Section

All fruit to be presented washed and in good condition.

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| 51 Plate of blackcurrants. | 52 Plate of any other seasonal fruit(s). |
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### Egg Section

All eggs must be washed and polished. Paper plates and shavings will be provided. All decorated eggs must be hard-boiled.

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| 53 3 Hens' eggs, any variety. Age 12 and under.    | 56 1 Decorated egg, any variety. Age 13 to 16 years. |
| 54 3 Hens' eggs, any variety. Age 13 to adult.     | 57 1 Decorated egg, any variety, by an adult.        |
| 55 1 Decorated egg, any variety. Age 12 and under. | 58 3 Duck eggs. Open to all.                         |

### Trophies

The Trophies for the most points, Classes 1 to 15 and 16 to 21 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 15 + Rosette

**Fisher Bowl** for most points in Dahlias

**Caesar Trophy** for Sweet Peas

**The Kirkness Trophy** for the most points in the Floral Art Section + Rosette (Classes 16 to 21 inclusive)

**The Renton Trophy** for the most outstanding exhibit in the Floral Art Section + Rosette (Classes 16 to 21)

**The Gavine Lindores Trophy** for the Best Single Rose (Class 13)

**The Scott-Davidson Cup** presented by the late W Scott-Davidson for the winner of Children's Class 29

**Lena Graham Quaich** (small) winner of Children's class 34

**Lena Graham Quaich** (large) winner of Children's class 35

**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** for best exhibit overall in the show

**Special Prizes** Rosettes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places will be presented in Children's Classes 22 to 35



# Kinross Show - Companion Dog Show

(by kind permission of the Scottish Kennel Club)

**Sponsored by Cameron & Greig,  
Veterinary Surgeons, Milnathort**

Convenor: Alasdair Cox.

Judges: Tom & Sandra Caldwell, Easter Balado, Kinross.

**Entries will be taken on the Field at the Dog Show Marquee from 10.30am until 12.30pm prompt, WITH STRICTLY NO LATE ENTRIES.**

**Judging starts at the Dog Ring at 1pm prompt.**

Entry fee: Adults £1.00 per class. Children 50p per class.

**Prizes:** First £3, Second £2, Third £1 for classes 6-10. Special prize £10 for Best in Show.

**Class 1 Novelty Class.** Dog or Bitch from crossbreeds such as Labradoodles, Springadoors, and Mongrels etc.

**Class 2 Open.** Any variety. Dog or Bitch. Confined to **Kinross-shire.**

**Class 3** Dog or Bitch with **Waggiest Tail.**

**Class 4** Dog or Bitch with **Most Appealing Eyes.**

**Class 5** Dog or Bitch, any variety, handled by a **boy or girl 14 years** or under.

Prizes for all Dogs that enter in Classes 1 – 5.

**Class 6 Puppy.** Any variety. Dog or Bitch (6-12 months).

**Class 7 Sporting.** Any variety. Dog or Bitch. (Hound: Gun Dog or Terrier.)

**Class 8 Non-Sporting.** Any variety. Dog or Bitch. (Pastoral, Toy: Working or Utility).

**Class 9 Open.** Any variety. Dog or Bitch.

**Class 10 Best in Show.** From unbeaten first-prize winners of each of the above four classes.

## Trophies

Kinnesswood Quaich:

Balkello Quaich:

Farmer Trophy:

The Cairns Cup:

The Walls Cup:

Best Pup in Show

Best Sporting

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## Councillor Barnacle

### Boundaries Commission listen to Kinross-shire's 'Claim of Right' on ward boundary proposals



Readers of the Newsletter may recall my articles for the September and December 2015 editions relating to representations made to the above Commission by PKC, the Kinross-shire ward members, community councils of the ward and a significant number of Kinross-shire's people.

Councillors Cuthbert and Robertson joined me in writing a joint letter to all MSPs for our area in March 2016 asking them to declare whether or not they supported the retention of Kinross-shire's current boundaries, which featured in the April 2016 edition. We were sceptical that the proposals would be changed. However, I am pleased to report that the Commission have made Final Recommendations to Scottish Ministers on 26 May 2016 which include the decision to return to the existing Kinross-shire ward boundary to address the breaking of local ties and to maintain our number of ward councillors at four. This success is in no small measure down to the number of representations the Commission received during the consultation opposing the proposed changes and maintaining that Kinross-shire's historic county boundary should be retained. ***I am absolutely delighted at this outcome.***

The Commission in its fixation on reducing the number of PKC Councillors from 41 to 40 decided to reduce Perth City North Ward from four to three councillors. PKC remain unhappy with this outcome and recommend for the Full Council on 22 June 2016 that the 'status quo' of 41 members should be retained and that members give further consideration to proposed changes to ward boundaries by Almondbank and Perth before writing to Scottish Ministers by 7 July 2016.

#### PKC Capital Budget

PKC's capital budget 2016-2023 is to be debated on 22 June 2016. I note it includes £136,000 for King George V Hockey Pitch, £11,767,000 for Kinross Primary School Upgrade Project, £4,941,000 for Flood Prevention Works in Milnathort

& South Kinross, £19,000 for further Kinross Town Centre Improvements and £42,000 for further site servicing at the Western Edge of Kinross. Local members had again requested an Outline Business Case (OBC) be prepared for the A977 mitigation measures in January 2016 (see February edition) and I note this project is not ranked sufficiently by officers as a priority to make the current capital programme for 2020 to 2023. Cllr Cuthbert and I are extremely angered by this and have met with senior officers on the matter; at the time of writing I am trying to negotiate an amendment to the budget to include a phased element of the proposals for the A977, which in the context of a cumulative programme cost for OBC's of £238,841,000 is relatively insignificant.

*[Note from Editor: Cllrs Barnacle and Cuthbert were successful with budget negotiations. See late-breaking news, page 5.]*

#### Policy Protection of Lochleven Catchment

I am of the view that PKC, SEPA and SNH are failing in their statutory duty on the above. PKC's acquiescence to retrospective planning applications calls into question the signed protocol of these three organisations and the effectiveness of Policy EP7. This is particularly the case when dealing with Gypsy Traveller Sites under Policy RD5B, a policy that appears to outweigh environmental considerations. Last month's Newsletter summarised the outcome of the Enforcement Report (or lack of it) on alleged breaches of six planning conditions at the Crook Moss site and I shall be writing to the senior management of the three above organisations calling for a review of the policies and protocol designed to protect Lochleven.

#### Landscape designations

From initial correspondence and discussions with PKC officers I sense a reluctance to revisit the loss of landscape designations for the Cleish Hills and Devon Gorge and also my call for Regional Park status for the Ochil Hills. It will require strong objections to their stance when our proposed LDP2 is published this coming autumn, if we are to change that mindset.

**Councillor Mike Barnacle**  
**Independent Member for Kinross-shire**

## Consultation on new waste guidance

Perth and Kinross Council is consulting the public on draft supplementary guidance on Waste Management Infrastructure (Local Development Plan Policy EP9).

The draft explains what is meant by 'Zero Waste', why it is important, and provides further guidance on the development of waste management infrastructure. Once adopted, the supplementary guidance will be used in the assessment of planning applications.

The guidance can be downloaded from the council website at [www.pkc.gov.uk/ldpsupplementaryguidance](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/ldpsupplementaryguidance)

Anyone may make comments on the guidance, preferably by email to [developmentplan@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:developmentplan@pkc.gov.uk). The closing date for comments is Friday 15 July.

## Awards seek out 'Heritage Angels'

Volunteer groups and individuals in Perth and Kinross who contribute to Scotland's historic environment are being asked to step forward and make themselves known, as entries for the Scottish Heritage Angel Awards 2016 have now opened.

The five Scottish Heritage Angel Awards categories are:

- Investigating and Recording
- Caring and Protecting
- Sharing and Celebrating
- Young Heritage Angel Award
- Lifetime Contribution to the Historic Environment

The awards are in their second year. The closing date for nominations is Friday 12 August. More information is available from: [www.scottishheritageangelawards.org.uk](http://www.scottishheritageangelawards.org.uk)

### Community Website

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## Planning for the Future: Why everyone should have a Power of Attorney

by Eilidh Adams

Most people are aware of the importance of having a Will in place to protect the family and reduce the time and expense involved in dealing with someone's affairs after a death. However, it is equally important, if not more so, to ensure that you have considered who you would like to look after your affairs during your lifetime if you were unable to do so yourself for any reason; that is the role of a Power of Attorney. A Power of Attorney allows you to choose someone you trust to make decision on your behalf if you lost the capacity to make those decisions yourself, for example through old age, illness or accident. You can appoint an Attorney to look after your **financial** affairs (for example, paying bills, dealing with bank and building society accounts and managing investments) and/or to look after your **health and welfare** (such as choosing your care arrangements or consenting to medical or dental treatment).

You can choose who to appoint as your Attorney(s); you may wish to appoint more than one person or a 'whom failing' Attorney. Relatives are commonly chosen as Attorneys, but it is also possible to appoint a friend or professional advisor. It is quite possible to appoint one person as your financial Attorney and another as your welfare Attorney. If you appoint more than one person, you can decide how they must make decisions, for example, whether they must act unanimously or whether they are able to act independently of each other. You can also choose what powers to grant to your Attorneys; for example, would you wish them to have the power to make gifts of your assets? This can be a very useful power, especially if you are trying to mitigate the possible impact of Inheritance Tax on your estate, but it is an extensive power and you must be comfortable allowing someone to make such decisions on your behalf.

Before a Power of Attorney can be used, it must be registered with the Office of the Public Guardian (the "OPG"), whose role is to supervise those appointed as Attorneys.

You can specify that the financial powers contained in a Power of Attorney can be used at any time once the document has been registered with the OPG, i.e. it is not necessary for someone to have lost capacity before these powers can be used. This could be useful if, for example, you are planning to be out of the country for a period of time and need someone to manage your affairs in the UK in your absence. Alternatively, you may simply have grown tired of having to deal with banks or utility companies and want someone to be able to speak with them on your behalf.

In contrast, welfare powers can only ever be exercised when you have lost the capacity to make such decisions yourself. This is not an all or nothing test; you may be quite capable of making some decisions and not others.

Before a Power of Attorney can be registered, a solicitor or medical practitioner must sign a Certificate to confirm that the person granting the Power of Attorney understands the nature and extent of the powers being granted to the chosen Attorney(s). Nobody, not even close relatives, can arrange a Power of Attorney on behalf of someone else, so it must be done while you are able to express your own wishes. Many people think Powers of Attorney only need to be considered by the elderly, but that is not the case. In fact, it is often easier to consider these things whilst the prospect of needing help with your affairs is a far away thought.

In the absence of a Power of Attorney, if you lose capacity and someone needs to manage things on your behalf, it may be necessary for someone to make an application to Court to request the necessary powers to deal with things; a Court appointed Attorney is known as a Guardian. It is not automatically the case that your spouse or family members will be able to step in and manage your finances or be able to discuss your treatment with medical staff. A court application is time consuming, intrusive and costly and may lead to difficulties in the interim period whilst access to your bank accounts will be in limbo. In addition, a Guardian is subject to stricter annual reporting requirements, which leads to additional cost. Most importantly, the person appointed by the Court may not be who you would have chosen to take such decisions for you.

There is a common misconception that granting a Power of Attorney means you are relinquishing control of making your own decisions; this is not the case. If you remain capable of managing your own affairs, your Power of Attorney can remain tucked away in the safe. However, if the unexpected happens, it can be put into action straight away; with those people you have personally chosen immediately having the necessary powers to efficiently manage things on your behalf whilst you are unable to do so.

You should be aware that an Attorney cannot make a Will for you. So, if this is not something you have yet done, it should also be put at the top of the priority list!

*Eilidh Adams is a Private Client Associate with Gillespie Macandrew LLP in Perth. If you would like further information on putting a Power of Attorney or Will in place, you can contact Eilidh on 01738 231017 or eilidh.adams@gillespiemacandrew.co.uk. Eilidh lives in Milnathort and is happy to come and meet you at your house to discuss Powers of Attorney, Wills or taxation.*

*Other local solicitors offering services relating to Power of Attorney, Wills etc are: Macbeth Currie solicitors, Andersons LLP, Andrew Baillie and Hazel Johnson.*

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## New Kinross-shire Community Volunteer Awards

The Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group is launching a new Community Volunteer Award.

Residents are invited to show their appreciation of any well-deserving Group, Voluntary Organisation, Local Service or Individual Volunteer who deserves special recognition for contributing their time and making a difference locally. There will be a presentation ceremony on Wednesday 28 September 2016 in the campus.

To nominate, fill in the form on this page or download a form from the kinross.cc website or pick one up from: Loch Leven Community Campus Reception or Library, Kinross Day Centre or the Mobile Library.

The closing date for nominations is Monday 15 August 2016.

### Kinross-shire Community Volunteer Award Nomination Form

<b>Nomination</b> (please circle):	Group	Voluntary Organisation	Local Service	Individual Volunteer
<b>Name</b> (of group, voluntary organisation or service)				
<b>Name of Project</b> (if different from above)				
<b>Name of Nominee</b> (individual volunteer)				
<b>Contact details</b> (of group, organisation, service or individual volunteer)				
<p><b>Reason for nomination.</b> Please tell us why you are nominating the group, voluntary organisation, local service or individual volunteer, e.g. What difference have they made to the local community? What is the volunteer's role? What have they achieved through volunteering? Why do you think they deserve recognition? What difference have they made to the group, organisation, service or local community? <b>Please attach additional information if you wish.</b></p>				
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Signature of Nominator				
<p><b>Return completed forms</b> to the collection point local shops, mobile library, Loch Leven Community Campus Reception or Library, Kinross, Kinross Day Centre or further information: Tracey Ramsay (Senior Community Capacity Building Worker), Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ, Tel: 01577 867124 or 867171 Email: tramsay@pkc.gov.uk</p>				

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## Credit Union Drop-in now in Kinross

*by Perth and Kinross Credit Union*

Perth & Kinross Credit Union's new Drop-in centre for residents in the Kinross and Milnathort area is now open!

The Credit Union opened its doors for business in April 2014 in Perth High Street. From a standing start, membership will very shortly exceed the 1000 mark.

One of the early aims of the organisation was to make our services more accessible throughout the whole of Perth & Kinross.

Thanks to the tremendous support of the local community, we are delighted to advise that we are now operating a local office every Tuesday from 10am to 12 noon in St Paul's Church Hall, Muirs, Kinross.



*The first member to visit the drop-in centre at St Paul's opening an account*

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If you want to know more about the Credit Union and what it has to offer, please visit our website [www.pkcu.org.uk](http://www.pkcu.org.uk) or contact our main office on 01738 624872.

If any local business or organisation would like to hear more about how the Credit Union can help your employees or the community in general, please contact Steven Young at [steven.young@pkcu.org.uk](mailto:steven.young@pkcu.org.uk)

## Latest fraud hits students

A new phishing campaign which has hit students of UK universities claims that the student has been awarded an educational grant by the Department for Education. The email purports to have come from the finance department of the student's university and tricks the recipient into clicking on a link contained in the message to provide personal and banking details.

After submitting sensitive information, one victim was taken to a spoofed website which appeared like a genuine website of their bank, where they were asked to type in their online banking login credentials.

Protect yourself:

- Do not click on any links or open attachments contained within unsolicited emails.
- If an email appears to have come from an organisation you know but the message is unexpected or unusual, contact them directly via another method to confirm that they sent you the email.

## Lest We Forget Reflections on the Great War

Until 2018 there is a rolling exhibition at the Kinross (Marshall) Museum on the Great War, telling of some of the events and people of 100 years ago. The museum display is adjacent to the library at the community campus.



### Kinross-shire Roll of Honour July 1916

1 July	James McNaught
6 July	Robert Duncan
19 July	W Hedley
23 July	George Hamilton
30 July	James Bruce
30 July	David D Reekie

### The Battle of the Somme

On 1 July 1916 a major British and French offensive was launched against the Germans on both sides of the River Somme to the north of Paris. It lasted for 141 days until 18 November 1916 and was the largest and bloodiest of the battles fought during the First World War. With over 1,000,000 service men either wounded or killed, it was also one of the bloodiest battles in human history and the source of much controversy.

The Franco-British push on the Somme was one of a series of offensives planned by the Allies to take place in 1916, but when the German Army launched a surprise attack at Verdun on the Meuse on 21 February 1916, many French divisions intended for the Somme were diverted. What was to have been a supporting attack by the British on the Somme became the main offensive. The British Army on the Somme comprised a mixture of the remains of the pre-war regular army, the Territorial Force and the new Kitchener Army, which was composed of 'Pals' battalions recruited from the same places and occupations.

Although the first day of the battle was a serious defeat for the German Second Army, which was forced out of its first line of defence by the French Sixth Army, it was the worst day in the history of the British Army, with 57,470 casualties, during an attack that failed to reach the German front line.

By the end of the battle, British and French forces had penetrated six miles into German-occupied territory but some objectives were not achieved.

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## Recent crime and suspicious behaviour

On Sunday 8 May at 1.30pm, 400 Euros were stolen from Giacomazzi's in **Milnathort**. The male responsible was of stocky build, wearing blue jeans, grey/blue t-shirt and spoke with a foreign accent.

Between 4 and 6 May, a **padlock** was cut from a gate leading to a private road in **Wester Loan, Milnathort**.

Between 7pm on Saturday 7 May and 7am Sunday 8 May, a garden fence was damaged to the rear of a property in **Douglas Crescent, Kinross**.

At 4pm on Saturday 21 May, an insecure **blue BMX bike** was stolen from outside **Loch Leven Leisure Pool**.

A blue Ford Focus Sport TDCI on a 56 plate containing two males was seen near to **Briglands House, Crook of Devon**, on 19 May. Both males had Irish accents and when confronted within a building, claimed they were looking for scrap. They were not keen to leave the area initially but when informed that they were on CCTV they changed their minds.

Between Thursday 19 and Monday 30 May, a door to **Kinross House** was damaged.

**Fake £50 Bank of England notes** are being offered for tender across Perth and Kinross. Shopkeepers are reminded to be vigilant.

**Two quad bikes** were stolen from a farm near **Cupar** on 15-16 June.

Between 1900 hrs on 4 June and 0900 hrs on 5 June, two **CCTV cameras** were damaged and stolen from stables near to **Cupar**. Two males wearing masks were seen approaching the cameras before hitting them with a hammer and removing them. Please remember if you have CCTV, the hard drive or DVR should be stored in a secure cabinet and not easily accessible should someone gain entry to your property. It is not unknown for the hard drive or DVR to be stolen, which means that any footage, unless it is backed up elsewhere, will be lost.

*If you have information on any of the above crimes, please contact Police on **101** or Crimestoppers on **0800 555111**.*

## Police Advice

### Keep Safe from Doorstep Crime and Bogus Callers

From bogus callers to rogue traders, doorstep criminals are cunning, creative, and often very convincing. Anyone can be fooled as these people are professional con artists. However, the over 60s are often specifically targeted. Residents within Perth and Kinross have been targeted over recent weeks by such criminals and it is asked that we all remain vigilant and look out for our elderly and vulnerable neighbours.

### Air Weapon Surrender Campaign

New rules will make it illegal for anyone to possess an air weapon without a licence under the Air Weapon and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015, which comes into force from 31 December 2016. However, prior to this date, anyone holding an air weapon has six months to either obtain a certificate or to surrender their weapon(s) to the police.

### Phone Scams

Police Scotland is encouraging the public to be vigilant of telephone fraudsters who are targeting people over the phone and trying to con them out of their life savings.

Take steps to avoid becoming a victim:

Be aware that fraudsters often use techniques to hold your phone line open, so that when you try to dial out to verify the caller, they intercept and re-answer the call, claiming to be from the company or organisation that made the original call.

To ensure that your phone has not been compromised, we recommend using a different phone line to verify the caller. Where a second phone line is not available, try calling a family or friend on the line first, as the fraudster will find it difficult to impersonate a voice that is known to you.

Never disclose your PIN or online / telephone banking or log-in information or card reader codes to anyone, even if the caller claims to be from the bank or police. Remember, banks **never** call and ask you to disclose these security details.

If you receive a call requesting your PIN, card details or online / telephone banking log-in information, end the call immediately.

If you receive a suspicious or unexpected call, always verify the caller by taking their phone number and getting it checked independently.

Ensure elderly relatives and neighbours are aware of the fraud and crime prevention advice.

Report any suspicious phone calls to police straight away on 101.

## Police Scotland – local community

**Telephone 101 for non-emergencies**

*Community officers for Kinross-shire:*

**PCs Mark Sturges, James Wilson, Douglas Stapleton and Atholl Spalding.**

*Community Sergeant: Sgt Grant Letham*

**Email:** taysidekinross-shireCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk



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## Community Watch

Receive email alerts about criminal incidents in your area, crime prevention advice, flood alerts and much more by signing up to Perth and Kinross Community Watch. The range of information received can be tailored individually; each person signing up can choose which partner agencies they would like to receive messages from. Visit this website for more details: **[www.pkcommunitywatch.co.uk](http://www.pkcommunitywatch.co.uk)**

## Crime Stoppers – Telephone 0800 555 111

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

## Police Scotland Survey

Police Scotland consults with the public every year on what their priorities are for policing in their community. In 2016 the consultation process is online and will be open all year. Take the survey at: [www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8LMB9WX](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8LMB9WX)



# 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. Please note, the Community Council News is not a verbatim reproduction of CC minutes. Where there are two months' worth of reports, there will be a considerable amount of editing.

## Kinross Community Council News from the June Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 1 June 2016 were: Cllrs W Freeman (Chair), E Thomas (Secretary), D Colliar, T Stewart, D MacKenzie and J Bryson; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle, D Cuthbert and W Robertson; and six members of the public.

**Apologies** were received from Cllrs B Davies, I Jack, M Blyth, D West and M Scott.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

**Police Report:** No police present. A Community Councillor observed youths drinking alcohol at Kirkgate Park at 7.20pm on 1 June. They were not causing a disturbance but there is a bye-law against drinking alcohol in public in Kinross.

**Friends of Loch Leven Library:** Richard Scott addressed the meeting. This group of volunteers will man the library 1-4pm on Saturdays. He appealed for the public to come and use the library on a Saturday afternoon. Mr Scott was warmly thanked and congratulated for bringing about this initiative. *[See also p. 46.]*

**Crumbling façade:** PKC's Housing Dept say the High Street property with crumbling façade is not theirs. Cllr Cuthbert is trying to arrange a site visit with a housing officer.

**Digital learning event:** Cllrs Bryson and Davies and Cllr Cuthbert had attended a demonstration at Kinross Primary School involving iPads purchased partly with a grant from the Kinross CC Newsletter charitable fund. Cllr Davies had sent an email of thanks to the school, congratulating them on the excellent presentation. Cllr Bryson and Cllr Cuthbert confirmed that the children's ability and confidence with the devices had been impressive, and that the school had appreciated the CC and Council being represented.

### Planning applications submitted to PKC

16/00735/FLL Erection of a dwelling house (change of house type), plot 1, NW of Bellfield House, Balado. No CC comment.

16/00425/FLL Installation of replacement windows at the Day Centre, 64 High Street, Kinross. No CC comment.

16/00784/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house at Goudierannat Farm, Kinross. No CC comment.

16/00768/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house at 21 Hatchbank Road, Gairneybank. No CC comment.

16/00774/FLL Erection of a dwelling house (revised design), 3 Brewery Lane, Kinross. No CC comment.

16/00741/ADV Display of signs for Inglis Vet, 39 High Street, Kinross. No CC comment.

### Planning applications determined by PKC

16/00487/FLL Revised bin store design at retail units, six flats and erection of block of 10 flats, former Loch Leven Health Centre, Lathro. Approved.

16/00662/FLL Alterations and extension to house, 59 Muirs, Kinross. Approved.

16/00360/FLL Extension to house, installation of flue, Lathro Park, Kinross. Approved.

16/00372/FLL Siting of storage containers etc, Tyrefair, Bridgend Industrial Estate. Approved.

16/00407/FLL Alterations to house, 21 Montgomery Street, Kinross. Refused.

16/00509/FLL Erection of industrial unit, 5 Clashburn Road. Approved.

### Planning Correspondence and other Planning Matters

- **Persimmon, former High School site:** Application 16/00255/FLM is going to Development Management Committee (DMC) on 8 June with a recommendation of approval. No one from the CC is able to attend the meeting. Ward councillors present encouraged the CC to write to them with any comments to be brought to the attention of the DMC. It was agreed that the Secretary would draft a letter and circulate to CC members for further comment before submitting to the ward councillors.

- **Retail unit at former Health Centre, Lathro:** Cllr MacKenzie is concerned at the close proximity of a convenience store, due to open in August, to the High School, and the possibility that it may lead to increased consumption of unhealthy food and drink by pupils. He noted that Forfar Academy had recently banned energy drinks from its premises. Cllr MacKenzie wondered if PKC had any policies on this matter. Cllr Robertson said that PKC does not have control over what children buy outside the school. Food in school is healthy. Cllr MacKenzie to draft a letter to the Director of Education.

**Kinross Common Good Fund (KCGF):** The guiding principle is to give financial assistance where the committee members think this will benefit the locality (the former burgh of Kinross). The anticipated balance of the KCGF is £158,778.72 if no money is distributed this year. The KCGF committee had previously decided to ring-fence £157,000 to keep as capital and give small amounts to organisations that require running cost funding. Cllr Colliar suggested small grants should be given from the capital amount. However, the KCGF committee would like the legacy still to be there in 10 years' time. The ring-fenced money could be used as capital funding if an appropriate project comes along. KCGF documents are available on the PKC website. A query was raised about a grant given to the Kinross-shire Partnership. Cllr Robertson will make enquiries.

**Town Centre Regeneration:** The ward councillors had a walkabout with council staff on 24 May. The following was agreed:

- a controlled crossing should be installed;
- the sign indicating the 20mph zone should be moved north of the roundabout (Station Road and High Street junction);
- more bollards are required at the give-take to prevent drivers driving on pavement.

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A suitable place for the crossing might be the stone strip outside the Co-op. C Haggart (PKC Roads) says there is no money in the current financial year. The work will be costed and a report issued.

The ward councillors asked if the CC was in favour of extending the 20mph zone as far as the Kirklands Hotel. The CC agreed. Give way lines cannot be painted on the stone setts, so there will be no line at the junction with Burns Begg Street.

The quantity of bins on the corner of the High Street and Montgomery Street looks messy; it is due to new regulations for food waste requiring extra bins.

Cllr Cuthbert asked if the CC would be in favour of Kinross in Bloom placing small planters between bollards in the shared space area. The CC agreed.

The ward councillors asked Council officers some time ago for a parking survey but this has not yet taken place.

**The Town Hall** is up for sale at a guide price of £175,000. Cllr Cuthbert suggested that a group could be formed to purchase it for the community.

**New Kinross Primary School:** A resident, David Scott, asked to address the CC regarding the second pedestrian access at the school lane added to the planning proposal after the public consultation had taken place. Some residents are concerned that this will result in more drivers parking in Douglas Crescent for drop off and pick up. He also queried the safety of children exiting on to Station Road sooner than a gradual stream from lower down the lane. He has tried asking PKC if the safety of the new access has been formally assessed but without success. The CC agreed to contact PKC to ask for a safety assessment. Cllr Robertson has asked for double yellow lines at Emslie Drive and will ask for these also at Douglas Crescent.

**Miscellaneous Correspondence:** A list summarising correspondence received since the last meeting was circulated. Some items discussed were:

**Local Community Planning event:** The CC was invited to this event held on 24 May at the campus. Several CC members and ward councillors attended. Comments made were: it was not well facilitated; it didn't cover any real topics; the area to be covered is too large (Kinross-shire would be ideal); the principle is good; it is reinventing the wheel.

The **Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland** has completed its reports and recommendations to Scottish Ministers, which can be viewed on the LGBCS website. LGBCS is no longer recommending that part of Kinross-shire should be split and moved into the Almond & Earn ward and no longer recommending that Kinross-shire councillors should be reduced from four to three. However, LGBCS now recommends that Perth North should be reduced. The ward councillors were congratulated for all their work in arguing the case to maintain Kinross-shire boundaries. Cllr Robertson praised the effort made by residents throughout the ward in submitting comments. However, it is not the end of the matter. There will be a further six-week consultation. There will be a discussion at PKC full Council on 22 June.

### Reports from Ward Councillors

**PKC budget:** Cllr Robertson was aghast at the PKC proposed capital budget. He said Cllr Barnacle has campaigned long and hard for an outline business case for mitigation measures for the A977 but this will not be included in the budget. However, £877,000 will be spent on dredging the Tay; £12 million will be spent on illuminating Perth buildings; and £1.2 million will be spent creating pontoons on the Tay. Cllr

Robertson had proposed an amendment but was defeated by 7 votes to 6. He feels the Council has "lost the plot". It may be three or four years before there is money for a controlled crossing on Kinross High Street.

*[However, see late-breaking news, page 5.]*

**Planning and Loch Leven catchment:** Cllr Barnacle referred to the Enforcement Report to the Development Management Committee meeting of 11 May regarding the Crook Moss Gypsy Traveller site. There are breaches concerning drainage contrary to policy EP7 and contrary to a Protocol that PKC has with other organisations. The failure of EP7 and the Protocol to protect Loch Leven will be discussed at a Planning Member Officer Group meeting on 16 June.

**Perth & Kinross Outdoor Access Forum:** Cllr Barnacle is now a community member of this forum and is happy to represent CCs with issues such as paths networks.

**Roads priorities:** Cllr Cuthbert asked for the CC's response to the list of proposed roads repairs sent to the CC last month.

### Other Business

**Toilets at pier:** A member of the public had posted to the CC's Facebook page regarding inadequate toilet provision at the pier. Cllr Cuthbert said that the lessees of the Boathouse had been invited to participate in PKC's Comfort Scheme but had refused. Kinross Estate Company do not want more toilets on their land, so there seems to be little that can be done.

**Double Yellow Lines at Muirs:** the lines near 60 Muirs have not been painted yet.

**The Next Meeting of Kinross CC will take place on Wednesday 6 July at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.**

### Agenda for the Meeting on 6 July

(1) Apologies. (2) Declarations of Interest. (3) Minutes of Meeting of 1 June 2016. (4) Police Report. (5) Report on kinross.cc website. (6) Matters arising from minutes of 1 June. (7) Planning matters. (8) PKC Supplementary Guidance on Delivering Zero Waste. (9) Sunnypark Wood: tree felling. (10) Town centre regeneration. (11) Kinross buildings. (12) Proposed new Primary School. (13) Miscellaneous correspondence. (14) Reports from P&K Councillors. (15) Questions from the floor. (16) Any other competent business. (17) Date of next meeting.

**Note:** Members of the public are welcome to contribute to discussion at CC meetings, but if wishing to address the meeting on a specific issue, please advise the Secretary in advance and supply a copy of any relevant documentation.

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## Milnathort Community Council News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 9 June 2016 were: CCllrs D Baudains (chairman), K Heneghan (secretary), S Young, E Kirkham, C Williams, L Cartwright and C Lawson; P&K Cllrs Robertson, Cuthbert and Giacopazzi; 13 members of the public and two guest speakers. Apologies were received from CCllr B Cook and P&K Cllr Barnacle.

**Friends of Loch Leven Library:** See p. 46.

**Kinross-shire Time Exchange:** Marg Meade outlined the work of Kinross-shire Time Exchange, set up a year ago by the Compassion Group.

**Dog fouling:** Cllr Robertson will liaise with CCllr Cartwright directly as there have been a number of comments on the CC's Facebook page regarding this. CCllr Young still hadn't discovered who had put up the sign at the field next to Webster's but it had had a very positive effect.

**Victoria Avenue:** The chairman had raised the matter of vehicles parking too close to the junction with Wester Loan with the police, but it was still a problem. Bin lorries were also reversing up Back Loan. Cllr Robertson advised that it was up to the police to monitor the situation. He had written to PKC's road safety officer about Back Loan and will report back. He said that the council did not favour speed bumps because they can throw vehicles off line and cause damage.

**Right of way through primary school:** CCllr Kirkham said she had written to the head teacher to ask whether there had been any concerns about this. The head teacher would be happy to meet with the CC to discuss. It was agreed to follow this up. Cllr Giacopazzi advised that the building of a changing facility in Donaldson Park was being encouraged and cars would be parked in the school car park.

**Roads:** The CC had been asked to produce a list of roads where they would wish road safety measures to be installed.

**Bridgefauld Road/Whyte Place:** At the previous meeting a member of the public had alleged that damage had been done during a recent upgrade and that tenants had not been compensated. Cllr Robertson has offered to meet with him to discuss the issue but said that the council usually responded quickly if work had not been carried out properly.

**Old Perth Road:** A resident wanted to turn a grass verge into a parking space, but it was not clear whether it was still privately owned or had been passed to PKC. Cllrs Robertson and Giacopazzi will follow up.

**Grass in Donaldson Park:** There was a discussion about the areas of long grass in Donaldson Park, which Cllr Robertson described as 'a mess'. The decision not to cut these areas was taken for cost-cutting reasons but this was thought to be a false economy and they were full of weeds and dog dirt rather than wild flowers. It was agreed that Cllr Robertson and CCllr Young would meet with the appropriate PKC official.

### Planning

Planning applications would be available on the MCC website and would be updated on a weekly basis.

**Applications determined** since last meeting: Conversion of Tudor House antiques to dwelling house: approved. Siting of 14 containers in Stirling Road: refused.

### Applications submitted:

- Alterations to Tillyrie House. Noted.
- Extension to house at The Barns, Dalqueich. Noted.
- Alterations to house at 14 Auld Mart Lane. Noted.
- Demolition of workshop and erection of house at 46 New Road. Noted.

**Pace Hill:** This is a major development and therefore the developers would consult with the public on 10 June.

**Hattonburn Road:** A member of the public expressed concerns for the future of the ancient broadleaf woodland should an application to build five houses be approved. Cllrs Robertson and Giacopazzi advised that its destruction would not be permitted under planning regulations.

Elyse Kirkham had contacted PKC to ask about the impact on local schools' capacity in light of proposed new development. Milnathort Primary School currently has a roll of 210 and a capacity of 257, while Kinross High School has a roll of 1006 and a capacity of 1286.

### New matters and correspondence

PKC **Greenspace** are seeking volunteers and leaflets have been distributed in the village.

The chairman had received an e-mail from a Courier reporter asking about proposals to designate Milnathort as a **conservation area**. He had forwarded the minutes of the previous meeting at which it had been discussed.

The chairman had received an e-mail from a lady concerned that the farmer had locked the **gates at Arlary**. Cllr Robertson explained that he had had to lock it as a spring had broken and people kept leaving it open. The spring had now been replaced.

MCC has now received its **certificate of insurance**.

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Cllr Cartwright reported that the MCC **website** was live and was intended to be a 'one stop shop' of information and contact numbers.

A letter had been received from **Victim Support** acknowledging the donation made by the lady who had had her handbag stolen. The collection made by villagers had amounted to more than she had lost, and the balance went to the charity.

**Public toilets:** Cllr Kirkham stated that a member of the public raised the issue of the lack of public toilets in the village with her at The Feel Good Fair. At the CC meeting, a member of the public stated that she had met a severely disabled woman who was unable to access the publicly available facility in the Thistle Hotel as it was locked and no-one answered the bell. A member of the public said that the Church office in South Street was manned between 10am and 2pm and the toilet was available if necessary. It was agreed to take this forward. There was also a discussion about asking local businesses to allow visitors and the public to use their toilet facilities for a donation.

### Comments from the floor

**Moss Road:** A member of the public said that some residents had clubbed together to repair the potholes.

### P&K Councillors' reports

Cllr Cuthbert reported that the **LCCP** in Kinross-shire would be starting in October. This would involve the Council, Fire Service, Police, NHS and other bodies forming a partnership to address local issues under community empowerment arrangements.

**Boundary Commission:** [See p. 5.]

**Budget review group:** PKC was to discuss its capital budget on 22 June, but there didn't seem to be much in it to benefit Kinross-shire. [However, see page 5.]

**Jessie's Park:** Cllr Robertson reported that PKC is to install a gate at Jessie's Park.

**Potholes** in New Road have been reported.

The **build-out** at the zebra crossing in South Street is due to be installed this year.

Cllr Robertson was critical of some of the plans in the **capital budget**. [See p. 7.]

Cllr Giacomazzi said that a survey was being undertaken with regard to **parking** in Kinross now that the old high school site would be unavailable.

**The Next Meeting of Milnathort CC will be held on Thursday 14 July at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall. All welcome to attend.**

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## Portmoak Community Council News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 14 June 2016 were: Cllrs B Calderwood (Deputy Chair and Treasurer), R Cairncross (Secretary), T Smith, D Morris and C Vlasto; Ward Cllrs M Barnacle and J Giacomazzi; and eight members of the public.

**Apologies:** Cllrs M Strang Steel (Chairman), A Robertson and S Forde; Ward Cllrs D Cuthbert and W Robertson; and Police Scotland.

**PKC Public Transport Consultation:** Stagecoach Route 201 which links Kinross to Glenrothes via the five Portmoak settlements was subsidised and was part of a current review on Kinross-shire public transport by PKC. At the open consultation forum hosted by PKC, the CC and several residents had reflected views from Portmoak on the value of route 201. Ward Councillors were asked to clarify if the burden of subsidy fell only on PKC or did Fife Council make a contribution.

**Local Boundary Commission:** The recommendation of the Commission to Scottish Ministers to retain the boundaries of the existing Ward 8 and its representation by four ward councillors was warmly welcomed.

**Boulders restricting passage of essential agricultural machinery on the Dryside Road at Muirs of Kinnesswood.**

The land on both sides of the carriageway was owned by a local resident. PKC did not feel it had a locus in resolving this longstanding matter. It appeared to be an intractable problem which would shortly become acute for the farmer concerned. The CC would give further thought to a solution.

**Overhanging branches at Wester Balgedie:** the property owner had been contacted. Arrangements to undertake a trim were in hand.

**Police:** There was no Police Report. The Commander's Bulletins of 26 May, 2 and 9 June were noted.

**Treasurer's report:** The General Account at the end of May was £140.30, while the Michael Bruce Way account was £694.30 - giving a total of £834.60. The operational grant from PKC for the years 2016 - 2017 was anticipated. An indicative budget for the year had been prepared.

### Planning: new applications

16/00913/AML Land at Caol Ila, Back Dykes, Kinnesswood. Erection of a new house and garage. No Comment.

16/00817/FLL Carsehall Cottage, Wester Balgedie. Replacement windows and doors. No comment.

16/00798/FLL Glenlond House, Glenlond. Erection of a garage. No comment.

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16/00721/FLL Bankfoot Cottage, Leslie Road, Scotlandwell. Alterations and extension to house. No comment.

16/00795/FLL Rannoch, Main Street, Kinnesswood. Alterations and extension to house. No comment.

16/00800/FLL Pine Cottage, Wester Balgedie. Replacement windows and erection of a balcony. No comment.

16/00751/FLL Former site of Levensglenn Nursing Home, Glenlomond. Erection of 13 houses. In anticipation of increased construction traffic, the CC had made two objections. Both were conditional on there being in place prior to building commencing and on the road between Wester Balgedie and Glenlomond: agreed passing places; and appropriate traffic calming signage.

#### Planning: progress with developments

- a) **Former Lomond Inn:** Proposals for part demolition and erection of 5 dwellinghouses. The CC had made a formal complaint to PKC reflecting concerns about the continuing policy of PKC to withhold reports of conservation officers.
- b) **Glenlomond:** Proposals to erect 13 dwellinghouses. While a decision was awaited there was apparently permission to proceed with the removal of the existing buildings. This was underway.

**Planning: Note of appeal:** 16/00362/IPL and 16/00363/IPL Local Review Body: Two houses at Lochend Farmhouse, Scotlandwell.

**Roads Report:** The CC received its Roads Report for May. It also heard a report of a CC meeting with PKC Roads Officers on 3 June which had considered:

- a) Re-siting the 40mph speed limit on the A911 in Wester Balgedie to include the two entrances to Loch Leven's Larder. The matter was in hand.
- b) traffic management of large vehicles (HGVs) in Main Street Kinnesswood. Plans will be developed to ensure that, at the narrowest point large vehicles can pass without encroaching on narrow pavements. The positioning of a strategically placed bollard would also be considered.
- c) reclassification of A911 and B9097. Although there may be a case to upgrade the busier B9097 to an A classification, there was no case to change the classification of the A911.
- d) proposed 20mph pilot speed limits on parts of A911; The principles for this pilot scheme would be considered by PKC in September. It remains uncertain whether these proposals will be introduced in Portmoak.
- e) footpath along A911 from Scotlandwell to Church and at Woodmarch. This remains a significant problem. Both footpath and road were narrow, making passage for large vehicles and pedestrians alike difficult. Progress towards a resolution awaits an option appraisal by PKC.
- f) Flooding consequent on blocked drains in Scotlandwell had been resolved.
- g) A911 junction in Scotlandwell. No change in traffic flows is proposed here.
- h) Signage. Strategically placed signs advising alternative routes for HGVs attempting to pass along the A911 and through Portmoak would be explored.

**Portmoak Primary School:** Introduction of "Park and Stride". The CC was supportive of this project where, on certain days, children would walk from the Church car park to the school. It had some concerns in respect of the narrow section of footpath pavement at Woodmarch and would draw this to the attention of the school.

**Parking immediately after build-outs.** This can cause difficulties if it restricts those passing build-outs from making a timely return to the left hand side of the road.

**Paths Report:** Volunteers now met every Monday to undertake maintenance work on the Michael Bruce Way and other paths. Much was being achieved with an emphasis being on diverting water from path surfaces. A strimming programme was underway and grass cuts to Peat Loan had been reduced to once a month. Volunteers from Kinross High School had helped with the maintenance programme and a sponsored walk by Portmoak Primary School would contribute some funds to the path programme.

**Ward Councillor Report:** Cllr Barnacle reported that he was now a member of the PKC Outdoor Access Forum. The Council was now considering its capital budget for the years 2020-2023. He would pursue concerns that the road infrastructure for Kinross-shire was not accorded an appropriate priority.

**Loch Leven Community Library.** Richard Scott described the work of a volunteer group "Friends of Loch Leven Community Library." [See p. 46.]

**Kinnesswood in Bloom (KIB).** Cllr T Smith reported that, despite continuing efforts A & J Stephen, as owner of a plot of land adjacent to the war memorial, had not provided necessary consent to allow KIB to develop the plot. Significant funding would need to be returned were this not forthcoming by September. The nature of the impediment was unclear. Ward Councillors would consider what may be done.

**Potential change of flight paths at Edinburgh airport.** The CC noted that there was a current consultation to address this matter which was open to the public. At present there were no specific proposals.

**The Next Meeting of Portmoak CC will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 12 July at Portmoak Village Hall.**

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## Fossoway & District CC News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 7 June 2016 were: Councillors T Duffy, A Cheape, G Kilby and G Pye; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle, D Cuthbert and W Robertson; and 12 members of the Public (MoP).

**Apologies:** Cllr J Giacopazzi.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

**Police report:** No report received. PC Douglas Stapleton was due to attend, but unfortunately operational requirements prevented that. Suspicious men were seen at Briglands, Rumbling Bridge.

**Future of this CC:** Since the last meeting, two of the members have resigned, leaving us perilously short of members, preventing us attending all the meetings that we need to, and leaving the remaining members with a great amount of work to do. Any proposed new members would be very welcome, especially people to represent Carnbo and Powmill. It would also be good if we could lower our average age and improve our gender balance by recruiting younger and female members.

There also appears to be some confusion about the minutes. Cllr Pye explained that firstly the minutes were not a verbatim transcript, rather a summary, and secondly they are a record of what was said, which may or may not be true statements. Any person who was present at a meeting can request corrections at the following meeting before the minutes are signed off, however, changes can only be made where it is agreed that what was said at the previous meeting was not accurately recorded. Objections to the content of previous statements cannot be included.

**Crook Moss Travellers' Site:** Cllrs Barnacle and Cuthbert have both written letters to the Newsletter pointing out that as the drainage condition has not been met then the planners should cause the residents to move out until the condition has been met, but this proposal was rejected by the planners. This seems to suggest that policy EP7 (protection of Loch Leven) may need to be re-examined as it is not being enforced. Another report on the compliance with the planning conditions will be submitted to the DMC in twelve months, although local councillors unsuccessfully tried to bring this forward to a shorter period.

**A977 Defects and Mitigation Measures:** Cllr Robertson reports that Police Scotland is still totally opposed to supporting any sort of Community Speedwatch programme on cost grounds.

Cllr Barnacle and the other local members have been talking to PKC Roads department for a long time to get an Outline Business Proposal prepared, but unfortunately it has been deemed to be low priority, which is extremely disappointing. Meanwhile, it seems easy for PKC administration to find money for lighting up Perth city centre buildings, dredging the Tay, etc.

It was noted that the Crook of Devon storm drain works are over-running. Potholes by drains on B9097 and subsidence outside Devonshaw House on A977 have still not been fixed. The CC and local Councillors will write to PKC's Roads department requesting an urgent resolution to these matters.

**Emergency Support Centre:** Cllr Kilby reports that the Hall committee has agreed to this, but arrangements for access to keys still needs to be worked out.

**CC Grant:** Cllr Pye reports that PKC have now reissued our grant for last year.

In order to obtain online access to our bank account it will be necessary to open a new one, as the current one is too old to allow this. Cllr Pye was actioned to open the new account.

**Rumbling Bridge Hydro Scheme:** Six people have expressed interest in being part of a Community Benefit Group. Cllr Duffy is arranging an initial meeting this week. Cllr Duffy will chair the first meeting, but once the committee has been established she will step down. Cllr Barnacle is seeking clarification from Dave Stubbs about whether the initial developer contribution of £10k, required as part of the planning consent, could also be paid into this fund. MoP notes that the hydro scheme developers are not keeping them adequately informed about the programme for road closures – Cllr Barnacle agreed to take this issue up with Hugh Wallace. Considerable concern was expressed by several MoPs present at the meeting about whether the pipeline can successfully cross the road without the need for a temporary closure, which would be very disruptive, especially if it happened without warning.

**Crook and Drum Growing Together:** This group is now working and the first planting day will happen soon.

**Powmill in Bloom** have decided to enter the Best Kept Village competition but are concerned about reducing the number of "eyesores" in the village – tidying up the hotel site is currently unlikely as the site is up for sale. Cllr Barnacle has been told by PKC that play areas are inspected every two months and maintenance arranged if budgets allow. This is another area which is likely to move into charitable funding.

**Dunning Glen:** Cllr Robertson has spoken to Police Scotland and in collecting information for them he discovered that the bridge has been severely damaged. The Police need PKC to report the damage as a crime before it can be investigated. The Police will increase patrols to the area and interview campers taking names and car registrations. Hopefully the displaced parapet stones from the bridge can be recovered from the burn and pinned back in place to prevent a recurrence of the vandalism. Cllr Robertson suggested that closing the laybys by the bridge might discourage wild campers as they're unlikely to park at a distance – this idea met with approval by those present, so he will take the idea forward.

**Station Road Adoption:** Cllr Barnacle has had a meeting with the Council's solicitor who suggested a meeting to discuss this, following which the Council's solicitor will write to the dissenting landowner's solicitor stating that the Council are in favour of the adoption and intend to proceed with it.

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**Boundary Commission:** The Commission have published their report, in which they have reversed their previous proposal for the local ward, leaving it unchanged. This was in response to a large volume of comments pointing out the historic significance of the Kinross-shire boundary, and also to the enormous amount of work done by Cllr Cuthbert. However it should be remembered that one of the Commission's original goals was to reduce the number of councillors by one, and they have proposed reducing the number of Councillors in the Perth City North Ward – it remains to be seen whether this proposal will meet with the approval of the Council.

**Dog Waste in Drum:** Cllr Robertson had requested a dog waste bin, not yet placed but still due to happen.

**Matters Arising With No Update Since Last Meeting:** Safer Route to School (Drum), Blairingone War Memorial, Ivy Cottage, Powmill: No update.

Bollards Opposite Crook Village Hall: Awaiting a report from PKC Roads Department on how the safety of this section of road could be improved.

Crook Moss Community Involvement: Ongoing.

**Bins at Village Hall:** CCllr Kilby received a report of rubbish being left around the bins, possibly from van drivers taking their lunches. The problem seems not to have recurred since.

**CC Business: Meetings Attended:** CCllr Kilby attended a meeting of the Sports Hub on 20 April; a consultation is to be held to decide the group's aims and coverage. Launch of the hub is hoped to take place when the schools return after the summer break.

#### Councillors' Reports

**Cllr Barnacle:** The chalet development west of Braehead Farm is now operational, with the chalets being advertised as suitable for permanent occupation. This site was originally approved with 15 chalets by Clackmannanshire Council in 1989, but subsequently boundary changes brought it into P&K, and in 2012 a partial change of use to 13 houses was approved by the DMC in spite of objections by this CC that it should be a new application. Latterly the site has been sold to a new owner. During all of these changes, the original planning file has been lost, and the original planning conditions which would prevent permanent occupation seem to have been overturned without approval of local members or the DMC. Cllr Barnacle has raised this issue with PKC Planning department, and his letter has been passed to the legal department.

There is currently no flood risk management plan for Drum - PKC will facilitate getting landowners together to agree a plan, although they are unlikely to provide any financial support.

**Cllr Cuthbert:** The Local Community Planning Partnerships (LCPPs) are five new groups being created within Perth and Kinross to feed ideas to address social inequalities up to the Community Planning Partners (CPPs.) The CPPs are comprised of the NHS, other public and voluntary organisations, etc., working together to deliver services. The aim of creating the LCPPs is give communities more participation and to move away from top-down planning and get joined up thinking. Cllr Cuthbert would like to extend the remit of these bodies to cover wider areas than they are currently.

**Cllr Robertson:** Nothing not already reported above.

#### Planning Matters

16/00722/FLL Erection of a garage/workshop at Hardriggs, Powmill, Dollar, FK14 7NP. No CC comment.

16/00731/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling house at Rosebank Cottage, Vicar's Bridge Road, Blairingone, Dollar, FK14 7LR. No CC comment.

16/00840/FLL Change of use from wedding venue and conference facility (Class 4) to hotel (Class 7) at Solsgirth House, Solsgirth, Dollar, FK14 7NZ. Application withdrawn.

16/00878/FLL Renewal of permission 14/00278/FLL (erection of stable building) (temporary for two years) (in retrospect) for a further three years at Dollar Equestrian, Blairingone, Dollar, FK14 7ND. The CC will object on the grounds that as the business is no longer operational there is no requirement for the additional stables, and that the associated house plot has now been sold by the applicant.

16/00921/FLL Change of use from wedding venue and conference facility (Class 4) to hotel (Class 7) at Solsgirth House, Solsgirth, Dollar, FK14 7NZ. No CC comment.

**Correspondence:** All the correspondence was available for viewing.

**AOCB:** The footpath past the Powmill shop is not surfaced further west once past Gartwhinzean Feus. Cllrs noted that this has already been requested.

#### Draft Agenda for Next CC Meeting

Welcome and Apologies, Declarations of Interest, Community Policing, Minutes of last meeting.

Matters arising: Crook Moss Travellers' Site, A977 Mitigation, Emergency Support Centre, Rumbling Bridge Hydro Scheme, Crook and Drum Growing Together, Dunning Glen, Station Road Adoption, Dog Waste in Drum.

Community Councillors: Meetings Attended, PKC Councillors' Reports, Planning, Correspondence, AOCB.

**NOTE: No Meeting in July.**

**The Next Meeting of Fossoway & District CC will take place on Tuesday 2 August 2016 at 7.30pm at Carnbo Village Hall. All Welcome.**



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## Cleish and Blairadam CC

### News from the June Meeting

Present at the meeting held on 6 June 2016 were: CCllrs R Kitchin, P Fraser, H Somerville; P&K Cllrs D Cuthbert and J Giacopazzi; PC D Stapleton; and five members of the community.

**Apologies:** CCllr F Principe-Gillespie, P&K Cllr M Barnacle, F MacGregor and R Cairnie.

As there were only three Community Councillors in attendance, it was not a quorate meeting.

**Coins for Cleish Primary School** commemorating the Queen's 90th Birthday: This could not be funded by the CC.

**Crime prevention:** PC Stapleton was in attendance. There are no specific crimes reported, but the police are aware of the speeding motorbikes along the B9097 in particular. Perth traffic officers will be more of a presence in the area to try and reduce this. An incidence of fly-tipping in Maryburgh has been reported by Cllr Robertson to the police. Cllr Giacopazzi asked if PC Stapleton could investigate this further.

**Correspondence:** Community Greenspace: an opportunity for volunteering. Fliers will be placed in the noticeboards and a link on the website.

**Finance:** There is currently £419.55 in the account.

#### Planning

- **Blairforge:** The enforcement Officer is investigating one site.
- **Boreland:** There are significant concerns amongst the community in Cleish regarding this part-retrospective amendment. It was reported that the planning officer instructed the developer not to continue with the overhanging eaves, the developer continued and put in a retrospective application. These are not details that were on the original steading building that was demolished. The recent application was only granted on the strict guidelines that the new building was a replica, indistinguishable from the original. This is clearly not the case. There is also concern that window openings have been altered in size. The CC were informed that the Planning Office would strictly enforce the re-submitted application when it was granted. Cllr Giacopazzi confirmed that the Head of Planning is looking into this. It was agreed that the CC would strongly object due to the weight and strength of opinion that has been brought to the CC's attention.

**CC website:** There has been a message on the Facebook site reporting speeding motorbikes on the B9097.

#### Village updates: Blairadam

26 July is the judging date for the best kept village.

#### Village updates: Cleish

Wildflowers have been planted around the sports field.

The church sale and fete was very successful.

A right of way signpost is missing alongside the Manse. (It has been reported to Dave Stubbs.)

There is currently no reliable access for the Council to cut the grass along the Millennium Walk. This access is being discussed with the church.

#### Other Business

We welcomed the new **Chair of Milnathort CC**.

P&K Councillors had a meeting with officers regarding development of **Cleish School**. The portacabins are reaching the end of their useable life and so options are being discussed.

Cllr Giacopazzi advised that this year the council is only cutting **grass verges** once, however could all residents bring to the CC's attention any junctions which are becoming dangerous due to restricted vision with long grass. Cllr Cuthbert offered to pass this information on. Initial feedback raised concerns about Boreland junction, Mawmill junction (on B9097) the M90 Jct 5 and onto the B996, and the North road entrance from Keltybridge and Maryburgh.

**Boundaries:** Cllr Cuthbert advised that Kinross-shire will not be altered in the local government boundaries.

A **locality community planning partnership** meeting was attended by Cllr Cuthbert. A 'joined-up' solution for providing local services and planning future service delivery in areas for new development is the aim.

**Bins:** green bins will be replaced with smaller ones, and blue bins with larger ones to promote more recycling. Households that currently do not have a brown bin collection will also be similarly changed over. Larger households can request to keep the larger bins.

**The Next Meeting of Cleish & Blairadam CC will take place on Monday 1 August 2016 at 7.30pm at the Tabernacle Hall.**

Cleish & Blairadam CC minutes are posted on the website

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# Club & Community Group News



## Friends of Loch Leven Community Library

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Our community library is now open later on Saturday afternoons. Our group of volunteers take over from library staff at 1pm and close the library at 4pm.

This is the first such action achieved in Perth & Kinross and we look forward to your taking advantage of the library at these times. It is the intention, in due course, to also open on Mondays.

Although we have some volunteers for this, we will require more help to increase the scope of the service and anyone interested in providing part-day assistance should contact Richard Scott on 07999 510 500 or Bill Belford on 07807 842 063.

## Kinross and District Town Twinning Association



France is very much in everyone's minds just now with the European Football Championships taking place. We are pleased to welcome our twin town guests from Gacé in Normandy this summer to celebrate 40 years of twinning exchanges between friends and families. The last four decades have been exciting and memorable with many, many highlights, fun and fellowship. This year sees our Norman cousins travel via the Channel Tunnel for the first time, arriving in Kinross on the evening of **Sunday 31 July** for a one week stay.

This year's programme of events are open to the whole community, not just twinning families. Hopefully, all those who have been involved with a twinning exchange will be able to attend one or more of the organised events. Please contact chairperson Jeannie Paterson on 01577 862159 for costs and booking arrangements. The programme of events is as follows:

**Sunday 31 July**, 6pm estimated time of arrival at Loch Leven Campus.

**Monday 1 August**, free day with families.

**Tuesday 2 August**, welcome reception at Milnathort Town Hall followed by buffet lunch at Milnathort Bowling Club. Thereafter, Kinross v Gacé green bowls followed by French bowls.

**Wednesday 3 August**, day trip to Kelpies and Callendar House, Falkirk.

**Thursday 4 August**, free day with families.

**Friday 5 August**, day trip to Balhousie Castle Museum and Dewar's World of Whisky.

**Saturday 6 August**, Ceilidh Dinner at Milnathort Town Hall, 7pm to midnight.

**Sunday 7 August**, free day with families.

**Monday 8 August**, morning departure from campus.

Let's make this 40th anniversary twinning a special one for our Gacéan visitors.

*The Ville de Gacé  
commemorative medal  
presented to Kinross  
on one of the previous  
twinning visits*



## Dobbies Community Champion

The July **Little Seedlings Club** meeting will be at 11am on **Sunday 3 July**, all about bees and how to help them in your garden. We will meet at the allotments behind the store and do some growing there as well. We have already planted broad beans, peas, potatoes, radish and salad as well as some bee-friendly flowers. New members aged 4 to 10 are always welcome, accompanied by an adult; **please book online at dobbies.com**. The August meeting will be on 7 August about how plants adapt to different growing conditions.

We will also have some **children's holiday activity and growing sessions** in the store on **26 July**, and **10 August** at 11am; further details available in store nearer the time.

I have also been busy with our **"Helping your community Grow"** scheme, with a donation of perennial plants to **Kinross in Bloom** for their new large planters in the High Street. This will also be followed by some scented and sustainable planting in planters at the Day Centre.



*Dobbies donated plants to Kinross in Bloom for new containers at Kinross Town Hall which were planted up by volunteers.*

*I to r: Johnathan Venters of 1145(DF) ATC, Ann Marie and Derek Lawrence of Kinross in Bloom, Amanda James (Dobbies Community Champion), Dave Stubbs and Elspeth Bruce of PKC, Robert Miller of 11445(DF) ATC*

Another donation has been to **Fossway Primary School** and **"Crook and Drum Growing Together"** of tubs and plants to brighten up both the villages.

I am also helping **Seamab** school to grow some edible plants and develop a wellbeing area, with sensory plants, and a bird feeding area, screened with trellis.

In early June, I helped with a session for **2nd Kinross Brownies** sowing seeds and planting at the allotments, and advised them for their gardening badges.

For any queries about community growing activities, please contact Amanda James at the store on 01577 863327, or via [community.kinross@dobbies.com](mailto:community.kinross@dobbies.com)

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## Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club

There is no monthly meeting in July.

There are no Away Days in July.

### Notices

**Our Annual Outing** is to the Highland Wildlife Park at Kingussie on **3 July**. The coach will leave the Green Hotel at 9am and Milnathort at 9.10am.

**Pantomime:** We have booked tickets for 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves' at the King's Theatre, Edinburgh; a matinee performance at 2pm. The total cost is £31, which includes Circle ticket. The money for this will be collected at our September meeting. Anyone interested, please contact Mrs E Oswald, tel 01577 865731.

### Friday Walkers

- 1 July** Loch Ordie from Dowally.  
**15 July** The Water of Leith from Slateford to the Botanic Gardens.  
**29 July** Beecraigs Country Park and Cockleroy.  
Our walks will continue to leave from the Green Hotel. Contact: Ian Simpson on 01577 863691.

### Friday Hill Walkers

- 8 July** Inverdownie Lindsay 8.30am  
**15 July** Bridge of Cally Anne & Kate 8.30am

### Activities

Activities are open to all members of the club.

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

**Line Dancing** every Tuesday and Friday at 10.30am in the Millbridge Hall. Contact Betty Fergus, 01577 866961.

**Activities finished for the summer:** Bowling, Fly tying, Keep Fit and Crafts.



## Kinross-shire Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme



Many of the volunteer drivers attended the AGM on 8 June during which Ken Paterson and Allan Dearing retired from the committee. Ken and Allan were thanked for all that they have done by the new chairman, Mike Thomson. Allan has worked hard over many years in ways as diverse as the unenviable task of sorting out Gift Aid and manning stalls to providing delicious baking for events. Allan is continuing as a volunteer driver. Ken has served on the committee for several years as committee member, vice-chair and, for the last three years, chairman. Anne Milburn and David Aird were elected to join the committee.

Co-ordinator Ann Munro reported that, over the past year, the group has provided transport to 229 users resulting in 1929 trips to hospitals, medical centre, hairdressers, shopping and so on. This, of course, results in two journeys, there and back; an astonishing total of 3858.

After the business part of the meeting, Marg Meade spoke about the work being done in Kinross-shire by the Time Exchange. The committee and drivers became aware of how they could promote the scheme to some of our users who are in need of assistance with small jobs, or who would benefit from a visit from someone to chat to.

The AGM is also an opportunity for the volunteer drivers to be thanked and told how much their input is appreciated by the users and also to spend time chatting to each other over tea and cakes. Thanks to the committee members who provided an excellent assortment of cakes and scones.

### Volunteers

For various reasons, some of our drivers have had to retire this year. Many thanks to Ken Paterson, Alison Houston, Sandy MacCalman and Mary Sneddon. We are sorry to see you go and appreciate all the driving you have done for the group. New volunteers are always made welcome. Sometimes people enquire about driving but decide it is not for them. If that is the case, there are always other ways to help. If you have a bit of time and would like to be involved in a friendly group, do contact our co-ordinator, Ann Munro on 01577 840196 or by email at [administrator@kvg&ros.org.uk](mailto:administrator@kvg&ros.org.uk).

## Kinross (Marshall) Museum



Many thanks to all those who lent support to the Museum's exhibitions in the campus to mark the Queen's 90th Birthday, at the Bronze Age Fair at Portmoak Village Hall and at Loch Leven Discovery Day.

Our exhibition on the weaving and textile industries of Kinross-shire – "If it wasna for the weavers" – will be completed and available for viewing by the beginning of July, so do come to the campus and take a look.



## Lomond Antiques and Collectors Club



The outside visit this year was held on Sunday 5 June and the idyllic weather was complemented with an idyllic place to visit, namely Drumlanrig castle.

The outing was made all the more interesting because Prof David Munro, who works at the castle, was also present on the journey down to Drumlanrig. He gave a very interesting talk on the area in general and the Dalveen Pass in particular. After a tour of the castle, followed by lunch, he gave another talk on the old maps of the area.

The club held its 23rd AGM on Wednesday 8 June at the home of Moira and Alistair Smith of Wester Balgedie. At the meeting past and present events were discussed.

The chairman, Ian, presented Brenda Bird with a gift for her and John as they were leaving the area.

The members enjoyed the traditional AGM fayre of strawberries and wine which were prepared by Jenny and Claudia.

## Portmoak Hall 100 Club

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### Weekend Walks

**Sunday 3 July: Two Forts of Ecclesiamagirdle, 6 miles.** A circular walk west of Bridge of Earn, taking in the sites of two forts.

**Saturday 16 July: Military Manoeuvres on the Moor, 9 miles.** From Leuchars, past Earls Hall Castle to the mouth of River Eden. Return via Tentsmuir Forest and Fife Coastal path. Tracks and paths with military pill boxes, concrete tank traps and a look-out post.

In case it turns cold and wet, you do need appropriate clothing, including boots or strong shoes and waterproofs. Bring water, a packed lunch and a hot drink.

For further details of where to meet us, or for general enquiries, please call our Group Secretary, Ann Eve, on 01577 863887.

### Tuesday Short Walks

For those who are new to walking or want a shorter walk, come and join us on our Tuesday morning walks. These are usually a maximum of 4 miles (1½-2 hours) followed by a sociable visit to a coffee shop, farm, shop or pub for refreshments. We would be delighted to welcome anyone who would like to try walking with us.

**Tuesday 5 July: Auchtermuchty and the common.** A short section of road walking, then riverside tracks to the common with extensive views over the countryside.

**Tuesday 19 July: Michael Bruce Trail and Portmoak Moss.** A fairly steep climb up the Cobbles, Kinnesswood, followed by an easy walk along the former Tetley Tea Trail. Past the refurbished well at Scotlandwell and a gentle walk around the Moss.

For further details of where to meet us, or for general enquiries, please contact our Walks Leader, Edna Burnett, on 01577 862977.

## Light Up Kinross Volunteer Required

Light up Kinross, the group responsible for the Christmas Light display, require an electrician or person with experience of lights and wiring to assist with maintenance of the display lights.

We are a small community group of volunteers and would be able to assist with any travel costs or outgoing expenses. It would normally take two or three days per year to test and repair any faults during the summer storage.

Tayside Contracts erects and dismantles the lights. You would be welcome to join us when making decisions about the lights.

Please contact David Colliar, tel 01577 864037, mobile 07876 381860, email davidcolliar@tiscali.co.uk or speak to any committee member.



## Potager Garden

Bowton Road, Kinross

The school children have now finished their visits to the garden, but will be returning in September to pick and dig up vegetables to taste and take home. We wish them a happy holiday, and hope they may try some gardening at home, with all their new skills. Work continues for the volunteers over the summer, looking after the plants, watering, weeding, picking etc, and we are looking forward to a good soft fruit harvest soon.

Our "Blooming Great Tea Party" for Marie Curie in June was very successful, and we are grateful to everyone who came along to support us. **We raised a fantastic total of £270 for Marie Curie**, and were pleased to welcome new visitors to the garden as well. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped and provided baking, Sally Longstaffe from Phoenix cards, and to the Queich recorder ensemble, whose music really added to the garden party atmosphere. Thanks, too, to Margaret for her wonderful carrot cake, complete with baby carrots, to mark the garden's 20th anniversary. The cake was cut by Jim Henry, an early member of the garden team.



Jim Henry cutting the anniversary cake

**The garden is open for visitors** during the day; dogs on a lead please and children must be accompanied by an adult. Please take care, and do not touch or taste the plants, as some may be harmful. **Plant sales at the garden on Mondays** from 10.30am to 12.30pm, or by arrangement, and please call in for a chat and cup of tea then.

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June was a relatively quiet month in that we had no major fundraising events and so were able to enjoy that beautiful sunshine. We have, however, been preparing for two in July.

The first, on **Saturday 9 July**, is a charity golf day in Milnathort and a full report will be given next month. In the meantime, a huge thank-you to the members of Milnathort Golf Club for naming us as their chosen charity.

Towards the end of July we have our ever popular project lunch (details below). If you have never ventured into the Guide Hall, this event is a perfect opportunity to see what we are all about. We are open for coffee as usual up to the 12pm start. With the summer holidays beckoning for volunteers, new faces are especially welcome. If you are new to the area, or find yourself with some spare time, your visit either as a customer or as a potential volunteer would be greatly appreciated. The warm welcome will ensure you won't regret it! So don't delay, make a date with Common Grounds!

**Project lunch:** We are thrilled that Isebaile MacKinnon from the charity Machair, which we supported in November 2015, is able to come over from Canna to speak at a project lunch on **Tuesday 26 July**. The lunch begins at 12 noon prompt with the speaker in the Guide Hall, Church Street, Milnathort. Homemade soup, bread, everyone's favourite cheese biscuits, fairtrade tea and coffee and tray bakes will follow. Everyone very welcome.

**Projects:** Our project for **June** was 'Excellent Development' which we last supported in 2011. Excellent Development don't give hand-outs, they give people the opportunity to transform their own lives. This is done using sand dams, which are cheap, innovative solutions to water shortages in rural dryland communities. They have the big plus of freeing women from the shackles of arduous journeys to collect the most basic of requirements, namely water. A recently completed dam in Lekurruki, Kenya, stores up to 40 million litres of safe water for people (and elephants!) and will do so for generations to come. The hope is that, with continued support, they will build 18 more sand dams by 2018.

Our project for **July** is The Uphill Trust which supports the Uphill Junior School in rural Western Uganda. The school has grown from a tiny kindergarten for 3-5 year olds in 2011 to a primary school for children up to the age of 12. In 2013 the school buildings consisted of five wooden walled, partially roofed classrooms with dirt floors, a few desks and very little equipment for a school roll of over 100. School equipment, a water tank and plot of land have now been funded as well as regular salary payments to teachers. Any child is accepted irrespective of whether they can afford the £6 a term school fees.

Our opening hours are still 10am to 1pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort. Contacts outside opening hours are Elspeth Caldwell (Convener) on 01577 863350 and Linda Freeman (Secretary) on 01577 865045.

**Deadline for all Submissions**  
**5pm, FRIDAY 15 July**  
**for publication on Saturday 30 July**

## Crook and Drum - Growing Together

A new 'Bloom' group has recently been set up in Crook of Devon and Drum, to improve the appearance of the villages and encourage community spirit in the area. The name of the group, 'Crook and Drum, Growing Together' is designed to reflect this double aim.

A donation of tubs and plants from Dobbies in Kinross has enabled us to start this season with some colourful planters around the villages, and we are being supported by businesses along the main street: Hepburns' garage, The Inn, Fossoway Store and the petrol station, who will all have floral displays outside. We are registered with the Council, and the Beautiful Scotland Campaign, and will receive a small start up grant, as well as being insured for public liability.

Dobbies have also donated seeds and plants to Fossoway Primary School, and a competition was held there to design a logo for the new group. The pupils all produced wonderful designs, and it was difficult to decide the winner, which was by Jessica Evans in P4, and is shown above.

We are looking forward to future fundraising to enable further planting in the autumn and beyond, and **would welcome anyone in the local area who would like to join in with our activities**. Please contact Amanda James on 01577 840809, or Trudy Duffy-Wigman on 01577 840669.



## Scotlandwell in Bloom

Scotlandwell in Bloom was delighted to engage with Kinross High School and enlist the help of S1 and S2 pupils during their Challenge Week from 30 May to 3 June.

Four members of the group welcomed 13 S2 pupils at the Well Green and dug, weeded, planted trees, painted barrels, and collected logs from Portmoak Moss.

On the second day, 15 S1 pupils arrived sharp at 9.30am full of youth and enthusiasm to embrace the day ahead, which again included tree planting, more weeding and barrel painting. The weather on both days was fantastic and the school bus left the village on both days with dirty-kneed, paint splodged, sun-kissed pupils who were safely delivered back to school.

The pupils worked so well, and despite weeding not being everyone's idea of 'fun', they all worked together to get the jobs done, and did a remarkable amount of work.

Grateful thanks to the **Well Country Inn** for the use of their toilets and for providing sandwiches for the one or two who 'forgot their lunch'. Thanks also to **Wellside Power Wash** for providing the ton bags which were filled with weeds, and most importantly, for taking it all to the skip afterwards.

At the end of both days, the pupils were rewarded with time to enjoy the swings and a well-earned ice lolly!! Here's hoping they'll want to come back next year!

## Kinross Garden Group

Our June outing took us to Hutton-in-the-Forest House and Gardens near Penrith where a very enjoyable day was had by all. The weather was so good that we were able to relax and enjoy the surroundings. Our next trip to Pitmuis Gardens near Forfar will take place on **Thursday 14 July**. Contact Mrs C Rodger on 01577 863785.





## Dollar Museum

**Well worth a visit... another visit... a regular visit!**

The museum is free and open every weekend until Christmas. We have four new exhibitions this year: *Robert Burns in Dollar*, *Old Churches and Old Pewter*, *A Ship in a Bottle* and the *History of Football in Dollar*.

Bring the footballer in your life to browse the pictures and trophies of the football teams from the 1900s through to today's Dollar Glen FC. There are still a few fathers and grandfathers to be identified.

Our *Ship in a Bottle* exhibit tells the story of a WWI prisoner of war camp in Glendevon. The prisoners worked on the lower Glendevon Reservoir dam. The display explains how the bottle came to be given to a local girl, locates the camp and tells of prisoners escaping and being recaptured.

Swot up for your next Burns Supper! Learn about the poems Burns wrote for the ladies at Harviestoun.

Pewter communion vessels used in Dollar and Muckhart from as early as 1747 are on display. They are accompanied by communion tokens and other old church items, plus images and histories of local churches, including Shelterhall and Andrew's Fold. Simplified diagrams explain the schisms, splits and reunions within the churches in Scotland, both nationally and locally.

Don't forget we have an extensive archive of photos of old Dollar. And remember the recent excitement over the rebuilt *Flying Scotsman*? We, too, have our steam railway history. The permanent exhibition on the Devon Valley Railway includes over 750 photos, including nearly every steam and diesel engine that ever came through Dollar Station and headed on to Alloa or Kinross.

There's plenty to keep the children occupied. Let them play with some old-fashioned toys: not a digital app in sight! This year we are selling locally themed colouring books and crayons in the shop. And there are plenty of exclusive Dollar gifts to buy.

Opening times are Saturdays 11am-1pm and 2pm-4.30pm and Sundays 2pm-4.30pm. You can find us on our Website, on Facebook and on Trip Advisor.

There will be a **Strawberry Tea** in Burnside Hall, Dollar, on **Thursday 14 July** at 2.30pm in aid of Museum funds. All welcome.

## Kinross & District Inner Wheel



Our last meeting before the summer break took the form of a meal at the Bistro beside Loch Leven in Kinross. Although the weather outside was rather cold and wet, inside all was warm and comfortable and we very much enjoyed the lovely food. Christine Maclure had baked a delicious cake which we shared with our coffee afterwards.

At the beginning of the evening President Alison presented a cheque to Nan Cook of Kinross Day Centre to support the work they do there.

Members are looking forward to their summer outing to Pitlochry Festival Theatre next month.



Above: President Alison handing over a cheque to Nan Cook of Kinross Day Centre

Below: Former president Alison hands over the chain of office to Doreen Blanche



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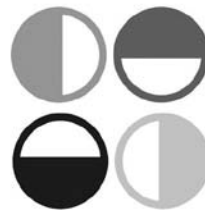
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### **What's Happening at the Campus**

For Library events, see p. 14.

#### **Kinross Hub, Carers Café, Monday 4 July**

An opportunity to chat over a cuppa with other carers, cared for and family members here in the campus activity meeting space from 10am to 12 noon on the first Monday of every month. The guest speaker for July is Sian Dawkins from Carers Independent Advocacy (10.15am prompt).

#### **Antiques, Vintage, Retro & Collectors Fair, Sat 23 July**

There will be buying, selling and valuations given. Admission will be from 9.30am - 3.30pm with entry fee of £1 per person.

#### **Kinross Hub, Carers Café, Monday 1 August**

Guest speaker to be confirmed.

#### **Antiques, Vintage, Retro & Collectors Fair,**

##### **Sat 20 August**

There will be buying, selling and valuations given. Admission will be from 9.30am - 3.30pm with entry fee of £1 per person.

#### **Osigili Maasai Warriors, Thursday 15 September**

The Osigili Maasai Warriors are a seven-piece group from Southern Kenya who perform authentic tribal song and dance as well as their famed Maasai jumping. An entertaining and informative show which will involve audience participation plus a question and answer session on the lives of the Maassi.

### **Classes at the Campus**

**Daisy Foundation Birthing** is a practical, educational and supportive journey through pregnancy and birth. These progressive women only classes, available from 14 weeks pregnant, are delivered over a 6 week course. For more information, please go to [www.thedaisyfoundation.com](http://www.thedaisyfoundation.com) and to join the new class in Kinross, contact Natalie Young at [Natalie-young@thedaisyfoundation.com](mailto:Natalie-young@thedaisyfoundation.com)

**WeightWatchers** meet on Wednesday evenings. For more information, contact Sandra Griffin on [sgriffin@weight-watchers.co.uk](mailto:sgriffin@weight-watchers.co.uk) or 0345 677 7788.

If you would like to see anything in particular or have an idea for an event, please contact Gerry McGregor to discuss options.

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### **Time Exchange**

Our committee members had the pleasure of being guest speakers at the Kinross Volunteer Group and Rural Outreach Scheme's AGM in June. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to hear a review of the amazing service this organisation provides to our community. It also allowed us to see how our groups might be able to support each other and the clients that we serve, without duplicating a service.

One suggestion was for the Volunteer Driver's co-ordinator to refer a client to the Time Exchange if they were needing a lift to an appointment at the weekend when the volunteer drivers are not available. We were also able to ask the drivers to help circulate our information leaflets to any of their clients whom might benefit from the time exchange.

Our second invitation was to the Milnathort CC meeting where we received a positive response to our work, as well as requests from members of two other community groups, Friends of Loch Leven Library and Riding for the Disabled to join the exchange. Again, this presents the possibility of members sharing services and supporting one another.

We were very grateful to be given these opportunities to talk about our work and we would be pleased to accept further invitations from individuals or from groups whose members could benefit from the time and talents our 50 members are keen to share.

To contact us, please send an email to our **new email address**, [admin@kinrosstimeexchange.org](mailto:admin@kinrosstimeexchange.org) or call 07469 758984.



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## Kinross & District Rotary Club

We get many interesting speakers at Rotary club meetings but it is not often where the speaker is also performing a public service.

Recently Rob Pearson from Prostate Cancer UK visited our meeting at the Kirklands Hotel and provided us with some sobering statistics. One in eight men are likely to get prostate cancer. 43,000 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer every year and there are 10,000 prostate cancer related deaths every year. Rob gave a very professional and informative lesson on prostate cancer, what it is and why men, over the age of 50 particularly, need to know about it. If you fall into that age category we encourage you to visit [www.prostatecanceruk.org](http://www.prostatecanceruk.org) and find out more information. It could save your life.

You would have seen in the last Newsletter that we are now taking entries for the **Mary Queen of Scots, the 'Great Escape'** boat race. This year's event is being held on **Sunday 28 August** at 12pm on the Loch side. We have had several teams enter already and last year's winners, Penguaries, are coming back to defend their formidable title.



*Penguaries - 2015 Champions!*

Are you up for the challenge? Do you think your team has got what it takes to lift the trophy from last year's winners? Get your entries in to Barry Davies at [barrydavies57@btinternet.com](mailto:barrydavies57@btinternet.com) or Brian Timms at [brian.timms230@btinternet.com](mailto:brian.timms230@btinternet.com). See our poster elsewhere in the Newsletter for more information. (Page 7).

Our members are looking forward to a social outing to the Inveralmond Brewery in a few weeks' time. Recently, Richard Barnes of Inveralmond Brewery paid a visit to the club and

told us all about the ales and beers that are made just up the road in their brewery in Perth. Inveralmond are makers of the infamous Ossian ale. Ossian is a pale, golden coloured brew with a full bodied fruity flavour, distinct nutty tones and a hoppy, zesty orange aroma, derived from first gold and cascade hops. Well, that's what their tasting notes say anyway. Richard did so well with his talk that we felt obliged to go and visit the brewery and participate in some beer making, and no doubt sampling, of our own. Have a look at their website at [www.inveralmond-brewery.co.uk](http://www.inveralmond-brewery.co.uk) Many people don't know this but in 1985, Rotary International started a campaign to rid the world of polio. Today polio has been wiped out in all but the remotest parts of Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Many people around the world are unaware that the main drive and thrust over the years to eliminate polio has come from Rotary International and is funded from grass roots level by the local clubs in communities around the world. Now Rotary has started one final push to finally eradicate polio forever. Rotary has forged an exciting partnership with the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS), and together we aim to plant five million crocus corms to add a vibrant carpet of purple to communities. The purple crocus is a symbol of Rotary's worldwide campaign to eradicate polio, with its colour representing the purple dye used to mark the finger of a child who has been immunised. With polio eradication now closer than ever, this is great opportunity to raise awareness and funds to help finish the job.

Over the coming weeks, RHS community based 'Bloom Groups' will be joining forces with local Rotary clubs all around the world to help promote the Purple4Polio campaign, raise awareness and help finish the job. This is the sort of community based 'service above self' ethos that is the bedrock of Rotary. Don't believe me? Have a look at a short video featuring Bono of U2 at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=2S5qzsPrahY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2S5qzsPrahY) or search 'Bono Rotary Polio' within YouTube.

### Did you know?

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## Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation



### Great variety of stalls at 30 July

#### Kinross Farmers' Market

The July market is now fully booked with more than 20 stalls attending, which is great news! The market takes place on Saturday 30 July from 9am-1pm in the High Street on the wider pavements at the old Town Hall.

The following traders will have a stall at the market: **Allan's Chilli Products**, **Angel Cakes**, **Arbroath Fisheries**, **Arran's Cheese Shop**, **Caurnie Soaps**, **Good-Life Farming** (veal), **Hunters of Kinross** (butchers), **Little Gairdram Farm** (vegetables), **Loch Leven's Larder** (bread), **Loch Leven's Smokehouse** (fish and meat), **Meadowsweet Organics** (salads, herbs, flowers), **Olives and Thingz**, **Perthshire Oatcakes**, **Seriously Good Berries**, **Seriously Good Venison**, **St Andrew's Brewing Company**, **The Shire** (deli), **Thistle Be Scottish** (scented candles and melts), **Unorthodox Roasters** (coffee), **Val's Tablet Treats** and **Webster Honey**.

**KLEO** (Kinross-shire's Local Events Organisation) will be doing a coffee/tea stall.

The market will be a great place to buy high quality, fresh food from local producers and artisan traders, shop at the High Street's established businesses and meet friends in our vibrant community atmosphere. We look forward to seeing you all there.

#### Be part of Kinross-shire's Winter Festival

This year we're hoping for an inspiring festival again, and we'd love you to be involved! We'd particularly like to encourage local groups, businesses or individuals to organise events or activities that could be part of the festival. This can be a Halloween event, a Santa's grotto, Christmas concerts, film showings, dinners, ceilidhs, events at the festive street market or other festive celebrations. We can promote events (which happen at the end of Oct and during Nov and Dec) in the festival brochure in the events calendar or as a special feature.

For more information, please email [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk)

A few exciting events and concerts are already lined up for this year's festival. A special Gaelic Day is planned for 29 October with various Gaelic workshops (singing, story



*There will be a great selection of quality food at the market on 30 July*

*Photo: Eileen Thomas*

telling, language, music) and a concert in the evening. There will be various concerts during November with the Coaltown Daisies and Black Cat Jook Band (12 November), Light Out by Nine (19 November) and Lucy Duffy will be back with another fabulous musical show (11 and 12 November). The yearly Choirs Together concert is on 20 Nov and the Festive Street market and Light Up Kinross event is on Saturday 26 November.

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## Kinnesswood in Bloom

The very successful curry and quiz night was enjoyed by everyone with a lovely Indian buffet and entry to the quiz for £6 a head. Raffle money helped bring the total for the night to £394.

Thanks go to all those who donated raffle prizes, made curries or helped in any way, especially to our lovely quizmaster, Raymond.

The school has been successful in acquiring a new greenhouse through their insurance and we look forward to helping them benefit from this resource next year. In the meantime the raised beds are flourishing under the lovely sun we have had recently and we hope for good crops this year.

The grounds group visited Norma's garden for their last session and compared her raised beds as well as admiring the crops grown in the poly tunnel.

The school has also been busy in their health week recycling or upcycling last year's leftover festival bags by making either fabric or zentangle pictures. Primary 1/2 designed bottle top houses and a flower wall panel which they hope will go on to the school shed.

Talking of the shed, a group of volunteers from Kinross High School painted the shed, the raised beds and the trellis area. Many thanks are due to all the children and to those who worked with the Paths Group to help Kinnesswood with their improvement agenda.



The Michael Bruce garden

We have entered three competitions this year and the judging dates are as follows:

Local competition, **Tuesday 26 July**; Take a Pride in Perthshire, tba; Beautiful Scotland, **Monday 8 August**.

Friends of Kinnesswood in Bloom have so far raised £910. This is an excellent result so thank you all. Most benches, planters and so on have been painted this year and, by the time you read this, Kinnesswood will be a very bright place with new planting, art work, bunting, yarn bombing and furniture painted in Beautiful Scotland colours to celebrate their 50th anniversary. Enjoy all the surprises and we will soon have our treasure hunt map for you to follow.

On the local archaeology day we were asked to provide refreshments and we raised £166.45. This is a great achievement and the teas, coffees and cakes were much appreciated by visitors to Portmoak Hall.

## Recipe

supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom  
**Lamb Burgers**



### Ingredients

**Burgers:** 1kg minced lamb (not extra lean mince as the fat helps to bind and keeps burgers juicy)  
1 medium onion, finely chopped  
1-2 tbsp mango chutney  
3cm piece of fresh ginger, peeled and grated  
1 red chilli, de-seeded and finely chopped  
¼ tsp ground turmeric  
1 tsp coriander seeds, crushed  
1 tsp cumin seeds, crushed  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper  
Oil, for brushing  
Flat bread, pitta bread or burger buns to serve

**Relish:** 6 ripe tomatoes, quartered, de-seeded and diced  
200g tub of Greek yoghurt  
Bunch of fresh coriander, freshly chopped  
1 small red onion, finely chopped  
Squeeze of lemon juice

**Method:** Place the minced lamb in a large mixing bowl and add the onion, mango chutney, ginger, chopped chilli, turmeric, crushed coriander and cumin. Season well with salt and pepper and mix by hand until combined. Be careful not to over-work the mixture. Divide and shape the mixture into 8-10 burgers. Place the burgers on a cling film-covered tray and keep them in the fridge to relax for at least 30 minutes. They're ideal made the day before cooking. To prevent the burgers from sticking, brush with a little oil before barbecuing over medium-hot coals for about 5-6 minutes each side. Mix together the tomatoes, yoghurt, coriander, onion and lemon juice and season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve with the burgers, either inside the bun or pitta bread.

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A huge thank-you to everyone who has helped us make the wonderful amount of £16,133 this year. Not only is this a terrific amount, but we have also become the number one seller of Traidcraft goods in Scotland, and ninth in the UK, so whatever you buy, whether large or small, it all counts.

We are indebted to all who help, from the regular driver who brings our orders, to Sheila Green who tirelessly prices everything, and the team of Karena, Margaret, Kathleen, Hannah, Flora, and Isobel. All the Kinross Churches are now involved in selling Traidcraft goods and we also have an increasing number of local businesses who are contributing to this fantastic total! **Loch Leven Lodges, Buchan's** in Kinnesswood, **The Court House** and **Hunter's the Butchers** are all supporting Traidcraft by buying and stocking Fairly Traded goods which support some of the poorest farmers and producers in the world.

Our next target is £20,000 and to get there we need even more involvement of other businesses in the area and we hope to have many of the local schools starting the journey towards Fairtrade status, which will also support our sales.

If you would like to help, please message our Facebook page "Kinross Fairtrade Steering Group". Thank you.

Karena Jarvie



Some of the Fairtrade group volunteers

## Kinross in Bloom

As mentioned in a previous issue of the Newsletter, we had an extremely busy end to the month of May and beginning of June, when the replacement of all our old half barrels with new planters took place, and by the time the July Newsletter is published the people of Kinross will have noticed our nice new planters in various locations throughout the town. All the comments about the planters have been very positive with such remarks from "how nice they look" to "they'll outlast you".



Kinross High School pupils helping to fill planters at the Park & Ride

This would not have been possible without the hard work of the bloom committee and the help from various funders who have supported us. By recording the hours we put in during the year, funders were prepared to match fund the project.

These are: **The Kinross-shire Fund (Foundation Scotland), The Arthur & Margaret Thomson Trust, Kinross Community Council (Newsletter), Perth & Kinross Community Environment Fund, and Dobbies Garden Centre, Kinross.** We thank our funders most sincerely.

We have also had help around town from the pupils from **Kinross High School**, who in their Activity/Challenge week, completed planting at the Health Centre, Park & Ride, and Co-op Corner; the **Boys Brigade** (Church Centre) and **two Cadets from 1145(DF) ATC Kinross** (Town Hall). All these youngsters are a credit to themselves and who they represent in the way they helped out. The bloom committee would like to thank them all.

As the chair of Kinross in Bloom I would also like to thank all the helpers for the work they do throughout the year.

Iain Todd

See also pages 46 and 72.





## Milnathort in Bloom

It's been a very busy couple of months for the group.

In April we took delivery of a few thousand plug plants and, over the course of two weekends, with many helping hands, we planted them into bigger cells to be grown on for the baskets and tubs. Many thanks to all our volunteers, new and existing, and special thanks to Amy and Fraser who volunteered with us as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award.

the coming months and replaced with new plastic tubs which we won't need to paint and should last for many years to come. Many thanks to the Kinross-shire Fund for turning this into a reality for us.

Food is free. Or at least we think it should be and we'd like to make a contribution. The Food is Free initiative started in Texas a few years ago and has quickly become a global movement.



**FOOD IS FREE**



in salads!) and the tubs at Croft Wynd have been planted with a selection of carrots, lettuce, beetroot, peas, turnips and parsnips. As food becomes ready to harvest we'll put out signs: the ethos is "take what you need, leave what you don't". In future years we hope to identify small pieces of unused land around the village where we can plant additional fruit and vegetables. If you know of any such places, please do let us know, or, indeed, plant them up yourselves.

Many of you may be wondering what's happening with the Cross area in the middle of the village. With the loss of the trees and the flower bed we want to make sure that whatever we replace them with really makes an impact and enhances the centre of Milnathort. We've had some great suggestions from villagers and also local schoolchildren who spent some time with one of our volunteers, Peter, to mock up some drawings and photos. We're working up some designs and will share them when our plans have firmed up.



*Volunteers with new buggy 'Arthur'*

You may remember from a previous article that with the help of David Henry we successfully secured funding from the Arthur and Margaret Thompson Trust, and also Giacomazzi's in Milnathort through Nisa's Making a Difference Locally initiative, for a brand new Bloom Buggy. We took delivery in May and 'Arthur', as he has been christened, is everything we hoped he would be. A water tank has now been fitted, courtesy of DM Sheet Metal in Milnathort and we're ready to roll.

May also saw us planting up the hanging baskets – all one hundred of them! Fifty were planted up for the village and the other fifty have been sold to locals to help with our funding. It was a very enjoyable couple of days – the weather was lovely and the company and chat was great. By the time you read this article the baskets will be adorning the village, filling out and colouring up for the summer.

The tubs have also been planted with summer bedding. Our current barrel tubs are going to be phased out over

The idea is that spare corners of land are turned into vegetable patches and then the produce is given away to locals. We're starting small but hope to grow in future years. The cart at the edge of the village has been planted up with strawberries, golden courgettes and marigolds (marigolds are great

If you would like to contact Milnathort in Bloom regarding anything above, or anything else, please feel free to get in touch. You can contact Teresa or David on 01577 865645 or 863543, or visit our Facebook page (Milnathort in Bloom).

We really do look forward to hearing from you.



*Hanging baskets in the polytunnel*

## Broke Not Broken – Kinross Foodbank

What a month it has been!

After securing the lease on the old hall at St Paul's Church – now known as The Beacon

– there was a whirlwind of activity. Thanks to Webster's Development donating free labour, we quickly had the hall fit for purpose. In the weeks that followed, we were so touched to see the army of volunteers begin to rally and do everything from cleaning to sorting to painting to moving. It was great then to see the fruits of our labour and open our doors to service users on 16 June.

**BROKE  
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BROKEN**



*The Beacon*

Before we opened we were able to ensure our volunteers had some solid training in manual handling and can now pass this on to new volunteers in their inductions. All the food is now on site and sorted, cleaned and ready to distribute. We have all our systems and protocols in place to weigh the food coming in and the food going out.

We are now looking at providing an out-of-hours service, with the fact that so many service users can be described as working poor and may be unable to visit us during work hours.

We have to thank so many people for their kindness, support and time. The people who donated food, paint, furniture, stationary, storage containers are among many.

Thanks specifically to: Tracey Ramsay, St Paul's Church, Cllr Dave Cuthbert, Kinross Ladies Circle, The Boathouse Bistro, Webster's Development, Webster's Storage, Webster's Giving, Kinross Community Council, Kinross Rotary Club, Milnathort Filmhouse, Perth & Kinross Council, Sainsbury's Kinross, Kingfisher House and our committee members.

One very important thank you has to go to Nan Cook at Kinross Day Centre and to Les Paskin at the Perth and Kinross Foodbank. They stepped in when they saw the need for a foodbank in Kinross and just did it. So many people have benefited from their commitment and compassion; we endeavour to carry on in that spirit.

We continue to collect food at Sainsbury's and Kingfisher House, and we also accept any donations during our open hours which are: Tuesday and Thursday 10am – 2pm.

We are currently low on the following: UHT Milk, small bags of sugar, tinned fruit, tinned desserts, tinned vegetables and tinned meat, washing powder/tablets.

We have plenty of the following: pasta, beans, soup, rice.

Thank you!



*Food sorted and shelved...*

## Swansacre Playgroup

The bookies ticket rattled long and hard at Swansacre Playgroup's inaugural fundraising racenight on Saturday 11 June. With all the horses sold before the night, the competition for the fabulous prizes was red hot!

A great night was had by all with many 'horse' voices the next morning! A successful event raised almost £1200 to help Swansacre continue to support our local children.

None of it would have been possible without our race sponsors: Cashmere at Lochleven, The Courthouse, A Star Sports, Moorelands Travel, The Kirklands, Smith Street Motors, Hunters of Kinross and Mr Chan's Chinese Restaurant. Also, a huge Swansacre thank-you to the many local businesses who donated race prizes, the horseowners, the 'punters' on the night and, of course, to the Thistle Hotel for hosting the event.



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#### **Photo Library**

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



## Boys Brigade

Two senior boys, **Fraser Barbour** and **Joshua Roe**, received their Queen's Badges at the mid Scottish presentation ceremony at Dunfermline Abbey on Sunday 5 June. Provost Jim Leishman gave a motivating talk about the variety of talents on display through membership of the Boys' Brigade. Each boy has to complete a minimum of 30 hours of voluntary work within their BB company as well as 30 hours of voluntary work within the community plus either physical or expedition work over a period of time.



*Joshua Roe (above) and Fraser Barbour (below) receiving their Queen's Badges*



The Kinross Company's Duke of Edinburgh bronze group successfully completed their expedition in the Ochil Hills over the weekend of 4 and 5 June. Well done to **Jack Watson**, **Euan Thomson**, **Chris Cassells** and **Claire Wilson**.

The marquee season is now well underway with bookings for the Kinross Company's white marquee tent taking place most weekends between now and September. The 40 foot by 20 foot marquee is available for hire at £200 per occasion. Contact Company Captain David Munro (01577 862126) to make a booking or check availability.

Company section members are looking forward to their annual summer camp based in Valkenburg, South Holland. A party of 45 will visit Brussels, Bruges and the Technopolis Science Centre in Mechelin, Belgium, as well as Phantasialand theme park in Germany. Local Dutch attractions will include visits to limestone caves, a miniature coal mine, candlemaker, cable car ride, bobsleigh ride, ten pin bowling, swimming and laser tag in caves.

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### Celebration Dinner

Kinross-shire Civic Trust held a Dinner at the Grouse and Claret on 9 June to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the foundation of the Trust and the 50th Anniversary of the Best Kept Village Competition. The Best Kept Village Competition was created by Sir Robert Stewart in 1966 when he was the Convenor of the Kinross District Council. The competition was set up to encourage communities to be together.

The Chairman, Alistair Smith, welcomed Sir Robert and Lady Stewart and members and guests to the dinner. At the reception before the dinner, the Chairman congratulated Sir Robert on the success of the Best Kept Village Competition which continues to be strongly supported by the villages and hamlets and indeed this year will have two new entries.

Sir Robert and his daughter Sarah are restoring the famous Japanese Garden at Cowden House and to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the competition, the Trust is going to donate several Azalea shrubs to the restored garden. The Chairman also presented Sir Robert with an album containing press cuttings and photographs from the various entries over the 50 years of the competition.

After an excellent dinner, the President of the Trust, Professor David Munro, gave a talk on the Trust. He described how the Trust had been founded and how it had developed over the past 25 years. He emphasised the aims of the Trust, which are still as strong now as they were at the beginning. The Trust aims were to promote community involvement and interest in caring for the beauty, history and character of Kinross-shire and Glenfarg in order to maintain their essential character. He expressed the Trust's concerns over the current planning situation, conservation and protection of the landscape. He particularly regretted the politicisation of local authorities to the detriment of constituents. He thanked all those who had supported the work of the Trust in the past 25 years and continued to do so now.

### Best Kept Village Competition

Judging for the Best Kept Village Competition this year will take place on Tuesday 26 July.

### Kinross Show

The Trust will be having its usual stall at the Kinross Show on Saturday 13 August and will be pleased to talk to people about their issues with the beautiful county of Kinross-shire.

### Portmoak Chapel Visit

As part of the Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust Archaeological Month, Kinross-shire Civic Trust organised a visit to the Portmoak Chapel site in the middle of Portmoak airfield. The visit was guided by David Munro, who explained the history of the site and the change in the landscape adjacent to the old chapel site due to the lowering of the loch in the 19th century. He also showed the new exciting find following a small archaeological dig in the remains of an old steading close by the site of the old chapel. This has revealed a stone lined channel, which probably dates back to mediaeval times. The visit was well attended by some 20 enthusiasts. The next stage is to prepare a report on the findings with a view to raising funds to extend the examination.



## Kinross

### Parish Church

#### The man who built

#### Kinross Parish Church

The current issue of the magazine of Kinross Parish Church includes an article by Janet Mullan, a volunteer at Kinross Museum, who has been researching the Revd George Craig Dalziel Buchanan, in part by using records donated to the Museum by the church in 2011.

Revd Buchanan was minister at Kinross for almost 40 years, from 1803 to 1842, including when the current Parish Church was built in 1832. Born as George Craig in Penicuik, he added the Dalziel Buchanan names from his mother's side of the family when he fell heir to maternal estates. Apparently a complex character, over the years he sought and received an enhanced stipend and a bigger Glebe for 'grazing for two cows and a horse' but he also donated to the building of the new church and when he died his 18-page will left money to



a number of local causes, including for a Theology scholarship at St Andrew's University and setting up a 'female school' in Kinross.

Perhaps his biggest long-term impact in Kinross has been his support for the building of the new Parish Church which in scale and design, with its prominent tower, would have "cost far more than the heritors (landowners) were legally obliged to spend" according to the 'Buildings of Scotland'. As his memorial in the church, erected by his sister, says "This edifice itself, erected by his influence and partly by his pecuniary aid, is his monument".

Copies of the Kinross Parish Church magazine are available from the church office at the church, tel 01577 862570, or at Kinross Library.

#### General Assembly

Rev Alan Reid, Irene McFarlane and Robert Mitchell attended the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in May as Commissioners for Kinross Parish Church.



*l to r: Rev Reid, Irene McFarlane and Robert Mitchell in the Assembly forecourt, with the statue of John Knox behind*

## Portmoak Community Woodland

Palustre, Papillosurn or how about Fimbriatum and Copilifolium? Never heard of that lot? Neither had the Portmoak Community Woodland Group until May, when we had an expert to help us. Debbie Spray, the Lowland Wetland Advisor with Scottish Natural Heritage, led the group on a Sphagnum Identification walk over Portmoak Moss.

As ten of us marched onto the Moss armed with eye glasses and ID charts, we had a suspicion that the different Sphagnum mosses would be difficult to tell apart and have unpronounceable names (see above) and we were right. But Debbie soon had us identifying the different forms and leaves (only seen through quite a strong magnifying glass).

Apart from being a fascinating insight into the beautifully intricate micro world of mosses, there is a serious point here. We needed to know how our bog restoration project was shaping up. Some of the seven Sphagnum mosses we found can indicate a degraded peat bog if they are widespread,

while others, like the Copilifolium, are bog builders that add to the peat base. So it's important for us to know what we're looking at. Debbie's professional opinion and our anything-but-professional opinion is that the Moss is fairly healthy but we'll have to keep working at it and monitoring.

We also had a look at other bog plants as we went round, such as both forms of cotton grass 'Hare's Tail' and 'Common' (with its red leaves), also a good sign of a healthy bog.

So, next time you visit the Moss, take a few steps onto the bog and have a look and see if you can tell the difference. We will aim to leave a few identification charts at the entrance for you to take with you. See if you can find the Dead Kitten Moss and don't worry if doesn't look anything like its name. Who knows what the ancestors were thinking when they named it?



*Hare's Tail Cotton Grass on Portmoak Moss  
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## **Kinross Beavers**

The 1st Kinross beaver colony recently welcomed Lorraine Reilly, Scottish Headquarters Commissioner (Beaver Scouts) to one of our meetings. Lorraine took an active part in the programme for the evening and also had a chat with the Beavers, who told her about all the different activities they have been doing and the fun sleepovers they have attended.



*The Kinross Beaver Scouts*

At the end of the meeting Lorraine presented all the beavers the badges that they have recently earned.

It has been a fun packed programme this term with the beavers taking part in a variety of activities. On 13 May we were given a stadium tour of McDiarmid Park.

The tour covered the history of McDiarmid Park, and we got to see the four stands, the boardroom which included some of the trophies the club has won, the home dressing room, dugouts and the players' lounge. The beavers also got to see the CCTV room that the police use on matchdays and were each given a shot using the CCTV cameras in the stands. The tour finished with the beavers getting a drink of juice in the players' lounge and they also got to take some freebies home with them.

23 members attended the beavers' 30th Birthday Party in Abernethy on 22 May. The sun shone all day and the beavers had a great time working their way around nine different activities which included mallow toasting, natural collage, obstacle course, mini beast hunt and den building. To finish off the day, beavers from all different groups gathered together to sing some campfire songs.

We have been taking advantage of the lighter evenings this term by getting outside as much as possible. We have held activities in places such as Kirkgate Park and RSPB Loch Leven (Vane Farm).

This term we have also welcomed three new beavers to the colony; Joseph, Mackenzie and Cameron, who were invested into the colony on 10 June. Welcome, boys!



*Welcome to our new beavers!*


We still have many activities planned before the summer holidays including our summer sleepover which will take place in mid-June. Contact Daryl by email at [kinrossbeavers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kinrossbeavers@hotmail.co.uk)



*The Beavers visit McDiarmid Park*



## Seamab School

We were delighted to receive  a visit from home improvements company CR Smith this month. They donated and installed new doors at Seamab, instantly making the children's living space more welcoming, warmer and more secure.

Gerard Eadie CBE, chairman of CR Smith, visited the school to personally see the impact of the new doors. He said, 'Seamab is a small charity, but the commitment shown by Joanna McCreadie, Seamab's Chief Executive Officer, and her team is vast. We wanted to help and, having visited the lodges and the school, felt that something as simple as new doors could make a big difference. Seamab does a difficult job extremely well and, as a local business, we were pleased to be able to offer our support.' Our sincere thanks to Gerard and CR Smith for such a generous donation.



*Seamab Principal Joanna McCreadie with Gerard Eadie of CR Smith*

Fundraising for the charity has really started to take shape, with more people starting to recognise our colourful 'Sea Changers' logo and learning about the work we do to support emotionally fragile children.

## Kinross-shire Day Centre

The Queen's birthday has featured largely in our activities this month. We celebrated in-house with a second party of traditional games and decorations in royal purple.

Then, on the weekend of public celebrations for Her Majesty's official birthday, we enjoyed excellent hospitality at Loch Leven Campus. Music was provided by a group of musicians drawn from the High School staff and also Jimmy McNulty on guitar, who took us on a musical tour of every decade of the Queen's long reign.

A team of pupils studying hospitality provided the delicious refreshments. Our service-users and many other elderly people from around the community had a wonderful afternoon so thank-you to everyone involved in putting on the party.

Finally we are very grateful to the outreach group of Kinross Parish Church who gave a beautiful commemorative booklet to all our mid-week worshippers. The booklet is called 'The Servant Queen and the King she serves'. It describes the importance of her faith and it is full of lovely photos as well as a foreword written by the Queen herself.

We had a lovely afternoon in the sun at Silver Sands at Aberdour (another opportunity to indulge in ice-cream) and another barge trip at Ratho.

Andrew Williamson from Glasgow raised a fantastic £522 for Seamab by running the Edinburgh Half Marathon on Sunday 29 May.

'Seamab believe that children can heal, grow and learn, even when they have experienced severe trauma and loss. They provide the support and opportunities that make this possible', says Andrew. 'I can't really imagine what life has been like for those children before they got to Seamab, but the thought that the money I raised will help to make sure their future is better than their past helped me through the 13.1 miles'.

£280 was raised at our stall at Dollar Gala on Saturday 4 June, where our volunteers were selling balloons, sweets and slushies to raise funds. They were also doing glitter tattoos, which proved extremely popular! We will be visiting a range of galas and fetes across the summer, so look out for us and please do come and see hello! We'd love some additional volunteers for this, so please do get in touch if you can help. One of the most obvious aspects of life for the children at Seamab is play. Many of the children who live and go to school here haven't had many opportunities to develop their skills and imaginations through play, but Seamab introduces the children to toys, games and books not only for their own age, but sometimes considerably younger, to allow them to 'catch up' on the developmental stages they may have missed.

This means that we need a wide range of both outdoor play equipment (with the exception of bikes) and indoor toys such as games, construction toys, and arts and crafts, suitable for preschool through to age 13. Donations of either good quality, second-hand or new items would be so appreciated. Please get in touch with me at the email address or telephone numbers below if you have anything you might be willing to donate for the children at Seamab, to help them enjoy the childhood they truly deserve.

Susie Williamson, Fundraising Manager, mobile number 07823 413470 or email [swilliamson@seamab.org.uk](mailto:swilliamson@seamab.org.uk).

Indoors, we have again been entertained by Ian on piano and we had a slide show of the holiday photos from this year's holiday in Dornoch. Roy's beautiful photos brought back many happy memories.

If you would like to be involved with the Day Centre as a service-user, a volunteer or as a supporter, contact Nan Cook on 01577 863869.

*For the regular Day Centre programme, see page 106.*



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## Kinross High School



Kinross High School's first ever challenge week began on Monday 30 May. The week brought together a number of events, some old and some new, but all with one common goal: to challenge our pupils. Throughout the week all S1, S2 and S3 pupils learned new skills.

Our first aider successfully applied for funding from the British Heart Foundation with the aim of having everyone at KHS trained in CPR. Challenge week provided an ideal opportunity for pupils to take part in this nationwide initiative. Over three days, 329 pupils were all trained, assessed and passed the British Heart Foundation CPR course with another 32 pupils trained and awaiting assessment. They have joined the 'nation of lifesavers' and will be awarded certificates and wristbands.

This was a huge achievement by staff and pupils and we will build on this, aiming to have a whole school of lifesavers.

Over 400 pupils engaged with our local community doing volunteering work and developing skills for learning, life and work.

Many community groups got involved in our challenge week, providing opportunities for our young people to volunteer. They ranged from our feeder primary schools to churches and community groups.

Some of the activities involved gardening and preparing planters in Kinross (look out for them at the surgery and the park and ride), some groups were painting fences or carrying out various maintenance tasks and one group worked at the manse of the minister of Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church preparing the garden for his return from his year as Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.



*Gardening at the manse*

Feedback from community groups was very positive and pupils were praised for their excellent behaviour, attitude and work ethic.

We would like to thank all voluntary partners for taking part in our challenge week. We would like to build on this success next year with more community groups taking part.

S1 pupils went on a two-day residential trip to Hadrian's Wall in Hexham where they visited two different museums and walked along a section of the wall.

150 S2 and S3 pupils had a day away at a number of different venues where they developed outdoor skills, white water rafting and mountain biking, gained science knowledge at the Glasgow Science Centre or learned about animal behaviour at Edinburgh Zoo's Education Centre. Those who stayed in school took part in creative activities (hat making, storyboarding and recycle crafts), a practical activity (making bird boxes or fencing) and fly-fishing casting sessions.



*Hat making sessions proved very fruitful...*

S1 pupils were also involved in a rapid response exercise during which they were required to solve a number of practical challenges throughout the day, from shelter building, cooking a low cost meal to water transportation and purification.

400 pupils took part in our annual walk around Loch Leven.



*Pupils on the annual walk around Loch Leven*

The week was finished off with our celebration day. All pupils were involved in a house quiz, the 10 Room Challenge (an exercise in problem solving and lateral thinking), and a session outside competing in our potted sports competition. They were then given the opportunity to meet with their current TSG teacher one last time, before the restructuring of our TSG groups to meet the demands of our ever growing school role.

Sarah Brown, Head teacher and Campus Leader

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## Kinross Rugby Football Club

### Seniors

The senior section pre-season training begins on 5 July at 7.30pm. New members are welcome on Tuesday and Thursday nights at the KGV playing fields, Muirs, Kinross.

We are always keen to welcome new players of all abilities. For further information, please email [kinrossrugby@gmail.com](mailto:kinrossrugby@gmail.com)



### Juniors

The youth section is now finished for the season, with strong performances from all ages over the season both at minis (P1-P7) and midis (S1-S4).

We recently held our end of season fun day, which involved fun games and coaches and parents v kids matches and bbq. The end of season awards also took place, at both minis and midis, and we say well done to all who participate across the season. The awards winners are listed at right.



2016 Midis awards winners (U14)

### Player of the Year

P3: Oliver Jackson. P4: Tom Smith. P5: Kieran Todd.  
P7: Moray Sturgeon. Midis U14: Louis Cairns.

### Outstanding Contribution

P3: Gus Clark and Myles Chumley.  
P4: Finn Charity and Henry Silcock.  
P5: Robbie Russell and Thomas Munro.  
P6: Ramsay Scott, Angus Hunter and Jamie Morton. P7: Archie Reid.  
Midis U14: Callum Shah.

### Most Improved

P3: Charlie Williams. P4: Lucy Milne.  
P5: Kerri Borthwick. P6: Luke Volland.  
Midis U14: Elliot Wilkins.

### Minis Team of the Season

P6 squad.

### Players' Player of the Year

Louis Cairns.

Training will recommence in August for all ages. We are looking for new players at all ages to come and try rugby, have some fun and from P3 upwards play in matches against other clubs across Scotland.



2016 Minis awards winners (P3-P7)

## Athronhall Clay Club

We are a friendly mixed club, located in the Milnathort area, with a variety of abilities and ages who shoot on pre-determined dates throughout the year, weather dependent. Both experienced and non-experienced shooters welcome to contact either of the numbers below for more information.

Chairman	Mr Liam Foster	01577 865538
Vice-Chairman	Mrs Susan Fowlis	
Treasurer	Mr Sandy Cook	01577 863483

## Canoeing

Eilidh and Angus Gibson are in the GB teams for the Canoe Slalom Under 23 and Junior World Championships in Krakow, Poland on the weekend of 16/17 July.

Eilidh is in the Under 23 team and Angus in the Junior team. Hopefully, their progress can be watched on Results 123, Canoe Slalom, online.

Angus has his qualifying run on 12 July.

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## Kinross-shire Cricket Club

### Juniors

June has seen a fair amount of chaos with junior fixtures as many games have been continually rearranged due to rain and the subsequent disruption to Natwest and Scottish cup matches.



The U15s have made it through to the finals day of the Natwest Trophy competition where they will face Arbroath in the semi-final. This is the eighth time in ten years that a Kinross-shire junior team has made it to national finals and is a great acknowledgment of the club's coaching and junior development work. The finals take place on 26 June and a report will be in next month's Newsletter. The U13 and U15 Scottish Cup campaigns are still underway with the third round fixtures played in July.

The 2016 season has again seen an increased number of juniors joining the club and looking for match experience. Sadly this situation does not seem to be the same for other clubs across Perthshire and Fife and we are finding it increasingly difficult to get junior fixtures. Even when we have dates we find other clubs calling off as they are unable to raise a team. To address this, the club has taken the bold step of joining the Edinburgh Junior League mid-way through the playing season. This will see Kinross-shire players taking teams from most of the national league sides and should provide a very high standard of cricket for our youngsters. Again it is a significant step that we have been accepted into the very top table of Scottish Junior cricket and is a serious endorsement of the commitment and ability of players, coaches and parents.

Monday nights have seen the return of the hugely popular inter-club Wee Stramash junior tournament. Juniors in the U11-U15 age groups have been selected into four teams; Buccaneers, Titans, Lightnings and Ospreys. Every Monday in June and August two teams play a pairs format match of 12 overs per side. Over the two playing months, teams and individuals build up points ahead of a finals at the end of August when the 2016 Wee Stramash winners will be awarded. After two rounds the Buccaneers and Ospreys are leading on 20 points with Lightnings on 19 points and the Titans on 17 points.

### Seniors

The Sunday XI have also had games disrupted by the weather with fixtures against Callander and three mid-week games cancelled. The good news is that the mid-week XI have made it through to the semi-finals stage of the 2 Counties Cup after a great win over Callander in a very rain affected match which was reduced to 10 overs per side and then a twice rearranged match against Broomhall was eventually awarded to KCC after Broomhall were unable to raise a team. This sees both junior and senior team making through to the final stages of their respective cup competitions. Updates on both next month. The 8-a-side Last Man Stands team had their first 2016 win against Broomhall with 16 year old Lewis McLaren scoring a great 50 not out before his mandatory retirement. Last Man Stands is a global amateur competition with finals. KCC play in the Fife regional league, which forms one of eight leagues in Scotland. Regional winners have a play-off for the Scottish title and that team has the right to travel to the World Finals taking place in Cape Town, South Africa in April 2017. So far we are second in the Fife league with four matches to play.

### Schools & Community Events

Club volunteers have been active supporting School Fairs at Milnathort Primary and Kinross Primary during June. The Larder Cricket ground is being used for a fun cricket day on 2 July as part of the Portmoak Festival week and Sunday 3rd sees the ground host a Portmoak community match.

### Pavilion Extension

The exterior works on the pavilion extension have been slightly disrupted with the bad weather but have now been completed and all activity moved to the interior fit-out. The expected completion of the work is now the end of June.

### Calum Watson

Mid-June saw the end of an era as long-term player Calum Watson left Kinross for a new job in the South of England. Calum was one of the club's very first juniors back in 2005. He played in the first junior match against Edinburgh Carlton and has been a great supporter of the club since that time. He was part of the 2007 U15 Scottish Cup winning side and went on to be a regular 1st XI player. He was one of our first juniors to move into a coaching role, successfully completing his UKCC level 2 award and becoming part of the club management with his appointment as club Vice Captain in 2014.

A fantastic spin bowler, he was justifiably nicknamed "Curious" due to his unnerving ability to leave the batsman, and frequently wicket-keeper and fielders, curious about which direction the ball was about to turn after his delivery. He was our very own "Warney". Calum was regularly in the running for leading wicket taker, winning the annual title on two occasions. He was also one of our regular opening batsmen with his slow but steady approach to run scoring. Few will forget his monumental opening stand with James Ross against St Modan's, when the pair put on 131 before Calum lost his wicket on a personal score of 9.

Calum has been a great and loyal supporter of the club and we all wish him the very best in his new career and look forward to welcoming him back on his visits home to Kinross.

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## **Kinross Bowling Club**

The bowling green opened on Saturday 16 April with an excellent turnout of members. Already Scottish and County competitions are well under way, with mixed results.

In the Ladies County competitions, Anne Bell and Sheila Rennie are through to finals on 22 June. We have still one or two more ladies competitions to play during June and July.

The Men's Seniors are playing well and have several competitions ongoing.

Friendly games have been played to date against Bridge of Earn, Orwell, Glenfarg and Falkland with mixed results. A game against Menstrie was cancelled due to Menstrie's lack of players on the day.

Internal competitions have now been started and plenty more to be played.

Carnbo friendly game had to be cancelled on 12 June due to heavy rain. Hopefully we can rearrange this one.

The weather has allowed us to play quite a lot in brilliant sunshine and it's been lovely. However, it seems to have changed this past week, becoming wet. Let's hope the sun comes back soon.

Our **Ladies Open Pairs** is to be played on **Sunday 7 August** this year and we hope to have a good turnout again. If any ladies pairs wish to play in this competition, please contact Sheila Rennie on 01577 864727. All welcome.

If you want to try bowling, give us a call at the same number or come along to the club.

## **Orwell Bowling Club**

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The bowling season is well under way with the club seeing various degrees of success in their external competitions. There will be a full update in the next issue.

Our annual Maitland fixture was held in Edinburgh on a gorgeous day and saw the players retain the quail for another year. Our other friendly games were against Kinross, Alloa Co-op and Newburgh which, again, saw consecutive wins. However, the most important factor was the spirit in which all these games were played.

Internal competitions results:

Dave Scott Tournament: 1st J Menzies and T Reid; 2nd S Fullerton and Doug Hague; 3rd Dora Hague and P Allcoat.

Reekie Trophy: 1st D and A Winton; 2nd D Scott and J Tomney; 3rd V McKechnie and J Menzies.

**Saturday 2 July at 8pm, Wayne Fenlon**, cabaret singer, £2.50 per ticket (contact club or numbers below for quiz) or pay at the door.

**Saturday 27 August at 7pm, Quiz**, £10 per team of four. Contact M White on 01577 862948 or M Thorn on 01577 842271.

It's never too late to come along and try. Bowls and shoes can be provided initially and coaching offered if you wish. This is a good sport for all the family.

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## **Kinross Volleyball Club**

### **Scottish Open Volleyball Tournament**

It was a magnificent spectacle on Perth's North Inch with 35 grass courts and two beach volleyball courts for the 30th SOVT. It was the first ever international beach volleyball tournament with local interest very much to the fore.

Kinross Scotrange volleyballers Mitchell Brown and Connor Boyle were making their international beach volleyball debuts and competed well, showing great promise for the future.

Perth boy Seain Cook was part of the winning men's pair, hoping to gain sufficient ranking points over the next two years to represent Scotland at the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games in 2018.

With 105 teams competing on the grass, Fiona Wilkie's Kinross Mongrels played in the mixed competition, raising sponsorship money for the Boxer Dogs' Trust.

Kinross under 16s played in men's division three and qualified for the Sunday competition, winning two and losing one on the Saturday. The youngsters competed well but lost out to the eventual winners on Sunday morning.

Kinross Scotrange played as Keltie Chiefs and with Mitchell, Connor and Mark Cathro playing elsewhere they had an international flavour. Jamie Booth found himself meeting up with ex-Kinross player Ruari Souter who had brought along two of his Northumbria team members, one from France and one from Russia. They were joined by Belgian player Luc Versmeersch, who comes over each year to play for the normally Kinross based team.

The Kinross men's side is busy preparing for the De Haan tournament in Belgium which takes place over the second weekend of August.

Outdoor volleyball continues on Monday evenings from 7 to 8.30pm, free of charge, on the grass field behind the campus. We have been very lucky with the weather this summer (so far) with games taking place every Monday to date.



*Above: Kinross under 16 side*

*Below: Jamie Booth with his continental team mates*



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The curling is over for another year but preparations for next season are in full swing. British Curling, who manage the elite curlers, booked an extra two weeks of ice at the end of the season. They return on 1 August to continue their training for next season and the campaigns to compete in the Olympics and other international championships. Kinross Curling is thrilled to welcome these curlers.

A new dehumidifier has been installed; this is a vital item of equipment to ensure we continue to provide the highest quality of curling ice. Other maintenance tasks have included painting and replacing radiators. At the recent Board meeting a decision was made to launch the project to provide disabled access to the upstairs bar and lounge. This will involve a two-storey extension to also provide additional floor space in the bar and improved office space and meeting room. A fundraising programme is being launched, managed by Margaret-Elspeth Harman. *(See separate article on this page.)*

Next season we have several events of note. The opening bonspiel is on Saturday 17 September, although ice is available from earlier in September. We host the Kinross Junior Classic over the first weekend in October, a chance to watch the up and coming talent from Kinross, and from across Scotland. The Club Championship (for local clubs) has been moved from January to 21-23 October. In January we are launching a new event - an over 40s (age) bonspiel. We hope that we will attract curlers from all over Britain and from across the North Sea from Europe.

We have an event that welcomes businesses or groups to enter a team (4 players). To encourage new players and to enhance the social experience, only one experienced curler is allowed per team. Coaching is provided and after a short competitive game, food is served. Entry is £100. The two best teams from each session are invited back to a final event in February. If you are interested, please contact Steven Kerr. The dates available are all on Fridays (3.30-5.30pm): 28 October, 11 November, 27 January and 10 February.

We are spending time developing our website. We would be very pleased to hear from anyone interested in receiving our newsletter, and of course it would be great to welcome new faces to our great sport.

Contact our rink manager, Steven Kerr (see header).

## Kinross Curling Lift Project Fundraising for disabled access

The Trust has made huge improvements to the ice hall and the lounge bar since taking over the curling rink business from the Green Hotel in 2013. The cost of the rebuild and refurbishment of the property has been met from donations, grants and loans. The loans have to be repaid over varying timescales throughout the next five years and these are being serviced from the business income. The repayment of some loans have already been made.

The Kinross Curling experience is acknowledged as having hugely improved in the last two years but some curlers, most particularly wheelchair users, are unable to enjoy the complete social experience because they cannot get upstairs to the lounge and bar area. Events that have been held in Kinross have moved to other venues where wheelchair users have access to the after match social activities and meetings with which Kinross Curling Trust cannot compete.

We are always saying that curling is non-discriminatory. With the right equipment, anyone can do it, at any age and at varying degrees of mobility and physical fitness. Teams can have a mix of members young and old, of beginner and elite, using brooms, crutches and sticks to deliver the stones. What other sport is so inclusive?

We want to have all participating curlers able to access the whole curling experience so we need a lift to bring those who cannot climb the stairs up to the first floor to join in the before and after match camaraderie. There have been discussions about the changes needed and the landlord is content with the plan to build onto the existing structure to create space for a platform lift and increase the available indoor space to improve the office accommodation and an adaptable meeting space on the first floor. We need to meet our earlier financial obligations to those who loaned money at very generous low rates so we have to raise new money for this capital expenditure. Grants are being applied for to local grant awarding authorities but we do not know how supportive they will be.

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We have sketch drawings of the proposal and can estimate the cost at £45,000. Architectural drawings have been commissioned and will be available shortly.

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## **Kinross Kobras**

### **Junior Hockey**

The last few weeks saw Kobras teams competing in tournaments hosted by Grove Menzieshill and Inverleith Hockey Club.

The Grove Menzieshill tournament at the end of May formed part of the monthly Midland District programme of tournaments and saw five Kobras teams competing. Some debuts for the club included Jessica Fenna, Alice Taylor and Stuart Pritchard at U10, Lewis Dall at U12 and Nicki Dall at U14. All teams did well, with one U10 team and one U12 team winning all their games.



The annual Inverleith tournament took place in June and allowed us to play against a lot of the East District clubs. In this tournament we were able to give debuts to Gus Clark at U10 and Ellah Roberts at U12. At U10 and U15 we had a good mix of results which saw both teams finishing mid-table. The U12s did very well, helped by some great goal keeping from Bart Kuijpers, and made it through to the semi-finals before ending up fourth.

Whilst the monthly tournaments continue through the summer, Kobras will take a break from end of June till mid-August, when we will look to kick off the new season with a tournament at the end of August.



*Above: The U10 (left) and U12 (right) teams from the Inverleith Tournament.*

*Below: The U15 team from Inverleith Tournament (left) and the U14 team from the Grove Menzieshill Tournament (right).*



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## Kinross Otters

### Leagues update

The premier team were in action again in Arbroath on 21 May. They came agonisingly close to winning the meet as they came second to Menzieshill/Whitehall by a few points. They now lie second in the league, one point behind Menzieshill (14 – 13). If the Otters want to win this league this year, they must put out a full team in the two remaining fixtures in August and September.

Keeping up the trend of recent club record breaking at this event, the 15 and over girls 4 x 50m freestyle relay team did just that in 2.06.31. Well done to **Amy Hardie, Mhairi Boyle, Iona Crawford** and **Amy Broadhurst**.

The first division team were in action at Olympia on 11 June and once again came fourth out of the five teams. Barring some very strange results in the final meet of the league season in September, that is the team safe in fourth position overall.

### East District Open and Grand Prix

#### Royal Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh, 27 - 29 May

This very high class long course (50m) meet had the look of a National Championships about it, such was the quality of talent on show including the likes of former World champion, Hannah Miley, who was out to test herself against Scotland's best prior to the Olympics. Age was no barrier. If you were quick enough, you were in a lane beside her!

For the Otters, 12 year old **Jack Muncey** performed admirably again, scaring some of the much older swimmers in the process. It was in his best event that he achieved his highest position, coming 26th overall in the 200m Backstroke in 2.25.03. This ranks him first in Scotland and third in Britain. In the 100m Backstroke he was 39th overall in 1.07.90 (Scottish ranking 2nd, British ranking 5th) and in the 50m Backstroke he was 48th overall in 31.59 (Scottish ranking 2nd, British ranking 3rd). He also broke the Otters and Midland District age group records in all three events in the process.

**Amy Broadhurst** (15) broke her own 50m Butterfly club record in 33.39 to come 74th overall.

### Dunfermline Junior Sprint Gala

#### Carnegie Leisure Centre, 4 June

Another outing for the Otters' wee ones once again saw many good swims, especially from **Ben Smallwood** (9) who won three silver medals in the 25m Butterfly (21.37), 50m Freestyle (40.64) and 100m Individual Medley (1.40.50).



## Stars of the Future

### Olympia Pool, Dundee, 11 June

The Stars of the Future meet is arguably the main meet of the year for the young Midland District (Tayside) swimmers and this year was no exception. The Otters took 12 of their best youngsters and managed a creditable sixth in the top club competition.

Once again it was **Jack Muncey** (12) who shone like some golden beacon as he did his latest impression of Midas. Unbeatable at present, he won a gold medal in the 100m backstroke in an incredibly quick 1.05.31, breaking the club record and his own Midland District age group record, which placed him first in Scotland and Britain **and** he is the 4th fastest 12 year old in Scotland **ever!** He also won gold medals in the 100m Freestyle in 1.00.68 (ranks him 2nd in Scotland and 5th in Britain) and 100m Individual Medley in 1.10.32 breaking the Midland District age group record and ranking him 1st in Scotland and 5th in Britain. Astounding performances!

**Murray Pritchard** (11) had a super silver day in the 11 year old boys category winning four silver medals in the 100m Backstroke (1.20.29), 100m Butterfly (1.26.68), 100m Breaststroke (1.31.19) and 100m Individual Medley (1.21.72) and has confirmed himself as one of the very best swimmers in the younger end of the club.

**Emily Cumming** (10) won yet another medal at a big meet and showed that she can swim all four strokes well by winning the bronze medal in the 100m Individual Medley in 1.29.58. Once again, there were many other good swims but sadly insufficient space to cover them all.

### Congratulations!

Well done to **Iona Crawford** (16) and **Cameron McCloskey** (18) as the only two Otters to represent their club at the Scottish National Championships at Tollcross International Swimming Centre in Glasgow from 30 June to 3 July. Iona qualified in her best event, the 200m Breaststroke, and Cameron in his, the 50m freestyle. Good luck to both as they take on the adult world!

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## Kinross Cavaliers Basketball

The final training session before the summer break was held at Kinross Cavaliers on Tuesday 21 June. What a busy season we have had! The club continues to grow, and goes from strength to strength. We are celebrating a number of successes by some of our young players.



### International Players

Three of our players represented Scotland in an International Basketball Tournament in Andorra at the end of April.



*l-r Becky Jackson, Ella Doherty, Holly McIntyre*

Becky Jackson and Holly McIntyre played in the under 12s competition and Ella Doherty played in the under 13s competition. All three girls, who train with the club on a Tuesday night, flew out to Andorra on 28 April. They had the opportunity to explore Andorra on Friday and ended their first day off with a shooting competition against the other teams.

This was followed by two days of competitive games against teams from Spain and Andorra. All three girls' teams experienced wins and were very proud to represent their country at this event.

The Girls would like to thank local businesses for their support. Ella: Caledonia Washroom Services, Fossoway Taxis, Borland Insurance and Robertson Capital Projects. Becky: The Grouse and Claret, Hunters of Kinross, Recouterit, Lulo, Dobbies Garden Centre, Jocks Bar, The Court House Kinross, Sainsbury's and Le Jardin. Holly: HGA Group, Bracewell Stirling Consultants, family and friends.



*The Under 14 squad*

## Regional School Finals

Nine cavaliers who attend Fossoway Primary School reached the finals of the Regional School Championships which took place on 12 May. Winning an earlier competition in March gained them entry to the final, where they finished second in their group.



*Back row 2nd left, Bailey Fawsitt, Adam Roberts, Ben Jackson, Harris Fawsitt, Mitch Smith*

*Front row left, Millie Smith, Becky Jackson, Katie Stewart, Nicole Doherty. They were joined by classmate Daniel Shah (back row left) and Coach, Michael Haddow*

## Scottish National Championship U14s Girls

Six of our girls, who also play for Perth Phoenix, qualified for the National Championships in Dundee held on 15 May. The girls won all their games in their group to reach the final at the end of the tournament. They were faced with tough opposition in 'Lady Rocks' from Glasgow, and were narrowly defeated 43-35 and took silver in the National tournament. All at Kinross Cavaliers would like to say a big **well done** to everyone involved.

None of the above would be possible without the support and level of coaching offered at Kinross Cavaliers led by Coach Fraser Notman and his team. It is great to see such a high standard of basketball coming from our small local club. A **huge** thank you to Fraser Notman, Matthew Glass, Euan Paterson and Michael Haddow.

Finally, have a great summer break, and don't forget, training will resume on **Tuesday 23 August** from 6pm to 8pm at Loch Leven Community Campus.

If you would like to get involved in any capacity, or would like any further information, please contact Sharon Doherty on 0774 201 2881 or by email at [sharondoherty@yahoo.com](mailto:sharondoherty@yahoo.com); Fraser Notman on 07506 241653 or by email at [chippysauce@btinternet.com](mailto:chippysauce@btinternet.com); Karen Nicholson on 07795 101719 or by email at [k.e.nicholson@btinternet.com](mailto:k.e.nicholson@btinternet.com).

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If your community group has items it would be prepared to lend or hire out, please add them to the list.

## Kinross Road Runners

kinrossroadrunners.weebly.com

The sunny weather through May and early June saw a good turnout for club training. We train on Tuesday nights for speed work, Wednesdays for a trail or off-road run and Sunday mornings for an informal road or hill run. Club members have also been busy competing in a wide range of races both near and far.



### Loch Leven Half Marathon, 14 May

This is the club's big event of the year with 600 runners from all over the country competing in the increasingly popular round the loch race. The sun shone, so no course records were broken.

The fastest local runners were Andy Laycock (1.19.43) finishing in eighth position overall, followed by Allan Kemp (1.27.21) and David Scott (1.27.31). The first Kinross lady home was Jillian Gordon (1.34.53), followed by Sarah Hutt (1.40.42) and Vicky Parsons (1.49.50).

Feedback from competitors was very positive complimenting the club on the efficient organisation. We are also grateful to Kinross Hockey Club who assisted with the water stations.

### Kinnoull Hill Race, 19 May

This is a four-mile dash starting by Branklyn Gardens. Despite heavy rain, 18 members who were keen to gain points in the club's off road championships made the journey to Perth. Top KRR finishers were Andy Laycock, Scott Strachan and Andy Johns for the men and Mhairi Boyle, Judith Dobson and Sarah Hutt for the women.

### Dunblane 7.5 Mile Road Race, 22 May

This was a new race on our club championship list for this year so a number of club runners competed. Good results for Scott Strachan, Mhairi Boyle and Judith Dobson, who took the FV50 top prize.

### Black Rock 5, 3 June

This race has been held every year since 1987 following an iconic route through the streets of Kinghorn and across the beach and around the 'Black Rock' at low tide! The entry has grown over the years with 1,200 runners on the night cheered on by the whole local community. It's quite a sight seeing the runners strung out across the beach with a low sun behind them, a lone piper on the Black Rock and the Fife circle train sounding its whistle as it passed. The fastest KRR runners were Scott Strachan, John Beveridge, Ian Grant and Sarah Hutt, Anne Wilson and Allison Smith.

### Templeton Trail, 3 June

This six-mile trail race through Templeton Woods by Dundee was another fixture on the off-road championships and it was quite a family affair for KRR. The top finishers were Allan and Graham Kemp, followed by Mhairi Boyle and the Hunter family: Findlay, Lynn and Neil.

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## Skye Half Marathon, 11 June

This scenic but tough race has attracted a number of club runners over recent years with a team of eight KRR ladies competing this year in near perfect conditions (dry, not too sunny and no wind). Linda Palmer was the first KRR runner home in an impressive time of 1.52.08, followed by Val Findlay 1.56.29 and Amanda Rennie 1.58.49.



*Kinross Road Runners complete Skye Half Marathon*

### Marathon Achievements

Judith Dobson recently competed in the Lakeland Trails Marathon, taking in a complete circuit of Coniston Water and described as 'the most scenic trail marathon in Britain'. Her time of 4.31.32 on a course such as this is impressive indeed. Closer to home, Andy Laycock and Hazel Porter competed in the Strathearn Marathon on 11 June taking in the beautiful Perthshire countryside around Comrie. Andy achieved a PB time of 2.56.09 and finished sixth overall. Hazel ran an excellent race in a time of 3.35.32. Well done to them all.

### Milnathort Dash, 30 June

This year's race is already full and promises to be a good event. Local support to cheer the runners is always very much appreciated. It starts at 7.30pm at the Town Hall.

### New members welcome

New members of all running abilities are always welcome. Just come along on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings. We meet at 7pm at the Medical Centre, The Muirs, Kinross or check our website for more information.

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## Kinross Swimmers

We had our AGM recently at a very convivial social evening. Membership has been pegged at £10 for another year, pretty good value really and not a lot of cash. New members are not expected to pay until they've been for a month or so and know they are happy to join in. So no excuse for not at least giving it a go.

Once again we have some bright ideas for the coming season. We hope to use some trainee coaches from Perth along with the odd professional coach. We also hope to have the odd away day to a 50m pool and perhaps an outdoor pool. Tara has been hard at work on the new style coaching rota and we have had some most excellent recent sessions. Very varied and challenging.

We have healthy numbers in the pool at the moment averaging around 15 which is a good number for the catchment area. On a recent Tuesday there were 19 of us, so at last it's actually beginning to feel like a swimming club. Swimming in a club setting is proven to be much more beneficial than solo swimming as it encourages you to push your own boundaries as you swim in a social setting. Without being aware of how hard you are working, you tend to try harder and swim longer, moving beyond your comfort zone with no conscious effort. The end result is that you feel much better with all those feel good endorphins. It has got to be better fun than an hour lounging on the sofa and it is cheaper than buying ten fags. You'll have no problem sleeping after a good session, I promise!

So if you fancy it, we continue to meet every Tuesday evening at the pool at Loch Leven Leisure Centre for a pool start at 8pm, swimming until 9pm. Our intention is to improve the stroke, stamina and style of those attending so that any other swimming is more worthwhile, effective and enjoyable. We welcome anyone looking to improve their swimming for whatever reason, all we ask is that you can complete four lengths. Experienced swimmers looking for a friendly, but directed, extra session are especially welcome.

For further information please either contact us on Facebook (Kinross Swimmers) or Ian Shepherd via email at [shepherd\\_ian@hotmail.com](mailto:shepherd_ian@hotmail.com) or on mobile number 07944 503074.

## Milnathort Golf Club

### Ladies Section

We enjoyed the good weather during the month of May and the ladies golf results reflected how the weather can be so kind to our golf.

Results are as follows:

16 May, **18 hole stableford**, 1st Maria Duncan, 38 points; 2nd Rhona Wilson, 37 points. **9 hole stableford**, 1st Elspeth Buchan, 21 points; 2nd Elma McCulloch 19 points.

23 May, **SLGA (2)**, 1st Gillian Pemberton, nett 70; 2nd Maria Duncan, nett 73.

6 June, **18 hole stableford**, 1st Margaret Fleming, 42 points; 2nd Claire Ab-Smith, 40 points. **9 hole stableford**, 1st Margaret Hooper, 20 points; 2nd Elaine Mathews, 20 points.

8 June, **Lady Captain's Day**, 18 holes winner Margaret Johnston, 40 points; runner-up Jackie Sneddon, 38 points. 9 holes winner Christine Dick, 17 points; runner-up Elaine Mathews, 13 points.

13 June, **Stark Quaich (2)**, 1st Claire Ab-Smith, nett 72; 2nd Gillian Pemberton, nett 74.



## Kinross Tennis Club

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

With the Wimbledon Championships now filling our screens, the tennis season is in full swing. So, why not pick up a racket and join us at KTC for a game?

We have coaching sessions, social tennis on weekdays and weekends plus league matches for adults and juniors. There is something for everyone at all levels of ability.



### League Matches, Tennis Tayside

Our ladies team is playing in division two of the Tennis Tayside League having won six out of eight so far and, at the time of writing, are currently standing second in the division.

This year, our men's team is playing in the four-player division of the Tennis Tayside Leagues. In this division, we have experienced a considerable degree of success this season. So far, we have won six out of six matches played and are currently leading the division.

### League Matches, Perth and District Mixed

We have entered a team into this league, which has been playing throughout May and June. Apart from enjoying trips to some beautiful parts of Perthshire, we have won three, lost two and drawn two of the matches played.

### Perth and District Junior League

The Perth and District Junior 14 and under league is now finished for this season. The juniors have again competed well in all of their matches, many of which have been extremely close. They have not always enjoyed the success that their play deserved, drawing one but losing three of the four matches played. We have a small but talented pool of players who have given their best in all of the matches played.

### Coaching

We continue to place considerable emphasis upon junior coaching.

Summer tennis camps are being run from **4 July to 8 July** and **8 August to 12 August**. Mini (ages 5-8) from 9am to 10.30am, £5 per session. Midi and Junior (ages 9 and over) from 10.30am to 12.30pm, £7 per session.

Junior coaching at all levels will also be available from **19 August to 4 October** (7-week block). Places are still available for all sessions. To book for junior coaching and camps, please contact Siobahn Macleod, at [kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com) or Gail Nelson, 89 Lathro Park, Kinross, KY13 8RU.

### Club Championships

We are now requesting members to sign up for the senior and junior club championships. Matches will be played during July and August, with finals day for seniors on **Sunday 4 September** and juniors on **Saturday 27 August**. In addition, the Mini Red, Orange and Green club championships will take place on **Saturday 20 August**. Entry sheets in clubhouse.

### Summer Social Tournament, Sunday 24 July

Kinross Tennis Club are holding a social tournament on **Sunday 24 July** commencing at 1.30pm. All members are welcome to play in this enjoyable afternoon tournament.

### Non-members and 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.

## Kinross Hockey Club

### Ladies Report

As the weather turns sunnier and temperatures begin to rise, the season ends. As we cast our minds back to training sessions and games in freezing conditions, sleet, snow and driving rain, you may well think we should make hockey a summer sport!

Summer brings a rest from hockey for some, but for many it is a great opportunity to play some fun, mixed hockey. And for those of you who don't know what mixed hockey is, it is as it sounds, a fun game played with teams made up from both men and women. Mixed hockey is played every Tuesday night from 7.30pm to 9pm at KGV. It is principally for fun, so please come along and join in. And for those of you who have a real competitive edge, we also have some fixtures against other clubs and are playing in some tournaments.

This year our club president, Gail Nelson, has once again been selected to play for Scotland in the masters home nations tournament in Edinburgh. There will be three days of exciting hockey from 23 to 26 June as the four nations fight to be crowned champions.



We wish Gail, and the Scotland team, a winning tournament!

### Fracas at Hockey Annual Dinner

Trouble erupted at the Kinross Hockey Club annual dinner held at Loch Leven's Larder when it was announced that Vince Banks (who incidentally only took up playing hockey this year) had won the top goal scorer record for the 2015-16 season for the men's second team.

In order to prevent bloodshed, Vicky Alexander (first team top goal scorer) and Sally Montford (second team most valuable player) had to step in and separate the feuding factions. Gail Nelson tried to restore order by stating that it was unfortunately true that the club allowed anyone to join regardless of age or ability and she would do her utmost to ensure that that situation remained. As a result of such a controversial statement Gail had to leave the country taking her bodyguard Mauro with her as security until such time as the rising tide of revolt returned to calm.

Chris Robson (first team top goal scorer) was overheard whispering that, to ensure that this result could not be repeated, he would step down to the seconds and take all corners, penalties and own goals. In fact all goals would be attributed to him.

Further fuel was thrown on the fire when it was proved that nepotism does exist with Cameron Banks being voted 'most improved player'. As the accompanying photograph attests, David McIntyre's jaw was put of place, muttering, 'as most valuable player I should have got the most improved player award'.

It was the following day when it was realised that Gail had run off with the Presidents Trophy crying 'it's my precious and it doesn't matter everyone voted for me, it's mine...'. Witnesses reported that Andrew Getley was seen (allegedly) handing over cash to Stuart Smith (the organiser of the dinner) saying 'I'm out of here and am going to hide out at the Gleneagles Hotel until this blows over, just don't tell the wife'.

Once everyone had been bundled off home LLL staff noticed Amy Salmon (ladies young player of the year) hiding in the corner muttering 'Gail forgot to mention me, Gail forgot to mention me.....'.

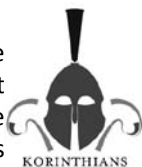
Finally, the polis are still looking for the whereabouts of Iain Geddes (men's young player of the year) who has absconded with all the raffle prizes. The club will keep members informed of any further news...



*l to r: David McIntyre, Cameron Banks, Iain Geddes, Chris Robson, Gail Nelson, Amy Salmon, Vicky Alexander, Sally Montford*

## Kinross Corinthians

At Kinross Hockey Club we recognise that there are lots of people out there who don't want to play league hockey but would welcome the chance to have a fun game. Our answer is Kinross Corinthians, a new social hockey club.



The idea is that members can simply come down to the pitch once a week for a bit of skills work and a friendly knockabout game, with the emphasis on fun rather than talent and fitness. Laughter is encouraged and a fine blend of this, together with routines and pitch sense has been instilled under the watchful eye of coach, Lindsey Broderick-Knight. With the team playing their first ever competitive match against Kinross Ladies 2s team last week, passion was inflamed and self-esteem was duly built in the new Corinthians team. I am so pleased to report that they rose to the challenge, remembered their training and really did themselves proud, with a narrow defeat against the seconds, (who had a few first level players bolstering their side). The excitement was palpable and every Korinther came off the pitch exhausted and grinning.

Returning to hockey, or even giving it a go for the first time, has rewarded those brave enough to try it with new friendships, lots of laughs and a fun way to exercise and improve fitness.

All across the land, as a result of a nationwide initiative, returning to hockey is being encouraged but we are proud to have been ahead of our game, (if you'll excuse the pun) and have a happy season under our belts.

But, if you think you might like to take part, drop us a line at [korinthians@kinrosshockey.co.uk](mailto:korinthians@kinrosshockey.co.uk)

Korinthians is open to anyone aged 14 or over and takes place on Monday evenings from 7.30 - 8.30pm.

We'd love to see you and you will be made very welcome, regardless of age, stage, fitness or skills.



*Kinross Corinthians, the social hockey club!*

## Kinross Cycling Club

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### New office bearers

Following this year's AGM there have been a few changes on the KCC committee.

After many years of hard work and commitment to the club, Paul Zarb has stepped down as chairman but remains a part of the committee in his new role as president. Carolanne Cappie and Jane Timperley are now co-chairs of the club and are looking forward to the responsibilities this brings. Wayne Roberts is the new club secretary, and the treasurer role remains to be finalised. The office bearers are ably supported by an excellent and hard working committee.



### Scottish Champion

We are proud to have a Scottish champion representing our club. Andy Bruce has been a long standing member, and immediate past president, of our club and has represented us at national level for many years. We are proud to announce that he is now Scottish veteran road race champion. 45 year old Andy attained this achievement over a 7-lap course of 9.7 miles (totalling around 65 gruelling miles) on 12 June. Well done, Andy!

### New Saturday Group ride

We have recognised that there is a need for a club ride at a slightly more leisurely pace than our current ride structure of bun runs and club runs. Starting on Saturday 18 June there will be a weekly **Saturday social ride** which will depart from the campus at 10am on Saturdays. Pace will be leisurely and suitable for new and returning riders, and will include a café stop. Ride details are posted weekly on the website and will cover around 20 to 30 miles. Philip Calvert will be the ride captain for these trips and will ensure nobody gets dropped.

### Regular rides and events

We continue to host the highly popular **bun runs** which depart the campus at 9.30am on Saturday mornings. Pace

is around 13 to 15mph and, in the summertime, will cover distances of around 40 to 50 miles of varied terrain, with cake stop.

**Sunday club runs** have taken a more structured format this year, with a ride captain to ensure that nobody is dropped from the slower groups. Rides depart the campus at 9am, do not always have a planned stop, and may cover around 60 miles. Depending on ability, these rides may sub-divide into two or more groups.

The **Thursday evening time trials** are now well under way this year with five out of twelve events completed. We are trialling a new points system to encourage riders to marshal and help at two events each season. To give some recognition to regular attenders who are slightly slower, we have introduced an A and B league for the end of season awards.

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## Kinross Golf Club

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### Joe Dair beats his age

Shooting a score lower than your age is one of the finest achievements in golf. Longtime Kinross golfer Joe Dair managed just that on 2 June in the Summer League round 4, by shooting a scratch 84 which is four less than his age! Congratulations to Joe and here's to many more rounds like it.



Joe Dair

### Gents Open results

On a glorious Sunday in June, the gents open was filled to capacity with a field of 150 competitors. The beautiful Montgomery course was looking immaculate and a big thank you must go to Andy Crawford and his team of green keepers for having the course in such great condition. The main prize winners were as follows:

Scratch: 1st D Ewan 71; 2nd S Butcher 72; 3rd S Michie 75; 4th A Lockhart 79.

Handicap 0-9, 1st G F Smith 75-5-70; 2nd G R Thomson 75-4-71; 3rd S Walker 79-6-73 (BIH); 4th D Malcolm 82-9-73.

Handicap 10-28, 1st S White 79-10-69; 2nd E Wood 92-21-71; 3rd G Anthony 85-13-72; 4th C Hynd 88-15-73.

### Millennium Cup results

The fine settled weather that everyone had been enjoying so much finally came to an end on the day of the Club's Millennium Cup competition! Fortunately, by the time players tee'd off in the evening, the rain had stopped so nobody got wet.

32 golfers took part in a 'Pinehurst' competition, with each gent drawn to partner either a lady or a junior. Some excellent scores were recorded and the winning pair of George Smith

and Audrey Thomson came in with a net 58.5 to claim the trophy. Runners up were Gordon Arthur and Elspeth Caldwell with a net 63. The lowest junior was Logan Bexfield who was partnering Pete Hastie and they came in with a net 65. Well done, George and Audrey.



The winning pair – George Smith and Audrey Thomson

### Ladies Senior Open Greensomes, Thursday 14 July

This year's Ladies senior open greensomes will be played on the Bruce course with tee times between 9am and 2pm. The Age requirement is 50+, Handicap limit is 36 and entry fee is £12 per pair. If you would like to enter, you can download an application form from the website [golfempire.co.uk](http://golfempire.co.uk) or email [office@kinrossgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:office@kinrossgolfclub.co.uk).

### The Junior Open, Tuesday 19 July

The entry fee is £5 and you can download an application form from [golfempire.co.uk](http://golfempire.co.uk) or email [office@kinrossgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:office@kinrossgolfclub.co.uk).

For more information about golf and social memberships and other club activities, check out the Kinross Golf Club's website or pop into the Clubhouse.

## Fishing

The **Loch Leven (Pairs) Classic** took place over Friday 10 and Saturday 11 June with all fish caught being measured and returned.

The leaders at the half way stage on Friday evening were Alan Smith partnered by Willie Wilson whose five fish gave them a narrow lead, but there was all to fish for on the Saturday. Fish that day were hard to come by. The eventual winners were Jeff Lawson and Ewan Clark, with Alan Smith and Willie Wilson in second place and Ally Wells and Dougie Banks in third place.



Pairs Classic runners up Alan Smith & Willie Wilson, winners Jeff Lawson & Ewan Clark and third placed Ally Wells & Dougie Banks



### Yoga Classes in Kinross

[www.simpliyoga.com](http://www.simpliyoga.com)

Tuesday Evenings - Kinross Church Centre

@7pm - All Levels

@8pm - Active Yoga

Thursdays – The Millbridge Hall

Baby Yoga – Mums, Dads & Carers welcome

Pregnancy Yoga

[enquiries@simpliyoga.com](mailto:enquiries@simpliyoga.com)

07466 360152

Please contact before attending to ensure availability.

### Contributors

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# News from the Rurals

**MILNATHORT** – President Ann Reid opened the meeting by welcoming all. The previous meeting minutes were read then followed by business. As this was also our AGM, the end of year reports were read by Treasurer, Secretary and President. Our voting papers were submitted and counted by independent counters.

We were then entertained by our members who took part in the Ramage Dawson competition; Heather Graham who showed us her art work from her college days; and a quiz by Grace Drysdale.

After counting, the new committee was announced.

Competitions:

Flower of the Month	Nan Paterson
Three suggestions for the syllabus	Cathy Cochrane

**BISHOPSHIRE** – President Norma Smith welcomed everyone to the last meeting before the summer break.

Our speaker, Jacqui MacKenzie of JS Ceramics in Kinnesswood, told us all about setting up the pottery business and the many intricate procedures to produce their bespoke range of Scottish themed ceramics. These are sold online and in many Scottish outlets, but Jacqui encouraged everyone to visit her shop to see their full range of ceramics and wedding favours.

Competitions:

Small Floral Arrangement	Greta Hogg
Favourite Mug	Anna Garner

Norma thanked everyone for attending. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 8 September.

**POWMILL** – President Sharon Buchanan welcomed members to the AGM and extended a warm welcome to Moira and Fiona from Blairingone, our tellers for the evening. The minutes of the previous AGM were read and approved and various reports were given. Entries for the Kinross Show were discussed and a date for a set-up meeting in July was decided upon.

The President then presented the following trophies:

Points Trophy	Mary Wilson
Jessie Gibson Clock (points runner-up)	Janet Mitchell
Pat Reay Trophy (handicrafts)	Mary Wilson
Cameron Quaich (Tartan Object)	Elsie Johnston
Eileen White Trophy (2 Empire Biscuits)	Fiona Black

Moira and Fiona judged the monthly competition:

Favourite Bracelet	Fiona Buchanan
Garden Gem	Mary Wilson

The new committee is: Sharon Buchanan (President), Fiona Buchanan (Vice-President), Wilma Sim (Secretary), Anne McKay (Treasurer), Maz Thorn (Competitions and Press Secretary), Trish Greer (Raffle Convenor) and Fiona Black (Tea Convenor).

**CLEISH** – On Saturday 11 June, nineteen members attended our annual summer outing. We had coffee/tea and delicious home baking at Thai Teak, Dairsie, prior to visiting Eden Mill Distillery and Brewery, Guardbridge, where we enjoyed an interesting and informative gin tour and sampled a selection of gins and soft drinks. We then had some free time in St Andrews prior to having a delicious high tea at Elmwood Golf Club, Cupar.

Thanks to the staff at Eden Mill Distillery and Brewery, Elmwood Golf Club, and Thai Teak.

On Tuesday 14 June four members took part in a quiz at Mid Atholl Hall, Ballinluig. Twenty-three teams of four ladies in each team took part in this enjoyable and entertaining evening.

**CARNBO** – Newly appointed President, Jay Hutcheson welcomed 25 members to our June meeting. After business, Neil Smith, retired Works and Grounds Supervisor at Stirling University, gave us a very informative demonstration of how to fill hanging baskets successfully. After that, with IT support from his son, Gordon, he went on to entertain us with a tour of glorious gardens in the UK and around the world.

Ann Munro gave a vote of thanks.

Competitions:

Flower of the Month	Jean Beveridge
Savoury Dip	Frances Drysdale

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# Out & About



## Loch Leven NNR



Scottish Summer strikes again! Everyone was rather enjoying a prolonged period of warm, sunny weather, then we're back into dull skies and showers. There is still a lot of summer left, so maybe I'm complaining prematurely!

There's been a lot going on around the reserve in the last month. There have been some nice birds spotted. The fisheries staff reported a pair of Sandwich Terns over the loch. You are more likely to see these birds at sea. A Marsh harrier has been seen and at least two Reed Warblers have been heard singing around the reserve too. These birds are recent colonists from the south and it's nice to hear them where we have been creating habitat around the path.

From a botanical point of view, it's been an interesting month. We've got quite good at finding Coral-root Orchids. These tiny green orchids with a tiny white flower are very scarce in Scotland and grow in the deepest, darkest parts of the reserve under the willows next to reed beds. Last year we found around a dozen. This year I searched as much available habitat that was accessible and found over 50! It's good to know this tiny orchid is thriving on our reserve.

I've also been spotting lots of Otters on my remote cameras and am beginning to get an idea of how many Otters we have about the reserve. There is no part of the reserve that appears not to be used by this monster Mustelid. On a sadder note, I spotted a Pine Martin dead on the road in the west of Kinross-shire. But on the plus side it shows that these once rare animals are in the area. Hopefully it won't be long before I am spotting these on my cameras.

There are also a lot of Duck broods about. There was a large hatching of Tufted Ducks in the second week of June. Fingers crossed for a bumper season of ducklings!

Many thanks to all who attended the rain sodden Discovery Day at Kirkgate. Unfortunately it was not as well attended as we would have liked, but we have been rather lucky over the last few years with the weather, so fingers crossed for next year!

During the school holidays we have a free **family orientated event** running on every **Friday**, 8 July through to 12 August. We had our first really wild cycles last year so the plan is to have one a week. Tom will be designing exciting activities for the kids and the adults. The plan is to do a lap of the loch. The event runs from 10am-4pm. Please phone the office on 01577 864439 if you are interested in participating.

Our volunteers have been exceptionally busy this month. Their help was gratefully received at Discovery Day. They have also been helping map and count all the breeding birds on St Serf's. They have also been assisting with the fencing required around areas we want to graze.

Hopefully not long before you can dust off the BBQ,

Jeremy Squire  
Reserve manager

### Kinross-shire Visitor Information Points

Loch Leven Fishing Pier; Robertson's of Milnathort;  
Kinnesswood Village Store;  
Fossway Stores, Crook of Devon

## Gardens Open



The gardens listed below are opening for charity under Scotland's Gardens Scheme this month.

Further information about these gardens and many others opening this summer can be found in the Scotland's Gardens guide book or on the Scotland's Gardens website [www.scotlandsgardens.org](http://www.scotlandsgardens.org)

**Dowhill, Cleish**, KY4 0HZ. On request. Please contact [pippamd@icloud.com](mailto:pippamd@icloud.com)

**Bradystone, Murthly**, PH1 4EW. Open every Thursday in July, i.e. 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th. 11am-4pm.

**Parkhead Gardens**, Burghmuir Road, Perth. PH1 1JF. On request. Please contact [maddy.tinson@gmail.com](mailto:maddy.tinson@gmail.com)

**Pitcurran House**, Abernethy, PH2 9LH. On request. Please contact [patricianp@pitcurran.com](mailto:patricianp@pitcurran.com)

**Falkland Palace Gardens**, Falkland, Cupar, KY15 7BU. Sunday 17 July, 12.00-4.30pm.

## Local Attraction Opening Times

### Lochleven Castle, Castle Island, Kinross



This semi-ruined 14th century castle is set on an island in beautiful Loch Leven, within a National Nature Reserve.

Mary Queen of Scots was imprisoned here in 1567. She miscarried twins and was forced to abdicate during the year she spent here before dramatically escaping.

The property is reached by boat, operated by Historic Scotland and departing from the fishery pier, where there is parking and a Historic Scotland shop. There are no public toilets on the pier, only on the island. No water supply for drinking. Hand sanitiser available for hand-washing. The boat is not equipped to carry passengers in wheelchairs. Dogs are not allowed. There are picnic benches on the island.

Phone 01577 862670 for sailing times. Advance booking possible. Waiting times can be longer in peak months if not booked in advance. Access times for 2016:

25 Mar to 30 September: Daily, 10am to last outward sailing at 4.15pm

1-31 October: Daily, 10am to last outward sailing at 3.15pm

Admission prices: Adult £5.50, Child £3.30,  
(includes ferry trip) Conc £4.40. HS members free.

### Burleigh Castle, Milnathort

The castle is a fascinating semi-ruin dating from around 1500. The corner tower is remarkable, with its square cap-house corbelled out. Grounds open during daylight hours. Access inside the tower can be pre-arranged by calling 01786 450 000. Burleigh Castle is ½ mile from Milnathort on the A911.

### 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. Key available from nearby Berryfields Tearoom all year Wed to Mon and from Museum of Abernethy Wed to Sun, afternoons only, May to Sept. In the village of Abernethy.



## RSPB Loch Leven

www.rspb.org.uk/scotland  
Telephone: (01577) 862355



The good weather recently has helped our local Lapwings have a better breeding year, with a few pairs still incubating eggs as I write. Overall, we have had fewer breeding attempts but better productivity with more nests hatched, so we are very pleased with that and possibly more to come (fingers crossed).

We have had regular sightings of Marsh Harrier over the wetland, with at least two birds showing well from the hides. Lots of duckling broods of several varieties are swimming about as well. The centre Swallows continue to career around the courtyard and are providing lots of photographic opperchancities for aw the camera people that visit. They are on nests now, so probably not long before we see baby swallows joining maw and paw on the wing and on the wires. The shop has a sale on at the moment, with a lot of selected items reduced; too many to mention so best tae hae a look yersel if yer in? If your feeders have taken a bit of a battering over the winter we have certain easy clean models reduced by 50%! Nae finer time to replace yer auld bauchled ones!

**Events:** michty me, a weeng o them this month. Here we go! First up, **"Summer holiday challenges"** held every day from 1 July till 15 August from 10am until 4pm. Discover the local wildlife by taking part in our self-led challenges. Collect an activity sheet and kit from the centre and off you go. No booking required, just drop in; £3 per non-member or £1 for members.

Next up, **"Woodland Warriors"**, as mentioned last month. Join our Forest School leaders to learn outdoor skills. You can book a full week or on a daily basis. Running from 10am till 3.30pm each day. Week 1 starts on **Monday 4 July** till Friday 8th and Week 2 runs from **Monday 18th** to Friday 22nd. Costs per child are £20 per day non-members or £16 per day for members. Weekly prices are £80 per week non-members and £64 per week members. Booking essential.

**Nature Tots – Brilliant bugs** is on **Wednesday 13 July**, 10am-12pm, for pre-school youngsters to get outside and play and learn in nature. Costs £6 per family non-members or £3 per family for members. Booking strongly recommended.

**Loch Leven Photomathon** on **Saturday 16 July** from 10am till 4pm. Six hours, six topics, six photos. Meet at 10am in the centre to be given your first three topics then back at 1pm for the next three. Winners displayed at the reserve. Cost £5 per team or family (plus normal reserve entry charges for non-members).

**Sunday 24 July**, 2pm-3.30pm, it's **"What's black and yellow and goes buzzzzzzzz?"** Enter the world of bees, wasps and hoverflies and see if you can tell friend from foe? Booking essential; costs £6/£4 per adult/child non-member or £3/£2 for members.

Nearly there! OK, last but not least, **"Big Wild Sleepout"**, our annual event to get you out camping and connecting with nature and do a whole pile of things in the process. Set up starts from 10am on **Saturday 30 July**. Camp out for the night and join in bat and moth walks, bushcraft activities, toast marshmallows on the campfire. If yer a singer, bring yer geetar along and hiv a sing song! Toilets, washbasins, hot water and barbecue available to cook your own food. Booking essential; costs from reserve.

Ta ta till next time,

Colin

## Farming



Everybody needs good neighbours and I'm very lucky to have people I count as friends who farm nearby. At busy times it's these folk that keep me sane; the wee five-minute chats out of the car window keep me going and it's so great to share a few concerns or worries with someone else who understands exactly what you are going through.

I'm especially proud of my neighbour, Harold Greer from Gelvan Farm, who was recently announced as the producer of the wining entry in Kinross Show's annual clamp silage competition. Harold moved to Kinross-shire from Northern Ireland over 25 years ago and farmed in partnership with his brother until more recently going on his own at the Gelvan. Harold runs a commercial flock of ewes and a herd of suckler cows specialising in producing quality beef cattle, so the making of good silage is at the foundation of his business. Harold always makes time for a chat however busy he is with his duties. He's an exceptional and inspirational man who farms from his wheelchair. He also farms from his quad bike, forklift and tractor to look after his livestock and keep the farm in order.

His award-winning clamp silage refers to grass ensiled in a pit rather than baled silage, which is preserved in a bale wrapped in plastic. To achieve a decent dry matter with good sugar and protein levels there are a number of variables to get right. Firstly, the land requires to be in good heart with the correct balance of soil nutrients and pH. The grass itself must be mowed at the correct stage of growth; too young and the yield will be low, too mature and the grass will be stemmy and poorer quality. Finally, the silage-making team have to be proficient, and I know Harold would attribute this part of the process to good neighbours, as it's his brother that operates the chopper and nephews and friends who cart the trailers with him and roll the pit. The rolling is vital as it squeezes out all the air that could cause mould growth and spoilage.

The competition takes place annually and entries come in from many of the dairy, beef and sheep farms in the area. Each sample is analysed in a laboratory with points awarded for dry matter, energy, protein and palatability. The competition was stiff but the Gelvan silage came out with the top score. Congratulations, Harold! Next time I stop for a wee chat I'll be asking you to share some of your top tips with me!

The winners of the two competitions are as follows:

**Clamp:** 1st H Greer, Gelvan; 2nd D A G Smith, Holton; and 3rd W Nelson, West Brackly.

**Bale:** 1st A McLaren, Classlochie; 2nd M King, Gairneybank; and 3rd M Thomson, Tillyrie.

Fiona

## Weather May Weather Report from Kinross



Total rainfall	44.8mm = 1.79 inches
Heaviest rainfall	10.3mm (18th)
Total sunshine for the month	202.1 hours
Sunniest day	11.2 hours (11th)
Maximum temperature average	15.96°C
Highest temperature	22.1°C (8th)
Minimum temperature average	2.93°C
Lowest temperature	-6.1°C (13th)

# Kinross-shire Churches Together



## Kinross Parish Church of Scotland

*Following Christ | Spreading the Word  
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10 Station Road, Kinross KY13 8TG (Charity no SC012555)  
Church website: [www.kinrossparishchurch.org](http://www.kinrossparishchurch.org)  
Church E-mail: [office@kinrossparishchurch.org](mailto:office@kinrossparishchurch.org)  
Church office and church open: Mon-Fri 10am-12 noon.  
Church Office: Tel. (01577) 862570  
Minister: Rev Alan D. Reid MA, BD Tel: (01577) 862952  
Ordained Local Minister:  
Rev Margaret Michie Tel: (01592) 840602  
Session Clerk: Jaffrey Weir Tel: (01577) 865780

**Events listed below are in the church unless indicated otherwise.**

### Regular Services and events

**Sundays:** 10.30am: Morning Service with Crèche and Summer Junior Church (age 3 to P7) and 'Jam Pact' (Secondary Age).

**Wednesdays:** 10.45am Service, church centre. 1.30pm Craft Group.

**Saturdays:** 10am -12noon 'Coffee Stop': coffees, cakes and book sale at church centre most Saturdays.

### Other Events and Services

#### July

**Sun 3** 11.45am: Informal Communion after morning service at 10.30am.

**Mon 4** 8am: Silent Meditation.

**Tue 5** 2.30pm: Service at Whyte Court.

**Tue 26** 2.30pm: Service at Causeway Court.

**Wed 27** 1.30pm: Craft Group recommences after holiday break.

**Sat 30** 7pm: Prayer and Praise for Family Week.

## Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church Church of Scotland (Charity number SC015523)

Minister - Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison  
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Email: [angusmorrison3@gmail.com](mailto:angusmorrison3@gmail.com)

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

### Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:

10am Portmoak Church,  
11.30am Orwell Church.

All children welcome. Crèche available during the services.

**Please note that joint services will be held on the first Sunday of each month in alternate churches at 10.30am.**

**Prayer Meeting** held 30 mins before each service.

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

### Morning Prayers at 9am

Each Thursday at Portmoak Church New Room.

Each Friday at Orwell Church.

### Dates and events for your diary

**3 July** Joint service in Portmoak Church 10.30am.

No service at Orwell Church.

Michael Bruce memorial service in Portmoak Church 6.30pm.

Everyone welcome

**Church office & shop** open Mon – Fri. 10am until 2pm.

29 South Street, Milnathort KY13 9XA.

Christian cards, gifts, bibles and books for sale. Printing and copying facilities available. Recycling for ink toners, stamps & batteries. Donations of food can be made for the local Foodbank.

Contact the Office 01577 861200  
[orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com](mailto:orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com)

## Family Week 1 - 5 August 'Guardians of Ancona'

From 9.45 – 12 noon Monday – Friday in the church, with additional events through the week for those going in to pre-school year at nursery to those going in to S4.  
Register at [www.kinrossparishchurch.org](http://www.kinrossparishchurch.org) or contact church office.

## St James' R C Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Father Martin Pletts Telephone: 01577 863329

### Mass times

Saturday Vigil 7.00pm

Sunday 9.30am

### Weekday Masses

Monday 7.00pm

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10.00am

Please look out for information on other parish activities and any changes to weekday Mass times in the Sunday newsletter.

## Kinross Christian Fellowship

*Jesus said, 'I am among you as one who serves.'*

Sunday morning service at 10.30am (refreshments and blether at 10am), Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.

Lively praise (children participate), reverent worship open to the leading of the Holy Spirit, prayer, ministry and solid Bible-based preaching and teaching. An all-round family service for families, which includes Sunday School. Communion every second Sunday, as is our evening service at 6.30pm; a time for praise, worship, sharing and joy in The Lord Jesus. (Followed by light refreshments and more blether.)

Everyone is welcome to either service or to both, so please come and, *taste and see that the LORD is good.*

Contact Peter on 01577 863509, for further information.

*KCF also runs the Talking Donkey café - see separate notice in the Newsletter. Additionally, the Friday evening Youth Group at the Millbridge Hall (Space) is also the responsibility of our Fellowship, and we are pleased to accept this privilege.*

## **St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church**

*(Part of the Worldwide Anglican Communion)*

Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AY Telephone: 01577 864299

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You can also find us on Facebook

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

St Paul's is open, friendly and welcoming to all age groups (whether regular churchgoers or if you're simply inquisitive about who we are and what we do.)

We are excited about the ways in which God is calling us to grow as a community, for the community. Our aim is to express our deep appreciation of both the spoken and sacramental Word with a lightness of touch and a smile.

Children are equally welcome to stay in church during the service or go to the Meeting Room for Sunday School. Everyone is particularly invited to stay together during our monthly 'Whole Church' services. We predominantly use the 1982 Liturgy on Sunday mornings but create experimental devotion for special events throughout the year. If you would like to give us a try, we look forward to meeting and greeting you and hope that you might enjoy becoming part of this faithful family of Christ.

### **Mondays and Wednesdays**

8am Morning Prayer, said quietly in the side chapel.

### **Tuesdays**

11am Informal Holy Communion service in the Side Chapel, or outdoors if dry.

*(3rd of the month)* 12.30pm Lunch and space for quietness and meditation (Meeting Room).

### **Thursdays**

10 for 10.15am Thursday Morning Book Group *(all welcome)*.

3.30pm - 4.30pm Rector's Hour in the Church Office.

*Other special services and events will be advertised on our website.*

### **July Services and Events**

- Sun 3 THOMAS THE APOSTLE**  
8.30am Holy Communion.  
11am Sung Eucharist.
- Sun 10 Proper 15**  
8.30am Holy Communion.  
11am Sung Eucharist.
- Sun 17 Proper 16**  
8.30am Holy Communion.  
11am Whole Church Sung Eucharist.
- Sun 24 Proper 17**  
8.30am Holy Communion.  
11am Sung Eucharist.
- Sun 31 Proper 18**  
8.30am Holy Communion.  
11am Lay-led Service of the Word. *Theme: The Lord's Prayer.*  
4pm Taizé-style Afternoon Service.

**Everyone welcome at all services**

## **Kinross Gospel Hall**

Montgomery Street, Kinross

Website: [www.kinrossgospelhall.info](http://www.kinrossgospelhall.info)

Sunday	10.30am	Breaking of Bread
	12.15pm	Sunday School
	6.00pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30pm	Gospel Meeting
Monday	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting
	8.15pm	Bible Study

## **Fossoway, St Serf's & Devonside Church**

**Church of Scotland** (Charity number SC013157)

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Email: [brianj.ogilvie1@btopenworld.com](mailto:brianj.ogilvie1@btopenworld.com)

Session Clerk: Mrs Janet Harper Telephone: (01577) 840225

Email: [aclassicsoul@aol.com](mailto:aclassicsoul@aol.com)

**Sunday Services** at 9.45am. All are welcome.

### **July**

- Sun 3** 9.15am prayer time, all welcome.  
9.45am Morning Worship, followed by refreshments.
- Sun 10** 9.45am Morning Worship.
- Sun 17** 9.45am Morning Worship.
- Sun 24** 9.45am Morning Worship.
- Sun 31** 9.45am Morning Worship.

### **Café Refresh**

Does not meet in July but will resume on 4 August.

### **House group**

Please contact Debbie Hill for details, 01577 842268.

### **Parents/Carers and Toddlers Group**

We are having a break for the summer and will resume on Friday 2 September in the Church Hall.

### **Film Evening**

Friday 1 July 7.30 – 9.30pm in the Church Hall.

*Please join us for the film, a cuppa and a blether and even some popcorn.*

## **Cleish Parish Church**

**Church of Scotland**

(Charity No: SC003168)

Minister: Rev Lis Stenhouse BD (Hons)

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Reader: Brian Ogilvie

Session Clerk: Neil Maclure

Email: [neil.maclure19@gmail.com](mailto:neil.maclure19@gmail.com) Tel: 01577 864826

Please visit our website: [www.cleishchurch.org](http://www.cleishchurch.org)



**Sunday Services** 11.15am

### **July**

- Sun 3** 11.15am Morning Worship. Tea and coffee served in Cleish Village Hall in aid of Guild Projects. Traidcraft Stall.
- Sun 10** 11.15am Morning Worship.
- Sun 17** 11.15am Morning Worship.
- Sun 24** 11.15am Morning Worship followed by refreshments served in the Young Room.
- Sun 31** 11.15am Morning Worship.

All welcome

## **Acknowledgement**

**MASON** – Sheila and family would like to thank all family, friends and neighbours for their lovely messages of sympathy, flowers and cards; we so appreciate their kindness.

We would like to thank all the medical staff who cared for Malcolm during his illness; the Rev Lis Stenhouse for her care and funeral service; Stewart Funeral Directors; and our thanks to all who attended the funeral service on Monday 6 June 2016 at Fossoway, St Serf's and Devonside Church and for donations for Bowel Cancer UK.



# Playgroups and Toddlers

## Milnathort Babies & Toddlers

**Orwell Church Hall, Milnathort  
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!



To join in the fun  
call 07745 804539  
Email [milnathortbt@gmail.com](mailto:milnathortbt@gmail.com)  
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:** Children from age 2 years welcome.

Tue to Fri 9.05am - 11.50am. Fri 12.30pm - 3.15pm

**Inbetweeners:** Mon 9.05 - 11.50am, optional Lunch Club afterwards. Children from the age of 3 years welcome.

**Rising Fives:** Tues & Wed 12.55pm - 3.10pm, optional Lunch Club beforehand. Complementary to preschool Nursery.

**For availability or more information, please contact:**

Lisa 07736 642070, [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 Zoe 07964 751012, Lisa 07736 642070 or the Playgroup.

The premises are available to hire for Private Functions. For more information, please contact Tracey 07557 051894 or the Playgroup on 07592 392235.

## 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  
Role play, jigsaws, physical toys and arts and crafts  
Friendly support for all carers  
First session free, £2 thereafter (£1 for additional children)

Contact Donna Smith on 07535 595430 or just come along!

## LOCHLEVEN TWOS CLUB

**Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross  
Thursdays 9.45 to 11.15am (term time only)**

A relaxed, friendly group for children from about 18 months to pre-school with their parent/carer. Play and pre-school activities, with a variety of toys. A snack is provided, plus coffee and tea for parents/carers. Younger siblings also welcome.

Contact Lynne Penny on [babygaj@yahoo.com](mailto:babygaj@yahoo.com)  
or 07736 930923 for further details,  
or find us on Facebook: Two's Club Kinross

## LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

**Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross  
Session times (term time only)**

Tuesdays 9.30 - 11.15, Fridays 9.30 - 11.15  
Contact Debbie Kennedy 07545 339494,  
[debileighs@hotmail.com](mailto:debileighs@hotmail.com)

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.

## PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

Portmoak Hall – between Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell (only 10 mins from Milnathort and Kinross)



We are a friendly and relaxed group welcoming children under 5 years and their parents/carers. 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 group!

Session times: Tues & Fri 9.45am – 11.30am.  
Sessions are £2 per child (£1.50 for under 1s) and 50p for each additional child. A snack is provided.

For all queries please email  
[portmoakplaygroup@hotmail.com](mailto:portmoakplaygroup@hotmail.com)  
or find us on Facebook

## MONTGOMERY TODDLERS

Every Thursday 9.30am to 11am (term-time only)  
The Gospel Hall, Montgomery Street, Kinross.  
Contact Christina Smith 01577 840733 or 07792 260509

## FOSSOWAY PRE-SCHOOL GROUP

**Glenbank Cottage, Powmill**

Partner-provider for P&K Education



Places available for 3-5-year-olds and Rising Fives  
Sessions 9.30am - 12.45pm Monday - Thursday,  
9.30am - 12.30pm Fridays

Contact Pat Irvine 07703 177766 or  
[www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross](http://www.childcarelink.gov.uk/perthandkinross)

## Private Nurseries and Childcare

For private nurseries and childcare services, please see advertisements throughout the Newsletter.

To inform the Newsletter of any changes to Playgroup information, please send an email to: [editor@kinrossnewsletter.org](mailto:editor@kinrossnewsletter.org)

# Notices



## Michael Bruce Trust Service of Commemoration Sunday 3 July

This year's annual service commemorating the life and work of the Kinross-shire poet Michael Bruce (1746-67) will be held in Portmoak Parish Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 3 July.

The service will be held by the Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison and the guest speaker will be the Rev Alan D Reid of Kinross Parish Church.

Tea and Coffee will be served after the laying of the wreath on the poet's grave by Michael Bruce Trust chairman Professor David M Munro.

All are welcome to join this special celebration.



## Glenfarg Village Folk Club

*The club meets at "Backstage at the Green",  
Green Hotel, Kinross, on Mondays  
Doors open 7.30pm Music starts 8pm*

*For more info, see: [www.glenfargfolkclub.com](http://www.glenfargfolkclub.com)*

**4 July: Singaround.** A theme-free evening. All welcome. Entry fee tbc.

**11 July: Christine Bovill.** Christine has gained a huge reputation throughout Scotland for her Piaf show which she has presented to huge acclaim throughout the country's festivals. Tonight she will entertain with a mix of folk, blues, jazz and, of course, Piaf. A brilliant night. Entry fee tbc.

**18 July: Singaround.** "Overseas Travel, Foreign Climes and Sunshine" will be our theme for this week. All welcome. Entry fee tbc.

**25 July: Kinrick.** A warm welcome awaits the return of one of Fife's finest folk groups. Always hugely entertaining, the likely lads Dave Spittal, Alex McKenzie and John Blackwood are reinforced by the vocal talents and musicianship of Brian McArthur. Entry fee tbc.

**1 August: Anthony Toner.** Another member of the Belfast singer-songwriter club, Anthony has been described as "John Prine meets James Taylor". He offers superb guitar skills, catchy melodies and great lyrics. Entry fee tbc.

## Craft Fairs at the Boathouse Sunday 31 July and Sunday 28 August

11.30am – 4.30pm

Local people who make fabulous things!

With live music and street food.

On the decking at the Boathouse, Pier Road, Kinross.

## Scottish Mining Trust Holidays Blair Castle, Culross

Charity number SC036188 Web: [www.blaircastle.net](http://www.blaircastle.net)

**Subsidised holidays for retired miners and relatives**

If you worked in the mining industry, or if you are related to a miner or someone who worked in the mining industry, you may be eligible for subsidised full bed and board holidays at Blair Castle in Culross.

Blair Castle is set in beautiful grounds with stunning views over the Forth Estuary. Excellent facilities: 28 well-appointed en-suite rooms, disabled accommodation, games room, quiet rooms, social lounges etc.

Call 01383 880307 or email [charles@blaircastle.net](mailto:charles@blaircastle.net) to find out more and ask for an application form.

Find us on Facebook: Scottish Mining Trust Culross

## KINROSS HUB THE CARERS CAFE

**Monday 4 July 2016  
Carers Independent  
Advocacy  
(Sian Dawkins)**

**COMMENCING 10.15am PROMPT**

The hub cafe is an informal meeting place to chat over a cuppa with other carers, cared for and family members.



**LOCHLEVEN COMMUNITY CAMPUS  
KINROSS  
1st MONDAY of EVERY MONTH  
10am–12noon**



Contact Gail Boath  
Tel. 01577 867306  
Or Annette Bond  
01738 567076



## Skeins & Bobbins Primary Knitting Classes

The knitting classes are aimed at the 8+ age group and follow a structured programme throughout the block. Suitable for complete beginners and improvers. All children work within their capabilities and we aim to provide a fun learning environment. Each child will knit and complete a project. Knitting improves concentration, dexterity and motor skills and gives a sense of achievement.

Classes cost £4 per session (discount if paid in advance) and children attend either on a Tuesday or a Thursday, 3.30 – 4.15pm. Places are limited.

### Autumn Term 2016

#### Tuesdays:

23 & 30 August, and 6, 13, 20 & 27 September.

#### Thursdays:

25 August, and 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 September.

To book a place,

please call into the shop or phone 01577 208107

or email [skeinsandbobbins@outlook.com](mailto:skeinsandbobbins@outlook.com)

PVG Scheme Membership

## Who wants to write their own script?

*Take a fresh approach in life – if you want to improve your wellbeing, try writing yourself a new wellbeing script!*

- Learn a new skill or try out a new activity
- Improve your mental and/or physical health
- Take up opportunities to meet new people
- Receive social support from others and give some too
- Increase your self-confidence and self-esteem
- Have opportunities to express yourself
- Become more involved with your local community

Contact us by email on [wellbeingandrecovery@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:wellbeingandrecovery@pkc.gov.uk) or by telephone on 01738 474455.



### Are you living with a long-term health condition?

We are a charity supporting those living with a long-term health condition in Perth & Kinross. We help people improve the quality of their lives and well being by providing information and running regular self-management courses, workshops and peer support groups.

One of our peer support groups is based in Kinross in the meeting room of St Paul's Church, Muirs. This runs on the first Thursday of every month, 1.30-3.30pm.

If you would like to come along and connect with others who understand the challenges of living with a condition, learn how to make positive changes to your life and have access to useful information, then please contact us for an informal chat.

All of our services are confidential, free and designed to be flexible depending on individual and community need.

Find us at:

Perth Business Centre/NCOC, 28 Glasgow Road, Perth, PH2 0NX

Tel: 01738440099. Email: [Info@positive-choices.org.uk](mailto:Info@positive-choices.org.uk)

We are a registered Scottish Charity SC031076

Empowering Lives, Improving Health

### La Leche League meetings in Kinross ...

First Thursday of the month,  
10am – 12 noon



St Paul's Church Meeting Room, The Muirs, Kinross

- Friendly, relaxed mum-to-mum breastfeeding support and chat.
- Informal chat and an interesting group discussion.
- Plenty of time for answering your questions.

We welcome any mums (and mums to be) who are interested in breastfeeding. Children all very welcome.

For more details, contact:

Hannah Dalgety (LLL Leader, Kinross) 07886 859461

[www.lll-fife-tayside.co.uk](http://www.lll-fife-tayside.co.uk)

Find us on Facebook: La Leche League Fife and Tayside

### Kinross Meditation Group

7pm – 8pm Fridays

Meditation starts at 7.15pm, tea and coffee after

The Hall, St Paul's Church, The Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AY

Providing a space for quiet reflection, mindfulness and relaxation. This non-religious meditation group is open to all and aims to provide a safe environment to share and explore the many benefits of meditation. If you would like to learn meditative techniques and practise in a small friendly group, then please come and join us or get in touch. Starting at beginners level, no previous experience or skills required, just the willingness to learn together in calm and supportive reflectiveness.

Casual enquiries welcomed. For further information please contact us via our Facebook page (search Kinross Meditation Group) or call Naomi on 07515 271272.

No fees, though small contributions to cover cost of hall hire are welcomed.

### SMART Recovery

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

SMART Recovery runs mutual support meetings. Through open and confidential discussion we can help ourselves and each other with any type of addictive behaviour.

Meeting at **Millbridge Hall, Kinross, 2-4pm every Tuesday.**

For further information contact Richard on 01738 451594 or Liam on 078252 256999.

Perth and Kinross  
Lifelong Learning Partnership  
Community Learning & Development Partnership

## Welcome to the Kinross-shire Volunteer Information Point

**Located in the Loch Leven Community Campus Library Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ**

Here you can find information about **Volunteering Opportunities** available in Kinross-shire.

Take your time and see what is available. You will also find leaflets in the folders explaining where you can go for further help such as Voluntary Action Perthshire [www.vaperthshire.org](http://www.vaperthshire.org)

If you would like to promote your **Organisations Volunteering Opportunities** please hand your information into reception for attention of: Tracey Ramsay (Community Capacity Building Worker)

Blank profiles are also available for your use if required. These are in the organisation folder at the VIP alternatively follow this link:  
[www.pkc.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=22228&p=0](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=22228&p=0)

**The Volunteer Information Point has been organised and supported by Partners of the Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group.**

For further information please contact Tracey Ramsay 01577 867177 or email [Tramsay@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:Tramsay@pkc.gov.uk)

### Enquire

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

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

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

For more information contact: tel 0845 123 2303

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

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

### Looking for a venue that can tick all the boxes?

#### Crook of Devon Village Hall

- ☑ **Space** We can seat up to 100 for a formal meal; 120 for meetings, theatrical performance, talent shows; 80-90 for discos, family gatherings, community events. We can even accommodate bouncy castles for that "all weather" children's party.



- ☑ **Car Parking** - ample parking for the hall.
- ☑ **Catering** - Kitchen with oven, dishwasher and microwave, plus a great serving area.
- ☑ **Stage** and back stage area for performances, costume changes, etc.
- ☑ Plus the usual facilities - toilets, disabled toilets, changing areas.
- ☑ We also offer chair and table rental for functions at home.
- ☑ **Weekly bookings** taken for activities, e.g. yoga, ballet, fitness classes, badminton, youth clubs.

For all hall bookings and enquiries, including our **special block booking rates**, please contact Jean on 01577 840543 or [jeanshearer630@btinternet.com](mailto:jeanshearer630@btinternet.com)





## Kinross-shire Fund

Grants available for local community projects



e.g. Events, Information, Transport, Welfare, Physical Amenities, Recreational Facilities, Support for Care of the Elderly, Voluntary Organisations

For more information and to download an application form, see [www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/kinross-shire-fund](http://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/kinross-shire-fund) or telephone 0131 5240300

## Healing Rooms Kinross and Loch Leven

Every Thursday from 10.30am -12 noon  
at the Orwell and Portmoak Church Office,  
29 South Street, Milnathort, KY13 9XA.

Trained volunteers from different churches will pray for your healing, physical, spiritual or emotional. Totally confidential. No charge.

No appointment needed, but if preferred appointments can be arranged through the contact details on the website [www.healingrooms-scotland.org](http://www.healingrooms-scotland.org)

## PLUS Perth

[www.plusperth.co.uk](http://www.plusperth.co.uk)  
Tel: 01738 626242  
77 Canal Street, Perth



PLUS is a member-led local charity and social movement which gives hope and opportunity to those affected by disadvantage; in the main to those with experience of mental ill health and substance misuse.

The PLUS office is open Mon-Fri 9.30am – 4pm  
for mental health signposting and enquiries.

## 100th Birthday and Diamond Wedding Anniversaries

Do you know a Perth & Kinross resident who is celebrating their 100th or 105th+ birthday?

Do you know a Perth & Kinross couple celebrating their 60th, 65th or 70th wedding anniversary?

PKC would like to help celebrate the special occasion. PKC can arrange delivery of a basket of flowers or for a local Councillor to present a basket of flowers to the person or couple on their special day.

Tel: 01738 475051 Email: [CivicServices@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:CivicServices@pkc.gov.uk)

## Homes for Cats Wanted

Fife Cat Shelter, a Scottish Registered Charity, is always looking for homes for rescued cats.

Cats can be visited, by appointment, at Causeway Cattery, Scotlandwell.

Contact Rhona on 01383 830286.



## Blythswood Care collection in Perth

The charity Blythswood Care is no longer uplifting donations of second hand items in Kinross. The nearest uplift is in Perth, at Asda on Dunkeld Road. There will be collections there on the following Tuesdays, from 11.30am until 1.30pm:

**5 July, 2 August, 6 September, 4 October, 8 November, 6 December.**

Blythswood Care welcomes donations of: clothes, shoes, books, toys, blankets, bric à brac and small items of furniture. All soft furnishing must have a fire label with BS code BS7177 attached.

Regretfully Blythswood **cannot** accept: prams, pushchairs, highchairs, car seats, bikes, carpets, duvets, coat hangers, gas appliances, TVs, computer monitors, exercise equipment, wall units, electrical items and video cassettes.

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

Hope Pregnancy Crisis Centre  
40 St John Street, Perth, PH1 5SP  
[www.hopepregnancy.co.uk](http://www.hopepregnancy.co.uk)  
email: [hope-pregnancy@btconnect.com](mailto:hope-pregnancy@btconnect.com)  
Helpline 01738 621174  
We are a Scottish Charity SC037103

## 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 drinks 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.

## Perth Samaritans

Need to talk? We'll listen.

Contact us by

**phone** on 01738 626666 or 08457 909090

**Email** us [jo@samaritans.org](mailto: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.**

## Mindspace Recovery College

Mindspace Recovery College runs free courses covering all aspects of mental health, co-delivered by people with lived experience, and are open to all.



## Newsletter Deadlines 2016

Please note, deadlines are 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 15 July	Saturday 30 July
September	Fri 12 August	Saturday 27 August



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**



## Multiple Sclerosis Society Scotland

Perth & Kinross Branch of the MS Society are calling anyone affected by MS to come along to The Green Hotel, Kinross on the third Tuesday of every month from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Come along for a blether, a cuppa or just to get out of the house! Family, friends and carers are welcome too. For further information, please contact the Branch on 07552 368216, perthkinross@mssociety.org.uk or check out our website [www.perth-kinross.org.uk](http://www.perth-kinross.org.uk) or find us on Facebook: MS Society Perth&Kinross Branch.



## 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.

## Perth & Kinross School Term Dates 2016-17

Term	Start	End
Autumn	Tue 16 Aug 2016	Fri 7 Oct 2016
Winter	Mon 24 Oct 2016	Fri 23 Dec 2016
Spring	Mon 9 Jan 2017	Fri 31 Mar 2017
Summer	Wed 19 Apr 2017	Thu 29 Jun 2017

### Holidays and In-Service Days:

Autumn holiday:	Mon 10 Oct – Fri 21 Oct 2016
In-Service days:	Thu 17 Nov and Fri 18 Nov 2016
Christmas holiday:	Mon 26 Dec 2016 – Fri 6 Jan 2017
In-Service and occasional holidays:	Wed 15 Feb – Fri 17 Feb 2017
Spring holiday:	Mon 3 Apr – Mon 17 Apr 2017 (Easter Sunday is 16 April 2017)
In-Service day:	Tue 18 Apr 2017
May Day holiday:	Mon 1 May 2017 (tbc)

## Perth Citizens Advice Bureau

### Outreach Advice Surgery

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

The next visits are: **12 and 26 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.

### Benefits Advice in Libraries (BAIL)

Benefits specialist Sarah MacLean is available at Loch Leven Community Campus to provide advice on all benefit related issues. Alongside general benefits advice, Sarah can help with: completing forms (including online), conducting checks to see if clients are receiving everything they are entitled to, and providing advice and support where an application is refused or awarded at a lower level than expected.

Sarah is available **by appointment only**. Appointments are usually offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays. To make an appointment, call 01738 450599 or email Andrew Scobie (benefits and debt administration) using the following: [Andrew.Scobie@Perthcab.casonline.org.uk](mailto:Andrew.Scobie@Perthcab.casonline.org.uk)

### Debt and Money Advice Service

Perth CAB has a team of specialist debt advisers. Advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent. To talk to a specialist debt adviser call 01738 450590 or email David Ogston (senior debt adviser) using the following email address: [David.Ogston@Perthcab.casonline.org.uk](mailto:David.Ogston@Perthcab.casonline.org.uk)

## 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: [perth@thebikestation.org.uk](mailto:perth@thebikestation.org.uk) Website: [www.thebikestation.org.uk](http://www.thebikestation.org.uk)

## Conversation Café

### What is the Conversation Café?

Informal 'get-togethers' for a positive chat about Wellbeing.

### What are they for?

To get people speaking about Recovery and Wellbeing in all its many forms, looking at ways of moving forward, and sharing ideas and information.

### Improving Health

### Breakdown Isolation

### Support Networks

### Who are they for?

For everyone with an interest in improving their Wellbeing, supporting people moving forward on their recovery journey.

### Where are they?

Every Tuesday, 5.15pm to 6.15pm

Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross, KY13 8DW

Contact: Bryan Hill, 01738 474490 or 07771 541797 or [bhill@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:bhill@pkc.gov.uk)



### Community Councils

**Kinross:** Secy: Mrs E Thomas (01577) 863714  
KinrossCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

**Milnathort:** Chair: David Baudains, davidpbaudains@gmail.com

**Cleish & Blairadam:** Secy: Patty Fraser (01577) 850253,  
CleishCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

**Fossoway & District:** Chair: Trudy Duffy-Wigman (01577) 840669,  
fossoway.cc@gmail.com

**Portmoak:** Chair: Malcolm Strang Steel (01592) 840459,  
PortmoakCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

### Perth and Kinross Councillors

#### Kinross-shire Ward

**Councillor Mike Barnacle** (Independent)

Tel/Fax (home): 01577 840516.

Email: michaelabarnacle@gmail.com

Website: mikebarnacle.co.uk

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, KY13XA

### Tasmina Ahmed-Sheikh MP

#### Member of Parliament for Ochil and South Perthshire

I hold regular surgeries in Kinross-shire.

For more information, general enquiries and for anything else I can help with, please do not hesitate to contact me using the details below.

Telephone: 01259 219333

Email: tas.mp@parliament.uk

Unit 4, Townhead Institute, 39 Drysdale Street, Alloa, FK10 1JA

### Mobile Library Service

#### Visiting on Tuesdays 5 & 19 July:

Milnathort	South Street	1215-1300
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#### Visiting every Tuesday

Glenfarg	Main Street	1130-1300
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#### Visiting on Wednesdays 13 & 27 July:

Powmill	Mill Gardens	0930-0950
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Fossoway Pre-school	Powmill	0955-1020
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Kinnesswood	Shop	1050-1120
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Portmoak	Community Hall	1125-1140
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Scotlandwell	Leslie Road	1145-1205
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Hatchbank	Road	1220-1240
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Cleish	Phone Box	1400-1415
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Crook of Devon	Inn, Main Street	1430-1530
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Carnbo	Main Road	1540-1610
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Milnathort	South Road	1620-1650
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Mawcarse		1700-1710
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For more information, see [www.pkc.gov.uk/mobilelibrary](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/mobilelibrary) or phone 01577 867205.

### Kinross Community Councillors

Margaret Blyth	6 Muir Grove	
Jonathan Bryson	4 Burnbank Meadows	(01577) 531141
David Colliar	10 Rannoch Place	(01577) 864037
Barry Davies	60 Lathro Park	(01577) 865004
Bill Freeman (Chair)	64 Muirs	(01577) 865045
Ian Jack	Burnbrae Grange	(01577) 863980
David MacKenzie	12 Torridon Place	07703 820051
(Vice Chair)		
Margaret Scott	21 Ross Street	(01577) 862945
Thomas Stewart	Gellybank Farm	(01577) 864603
Eileen Thomas (Secy)	50 Muirs	(01577) 863714
David West	9 Leven Place	07824 313974

### Portmoak Community Councillors

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**Customer Service Centre** Tel: 01738 475000

(Mon to Fri, 8am-6pm)

**Out of Hours Emergencies** Tel: 01738 625411

(Roads, flooding, environmental health and dangerous buildings)

**Clarence** (for non-emergency road and lighting defects) Tel: 0800 232323

**Registrar** Tel: 01577 867133

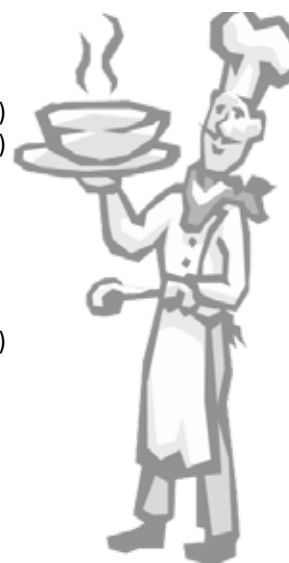
The Registrar is normally in Kinross only on Tuesdays and Fridays at the Loch Leven Community Campus



Film shows • Cards • Dominoes • Art Class  
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises

## Weekly Programme for July

<b>Monday</b>	Exercise Class	11am	Bingo	1.30pm (except 18th)
	Dominoes, cards & other Games			1.15pm (except 18th)
	"Stride for Life" Walking Group			2pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Relaxation Class	1.15pm	Games	1.15pm
	Singing group with Alex Cant	1.45pm		
<b>Wednesday</b>	Morning Worship	10.45am		
	Dominoes, Scrabble & other Games			1.30pm (except 13th)
	Fantastic Fun Quiz	1.30pm (except 13th)		
<b>Thursday</b>	Art Class	1.30pm	Film Afternoon	1.30pm
	Dominoes, Scrabble, cards etc	1.30pm		
	Balance & Strength Class	1.30pm		
<b>Friday</b>	Exercise Class	11am - 12pm		
	Dominoes, Games and Filmshow	1.30pm		
	Bingo	1.30pm		



## Additional Events for July

Tai Chi	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6th, 20th, 27th</b>	1.30 - 2pm
Chiropody	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7th, 21st</b>	9.45am - 1pm (phone 01577 863869 for an appointment)
Health & Wellbeing Information Point	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>12th</b>	11am - 12pm
Live music with the very talented "Sabers". Songs from the 60s, 70s and 80s, plus a few modern songs.	<b>Monday</b>	<b>18th</b>	1.30pm - 3.30pm
Pitlochry Theatre lunch followed by the fantastic musical "Carousel".	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>13th</b>	10am - late
Cake walk "party"	<b>Monday</b>	<b>25th</b>	1.30pm
Library Trip	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>28th</b>	1.30pm



**Coffee Bar open to the public 8.30am - 4pm, Older Adults Lunches Daily**

Our activities are open to everyone - please feel free to come in and have a great afternoon.

**Phone: 01577 863869 Fax: 01577 863869 Email: [kindaycent@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:kindaycent@tiscali.co.uk)**

## LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



### Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross

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

## Dr Donald Duncan Bequest Committee

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

Application Forms can be obtained from Andersons LLP, Solicitors, 40 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AN.

## Local Correspondent

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## Grants and Funding Websites

[www.pkgrantsdirect.com](http://www.pkgrantsdirect.com)

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

## Items for Sale

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.

### **Mahogany internal door £35**

205x83x4.5cm plywood panel as new.

### **Mahogany external door £150**

200x80cm 8 panel solid mahogany, as new.

Seller Details for above 2 items: Ken Paterson 01577 862816

ken.paterson34@gmail.com

### **Mobility Scooter Price on request**

Pro Rider Road King Mobility Scooter. Red. Not used. Perfect condition.

Seller Details: Mrs A Langridge 01577 862893

### **Wheels £40**

4 steel wheels 205-60x16. Brand new, never been used.

Seller Details: Alex Penny 01577 862943

p22eck@hotmail.co.uk

### **Hayter Spirit 41cm Push Lawnmower £135**

Very good condition, just serviced, runs well, easy to start and great results. Can demonstrate if required.

Seller Details: David Anderson 07747 890375

whitesands1.da@googlemail.com

### **Home Brew/wine making equipment £10**

Including 2 barrels, mash tub, immersion heater, hand corking machine.

### **Crane Twist Stepper £10**

Excellent condition, little used.

Seller Details for above 2 items: Alan Briscoe 01577 840680

alanenby@fsmail.net

### **Round dining table and 4 upholstered chairs £185**

G Plan expandable round table with 4 chairs. Solid wood. In excellent condition. Rarely used. Can deliver if local.

### **Infiniti Fitness Power Rower machine £200**

Rowing machine in excellent condition. Magnetic air resistance system. Cost £700 new. Could deliver if local.

Seller Detail for above 2 items: Peter Whitfield 07785 342561

peterwhitfield123@btinternet.com

## **Mobile Post Office, Kinnesswood**

Mondays and Wednesdays 1215 – 1315  
Tuesdays and Fridays 1030 – 1200

## **Give a Greyhound A Home**

Look on our Website

[www.greyhoundrescuefife.com](http://www.greyhoundrescuefife.com)



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Mob: 07826244765 (daytime)  
email us on femiejimmyf@aol.com



## 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 see fuller details and to **check whether a position is still available**. (Go to www.kinross.cc then click on 'Local Adverts' and choose 'Situations Vacant').

### **Part time cleaner, Servicemaster C S Tayside/Fife**

We are a contract cleaning company. This is a post that requires dedication and attention to detail. The post is for 2 hours on Monday to Friday evenings starting from 6pm. The successful candidate will be likely to have had several years of experience of cleaning, although training will be given, and be able to work using their own initiative. The candidate must have high standards.

If you think you are the correct person for this post, please call Ian on 01577 864151 or email your name and contact details to taysidefife@servicemasterclean.co.uk

### **Bookkeeper, Smartworks Chartered Accountants**

Our client, a small local vehicle rental business, is looking for a bookkeeper for an estimated one day per month. Duties would include posting sales and purchase invoices and reconciling the bank using Xero accounting software. Monthly payroll using Xero will also need to be run for a couple of employees. This could appeal to someone not working but wishing to keep their hand in or to a self-employed bookkeeper with space for additional clients. Xero experience is preferred but training can be given.

Details and CV to info@smartworksca.co.uk.

### **Room Attendant, The Green Hotel, Kinross (part time)**

To undertake the cleaning of bedrooms and bathrooms and public areas to a quality standard and to ensure all room facilities are working. To self-check allocated rooms to the minimum standard required by the hotel and rectify if standard is below expectations. A variety of regular and occasional duties, carried out to a professional standard, as directed by housekeeper. Apply by email to AngelesMoreno@green-hotel.com

### **Leisure Assistant, The Green Hotel, Kinross**

Reporting to the Health Club & Spa Manager. Join our busy leisure club and become part of a successful team. You will need to ensure that all hotel guests and members of the leisure club are welcomed in a friendly manner and give them assistance during their stay. You'll be on reception, carrying out pool tests, keeping the leisure club clean and tidy.

16 hours per week (shifts covering 7 days)

Salary range £6.70 - £7.20 per hour. Apply initially with a CV please to LindsayRobertson@green-hotel.com.

### **Beauty Therapist, The Green Hotel, Kinross**

Part time beauty therapists needed for our Hotel Spa, to join our team at The Green Hotel Golf and Leisure Resort in Kinross.

As a beauty therapist at the Green you will promote a friendly, relaxing and professional environment to ensure all our members and guests receive an exceptional experience. Treatments and customer service to a very high standard. Be prepared to work hard and act in a professional manner. Approximately 16 hours per week, including weekends. Salary is £6.70 - £8.00 per hour.

By phone 01577 866509 or email LindsayRobertson@green-hotel.com

## **Newbies**

**Every Monday, 2 - 3pm**

Loch Leven Community Campus

A new group for new parents and new babies!  
Come along and meet other parents for a blether,  
whilst the babies play.

Parents with babies 0 - 18 months FREE!

# Diary

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

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