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# Editor's Page & Letters

## Editor's welcome

Several of the writers in this month's issue, including our nature writers, refer to an autumnal feeling in the air after our exceptionally long, hot summer.

Certainly behaviour of the human population indicates that the season is changing, as spring and summer activities such as bowling draw to a close and winter sports such as curling start up again.

Autumn is also traditionally a time for starting up a new hobby and, as always, we have a list of leisure classes available at the Kinross Learning Centre (see p. 21.)

Readers can still enjoy a flavour of summer, however, by looking at our photographs and reports of the Kinross Show, the Best Kept Village and Hamlet competition and various reports from our clubs.

Happy reading!

Eileen, editor

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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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## Queensferry Crossing

The Queensferry Crossing is a fine piece of engineering, a thing of beauty and a credit to Scotland. As someone who has spent over £1,000 over the years on tolls for the old road bridge, and over three full weeks of my life queueing on it, I welcome the new bridge.

Four motorway lanes and two side roads feed onto the two-lane Queensferry Crossing from the north, and nearly as much from the south, so it might well become congested in the rush hours, since the public transport supplied by privatised bus and train services is wholly inadequate. And when the flow is good there are often following jams at the Barnton entrance to Edinburgh where traffic lights act as a valve. Politically motivated carping about the new bridge should avoid reference to "average" speeds which are as useless data as "average incomes".

I am able to travel off-peak and find my journey times to Edinburgh much improved, and I can live with the occasional 20-minute delay when completion works are involved. All big engineering works require continuing attention: the huge Clyde-built liners took many workmen on their maiden voyages.

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Causewayend, Main Street  
Scotlandwell

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### Collection at Kinross Show

The total proceeds of the collection at Kinross Show on 11 August 2018 by pipers for Rachel House Children's Hospice, Kinross, amounted this year to £343.44. Once again this shows marvellous and increasing support from the local community for this wonderful Hospice in our midst. Our grateful thanks to all who donated and to Kinross-shire Agricultural Society for allowing us to make the collection.

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# News & Articles

## Scottish Minister visits local businesses

Lord Duncan of Springbank, Scottish Office Minister, visited Kinross-shire on 8 August as part of a tour of Perth & Kinross. As well as taking in the sights of Loch Leven, Lord Duncan called in on several local businesses, accompanied by constituency MP Luke Graham.



Lord Duncan (left) and Luke Graham MP (right) with Neil Buchan and Chris Bode, proprietors of Unorthodox Roasters

In particular Lord Duncan wanted to visit Hunters of Kinross to hear more about the 'Butchers at the Heart of the Community' campaign. This aims to have a defibrillator located at every butcher's shop in Scotland, providing a vital resource at the heart of each community. The campaign arose following a successful local initiative by Pamela Hunter to fundraise and install defibrillators and encourage increased awareness of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Lord Duncan also visited Unorthodox Roasters, a coffee roasting business and vibrant coffee shop in Kinross High Street which is now open two evenings per week as a wine and sherry bar. While there he discussed the importance of the High Street in rural Scotland with local business representatives.

A spokesperson for Luke Graham said: "The High Street is rising up the agenda of central government, with the launch of the new 'Great British High Street' campaign."

Pamela Hunter, via a post on social media, is trying to gauge interest in Kinross entering the Great British High Street Awards in 2019.

Luke Graham MP (left) and Lord Duncan (centre back) with the Hunters of Kinross staff demonstrating CPR hands while Iain Hunter holds the defibrillator purchased as a result of a local fundraising project



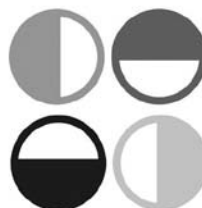
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## Councillor Purves

### Kinross-shire Forum

A few weeks ago, ward councillors and representatives from each of the six community councils in Kinross-shire met to discuss a number of the issues facing the local area. We received a presentation from Systra who have designed a new traffic model for Perth & Kinross Council, which will be used to inform the planning and roads departments. In particular, we looked at the impact of new developments at the former high school site, at Lathro Meadows and at Pace Hill on traffic in Kinross and Milnathort. The model was also able to show what impact introducing roundabouts or realigning junctions at key pinch points would have on traffic flows. My ward councillor colleagues and I shall be working with Kinross and Milnathort Community Councils to see if improvements can be made.

We also discussed ways to improve local democracy in Kinross-shire. My ward councillor colleagues and I are keen to see more decisions about Kinross-shire taken by Kinross-shire representatives rather than by those in Perth. There are a number of ways of doing this, including the introduction of a devolved Kinross-shire area committee. We have asked community councils to discuss this topic and come back to us with their thoughts. I shall provide updates in future editions of the *Newsletter*.

### Local Development Plan 2

Last year, the Council approved its final draft of Local Development Plan, which will set out the proposals for development across Perth & Kinross until 2028. The four Kinross-shire ward councillors made a number of amendments to the plan at this stage, regarding Balado, Crook of Devon and Rumbling Bridge.

Since then, there has been a period of public consultation where individual members of the public, statutory consultees such as SEPA and SNH, local organisations and groups, and developers have been able to indicate whether they support or oppose the plan. Objections may come in the form of requests for changes to policies or requests to include or exclude development sites in the plan.

The Scottish Government's Reporter may consider and change anything in the plan that has been subject to an objection. The Council therefore has to give a view on each of those objections to indicate whether or not we support it. While the meeting to determine the Council's position has yet to take place at the time of writing, Kinross-shire councillors would not like to see any further development sites included in this plan.



## 20mph Signs, Kinross

The decision to extend the area covered by the 20mph limit from the shared space on the High Street to include the mini roundabout beside the Co-op was taken in September last year. It is now almost a year, and we still only have temporary signs, or rather, what is left of the temporary signs. This is extremely disappointing and people from outside the local area would be forgiven for not knowing that the 20mph limit starts where it does. My ward councillor colleagues and I have been chasing this for some time. I recently managed to get a proposed timeframe for the works from the Council's roads department. They indicate that the permanent signs will be installed during a two-week period from 3 September. This should only take a couple of days with minimum disruption.

## Millbridge Hall Car Park

Parking in Kinross town centre remains a concern for local residents and businesses, particularly given the loss of parking spaces directly outside shops on the High Street following the introduction of the shared space. Earlier this year, my ward councillor colleagues and I managed to secure funding for the expansion of the Millbridge Hall car park in Kinross. While designs had been prepared, work has yet to begin but I can now confirm that it is planned to get underway from 3 September. This should see the number of car-parking spaces increase by 25%.

## Care-at-Home Charges

During the Council's budget-setting process in 2016, it was agreed to adopt new guidelines issued by COSLA for charges for providing care at home, which would have generated a £300,000 saving for the Council. It would seem, however, that the implications on the individuals affected were not fully considered at the time with some people being up to £70 worse off each week. Recent and forthcoming changes to legislation with the new Carers' Act and the upcoming Frank's Law meant that such changes might soon be superseded by new requirements on local authorities. At the time of writing, the Leader of the Council has called a special Council meeting and is recommending that proposed changes be deferred for the time being. This will mean that no one will be worse off than they are now.

## Surgeries

From September, I intend to hold a surgery in Loch Leven Community Campus between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on the third Thursday of each month. Any Kinross-shire residents are welcome to attend and raise with me any local issues or concerns.

**Councillor Callum Purves**

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Doors Open Days in Perth and Kinross is organised by geographical areas:

Sat 15 & Sun 16 Sep: Highland and Eastern Perthshire

Sat 22 & Sun 23 Sep: Strathearn and Kinross-shire

Sat 29 & Sun 30 Sep: Perth City

**Tullibole Castle in Crook of Devon** is taking part on **Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September** from 11am until 4pm.

Built in 1608, Tullibole castle is a classic example of a Scottish tower house. The castle remains unspoilt and contains many interesting features which will be revealed during guided interior tours. As well as seeing around the castle, visitors can enjoy the castle garden and woods taking in the ancient graveyard, 18th century doocot and Weird Witches Maze. There will be a treasure hunt and guided tours taking place throughout the weekend.



*Tullibole Castle near Crook of Devon is open as part of Doors Open Days on 22 and 23 September*

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*The former Perth Academy building in Rose Terrace, Perth, part of the Doors Open Days 'Back to School: past, present and future' theme  
photo © PKHT*

This year's Doors Open Days programme has 55 interesting venues participating, including guided walks that take in multiple buildings of interest. Nine venues are opening their doors for the first time. To celebrate the Scottish Year of Young People, Perth and Kinross Doors Open Days has a special theme: 'Back to School: past, present and future'. The 2018 programme features:

- Past Schools: buildings that have been put to new uses;
- Current Schools: buildings in operation as centres of learning; and
- Future Schools: buildings still under construction.

You can follow the theme across all three of Perth and Kinross's Doors Open Days weekends, appreciating the architecture of education - there's even an accompanying competition! Pick up a brochure from museums, libraries and visitor information centres or download the online version: [www.pkht.org.uk/doors-open-days](http://www.pkht.org.uk/doors-open-days).

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# Kinross Show



## Results from the 188th Show

It rained the day before, and the day after, but the weather was perfect on Saturday 11 August 2018 for the 188th Kinross Show, which took place at RSPB Loch Leven, Vane Farm.

The results shown here are not totally comprehensive, generally showing only winners from the local area.

### Overall Champions

**Supreme Overall Champion:** Sheep – Texel gimmer, David McKerrow, Freuchie.

**Supreme Interbreed Champion:** S & L Bett, Beef.

**Interbreed Sheep Champion:** Texel gimmer, David McKerrow, Freuchie.

**Supreme Interbreed Horse Champion:** Morven Campbell, Highland Pony, Knockandy Abigail.

### Other results

**Clydesdale:** Champion: Scott Greenhill, Leuchars.  
Reserve: J Paterson, Glendevon.

**Aberdeen Angus:** Overall Champion: R & C Rettie.

**Highland Cattle:** Champion: D & B McNaughton, Kelty.

**Best Dairy Young Handler:** Sarah Wood.

**Beltex:** W S Young & Sons, Mawcarse.

**Blackface:** A & I Cullens, Dollar.

**Cross Sheep:** W S Young & Sons, Mawcarse.

**Sheep Young Handler:** Alyssa Weir, Burnside, Milnathort.

**Ryeland:** White female champion: E & J Henderson, Milnathort.

**Horse in Harness:** Ross Kinnaid.

**Shetland Ponies:** Transy Trophy: Transy Stud. Devonshaw Quaich: A Marshall, Forgandenny. Glenyvot Trophy: J & G & L M Wilson, Muckhart.

**Highland Ponies:** Overall Champion: Morven Campbell.

Monkswell Trophy and Ardeonaig Trophy: Claire Zank.

**Horses In Hand Championship:** Kirsty Anderson, Tullibody.

**Horses under Saddle Championship:** Liz Mackay, Carnbo, with Ulisco De Monsec ridden by Bryony Pettinger.

**Mini WHP Championship:** Beth Stewart on Blairhill Caper.

**Mountain and Moorland In Hand Championship:** Danwood Delila, Lucy Allison.

### Crops

**Spring Oats:** W S Young & Sons, Mawcarse.

**Spring Barley:** W S Young & Sons, Mawcarse.

**Winter Wheat:** J Thomson, Hilton of Beath.

**Winter Barley:** W S Young & Sons, Mawcarse.

**Winter Oats:** J Alexander, Hilton Estates.

**Seed Potatoes:** John Baillie, Colliston.



*The Supreme Overall Champion - a Texel gimmer  
Photo: Eileen Thomas*

### Flower Show

**Cairns Cup** (most points overall): J Gardner

**Balado Salver** (outstanding cl 1-15): Robert Barnfather

**Fisher Bowl** (most pts, Dahlias): Robert Barnfather

**Caesar Trophy** (Sweet Peas): Margaret Kilpatrick

**Kirkness Trophy** (most pts, Floral Art): Fiona Alexander

**Renton Trophy** (outstanding, Floral Art): Fiona Alexander

**Gavin Lindores Trophy** (best single rose): Margaret Kilpatrick

**Scott-Davidson Cup** (children's, class 29): Andrew Tindal

**Lena Graham Quaich** (small): Sanjai Sukumaran

**Lena Graham Quaich** (large): Isla Kinns-Brown

**Maisie Pirie Cup** (outstanding, U8): Chloe Harley

**Cath Pirie Cup** (outstanding, 9-14 yrs): Isla Kinns-Brown

**Mawcarse Salver** (best exhibit overall in show): Fiona Alexander

**Paton Prize** (best in produce classes): Robert Buchanan



*The winning entry in the Flower Show's orange-themed  
'Nell Gwynn's Basket' class Photo: Eileen Thomas*



Best in Dog Show: Newfords X-Rated shown by Tracy Lyon  
Photo: Vincent Johnston

## Companion Dog Show

### Trophy Classes

**Kinnesswood Quaich** (best puppy): 1st Tracy Lyon with Newfords X-Rated; 2nd Audrey Wanless; 3rd Alex Scott.

**Balkello Quaich** (sporting): 1st Laura Logan with Tilly; 2nd Linda Suttie; 3rd Abigail Cox.

**Farmer Trophy** (non-sporting): 1st Scott Nicoll with Gizmo; 2nd Jessica Nicoll; 3rd Marina Bruce.

**Cairns Cup** (open): 1st Verity Urek; 2nd Jodi Oliver; 3rd Wendy Sneddon.

**Walls Cup** (best in show): 1st Tracy Lyon with Newfords X-Rated; 2nd Scott Nicoll; 3rd Verity Urek.

### Novelty Classes

**Crossbreeds**: Rosie Crawford with Blue.

**Open** (Kinross-shire): Verity Urek with Nano.

**Waggiest tail**: Jodie Oliver with Angus.

**Most Appealing Eyes**: Martina Brano.

**U14 Handler**: 1st Sandra Dall with Hannah; 2nd Malcolm Thomson with Baxter.

## Children's Fancy Dress Competition

1st equal: Mad Hatter's Tea Party (Mia and Emily Alexander) and Bill and Ben (babies Blair Raitt and Andrew McIntosh).  
2nd: Hat Shop. 3rd equal: Star Wars and Unicorn.

## Scarecrow Competition (Under 14 years of age)

1st Leah Murray; 2nd Lexi Nelson; 3rd Eilidh McGarva.

## Best Trade Stands

**Arts and Crafts stand** (Arts and Crafts tent only): 1st Scarlet Goose; 2nd Gillian Skene Jewellery; 3rd Poppies.

**Large stand**: George Colliar.

**Small stand**: Scottish Beekeepers' Association.



The Scottish Beekeepers Association was named best small stand  
Photo: Vincent Johnston



Ryeland sheep  
Photo: Vincent Johnston



Cameron Higgins trying out a quad bike  
Photo: Hannah Phillips

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## Kinross Show Results continued...

### SWI at the Kinross Show

After a very wet Friday we were relieved to welcome a sunny Saturday which brought crowds to the show, many of whom came in to our tent to see the items on display from the SWI members.

The themes for the community competitions were for the handicraft section, "Animal Magic" and for the housewives' section, "Picnic". There were over 400 entries on the day, which all combined to produce a fantastic display of handicraft, baking, produce and floral art. The judges, who came from West Lothian Federation, certainly had a busy afternoon of judging on the Friday.

On Saturday morning we welcomed our guests and sponsors for refreshments. Our proceedings were ended on Saturday with the presentation of trophies by Linda Retson, SWI National Chairman. Congratulations to all the winners.

The committee would like to thank everyone who kindly sponsored classes for this year's show. Their generosity is greatly appreciated. Also, thanks are due to all those who helped make the day in the 'rural' tent run smoothly and successfully. Finally, we must express our gratitude to Kinross-shire Agricultural Society for giving us such an excellent location and tremendous facilities for our annual show.



*Susan Lawrie, RHASS Director, and Jim Harley, employer, with Neil Drysdale and Willie Sneddon receiving long service certificates after working for 40 years with George Colliar, Balado Photo: Eileen Thomas*

### Kinross Show SWI Trophies



Aldridge-Sealy Trophy  
Stewart Cup  
Enid Scott-Davidson  
Benarty Trophy  
Teenage Trophy  
Balado Cup

**Cleish**  
**Jeannie Black**, Glenfarg  
**Glenfarg**  
**Powmill**  
**Jen Pickard**, Cleish  
**Thomas Stewart**, Blairingone  
**Bruce Pickard**, Cleish  
**Lucy Moran**, Glenfarg  
**Abi Cox**, Cleish  
**Jeannie Black**, Glenfarg  
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**Norma Smith**, Bishopshire  
**Helen Buchanan**, Cleish  
**Margaret Nelson**, Cleish  
**Sharon Buchanan**, Powmill  
**Josephine Paterson**, Carnbo  
**Margaret Greener**, Carnbo  
**Helen Buchanan**, Cleish  
**Maz Thorn**, Powmill  
**Fiona McGregor**, Cleish  
**Josephine Paterson**, Carnbo


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Hilton Cup  
Jane Elliot Bell  
Ann Watson Trophy  
Arnotlea Trophy  
Irene Whitson Salver  
The Group Rose Bowl  
Community A Paperweight  
Community B Paperweight  
Margaret Ironside  
Memorial Trophy  
Frances Drysdale Quaich  
Arbuckle Cup  
Fleming Embroidery Trophy



*Blairingone SWI's entry in the picnic-themed community competition Photo: Eileen Thomas*



*One of the fancy dress competitors Photo: Eileen Thomas*



### Yoga Classes in Kinross

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## Luke Graham MP for Ochil and South Perthshire

Last week marked the end of the Summer Surgery Tour. Thanks to all those who made the time to complete surveys and discuss issues with me in community centres and on doorsteps across our constituency.



People often ask what surgeries are (genuinely believing I moonlight as a GP) and what types of issues people raise, and the answer is anything and everything. Since being elected, my team and I have taken on and solved cases ranging from potholes to immigration, welfare payments to school placements. Many issues overlap with MSP and Council colleagues, and we work together to try and help as much as we can. Case work is easily the most rewarding part of my job.

In addition to the case work of the past few months, I have also been continuing to push campaigns around the constituency, including the provision of broadband in Kinross-shire. Targets to reach 95% superfast broadband coverage are often aimed at population, not geography, and therefore often leaves our constituency behind. I campaigned on improving connectivity in our constituency and have been working with individuals, community groups, BT Openreach and the UK Government to connect families and communities that have been left behind. If you have not already done so, you should be receiving my 'Broadband Progress Report' outlining my work done to date and identifying the latest government funding schemes to connect you to superfast broadband. Broadband is no longer a luxury, but a necessity. Our rural economy depends on strong internet connections and I am currently arguing for additional broadband funding to be included in the Tay Cities deal.

Earlier this month I also joined David Lawrie on his family farm in Kinross-shire. I spent the day seeing first-hand the challenges and opportunity family farms face and the complex commercial arrangements that are required for a modern day

dairy to function. It was great to roll up my sleeves, mucking out the cow shed and seeing through a full milk (one of three that happen daily). Young farmers are key to the future of our rural economy and lessons learnt on Cuthill Towers Farm will help inform my discussions with DEFRA and other MPs as we discuss the forthcoming agricultural bills that will shape policy post-Brexit.



*Helping with the milking at Cuthill Towers Farm*

This month I also attended the Kinross Show. It was fantastic to see so many local farmers and businesses with their products on display. The weather held and an important tradition was performed. I would like to congratulate the organisers and all participants on a successful day.

As always, if you have any issues or concerns, please contact me at my office on 2 Comrie Street, Crieff, by telephone on 01259 680384 or by email to: [luke.grahamoffice@parliament.uk](mailto:luke.grahamoffice@parliament.uk)

**Luke Graham MP**

## Kinross-shire artists welcome visitors for Open Studios event

Artists and makers in Kinross-shire are welcoming visitors from far and wide to their homes and studios as part of the annual Perthshire Open Studios event, which takes place from 1 to 9 September. Six local studios form the Turquoise Route with three of the artists taking part for the first time this year.

Kinross-based **Mimi Fiorentini's** love of all things Mediterranean shines through in her stylish and colourful jewellery.

Also in Kinross, Rhona Bradbury at **Ritzly Glass** will be showing her range of fused glass homeware. She explains: "I love it when customers find something which fits perfectly with their decor or discover they can personalise a piece."

The third newcomer to the Turquoise Route is Kathryn Kirkwood at **Smile and Wave Creations** in Milnathort. Kathryn paints landscapes and seascapes inspired by the Kinross-shire countryside – views of the Lomond Hills and Loch Leven are a recurring theme – and the Highlands and Islands of Scotland.

Meanwhile, near Cleish, regular Open Studios participant **Gillian Skene** is preparing to show her range of jewellery and papercraft. Gillian creates unique and easy to wear items using knitted wire with freshwater pearls and semi precious stones.

In Scotlandwell, photographers Julie Close and Dick Crighton, **The Two Pixels**, will be based in the New Room at Portmoak Church. Julie says: "Perthshire Open Studios is our yearly destination and it is here, through our images, that we tell our stories."

Lastly, a range of artwork, including painting, drawing and mixed media, will be on display at the annual **Kinross and District Art Club Exhibition**.

*For more information on the artists on the Turquoise Route, including opening hours, see the advert on page 12.*

*For more information about Kinross and District Art Club and their exhibition, see page 66.*

*Full details of all participants in Perthshire Open Studios can be found on the POS website at [www.perthshireopenstudios.com](http://www.perthshireopenstudios.com).*

## Councillor Barnacle

*Slightly abridged copy of an email sent to ward councillors C Purves, W Robertson and R Watters, 9/8/18*

### LDP2 Briefing at PKC and Kinross-shire Forum on 13 August

Dear colleagues

In advance of the above briefing, I had a meeting last Monday with forward planning, mainly to discuss policy issues. It was made clear to me that officers do not wish to change anything in the published proposed plan, even minor tweaking. All we will be doing at the Forum and Full Council later this month is sanctioning the contents of responses to the consultation for the Government Reporters Unit.

I find this unsatisfactory and I am convinced the public do not understand the process. For my part, I am particularly unhappy regarding the following:

1. There will be no mention of the need for parking areas, mitigation measures on the A977, A911 and B9097 or the restoration of a rail link
2. Affordable housing and housing in the countryside policies will be reviewed under supplementary guidance, in due course!
3. No review of our "open door Gypsy Traveller policy or the Loch Leven catchment policies"
4. No prospect of any initiative on conservation areas, contrary to national planning policy
5. Local landscape areas will continue to exclude the Cleish Hills and Devon Gorge with PKC having to agree a full review of all local landscape areas before this can be addressed. Local landscape areas however, will have some protection from wind farms. No willingness by officers to explore with other authorities, a regional park for the Ochils and extending the Lomond regional park to Loch Leven.
6. No acknowledgement that tree protection in "Big Tree County" is inadequate and limited to tree preservation orders
7. No acknowledgment that we are building on limited prime agricultural land, contrary to national planning policy
8. Officers agree that the independence of reports and surveys commissioned cannot be guaranteed
9. We touched on the settlement issues for Balado, Blairingone and Powmill. Residents of Balado want to discuss Beaufield in a meeting with local members that I advised, please let me know your availability before the end of August asap? I remain concerned that LDP2 comment on developer interests in Blairingone is inaccurate and also that the Powmill site doesn't specify a contribution to A977 mitigation, especially since our current A977 update has no significant measures for Powmill



As regards our forum meeting, I suggest Callum chairs it. In addition to LDP2 above, can we discuss the following:

1. A community transport initiative for the Shire
2. The relationship between our stand-alone action partnership and Community Councils, plus their membership thereof. I note Richard has written to Cleish and Fossoway CC
3. How we campaign together for a stand-alone devolved area committee for Kinross-shire that can, at the very least, influence democratic planning issues?
4. Cleish CC's request for a boundary change to encompass small areas of Fossoway and Kinross; I understand the former are happy but Kinross are split on this matter.

Kind regards

Councillor Michael Barnacle  
Independent Member for Kinross-shire

P.S. At the briefing, officers confirmed there is no proposal to modify the Published Plan 2017 as far as Kinross-shire Ward is concerned. Local members were broadly accepting of this unless the Community Councils briefed at the Forum come back to us before the Full Council on LDP2 on 29/08/18. This also relates to policy issues, although the list of schedule 4 responses to be agreed with the Government Reporters Unit is comprehensive and I am assured that Reporters do refer to representations made by Community Councils, councillors, developers and the public. I shall be making sure that my representations are covered.

### NHS Scotland's Approach on Preventative Health Screening

Cllr Barnacle has written to the Scottish Government to ask why NHS Scotland does not carry out routine blood tests to detect various medical conditions at an early stage.

In his letter to Jeane Freeman, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Cllr Barnacle reports that a friend of his in England has six annual blood tests provided by the local NHS practice as a matter of course for people of retirement age. As a result of one of these tests, prostate cancer has been diagnosed.

Cllr Barnacle writes, "I believe preventative measures can save the NHS a lot of money and early diagnosis is the key. It seems to me that the approach in England is much more likely to pick things up earlier and I query why the Scottish Government do not instruct NHS Scotland to do likewise?"

Councillor M Barnacle  
Independent Member for Kinross-shire

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## Kinross Rotary Club brings cheer with special summer Santa mission



Recently the Kinross and District Rotary Club had the opportunity to assist with an early Christmas party for a young family in Glenrothes. Freddie Quinn is 18 months old and is the eldest child of Jordan and Ross.

Sadly, young Freddie has an illness called Niemann Picks. Niemann Picks is a genetic disorder that can affect many different body systems. Children with Niemann Picks can sometimes survive to early childhood. However, not long ago Jordan and Ross were given the devastating news that Freddie's disease was progressing quickly and he may only have months to live.



This heartbreaking news got friends and family thinking and it was decided to bring an early Christmas to Jordan, Ross, Freddie and Frankie – Freddie's eight-week-old sister. The Rotary Club was contacted via Facebook by a friend of the family, Gillian Eason, who asked if we had access to a Santa Sleigh. Luckily the club does, and it didn't take long before President Sean Bolton was organising the sleigh and arranging for Santa to help bring Christmas cheer to Freddie Quinn's party.



Gillian also contacted Fife businesses and in no time The Buffalo Farm had donated a turkey, Gordon Eason Electrical donated gifts for the children, Tom Court's Burntisland Butcher donated food and Lauren Quinn Photography provided a photo shoot. Karen Smylie, a friend of the family, baked a beautiful cake and a team of helpers got together to decorate the home and garden as if it was Christmas – complete with a snow-filled Santa's grotto.

Friends and family all came together on Saturday 4 August and had a great day celebrating Christmas with Freddie, Frankie, Jordan and Ross. Santa duly arrived and distributed presents



to all the children, making a particular fuss of Freddie and his family.

Sean Bolton, President of The Rotary Club of Kinross, said: "The Club is delighted we could help in a small way to make this early Christmas for Freddie and his family become a reality and provide the family with cherished memories of a precious time together." He added: "A big shout goes out to Mike Spain – the best Santa this side of the North Pole."



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## Councillor Robertson

**Coventry Place:** At long last the steps and broken walling in Coventry Place have been repaired. It has taken nearly 36 months to get this done, even though I have been constantly chasing it. The Council's Housing Department have been unable to explain why this relatively simple repair has taken so long and are carrying out a review of their working practices to try and find out what went wrong, to stop a repeat of this very poor performance in the future. The finished works are a big improvement. I am just very disappointed local residents have had to wait so long to get these repairs carried out.



Before and after the repairs at Coventry Place



**Avenue Road:** The south side of Avenue Road, the main access point to both Kinross Children's Hospice and Kinross House is looking rather tired and in need of attention. I am convinced that with a bit of careful design we could increase the amount of car parking here and also make this street easier to keep clean and tidy. I have asked the Council to look at this with a view to making some improvements. Even painting the utility boxes which line the pavement and weeding the flowerbeds would make a big difference to the appearance of this important town centre street.

**Burleigh Community Woodland Path:** The much-used path through the Burleigh Community Woodland connecting the castle to the old railway line was impassable due to overgrown vegetation and local walkers asked if it could be cut back. I asked the Criminal Justice Service to provide a squad of offenders carrying out their community services to cut the undergrowth back. This has now been done, and the path is now useable once more.

**Does This Ring A Bell?** I said in a previous *Newsletter* report that Kinross-shire is now one of Scotland's (if not the UK's) most cycling-friendly counties. This is very good news, but more people enjoy walking our tracks and Green Routes than perhaps cycle. Many walkers report that they have been startled by cyclists approaching them from behind and giving no warning. If you are going to cycle, and I would really encourage you to do so, then please, please fit a bell to your bike. They are very cheap to buy, and make cycling safer by allowing cyclists to warn other track users of their approach.

**Vane Farm Underpass:** Those who have used the south loch road or visited RSPB Vane Farm recently will have noticed the new underpass being constructed linking the visitor centre to the Loch Leven Heritage Trail and the bird hides. When complete, people with disabilities will be able to access both using this new underpass. Currently the only access available is through another tunnel and involves many steps which makes it unusable for those in wheelchairs or mobility scooters. The underpass should open later this autumn.

**Orwell Cemetery Wall:** The eastern wall of Orwell cemetery partially collapsed recently and fell over graves within the cemetery. Work has now begun to rebuild the wall and remove all the debris.

*Councillor Willie Robertson*

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# Kinross-shire Best Kept Village and Hamlet Awards 2018

Report on Judging *by the Kinross-shire Civic Trust Awards Group*

The hamlets were judged on Tuesday 17 July and the villages on Thursday 19 July. The weather on both days was warm and sunny, so the judges saw all areas at their best.

Mr Frederick Maitland Dougall (second year) from East Lothian and Mrs Jane Thorburn from Dollar judged the hamlets, while Lady Catherine Erskine (third year) from Cambo in Fife and Ms Lisa Edwards, BID Manager of Dunfermline Delivers, judged the villages. The Civic Trust is very grateful to all judges for their time and encouragement. The judges hope to attend the Presentation Ceremony on 22 August.

Kinross-shire Civic Trust had made several changes to the format and rubrics of the competitions. The first was to hold the competitions for hamlets and villages on separate days and the judges found this very helpful. The days were less arduous and gave more time to observe and consider each settlement.

The second was to use a marking sheet that differentiated between the categories of environment (private areas, public areas, commercial areas and community amenities) and gave different weighting to each. The judges welcomed being able to concentrate on either hamlets or villages rather than move between the two. They thought that the marking sheet for the villages worked well but preferred to form an overall impression of the hamlets.

A third change was to provide the judges with a complete list of all the streets and special areas in the order in which they were visited. The categories were indicated by a coloured square. The judges found this very helpful in recording their verdicts as they went round, comparing scores at the end and coming to an overall judgement.



*The garden near the bus stop in Kinnesswood*

from the various In Bloom competitions in covering the whole village or hamlet rather than just the main streets and in taking account of general tidiness and the look of being loved rather than just the floral displays, they found it impossible to ignore the contribution that colour made to the whole effect. By and large they were greatly impressed by the total absence of litter and the cared-for appearance of everywhere they went, so it was often the amount of colour that made the crucial difference.

## Hamlets

**Easter & Wester Balgedie.** Special praise for the verges, the seating area, the new bus shelter and the colourful planters in front of the farm at Easter Balgedie.

**Maryburgh & Keltybridge.** Special praise for the gardens on Maryburgh Road, the grounds around the village hall, Middleton Park and Abbot's Wynd.

**Cleish.** Special praise for the new gate and walkway (with shovels for dog poo!), good mowing and more colour than last year.

## Villages

**Kinnesswood.** Private land: some exceptional gardens and great use of recycled objects for planting. Common or public land: main road well cared for with lovely window boxes and use of space for flowers. Public resources or amenities: museum with garden and bus shelter with garden wonderful assets. Fantastic school with Year Of Young People interaction and vegetable garden. Commercial properties: lovely to see such engagement from shop and garage.

**Crook of Devon & Drum.** Private land: many very well-kept gardens, all tidy and litter free. Common or public land: well-kept verges especially in main street. Public resources or amenities: much improved school area. Commercial properties: the inn is the standout feature of the village.

## Results

The judges congratulated all entrants on their achievements and declared that the winners were **Kinnesswood** (villages) and **Maryburgh & Keltybridge** (hamlets). They look forward to there being more entrants next year.

KCT Awards Group: David Hill (chair), Elsa Sinclair, Ian Smith  
Photographs by Eileen Thomas



*The main street in Keltybridge*

A fourth change was to provide positive feedback to accompany the verdict and this is provided in the following paragraphs.

On 17 July the judges went to Easter & Wester Balgedie in the morning and to first Maryburgh & Keltybridge in the afternoon and then to Cleish. On 19 July the judges went to Kinnesswood in the morning and to Crook of Devon & Drum in the afternoon. They all enjoyed the experience and were most appreciative of the good results of community effort. Although they understood that this competition differed

## Help for Scottish Community Activists



Do you want to make a positive difference in your community? Perhaps you just have an idea at the moment and are looking for information and inspiration. Or you might

already be running a community project already and be looking for a confidence boost.

Applications are now open for a four-day Community Camp base at The Eden Project in Cornwall, offering a mixture of inspiring talks, creative activities, workshop sessions and networking opportunities for volunteers interested in connecting people in their communities. The camps introduce people to the existing Eden Project Communities network of over 1000 supportive, inspiring and creative people across the UK who are running a wide variety of community projects. The Community Camps, including travel to Eden, accommodation at the Eden YHA and food are fully funded thanks to the National Lottery. Eden Project Communities

also have follow-up events, training, and networking opportunities and a national event for network members each year, so once you've attended one of these camps you can stay connected with even more network members.

The next available camp will be held from **9 to 12 November** and we are looking for people who:

- Are committed to making a positive difference where they live,
- Are 'Do-ers', who have a lot of potential but just need a chance - people who would flourish with the support of a UK-wide connected network of creative people who take the initiative in their community,
- Are committed to go on to do something with what they gain at camp by sharing learning both with people at the camp, in their community and with the wider Eden Project Communities network.
- Are just starting out on their journey (unfortunately we're unable to allocate funded places to people who are paid for a community post, or people who do things in their community as part of their job).



If you would like to find out more, there's lots more information on the content of the camp weekend here: [www.edenprojectcommunities.com/community-camps](http://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/community-camps).

Find out more from the Community Network Developers in Scotland, Katie and Linda. You can contact them at:

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## Stagecoach ticket changes

Stagecoach have announced revisions to the range of student tickets available on its network of services in the East of Scotland from Sunday 2 September 2018.

More information is available at [stagecoachbus.com](http://stagecoachbus.com)

## Cara live at Backstage

Folk band Cara will play in Kinross as part of their second Scottish tour in September.

Rooted in Irish and Scottish traditions, Cara's music is uplifting, energising and expressive with lead vocalists Gudrun Walther from Germany and Scotland's Kim Edgar alongside piano, fiddle, flute, whistles, guitar, uilleann pipes and accordion.

The performance takes place at Backstage at the Green Hotel, Kinross, on **Thursday 20 September** at 8pm. Tickets (£18 plus booking fee) are available from [www.ticketweb.uk](http://www.ticketweb.uk).



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## Autumn at Kinross Learning Centre

With the heatwave over, holidays a distant memory and nights drawing in, autumn is the perfect time to learn a new skill or take up a new hobby. Our new programme offers a wide range of languages, art, crafts, IT classes and more, at various times of day to cater for most schedules. To find out more or book a place on any of these courses, contact Maureen Ross at the Learning Centre, 15 Swansacre, KY13 8TE, Kinross, email [pc.kinross.perth@uhi.ac.uk](mailto:pc.kinross.perth@uhi.ac.uk), or call 01577 863863.



Course	Start Date	Time	Weeks	Cost
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Spanish Beginners	Thu 20 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£85
Spanish Beginners	Mon 17 Sep	10 am – 12 noon	10 weeks	£85
French Beginners	Thu 20 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£85
French Improvers	Wed 12 Sep	10 am – 12 noon	10 weeks	£85
French Intermediate	Tue 11 Sep	1 – 3 pm	10 weeks	£85
French Advanced	Tue 11 Sep	10.30 – 12.30 pm	10 weeks	£85
Italian Beginners	Tue 11 Sep	7 – 9 pm	10 weeks	£85
Italian Improvers	Tue 11 Sep	4.30 – 6.30 pm	10 weeks	£85
Italian Advanced	Thu 20 Sep	10 am – 12 noon	10 weeks	£85
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## Newsletter grant deadline

Local groups are reminded that the next deadline for applications to the Kinross Newsletter fund – **30 September** – is approaching.

The fund was built up from past profits made by the *Kinross Newsletter*. It is administered by Kinross Community Council Newsletter Limited (KCCNL), a registered charity.

Applications must comply with the aims of the charity, which are:

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

KCCNL welcomes applications from local organisations or individuals for all types of funding. Applications for grants towards running costs will be considered, although organisations will need to demonstrate a certain amount of self-funding. All applications must comply with at least one of the charitable aims listed above.

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## Where should the provost's lamp go?

When Kinross was a burgh and had its own council, a special lamp was positioned outside the home of whoever was the town's provost at the time.

Burghs were swept away as part of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973. From 16 May 1975, Kinross no longer had a town council or a provost. Nevertheless, until just a few weeks ago, the lamp remained affixed to the home of the last provost, the late Tom McBain, in the centre of the High Street. Mr McBain's family are now selling the property and Perth & Kinross Council has taken the lamp down. It has been put into storage for now until a decision is made as to where the lamp should go.

Local Perth & Kinross councillors have asked Kinross Community Council for its view, and the CC would like to ask local residents for their thoughts.

If you have any suggestions, please leave a comment on the relevant post on the Kinross Community Council Facebook page, or send a message via Facebook, or email [kinrosscommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosscommunitycouncil@gmail.com) or telephone the Kinross CC secretary on 01577 863714.



*Where should the provost's lamp go?*

## Volunteers needed for new Marie Curie Kinross fundraising group

Marie Curie is hosting an information evening on **Thursday 20 September** to give an insight into the work that the Marie Curie Nurses provide across the area and to seek volunteers to become involved in their new Kinross Fundraising Group. The free event is being held at the Kinross Parish Church at 6.30pm where free refreshments and home baking will be served.

Marie Curie Nurses work night and day, in people's homes across the area, providing one-to-one nursing care and vital emotional support to people with any terminal illness and their families, in the comfort of their own home.

Marie Curie believe everyone with

ANY terminal illness should be able to get the most from the time they have left, and to spend their final hours in a location of their choice, surrounded by those who mean the most to them.

Without their amazing volunteers, Marie Curie couldn't be there for so many families through their toughest time to support them when a loved one is dying.

The aim of the new Fundraising Group is to promote the charity within the local community and organise fundraising events and collections to raise vital funds which support terminally ill people and their families. The group will also be active in encouraging new volunteers,

as well as supporting Marie Curie's major fundraising campaigns such as the Great Daffodil Appeal every March and its current campaign, Blooming Great Tea Party.

Marie Curie also provides a confidential support line, funds vital research on how to improve care for people at the end of their life, and campaigns around improving access to care services for everyone living with a terminal illness.

For further information, contact Jim Stewart on 07798 638156 or James. Stewart.1@mariecurie.org.uk



# News from the Health Centre



## Annual Flu Campaign

We will again be holding the first of the season's flu clinics on **Monday 1 October**.

Saturday morning clinics will be held on:

**Saturday 20 October**

**Saturday 27 October**

**Saturday 10 November**

Appointments may now be booked with reception. **Please do not wait for a letter to be sent to you inviting you to make an appointment. If you are eligible you may make your appointment now.**

We would encourage all those in the **groups listed below** to come for a flu injection. Please note that patients who do not fall into these categories or who have no other clinical reason for receiving the flu vaccination will not be given the vaccination.

Clinicians will visit the residential and nursing homes as usual to administer the vaccination.

### Over 65s:

Those aged 65 and over on 31 March 2019 (Born on or before 31 March 1954).

### Those aged 6 months or over in clinical 'At Risk' groups:

Chronic respiratory disease and asthma that requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids or with previous hospital admissions. COPD including chronic bronchitis and emphysema.

Chronic heart disease.

Chronic kidney disease: kidney failure or transplant, nephritic syndrome.

Chronic liver disease: cirrhosis, chronic hepatitis.

Chronic neurological disease: stroke, TIA.

Diabetes.

Immunosuppression.

Asplenia or dysfunction of the spleen.



## Shingles

The shingles vaccination is available to all those aged 70 to 79. Those aged 80 or over are not eligible. The shingles vaccination is only administered once and it can be given at the same time as the influenza vaccine. If you are eligible for both vaccinations, please advise our receptionist of this on booking your appointment.

## Children's Nasal Flu

We will again be offering the nasal flu vaccination to all pre-school children aged 2-5. Dates for these clinics will be announced in the next edition of the *Newsletter*.

## Monday 1 October

Please note that the only patients who will be seen on Monday 1 October are those with pre-booked appointments for flu or shingles vaccinations. Patients who have a medical problem which requires attention on that day should contact NHS24 and the Fife Primary Care Emergency Service on 111.

### Pregnant women:

Pregnant women at any stage of pregnancy.

### Long stay residential:

Those living in long stay residential care homes or other long stay care facilities.

### Unpaid carers and young carers:

Those who, without payment, provide help and support to a partner, child, relative, friend or neighbour who could not manage without this help. This could be due to age, physical or mental illness, addiction or disability.

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## ★ Serving You Well ★

*Each month we are spotlighting one of the outlets selling the Kinross Newsletter. We are grateful to all our outlets who help support the community by stocking the Newsletter.*

### Kinnesswood Shop

There has been a shop in the historic village of Kinnesswood since the 1890s. The shop, never more so than now, has always been right in the heart of the village and the community. This month our Distribution Manager, David Anderson, stopped by to find out more.

Proprietor David Buchan, who also runs the nearby garage, explained, "It was my great-great-great aunt, Mary Sharp, who first established the business. Although we have been here a long time, we are not afraid to innovate to make sure there is something for everyone in the shop." On offer is a good range of newspapers and magazines, groceries, confectionery and hot and cold drinks. There is a beautifully presented range of local craft and gifts for customers looking for something a bit different. In addition to providing a dry-cleaning service, the shop is also a PayPoint and National Lottery retailer and has a

range of high street gift cards on sale. The service is also excellent. "We are fortunate to have great staff who make sure our customers always receive a warm welcome," said David.



*David and Ishbel Buchan*

David's wife Ishbel eagerly awaits the monthly delivery of the *Newsletter*. She explained, "Our loyal customers look forward to getting the magazine every month. It supports our ethos of being at the centre of the community and is an excellent way to find out

what is happening in Kinnesswood and beyond."

An ex-BT red telephone box adjacent to the shop makes a quirky library: here you will find a great selection of books available for exchange. The phone box has been part of Kinnesswood for as long as David can remember, so he was very pleased when as a result of Ishbel's efforts it was retained rather than removed.

David and Ishbel make it clear how much they value their customers. David said, "Making sure our customers keep coming back is an essential success factor for the future of the shop. We always look forward to seeing new and existing customers and try to make sure we have everything they need."

If you are passing, or have not yet been, pop in to see for yourself what's on offer. You are certain to be impressed by the warm welcome, range of goods and very friendly service at this unique, long-established shop.



*Kinnesswood Shop, complete with red telephone box library!*

## Doorstep crime and bogus callers

Doorstep crime is principally committed against the elderly and vulnerable in their own homes by individuals or organised groups. These criminals systematically target their victims and adapt their criminal method to exploit their victim's individual vulnerabilities. The impact of this type of crime has devastating effects on victims and our communities. Against the background of an increasingly ageing and diverse population, the threat from doorstep crime is set to continue. Perpetration of the crime may involve distraction, deceit, threats and violence.

Some offenders will alter their method of perpetration to gain the confidence of the victim and share this information with other criminals engaged in doorstep crimes. Many offenders are organised, well networked and will travel significant distances to commit crime, and view their criminal activity as a lifetime occupation. This is supported by the level of repeat victimisation experienced throughout the country.

Offenders may often appear extremely professional and have professionally presented business cards, flyers and advertising materials that are well designed and give the impression of a legitimate business.

### What is doorstep crime?

For clarification purposes, doorstep crimes can be divided into four distinct categories:

**Bogus Worker or Rogue Trader:** Individuals who carry out work, often unnecessarily, which is of a substandard quality, charging an excessive fee. This includes individuals who obtain a deposit for material for work they do not thereafter undertake. These individuals are often referred to as Rogue Traders.

**Bogus Official:** Individuals who purport to be from a utility company, such as Water, Gas or Electricity companies etc, or use any other false story, designed to gain access to the property and **distract** the victim in order to steal from within. Often referred to as distraction thefts.

**Bogus Representative:** Individuals who falsely claim to represent an organisation, such as insurance companies, local companies, charities or banks etc, and induce the victim to give money or supply their bank details. This is more often conducted over the phone and is commonly described as vishing.

**Bogus Impersonator:** Individuals who claim to be employed as a recognised professional, such as a Social Worker, Nurse, Doctor or Police Officer, in order to gain access to the property for other gain. Again, often referred to as distraction thefts.

### What can you do?

Be on guard if someone turns up unexpectedly. Genuine caller make appointments first.

#### Use a door chain or bar

- Always put the chain on before opening the door.
- Keep it on while talking to callers.
- Don't feel embarrassed – genuine callers expect you to be careful.
- If you don't have a door chain, get one fitted.

#### Check ID

- Ask for ID from anyone who comes to your door, whether you expect them or not.
- Genuine callers will carry company photo ID and show it when you ask.
- Keep the door chained while you inspect their ID.
- If the caller is unexpected, ring their office to confirm their identity. Don't use the number on their ID card; look it up in the telephone directory or a recent bill. Genuine callers won't mind waiting.
- Don't assume a caller is genuine because they are wearing a uniform.

#### If in doubt, shut them out!

- If you have any doubts, tell the caller to come back when someone else is home. Genuine callers won't mind rearranging.
- You can tell callers to contact you by letter to arrange a more convenient time.
- Only let callers in if they have an appointment, and you are absolutely sure they are genuine.

### Who should I call...

#### ... if I feel threatened, unsafe, or suspicious of a caller?

- Contact the police immediately on 999.

#### ... if I see something suspicious in my area, or want more advice about bogus callers?

- Contact the police on 101.
- Try to take a note of vehicle details or registration numbers, and descriptions of anyone suspicious.

#### ... If I want to contact the police anonymously?

- Contact the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. You can also visit their website at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

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## Loch Rocks Kinross

You may have been for a walk around Loch Leven recently and spotted some brightly coloured stones or painted pebbles. While they are not actually precious stones, they certainly cheer up those who find them, young or old!



Members of Loch Rocks may have spent a long time decorating their stones with comforting messages, colourful

cartoons, or stunning artwork and are hoping that they will raise a smile for whoever finds them. The ethos of the group is simply about enjoying creating the decorative rocks and hoping that someone else will enjoy finding them. It is thought that the idea originated in the US with the Kindness Rocks Project. Not only is the creation of the rocks fun and relaxing, it's also a great feeling to see the joy on a little one's face on uncovering one of these hidden treasures, as well as a great way to spend time outdoors as a family.

The idea behind this growing movement, with many groups in Scotland and beyond, is to either keep or re-hide the stones that you find, and to document their travels with photos for the Facebook page "Loch Rocks Kinross", so that their artists can see if they have been found or to where they have travelled. They can be hidden locally or further afield – some have travelled many miles and across continents!

Rocks can be painted or drawn with marker pens and then sealed with a little varnish to protect them from the elements. In the interests of wildlife,



please do not attach googly eyes or other craft materials to them which are attractive to birds and could make them ill. You can mark your stone with "#lochrocks".

This is truly a hobby suitable for all, and participants can be reassured that artistic talent is not necessary, only the desire to make a stranger smile.

## Calling all young photographers!

Do you like to take photographs? Are you interested in the environment around you? Would you like the chance to win a £25 Amazon voucher? Then read on!

Kinross-shire Civic Trust is holding a photographic competition for young people. Entrants are asked to submit a hard copy photograph (no larger than A4) of:

- A view of an area in Kinross-shire; or
- A building in Kinross-shire (old **or** new)

There are two age categories of entrants: Primary School age and Secondary School age. There will be a prize of a £25 Amazon voucher for the winner of each age group.

The closing date for entries is **30 September 2018**.

For an application form and full details of how to enter, please see the Kinross-shire Civic Trust website at [www.kinross-shirecivictrust.org](http://www.kinross-shirecivictrust.org). Local schools have also been informed directly about the competition.

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## Show for listed-property owners

A Scottish Listed Property Show is taking place in Edinburgh in October. This event will provide listed homeowners with the opportunity to meet specialist tradesmen, suppliers and advisers from The Listed Property Owners' Club, organisers of the event.

The Show takes place at the Assembly Rooms in Edinburgh on Saturday 27 October, 9am-5pm. Tickets cost £10 in advance or £15 on the door. Visit [www.lpoc.scot](http://www.lpoc.scot) for more information.

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## Roseanna Cunningham MSP for Perthshire South and Kinross-shire

### Kinross and District Men's Shed in need of new premises

Roseanna Cunningham and Councillor Richard Watters recently met with Glen Douglas, Chairman of Kinross and District Men's Shed, and Shona Fowler, Project Support Worker, to discuss the future of the Men's Shed in Kinross and to see first-hand the work being undertaken by the 'Shedders'.

Speaking following the visit, Ms Cunningham said: "I really enjoyed meeting with Glen and Shona and seeing the various projects going on down at the Men's Shed in Kinross.

"There were members restoring a large wooden boat, others repairing bicycles that have been donated, some refurbishing furniture and other items, as well as other members preparing hot filled rolls and tea and coffee. Some of the members also attend local farmers' markets to sell their wares such as wooden chopping boards and mobile phone rests – in fact I picked up one of those myself.



*Roseanna Cunningham MSP and Cllr Richard Watters with some of the people who attend and help out at the Kinross Men's Shed*

"In addition to the various projects they also have dart boards, table football and a 1970s train set. The group are also working with one member who is a retired IT technician to set up PCs which will be passed on to other men's shed groups to help them get up and running.

"Many men find themselves a bit isolated in retirement and these groups are a fantastic way for local men to get involved and socialise whilst also passing on their skills to others.

"There are now 120 Men's Shed groups across Scotland and they have really taken off. The Kinross branch has grown to 65 members and continues to grow. However, the current premises are not entirely suitable and though the group are making the best of the space available they will struggle to continue using the space into the winter because it is so hard to heat.

"Unusually for an organisation of this nature, the problem they have is that their current premises are really too big. It would be great to see the 'Shedders' find a new home locally where they can flourish and I would ask that anyone who knows of a space that might be suitable get in touch – either with Glen at the Shed or with my office."

*Contact details for Roseanna Cunningham MSP are on p. 100.*

## Elizabeth Smith MSP For mid Scotland and Fife

I am sure many readers will have been watching with interest the recent European Championships and I too was glued to the TV when Laura Muir took home Gold in the 1500m to register her first "outdoor" title win. Laura is an inspiration to young people across the country and in addition to being one of the best middle-distance runners in the world she is also a qualified vet. Milnathort is proud to call Laura one of their own and I would like to wish her all the best for the rest of the season and her future career in veterinary medicine.

In early August I attended the Kinross Show, and was delighted to chat to a number of residents across the region. As ever, the show had something for the whole family, from kids' rides to prize sheep and cattle. During the course of the show I spoke to a number of farmers who have experienced a tough year thanks to periods of extreme weather. A long and cold winter has been followed by a very dry spring/summer and now a wet August. All of this has combined to create less than ideal conditions for growers and livestock farmers. It is therefore welcome that additional loans are being made available to help farmers combat extreme conditions. Unfortunately, as these weather events become more frequent, farmers will have to plan further in advance in order to deal with inclement weather. It is here where we will need to see serious support from Government to ensure that farming remains a viable and attractive career for all.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Pamela Hunter who runs the Hunters of Kinross butcher's shop for her work in setting up the "Butchers at the Heart of Communities" campaign which aims to have defibrillators installed in shops across the country. Following the death of a loyal customer last year, Pamela has raised £3000 to purchase a defibrillator for her High Street business. I understand that the UK Government is very supportive of her initiative and there are plans to roll this out across the country with over 75 other butchers already signed up to the initiative.

*As ever Liz appreciates the feedback of constituents and can be contacted at the Control Tower, Perth Airport, Scone, PH2 6PL or via email at [Elizabeth.Smith.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:Elizabeth.Smith.msp@parliament.scot) or telephone at 01738 553990.*



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## Kinross kilt-maker gets her hearing back

A Kinross woman is urging people over the age of 55 to have their hearing tested after experiencing "a new lease of life" after being fitted with hearing aids.

There was an added bonus for Ellen McKay, however, when she was awarded her hearing system free of charge. The award is part of Hidden Hearing's support for the National Campaign for Better Hearing. Each month, Hidden Hearing is donating up to five pairs of hearing aids, one for every 1000 free hearing tests that they carry out nationwide. The initiative is part of the company's commitment to get everyone in the UK aged over 55 to have a regular hearing check.



*Ellen McKay has a new lease of life after getting hearing aids*

Before getting her hearing aids, sales advisor Ellen, who makes kilts in her spare time, had found herself becoming withdrawn and isolated, constantly making excuses for not going out as a result of her hearing loss. She also struggled to communicate with her children and grandchildren.

Now, however, Ellen says: "I have a new lease of life – I've noticed such a difference! My TV's now on 30 not 90 and I'm no longer self-conscious about my hearing."

When asked what she would say to other people worried about their hearing, Ellen says: "Get your hearing tested as you would with your eyes and teeth – it should be normal practice. Don't be ashamed of hearing loss; it's normal and a sign of ageing."

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## Lest We Forget Reflections on the Great War

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 within Loch Leven Community Campus. The information displayed below is courtesy of the Museum.



### First World War Timeline 1918

19 Sep	Start of British offensive in Palestine.
27 Sep-17 Oct	Allied forces break through the Hindenburg Line in various places.

### Kinross-shire Roll of Honour September 1918

**Harry Black** of Bishopshire, a Private in the Black Watch (Royal Highlanders) died on 14 September 1918. Private Black is buried at the Philosophe British Cemetery, Mazingarbe, France.

**William R Sheret of Powmill**, a Private in the Army Service Corps, died on 19 September 1918 aged 33. He is buried at Ramleh War Cemetery in Israel and Palestine.

**Peter Tyrie Duff**, was born in Caithness but moved to Milnathort when his father became schoolmaster there. He was educated at Orwell Parish School and Perth Academy. In February 1917, aged 18, he enlisted with the King's Own Scottish Borderers whilst an apprentice law clerk with J&G Wilson, solicitors in Kinross. He joined No 10 Officer Cadet Battalion at Gales in September 1917 and was commissioned on 20 February 1918. He was a Second Lieutenant with the 5th South Lancashire Regiment when he was killed on 20 September 1918. He is buried in Houchin British Cemetery in France and is also commemorated on the Orwell Parish War Memorial.

As a former pupil of Perth Academy, there is a detailed listing about Peter Duff in the excellent online Perth Academy War Memorial, which can be accessed via the Perth Academy website.

**Thomas Wilson Collier** of Bishopshire, a Private with the Royal Scots, was killed on 22 September 1918. He was the son of William and Mary Collier of Drums Farm, Freuchie, and the husband of Isabella M Anderson Collier of Auchtermuchty. He is buried at the Pernes British Cemetery in France.

**Robert Douglas** was a Gunner with the Royal Garrison Artillery when he was killed on 26 September 1918. He is commemorated on the Vis-en-Artois memorial and also on the roll of honour at Orwell United Free Church, of which he was a member.

**John N T Brown**, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Thomas Brown of High Street, Kinross, was a miner in Kelty before joining the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Aged just 20, he died on 30 September 1918, less than a month after being drafted to France. His three brothers also served in the war and survived. Private Brown is buried at Joncourt British Cemetery and is also listed on the roll of honour at Kinross Parish Church.

# Police Box



## Recent Crimes

Between 11am and 8pm on Sunday 22 July, a stone planter was stolen from a property in Leslie Road, Scotlandwell. (CR/18214/18).

An attempt was made to break into Café 98, High Street, Kinross, between 1am and 8.30am on Wednesday 15 August. (CR/19749/18).

A storage container at a building site on High Street, Kinross, was broken into overnight on Thursday 16 August and power tools were stolen including a generator, Makita angle grinder, Hilti hammer drill and a Dewalt breaker. (CR/19966/18).

If anyone has any information regarding these crimes, please get in touch via 101 or speak with local officers.

## Advice from Police

See article on doorstep crime on page 27.

## 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 – local community

**Telephone 101 for non-emergencies**

*Community officers for Kinross-shire:*

**PC Atholl Spalding and PC Douglas Stapleton.**

**Email:** [taysidekinross-shireCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:taysidekinross-shireCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

**Community Sergeant (Kinross-shire): Sgt Robert Hogg.**

**Community Inspector for Perth South (Strathearn, Strathallan & Carse of Gowrie, Almond & Earn, Kinross-shire): PI Kevin Chase.**



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## Community Watch

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# Congratulations



Congratulations to **NEIL DRYSDALE** and **WILLIAM SNEDDON** who were awarded certificates for long and approved service of 42 years with George Colliar Ltd, Middle Balado, Kinross, from The Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland. *See page 10 for photograph.*

Congratulations to **LAURA MUIR** (25) of Milnathort on gaining her degree in Veterinary Studies from Glasgow University. Laura combined her studies with pursuing a career in athletics as a middle distance runner. (See also p. 83.)

**2018 Rock Challenge National Final:** On Saturday 14 July, Kinross High School attended the 2018 Rock Challenge National Final in Rotherham, Yorkshire, with a performance entitled 'We all Fall Down'.

Every three years Rock Challenge and the Be Your Best Foundation host a national final. Each school seen on stage has made it to the national final by winning their regional final.

Nine hundred young people from nine schools in England and Scotland took part in the National Final. Counting the numbers from the heats upwards, this must run to thousands. The young people themselves prepare, select the story, music, dance, costumes, make-up, hairstyles, lighting, and every aspect of their stage presentation through dance. In his summing up, one of the judges stated that we had witnessed nine mini shows that would have graced the West End of London stages. The performances were perfect, professional and delivered with the necessary emotion and drama as befitting the story of each school's show. It was a magnificent evening.

For the Kinross High School team to have won the Scottish Final and to have travelled from 4am to reach Yorkshire for a full day of rehearsal and preparation, then performance, and to travel back overnight after the event was truly remarkable. All credit to the young people, their parents, teachers and supporters.

Although they performed brilliantly they did not win the National Championship, but were awarded, to my mind, something just as important – the award for friendliness, 'The Spirit of Rock Challenge'. Throughout the competition the friendship and goodwill between each school shone through.

Well done to all the participants. You were wonderful ambassadors for Scotland. Thank you.

Barbara Sparling



# 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 August Meeting

**Present** at the meeting held on 1 August 2018 were: CCllrs J Bryson (Vice Chair), E Thomas (Secretary), M Blyth, D Colliar, D Cuthbert, B Davies and I Jack. Also in attendance: P&K Cllrs R Watters and W Robertson. There were no members of the public.

In the absence of CCllr Freeman, the meeting was chaired by the Vice Chair, CCllr J Bryson.

**Apologies** were received from CCllrs B Freeman, L McKay, T Stewart and D West; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle and C Purves; and Community Police Officers D Stapleton and A Spalding.

**Police report:** Police had emailed to say that there were no recent incidents of note in Kinross. They published a warning about the dangers of swimming in disused quarries in the August Newsletter. Cllr Robertson has notified the police of vandalism of a bench on the Heritage Trail.

### Matters Arising

**War Memorial rail:** A meeting is still to be arranged. Matter to be carried forward to next meeting.

**Dog mess:** The paint has arrived.

**M90 sign:** Check for update with CCllr West at next meeting.

**Minute Secretary:** CCllr Jack (Treasurer) was unhappy that this decision was made without him. (CC July meeting: decision to offer a minute secretary £30 per meeting). It was clarified that any payment would be for a minute secretary who was not a community councillor. Cllr Robertson said that more and more CCs are employing a minute secretary and it assists with smooth running. He also said that all community councillors are entitled to expenses such as travel yet few apply for them. PKC gets very good value out of Kinross, which is a large CC. Others noted the recent CC review meeting had mentioned the possibility of extra categories of expenditure – and this needs explored. The discussion noted that decisions affecting the CC finances need to be fully understood prior to final approval. It was agreed that, in future, where any such topics exist, final decisions should only be taken once the treasurer has assessed and communicated the full impact on CC finances. It was also agreed that: CCllr Jack would send CCllr Bryson a copy of his analysis of the figures; and Cllr Bryson will write to CC Liaison to enquire about categories of additional expenditure.

**Provost's lamp:** This has been removed by PKC and placed in storage until a decision is made about where it should be placed. It was agreed that an item about this should be placed in the September Newsletter and on Facebook to gauge public opinion.

**Community Choices Fund:** CCllr Cuthbert submitted an application for £31,000 on behalf of Kinross-shire CCs. The probability of receiving an award is low. A decision is expected in August. If successful, there would be participatory budget events throughout Kinross-shire, probably one in each of the participating CC areas. The fund is to address rural inequalities. Representatives from the CC areas would have to go on a training day.

### Kinross Town Centre Regeneration and Roads Matters

Cllr Barnacle had asked PKC officers for a review of the

regeneration project. As far as the CC is aware, he has not received a response yet.

CCllr Thomas had circulated a link to an article about the Department of Transport recently recommending that local authorities pause the development of **shared space schemes**, 'while we review and update the Department's guidance'. Cllr Robertson confirmed that DoT guidance is applicable in Scotland.

Requests for works on **Talla Park and Avenue Road** are still outstanding. Expected repairs at **Coventry Place** have not taken place yet. Cllr Robertson is exasperated with the ineffectiveness of the relevant PKC department; the repairs at Coventry Place have been on request for over three years and are a matter of safety. He has written to the director of service.

The CC notes that the **missing 20mph signs** by the roundabout at Station Road/High Street have not been replaced. The unsightly temporary posts remain.

Following email correspondence with the CC, CCllrs Cuthbert and Thomas met with roads technician Blair Watt to agree a location for a **Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS)** on High Street. They had hoped it might be placed in a position to slow down traffic in the 20mph zone, but Mr Watt advised that this would cause delay, because the architects of the regeneration project would have to be consulted. Mr Watt advised writing to request VAS for the 20mph zone at the next allocation of VAS. The CCllrs agreed to Mr Watt's recommended positioning of the allocated High Street sign (near the junction with Smith Street). A VAS is also being installed near Turfhill. It was agreed that the secretary should follow up with an email requesting VAS for the 20mph zone plus repeating the requests for VAS decided at the March CC meeting.

### Planning Matters

#### New Planning Applications

**18/01179/IPL** Erection of a dwelling house (in principle), land 200m NE of Monega House, Hatchbank. CCllr Cuthbert's view is that this application probably does not comply with the Housing in the Countryside policy. Similar applications had been rejected in the past. A request for an extension to the period of comment (deadline 31 July) was rejected.

**18/01189/FLL** Erection of a dwelling house, land 30m NE of 43 High Street, St Ronan's Drive. There was brief discussion. It was agreed to submit a comment (not an objection) pointing out that this proposal would result in the loss of off-street parking for the house at No 43 High Street.

**18/01117/FLL** Erection of 47no. dwelling houses and associated works (change of house type to include sun rooms), land 300m NW of Lathro Farm. No CC comment.

**18/01118/FLL** Erection of 12no. dwelling houses and associated works (change of house type to include sunrooms), land 300m NW of Lathro Farm. No CC comment.

**18/00840/FLL** Erection of 2no. flats (in part retrospect), site of 192 High Street. No CC comment.

**18/01281/FLL** Application under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 to amend pre-commencement conditions 14 and 15 (drainage infrastructure) of planning permission 09/00491/FLL

(demolition of steading and erection of 10 dwelling houses and garages with associated roads), Chance Inn Farm. No CC comment.

**18/01292/ADV** Display of signs, 4 MacDuff Place, Kinross. No CC comment on the application. However, there was some discussion about **street-naming**. This is a street in the industrial estate south of the G S Brown houses. The street-naming procedure is that PKC officers ask Ward Councillors to suggest names. In turn, the councillors consult with the CC. The CC had suggested a railway-themed name to continue the theme of other street names in this development. However, it appears that this was not communicated to the PKC officers.

**Planning Application Determined by PKC: 18/00959/FLL** Demolition of dwelling house, change of use of land to form vehicle hardstanding, erection of a fence and re-routing of core path (in part retrospect), **Lochside House**, Kinross. This has been approved by PKC. Cllr Cuthbert had put a lot of effort into writing the CC's letter of objection and was disappointed at the approval. He had hoped that potential vehicular access to the pier could be protected. PKC Environmental Health and Community Greenspace had recommended conditions, but it was not known if these had been incorporated into the consent, as there was no Decision Notice or Report of Handling on the Public Access planning website. Cllr Watters offered to find out about the conditions. [Post meeting note: The emailed letter informing the CC of the approval was received on 30 July. On that date no Decision Notice or Report of Handling were visible on Public Access. They were subsequently made visible, though dated 27 July.]

**Former Kinross High School site:** Cllr Thomas had asked Cllr Robertson to follow up with PKC Enforcement, as little or no work appeared to have been carried out on the retained High School building for a couple of weeks. An update from PKC's Jamie Scott received by email that day indicates that PKC are content with progress. A need for amended roof trusses for the two projections at the front of the building caused a slight delay. The CC asked Cllr Robertson to ask officers what the expected completion date is.

**Lathro Meadows:** A query was raised about the pace of this development. Cllr Watters said more detailed plans will come forward before phase 2 begins. Cllr Bryson said that PKC will be tracking how many houses are built in a certain period; this information should be available in December.

**Beaufield, Balado:** Cllr Cuthbert had been copied into an email by a Balado resident to the ward councillors about the installation of a septic tank at Beaufield. The Balado resident said that she and other neighbours had not been notified and were concerned about possible effects on their water

supplies. She wondered why planning consent had not been required. Cllr Robertson said he would reply to the resident.

**Placemaking Workshop** on 27 October in Perth.

**Planning Workshop** on 'Why do we need more houses?' on 24 November.

**Kirkland's Garage:** The developer wondered if the CC could do anything to support the application, which will be going to the Development Management Committee. The CC did not object to the most recent application. It was agreed not to take any further action.

#### Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors

Cllr Robertson reminded the CC that a meeting of the Kinross-shire Forum will take place on 13 August. CCllrs Cuthbert and West will represent Kinross CC.

#### Reports from CC Representatives

A meeting of the website sub-committee is yet to take place due to holidays.

**Miscellaneous Correspondence:** Most emails had been circulated to CCllrs on email as they came in, and a summary of mail provided. Some items mentioned were:

**Review of CCs:** A summary of the meeting with CC reps had been received along with a schedule of the next stages of the review.

**Gallowhill Road:** A copy of the proposed letter to residents and a drawing showing proposed double yellow lines was received.

**Licensing application** for Loch Leven Brewery to extend terminal hour to 10pm, add recorded music and increase sales capacity. No CC comment.

#### Other Business

**KCCNL charity:** Cllr Davies said there had been no applications yet prior to the next deadline of 30 September. Although there is a permanent notice about the fund in the Newsletter, Cllr Thomas offered to publish an article in the September issue to attract more attention.

**The next meeting of Kinross CC takes place on Wednesday 5 September 2018 at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross.**

#### Agenda for the Meeting on 5 September

Apologies. Declarations of Interest. Minutes of Meeting of 1 August. Police Report. Matters Arising from Meeting of 1 August. Kinross Town Centre Regeneration. Planning Matters. Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors. Reports from CC Representatives. Correspondence. AOCB. Date of Next Meeting.

**Note:** Members of the public are welcome to suggest items for discussion by the CC. 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 August Meeting

**In attendance** at the meeting held on 9 August 2018 were: CCllrs C Williams (chairman), C Flory (secretary & vice-chairman), M Leach and C Lawson; P&K Cllrs W Robertson and C Purves; minute-taker Elizabeth Rougvié and approximately 39 members of the public. Also in attendance were PCs Victoria Sievert and Jim Pentley from Perth. Apologies were received from CCllr E Kirkham (treasurer) and P&K Cllrs M Barnacle and R Watters.

**Matters arising:** The person responsible for vandalism to Milnathort in Bloom displays had been identified via CCTV. The damage has now been paid for and the person has undertaken some voluntary work for the group. Cllr Robertson has reported the sign at Mayfield Gardens that was broken during a disturbance in June and it is to be repaired at a cost of £180. Following discussion, it was agreed that both matters had been dealt with effectively by the police.

**Core path at The Stackyard:** Cllr Purves said that flooding officers had met with residents and given them advice on how to protect their properties.

**Roads maintenance:** Cllr Purves has forwarded a list of roadworks to be completed in Milnathort.

**Wester Loan flats:** A site visit is planned to investigate the bright exterior lights on the new development, which may constitute an environmental health issue for neighbouring residents.

**Roads:** CCllr Leach thanked the P&K councillors for advising him of forthcoming roadworks in the village. Linden Park Road is due to be resurfaced in the 2019/20 programme. Drainage works are planned at Mawcarse and Arlary in October of this year. Traffic and pedestrian surveys will start at the end of next month. A vehicle-activated speed sign is due to be installed in Stirling Road in October, which will be the fifth in the village, and there are plans to install another one in South Street. A member of the public expressed concerns that the vehicle-activated sign in Burleigh Road was not always having the desired effect. Cllr Robertson will ask for speed checks to be carried out both in Burleigh Road and Stirling Road and will report back to the next meeting.

**Church Street:** PKCllr Robertson advised that the only effective solution to the problem of parking on the single white line was to introduce double yellow lines. At present, police can move vehicles if they are causing an obstruction but traffic wardens cannot book vehicles parked on the white line. He will ask for the measure to be included in PKC's programme of works.

**Back Loan:** CCllr Lawson reported that he had received a reply from PKC regarding parking next to the Town Hall. The transport department does not envisage any road safety issues or a need to extend waiting restrictions but will monitor Back Loan for any parking or road safety issues that may arise.

**Bridgefauld Road:** Cllr Robertson advised that the council was investigating possible alternatives to the speed bumps in Bridgefauld Road. He had also reported the large pothole near the entrance to the nursery and expected it to be fixed soon.

**Zebra crossings:** Cllr Purves will follow up the possibility of raised zebra crossings being installed in Stirling Road, South Street and New Road.

### Planning applications submitted:

Siting of three storage containers in yard in Stirling Road.

Alterations to house at 26 Linden Park Road.

Extension to house at 80 South Street.

### Planning applications approved:

Erection of a house on land 30m south east of 40 Viewfar Road.

Develop land without complying with Conditions 1 and 2 of previous planning permission at Pitdownies Farm, Manse Road.

### Questions from the floor

**Road safety:** A member of the public expressed concerns about parked cars at the crossroads where Old Perth Road meets Victoria Road. Following discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Robertson would request double yellow lines. He will also request that the council asks the householder to cut back a hedge that is compromising drivers' visibility.

**Health and well-being:** A member of the public expressed concerns about what she felt was a lack of support for people in the community with mental health issues. Following a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that the Councillors will meet with her personally.

**Static caravan:** CCllr Williams confirmed that steps had been taken to prevent a static caravan being sited in the community orchard, which had been created at a cost of £6500 thanks to fundraising efforts. He defended his action in posting an email from the caravan's owner on Facebook, saying he felt it was his duty to let the community know what was going on.

**Pitdownies plan:** Cllr Robertson said that he had raised concerns about the volume of traffic in Wester Loan that would result from a housing development at the Pitdownies. The matter would also be discussed at a meeting of the newly reformed Kinross-shire Forum on 13 August.

**Burleigh Castle path:** Cllr Robertson advised that the first phase of work to clear the path had been carried out by a community service team, with the second phase to be completed shortly.

### Councillors' reports

**Cllr Purves:** Cllr Watters has asked the council to look at a number of 'pinch points' in Milnathort and Kinross that are likely to arise as a result of new developments. PKC has until the end of August to comment on LDP2, the development plan for Perth and Kinross, and will consult all CCs in Kinross-shire. A separate Kinross-shire committee on PKC was being considered amid concerns that the council was too 'Perth-centric'.

**Cllr Robertson** expressed his gratitude to the large number of people who had attended the meeting.

**The next meeting of Milnathort CC will be held on Thursday 13 September 2018 at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall. Members of the public are invited to attend. There are currently three vacancies on the CC should anyone wish to apply.**

Find Milnathort CC minutes, agenda and other information at:

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## Portmoak Community Council

### News from the August Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 14 August 2018 were: CCllrs M Strang Steel (Chairman), B Calderwood (Deputy Chairman and Treasurer), R Cairncross (Secretary), A Muszynski and T Smith; P&K Cllrs M Barnacle, C Purves, and R Watters; and two members of the public.

**Apologies:** CCllrs S Forde and D Morris; P&K Cllr W Robertson; and PC D Stapleton, Police Scotland.

#### Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

**School Access – policy on parking and safe access routes for children.** Cllr Purves reported that progress was still required on the Officer Report following the site visit of 16 April before it could be submitted to the Environment and Infrastructure Committee. The Committee Convenor was aware that the Report was pending. Responsibility for the Council owned gap site on Buchan Avenue had now been determined as being in the Housing Revenue account and its role in contributing to the Report could now be assessed. The CC would welcome an opportunity to comment on the draft Report before it is presented to the Committee. It took the view that this was a matter concerning child safety and that it should be accorded an appropriate priority.

**Footpath from Scotlandwell to the Church, Hall and beyond.** The Chairman reported that he had had no acknowledgment of the preliminary Option Appraisal that he had submitted to PKC following the site visit in April. Ward councillors would pursue the matter. The Chairman will forward copies of his preliminary option appraisal to both ward and community councillors.

**Resilience – being better prepared for risks. Community Emergency Plan.** The result of the bid for funding from SSE to support a “Hall Hook-up” was awaited and in light of that commissioning the local programme would go forward.

**Glass Recycling, Kinnesswood.** There had been no further communication from PKC re a second bin site and no recent evidence of bins overflowing.

**Review of Scheme of Establishment of Community Councils.** The Chairman and the Secretary had participated in a PKC workshop. The Chairman summarised the key points of discussions on this matter as fed back by PKC. It appeared likely that changes to the Scheme could be settled in the autumn. Cllr Purves agreed to take forward a request from the CC that its border, which stopped at the margins of Loch Leven and extended to more than half of the loch's perimeter, should be extended to include part of the loch. The CC had

a significant interest in the loch. Such an arrangement would facilitate its work in supporting the loch and enable better contact with bodies such as the River Leven Trust and SNH. The Chairman also reported that at the Kinross Forum advance notice of comments made by objectors to the draft Local Development Plan had been circulated. These would be reviewed by the CC.

**Moss Road Car Park.** The Chairman reported that this matter would be taken forward over the next two months.

#### Grant Funding

The Community Choices Fund. The CC agreed to support a bid by Kinross CC which, if successful, could mean it sharing in a grant of some £20,000 which would focus on meeting rural inequalities. (N.B. subsequently learnt that the application was unsuccessful.)

**Transport – Funding new Transport Initiatives (closes 26 Oct).** This was of interest to the CC but would require further consideration before proceeding. Cllr Calderwood would consult residents on the matter and the matter would be reviewed before October.

**Paths For all – grants.** All grants were now closed for the current year.

#### Reports

**Police:** The local police report was noted: fly tipping at Arnot; a caravan fire; theft of a stone planter from Scotlandwell; and the theft of a new trailer from Lochend Farm. The Area Commander's Bulletins of 13, 20, 27 June, 4, 11, 18, 25 July and 2 August were noted.

**Treasurer:** The balance at the month ending 30 April was £344.20 in the General Account; and £1,192.63 in the Michael Bruce Way Account giving a total of £1,536.83. The new “Holding Account” No. 3 held £1,500.00.

#### Planning:

##### New applications:

**18/01333/FLL** Strathview, Leslie Road, Scotlandwell, Extension to dwelling house. No comment.

**18/01217/FULL** (Fife) Westfield Biomass Plant. Variation of condition governing the approved mix of bio fuel. No comment.

**18/01260/PNA** Lomondmuir Farm, Wester Balgedie. Erection of an agricultural building. No comment.

**18/01210/FLL** West Feal Cottage, Auchmuirbridge. Change of land use, erecting garage. No comment.

**18/01050/FLL** Barley Riggs, Easter Balgedie. Alterations and house extension. No comment

**18/01125/FLL** Causeway Cottage (In retrospect) Erecting



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workshop, garage and stable extension. No comment. Separately the CC had become aware of concerns of the Scottish Gliding Centre re unrestricted tree growth at Causeway Cottage which risked jeopardising airfield safety and for which there appeared to be no supportive planning condition in place. Pending further inquiry it may contact PKC in respect of this matter.

**18/00974/FLL** West Brackly Farm. Erection of replacement house. No comment.

### Progress with Developments:

**16/03661/FUL, 17/03377/FUL, 07/00170/CEIA. Westfield.** Following their presentation to the CC in June, the Chairman had written to Hargreaves/Brockwell pursuing a meeting with residents of the B9097 and the arrangements for establishing a Liaison Group. A meeting of representatives from Hargreaves/Brockwell with B9097 residents together with representatives of the CC is planned for late September. Cllr Barnacle would participate and will invite relevant PKC officials to the meeting.

**17/02227/FLL Levenmouth, Scotlandwell.** Erection of two houses. There had been no response from Chair of the Planning and Development Management Committee to Chairman's letter. The matter would be pursued by Cllr Purves.

**18/00667/FLL Former Lomond Inn, Kinnesswood.** Erection of a dwelling house. The Chairman reported that he and Cllrs Calderwood and Muszynski will meet with the Developer on 18 August.

**Roads:** Cllr Bruce Calderwood reported that limited progress had been made on outstanding road matters and that the Roads Report for 2018 would be updated shortly. Summer resurfacing of the A911 and B920 had been successful and PKC had written to thank the many folk of Portmoak who had supported those undertaking the work in the very hot weather. It had not been possible to reschedule this work to a more convenient time for the community and the arrangements had not always been what had been expected. The spray and gravel dressing to the road through Wester Balgedie to Glenlomond was much appreciated but had come as a great surprise to residents. With the encouragement of all ward councillors the work required to introduce traffic lights at the Balgedie Toll Junction should be pursued. Cllr Calderwood would write to the relevant convenor drawing attention to the need to progress this matter. Progress with the RSPB Loch Leven underpass on the B9097 appeared on schedule.

**Paths:** Cllr Tom Smith. With limited resources the Paths Group had focused on clearing bracken from the upper section of the Michael Bruce Way as it crossed above Stephen's Field and the Golf Course. Rain and cattle are taking a further toll on that section of the path. There had been one "clearance" of the Dryside Road and the Paths Group would investigate whether an electric fence was now blocking this right of way and core path. The installation of new gates on the hill was in hand. The Action Plan dealing with signage would be taken forward in the autumn. The Paths Group were looking for new members and anyone interested should contact Cllr Tom Smith. In the meantime he will explore the possibility of securing further support through the Community Pay Back Scheme.

### Perth & Kinross Council Ward Councillor Reports

Cllr Barnacle detailed a number of points where his intervention re the proposed LDP had either been accepted or rejected. Cllr Waters reported that, in light of the potential fall-out from Brexit, PKC were in principle supportive of working in parallel with the Scottish Government towards an arrangement whereby, in the event of Brexit, **EEA nationals** could still function as members of a community council.

### Other matters

The CC noted forthcoming PKC workshops 1) "Placemaking" on Sat 27 October and 2) "Why do we need more housing?" on Sat 24 November. Scottish Water had advised a short delay in completing the new pumped supply to the Kinnesswood storage tank.

### Next Meeting

**The meeting of Portmoak CC planned for Tuesday 11 September 2018 is CANCELLED.**

**The next meeting of Portmoak CC will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 9 October 2018 in Portmoak Village Hall, Scotlandwell.**

Portmoak CC minutes can be viewed:

- on the notice board in the village hall
- in a file in Kinnesswood Village Shop
- on the website [www.portmoak.org](http://www.portmoak.org)

## Cleish and Blairadam CC

Cleish and Blairadam CC was due to meet on 6 August 2018 but no draft minutes have been received by the Kinross Newsletter.

Draft minutes may be available on the CC's website.

Cleish and Blairadam CC meets every other month. Therefore is expected that the **next meeting of Cleish and Blairadam CC will be on Monday 1 October 2018**. Check their website for confirmation and venue.

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## Fossoway and District CC

### News from the August Meeting

**In attendance** at the meeting held on 7 August 2018 were: Cllrs C Brown, J Donachie, T Duffy, C Farquhar and G Pye; P&K Cllr M Barnacle and twelve members of the Public (MoP).

**Apologies:** Cllr A Cheape; Cllrs C Purves, W Robertson and R Watters.

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

**Cllr Duffy's Situation Post Brexit:** As previously noted, Cllr Duffy, being a citizen of the EU, will currently lose the right to vote in local council elections, and hence the right to be a Community Councillor, after Britain leaves the EU. Cllr Watters with the support of Cllr Barnacle raised a motion with PKC to address this issue, and the motion was unanimously passed. Both Cllr Duffy and this CC are grateful for this action.

**Police Report:** Unfortunately, no officer was able to be present at the meeting. There was one incident to note in our area since the last CC Meeting from the Commander's Reports received via Perth and Kinross Community Watch: A patio table went missing from a garden on Station Road, Crook of Devon between Wednesday 13 and Friday 15 June, however according to a MoP present at this meeting it was later discovered that the wind had blown it away.

**A977 Mitigation:** Lachlan MacLean, PKC's Project Officer sent an update. The signalisation of the School Road junction in Crook of Devon is provisionally scheduled for 15 October. The work at the Saline Road, Blairingone junction will follow, probably around November. The A977/B9097 junction realignment has attracted some concerns from MoPs, and hence a safety audit of the proposed works will take place first. Finally, the work at the Drum crossroads should take place early next year. Meanwhile, works to upgrade the directional signage along the A977 are taking place now. The CC had previously requested a VAS on the A91 as well, but there is no information about this at the moment.

**Blairingone School Estate Transformation:** Cllr Barnacle informed the meeting that the next step after the decision to close the school is to hold a statutory consultation. Cllr Barnacle is also concerned that the decision should not be finalised until after the Reporter has approved LDP2.

**Lambhill:** Application **17/01227/FLL** Change of use of agricultural shed to general storage and distribution, was refused and the applicant has made an appeal against this decision. The reporter carried out a site inspection on 11 June. Subsequently the reporter has requested further information from the applicant, and it is expected that a decision will be made shortly. **17/00737/FLL**, Siting of static caravan for

use as staff accommodation, was refused on 14 June 2017, however PKC have decided not to enforce the breach of this rejected application until the application described above has completed its passage through the appeal process.

**Hydro Scheme Fund:** TRACKS have investigated the resurrection of the Devon footbridge. Cllr Pye attended the TRACKS Committee meeting on 20 June to hear about the progress. The previous location of the bridge could not be re-used for various reasons: Concern that funders would think it unsafe; need to obtain CARS licence to permit works in the river bed; closeness to 200-year flood level. Consequently, a new location has been selected for further design.

The TRACKS committee members pointed out that it was important to establish who would be responsible for ongoing maintenance of the bridge, and it may be necessary for the Hydro Scheme fund to commit to this expense if no other body can be found to maintain it. Cllr Pye reminded the TRACKS committee that the CC felt that it was important to allow as easy an access as possible to the new bridge, and hence creation of access paths needed to be included in the design and pricing. This was agreed. The CC hopes that George Lawrie will be able to attend the next meeting of this CC to update us with the plans for the new bridge.

**Powmill in Bloom:** Cllr Farquhar reported that a mower has been purchased and is being used to mow verges. A disused trailer has been acquired and will be refurbished as a large planter. A solution needs to be developed to ease the problem of watering plants remote from any houses. The village hope to enter the Best Kept Village competition next year.

**Crook and Drum Growing Together:** Cllr Duffy reported that Crook and Drum Growing Together have entered three competitions this year. Update on results will follow.

**Fossoway Gathering:** Cllr Duffy reported that at the meeting on 14 June it was decided to hold the gathering on 25 May 2019 as the previously considered date of 22 June would clash with the Royal Highland Show. The proposed location is Waulkmill Park, but this is not yet confirmed. PKC have agreed that the site could be used, although a formal application to them will need to be made. Consideration of parking, etc., also needs to be resolved. There are a number of enthusiastic people involved, but more are always welcome, and it's important that all areas of Fossoway are represented.

**LDP2:** Cllr Barnacle wants Landscape Designations of Rumbling Bridge Gorge and Devon Gorge to be reintroduced, but thought that will probably not happen. The Reporter's final decision is expected by the end of year.

**Crook Moss Travellers Site:** Cllr Barnacle wanted a review of PKC's Gypsy Travellers' policy, but this doesn't seem to be likely. Cllr Barnacle has reported the presence of two caravans in the paddock area at Crook Moss to the planners. The Crook Moss residents previously obtained financial assistance from a PKC fund to make their connections to mains services – Some settled residents have recently asked Cllr Barnacle if they can get similar assistance to replace their septic tanks with a mains drainage connection.

**Blairingone War Memorial:** Cllr Barnacle reported that the owner's recent planning application (**18/00704/FLL**) to realign the vehicle entrance was rejected because it didn't also include Listed Building Consent. Approval of this application is necessary to unlock the developer's contribution to moving the memorial. There will be a meeting on 9 August between



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the applicant, highway department, planners and Cllr Barnacle to try and find a compromise planning application that could be approved.

**Matters Arising with no update since last meeting: Ivy Cottage Powmill** - No information at present.

### **New Business:**

**Roadworks:** The planned two week closure of Rumbling Bridge from 20 August for resurfacing work will cause difficulties for local farmers at this time of year – MoP asked if there was any sort of compensation scheme. Cllr Barnacle will investigate.

**Powmill Play Park:** CCllr Farquhar notes that the park is to be refurbished during the next Financial Year, is there anything else that could be done at the same time? All suggestions are welcomed. CCllr Duffy suggested that the Hydro Scheme Fund might be able to help.

### **Community Council Business - Meetings Attended**

**Crook of Devon Commemoration Committee:** CCllr Cheape attended a meeting of this committee on 13 June at which it was decided to hold the main anniversary event on 10 November with the usual Remembrance Day service on the following day. The anniversary event will include an exhibition in the Crook of Devon Village Hall. There was a further meeting on 18 July, details to follow. Cllr Barnacle attended a meeting of Cleish CC and their village will take part in the Commemoration event too. Anybody who has information about anyone included on any of the memorials should let the committee know so it can be included in the exhibition.

**Sports Hub:** CCllr Farquhar reported that there has been no face-to-face meeting in the last two months; however email communication included news that the 5k run is up and running, and that there are plans to upgrade the existing Skate Park in Kinross along with raising its profile in the community.

### **P&K Councillors' Reports**

**Cllr Barnacle:** The new 40mph speed limit on the B9097, eastwards from its junction with the A977, which was recommended by the Action Plan, came into force on 4 August.

### **Planning Matters - New applications**

**18/00956/LAW** Certificate of Lawfulness (change of use agricultural land to garden ground) (existing) at Merryhills, Rumbling Bridge, KY13 OPX. No CC comment.

**18/00966/IPL** Erection of dwelling house (in principle) at Land 30 metres North of St Thomas Cottage, Crook of Devon. The CC discussed this application by email and agreed not to comment. By the time of this meeting it had been approved.

**18/00873/FLL** Alterations to dwelling house at Hillside, Powmill, FK14 7NP. No CC comment.

**18/01018/FLL** Alterations to dwelling house and erection of a fence at Vernon Mount, 2 Mill Gardens, Powmill, Dollar, FK14 7LQ. No CC comment.

**18/01237/FLL** Erection of stables (in retrospect) at Easter Muirhead Bothy, Blairingone, FK14 7ND. No CC comment.

**18/01296/IPL** Renewal of permission 15/01053/IPL (residential development in principle), land 30 metres North West of Sunnyside, Drum. No CC comment.

### **Decided applications**

**18/00228/FLL** Erection of 2 dwelling houses at Land 30 metres South of Crook of Devon House, Main Street, Crook of Devon. Approved – The CC did not comment.

**18/00765/MPO** Modification of Planning Obligation

associated with permissions 09/01228/IPL and 09/01229/IPL (Erection of dwelling houses) Honeysuckle Cottage, Carnbo, KY13 ONX. Refused – The CC did not comment.

**18/00649/FLL** Erection of Biomass Boiler and a fuel store and installation of flue at Balhousie, Rumbling Bridge Care Home, Rumbling Bridge, KY13 OPX. Approved – The CC did not comment.

**18/00704/FLL** Realignment of vehicular access, Blairingone Church, Main Street, Blairingone, FK14 7NY. Refused on traffic grounds – The CC did not comment.

**18/00878/FLL** Erection of an Agricultural Building, Devonshaw, Powmill, FK14 7NH. Approved – The CC did not comment.

**18/00891/FLL** Alterations & extension to dwelling house, Craigton Bungalow, Rumbling Bridge, KY13 OQF. Approved – The CC did not comment.

**18/00925/FLL** Application under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 to develop land without complying with Condition 3 (office/workshop ownership) of planning permission 15/01258/FLL (Erection of dwelling house, workshop and office (Class 4)) at land 180 metres South West of Powmill Cottage, Rumbling Bridge. Approved – The CC did not comment.

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

The B9097 from the A977 to East Coldrain will be closed for five weeks from 11 September. A consultation on imposing waiting restrictions at Waulkmill in Crook of Devon is taking place. The U241 from the A977 to the B9097 will be closed for five days from 7 September.

**AOCB:** MoP reported that the quarry at Powmill is full of litter, remnants of fires, etc. It was suggested that this might be as a result of new restrictions displacing visitors from Loch Lomond. Cllr Barnacle said that is an Environmental Health issue, and he'll get PKC's department to investigate. There was some doubt amongst those present about who owns the land, does it need to be fenced? Another MoP noted that visitor's cars parked nearby are also causing problems. CCllr Duffy asked Cllr Barnacle about the bump in the road outside the pub in Crook of Devon. Cllr Barnacle replied that it was left over from BT work, but it is now too late to get their contractor to return and fix it. Consequently it will now need to be fixed by PKC's Highway Department, but unfortunately not until the budget is available in the next Financial Year.

### **Draft Agenda for Next CC Meeting**

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

Matters arising: A977 Mitigation, Blairingone School Estate Transformation, Lambhill, Hydro Scheme Fund, Crook & Drum Growing Together, Powmill in Bloom, Fossoway Gathering, Blairingone War Memorial.

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

**The next meeting of Fossoway & District CC will take place on Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 7.30pm in Blairingone Primary School. All Welcome.**

Fossoway & District CC minutes are posted on the website

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

and on their Facebook page, along with other community related information. Search for Fossoway & District Community Council on Facebook.

# Club & Community Group News



## Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation

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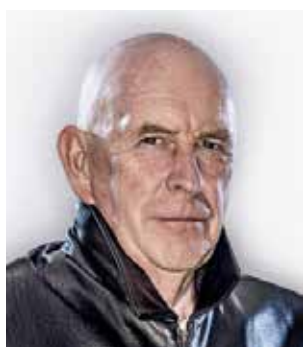


### Crime authors

**Superb crime authors at this year's Kinross-shire Winter Festival:** KLEO is a Bookweek Scotland partner and together with Loch Leven Community Library we hope to bring you an exciting crime and mystery-themed programme. We are delighted that the following authors can come:



Ann Cleeves



Quintin Jardine



Gillian Galbraith



David MacPhail

**Ann Cleeves:** International best-selling author of BBC One's Shetland & ITV's Vera, (Thur 22 Nov, 7pm, campus), Tickets £5.

**Quintin Jardine,** known for his Bob Skinner series (Tue 20 Nov, 7pm, campus), Tickets £5

Crime writers **Gillian Galbraith** and **Shirley McKay** in conversation (Wed 21 Nov, 7pm, campus), Tickets £5.

Children's author **David MacPhail**, will do a fun interactive event for children aged 8 and over about his *Top Secret Granddad and Me* books (Tue 20 Nov, 4pm, campus), Tickets £2.



Shirley McKay

*For more crime and mystery events,  
keep an eye on the KLEO website*

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

### Other Winter Festival Events

**All Dance Event:** Fri 9 Nov, 7pm, campus, Tickets £5 and £3 concession.

**Winter Festival Comedy Night:** Sat 10 Nov, 8pm, Masonic Hall, Tickets £10.

**Kinross Kacophony Orchestra:** Wed 14 Nov, 8pm, campus, Free.

**The Bevy Sisters:** Sat 17 Nov, 2pm-4pm for singing workshop participants (who will take part in the 7pm concert), Tickets £10 (£8 concession) for concert and £15 for workshop participants (includes concert ticket).

**Hairspray:** Fri 16 and Sat 17 Nov, 7pm, campus, Tickets £9 (£7 concession).

**Choirs Together:** Sun 25 Nov, 7pm, campus, Tickets £5 (£3 concession).

**Festive Street Market/Light Up Kinross:** This event will take place on the High Street of Kinross on Saturday 24 November (4pm-7pm). Like last year there will be a great variety of stalls and entertainment! If you are a local trader, crafts person or community group you might consider a stall. For a booking form for this event, please email [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk)

### Upcoming KLEO Events

**Kinross Farmers' Market:** The next market dates are **Saturdays 22 September** and **27 October**.

**Leven Voices:** After the summer break, community choir Leven Voices will start again on **Tuesday 11 September**, 7.30pm in the Kinross Parish Church with Horsecross Arts tutor Alice Marra. You pay as you go (£4 or £3 concession). There is a £6 registration fee which is used to pay for the hall for the 10-week period. Just come along, sing and enjoy!

**The Kinross Kacophony Orchestra** will start again with conductor Dougie Flower on **Wednesday 5 September**, 7.15pm at Loch Leven Community Campus. This is an orchestra for adults who like to play their instruments in a group. All abilities welcome. Reading music is handy. Weekly fee £5.

### For more information

For more information about KLEO events, go to our website or email [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk)

Winter Festival tickets are available at Macbeth Currie Estate Agent's, Light Up My Heart in Milnathort and from our website.

## Kinross Camera Club

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

Congratulations to all those who correctly identified the 'Unusual Lighthouse' photo in the July edition as being the lighthouse at Southerness in Dumfriesshire. The prize winner drawn out of the hat was Nicol Mitchell of Kinross – well done!

September marks the start of our new club season and the syllabus kicks off with a Welcome Evening on **Thursday 13 September** at 7.30pm in the Church Centre, 64 High Street, Kinross. If you

are at all interested in photography and would like to know more about what we do please come along to learn about the forthcoming activities for 2018-2019 and meet club members. We are very happy for prospective members to come along to three sessions for free before committing to joining the Club. The new syllabus will be posted on the club website in early September but upcoming highlights include evenings on vintage photographic processes, night photography, studio photography and astrophotography plus talks on

constructed images, photo tours and South Georgia. In addition we have a range of competitions to allow you to have your work assessed by experienced photographic judges. All this, plus a friendly and welcoming atmosphere, is available at Kinross Camera Club! We look forward to welcoming all photographers to the Club. Please visit the website for details or contact [secretary@kinrosscameraclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@kinrosscameraclub.org.uk) with any questions.



*This month's image: 'Stonehenge' by Duncan Robertson*

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## Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association and Scouts



### Annual Summer Camp at Kenmore

A party of 32 members of the 1st Kinross Company Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association along with 1st Kinross Scouts have just returned from a week long adventure camp based at Kenmore on the southern shores of Loch Tay.

On arrival the group enjoyed a picnic lunch and set up their tents. Several individual competitions were organised for the week including chess, draughts, darts, Connect 4, French bowls and dominoes. Our first evening prayer session focused on pilgrims and pilgrimages.

On Sunday the group assembled in full uniform and marched the short distance

to Kenmore Church for morning service. In the afternoon we enjoyed supervised water activities on Loch Tay. It was inter squad volleyball after the evening meal with evening prayers continuing on the theme of pilgrims.

The next few days were filled with activities including a hike up Ben Lawers. Perth Battalion president Callum Gillies visited the group and chatted to campers and leaders. The group also had fun with traditional sports including egg and spoon race, sack race, flat race and a tug of war competition.

The rest of the week was also very active including walks to the 'Birks o' Aberfeldy', kayaking, mountain biking

and visiting the Crannog Centre. The highlight for many was the white water rafting from Aberfeldy to Grandtully.

The camp concert rounded off the week and the following awards were presented: Draughts, Struan Bennet; Chess, David Savage; Connect 4, Callum Newton; French bowls, Chris Cassells; Darts, Chris Cassells; Best Camper, 3rd equal Zoe Webster and Chris Cassells, 2nd George Milne, 1st Rebekah Roe.

On the way home, the group went to the cinema to enjoy a film before returning home on Saturday.



Chris Cassells receiving his darts trophy



Rebekah Roe receiving the Best Camp Welsh Slate



The group assembled for the march to Kenmore Church

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[www.kinross.cc/equipment\\_hire/equipment.htm](http://www.kinross.cc/equipment_hire/equipment.htm)

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

## Kinross & District Rotary Club

### Mary Queen of Scots 'Great Escape'

Thanks to all who supported this event which took place at Kirkgate Park at noon on Sunday 26 August. More about this event in the next *Newsletter*.

### Youth Activity

In July the Rotary Youth Leadership held camps for girls and boys at the Abernethy Trust, Nethybridge. As always, the club was very happy to work with Kinross High School to fund one person at each camp. This year Olivia Morgan and Robbie Harvey were the successful candidates. We are delighted that they both found it to be a great experience. Here's what Olivia told us:

'RYLA was a whirlwind of emotional and physical challenges. The first few days were a little challenging. It was quite daunting to meet so many new people and embark on so many challenges outside of my comfort zone, but as the week progressed, I met a lot of new people, formed bonds with many of them and took on some of my fears head on. It was one of the best weeks of my life so far. Every day was different, but being with such an amazing team and having so many new friends helped me push through and has left me with so many new stories to tell. I plan on meeting up soon with my new friends, and I am so grateful to have had this opportunity. Thank you and everyone involved in RYLA for allowing me to embark on this journey, it truly has benefitted the way I work with others and has changed my perspective on facing new challenges.

Thank you.'



RYLA at Aviemore, Olivia on far right

### Recent Speakers

The club was very pleased to welcome **Jan Kerr** who told us about the Homelands Trust ([www.homelands-fife.co.uk](http://www.homelands-fife.co.uk)). Homelands is the name of an estate located in Lundin Links. It was owned by Robert Paxton, a Scot who made good in America, and he purchased the estate for his family in 1908. His daughter Isabel lived there all her life and, on her death, she bequeathed it to charity for the benefit of people with disabling conditions. It was to be used by them and their family, friends and carers to have properly equipped holidays. Following a legal battle in 1998, a trust was set up to make this happen. A significant amount of planning, design and building followed to make sure that Miss Paxton's wishes were carried out properly.

In 2014 the present four luxury self-catering lodges opened, accommodating up to 20 people at a time.

Phase two is about to start, adding another five lodges. Jan explained that the café in the Paxton centre at Homelands is open to all so come and enjoy a lunch with lovely views across the Forth. The club presented Jan with a donation to the trust.

We enjoyed a great talk from **Alan Lockhart** from RBS Information Technology. The subject of Alan's talk was 'Open Banking', which Alan described as the biggest change in banking since cheque books were introduced!

The UK regulator has mandated that the big UK banks must provide programmatic access (API's) to their customers and product data to any authorised financial application provider who wants it.

What this means is that we'll see a wave of new and innovative apps for financial services provided by nimble start-up companies (it will, of course, be up to the customers whether they permit any particular app to access their data). This sea-change means that the big banks will now have to start to focus on internal innovation; making their internal culture lean, agile and low cost as they cannot charge a fee for this data access. They are going to be changing what they do, how they do it and the pace at which they deliver it. Exciting times for the major banks with huge benefits for customers!

'Lock, Stock and Barrel' was a talk given by **Bryden Ritchie**. He covered the history of military small arms and the effect the development of the weapons has had on contemporary society.

Bryden has had a military career and an academic one. He drew on both to give us an absorbing talk which was illustrated by a dozen weapons from his collection.



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Bryden began by explaining what has driven the development of portable weapons. They must be easy to use, reliable, controllable, able to be used *en masse*, accurate, rugged and affordable. The list goes on! He then went on to explain why archery muskets failed several of these criteria, how muskets started to address them but not enough, and how this drove gun evolution right through to the breech-loading, smokeless cartridge box magazine weapons of modern times. Showing us the actual weapons and also the cartridges for them made the evolution tale so real. He is one of the few people in the UK with such an encyclopaedic knowledge of the topic, and we relished it! Thanks Bryden.



Bryden with the guns

Our speaker on 13 August, **Stephen Kirkham**, gave a fascinating and inspirational talk about his experience in requiring a heart transplant.

Having led a full life in the army (during which he was awarded the Military Cross), on retirement he felt the call to the ministry and became vicar to North Leigh church in the Oxfordshire Cotswolds.

However, his health deteriorated and he was obliged to take early retirement from this post. In 2014, he and his wife decided to sell up and move to Kinross-shire. The strain of buying and selling houses, together with the stress of moving, added to Stephen's health problems and he was diagnosed as suffering from severe heart failure. From having been a very fit man, he slowly began to fade away and, in January 2015, Stephen was admitted to the Golden Jubilee National Hospital in Glasgow and put on the transplant list.

In time, after a frightening cardiac arrest, a suitable donor was found and the operation went ahead. Eight months after the operation, sheer determination to regain fitness saw

him conquer Benarty and he continues to walk 20,000 steps every day! Stephen is eternally grateful to the donor family and at every opportunity encourages everyone to sign up to becoming a donor and to inform family members of this decision. A truly remarkable man and an inspirational talk.

### Upcoming Speakers

We look forward to welcoming the following in the next few weeks: Member Gray Smith delivers his 'job talk', Catherine Wallace will speak on the subject of 'Harbour Counselling Service' and Carol Stewart will talk to us about Rotary Foundation.

If you would like to hear any of these please get in touch.

### Join Us!

We meet most Mondays in the Kirklands Hotel, Kinross, at 6.30pm. On the third week of the month the Monday meeting is replaced by a Tuesday breakfast meeting at 7.30am, also at the Kirklands. Come along and find out what's happening in the club and meet some of our members.

### Contact and information

Contact the club secretary, Brian Timms, by email at secretary.kdrc@gmail.com to find out more. Alternatively visit our Facebook page.

## GrowBiz – Enterprising Rural Perthshire

GrowBiz provides community-based enterprise support across Perthshire and Kinross-shire.

The 'Enterprising Rural Perthshire' programme provides support to anyone who is considering becoming self-employed, or starting (or growing) a small business or social enterprise. This is regardless of your age or experience – in fact, it works right across the community to include people from all backgrounds and sectors.

All of our services are free and confidential. These include 1-1 meetings, peer support, learning sessions, mentoring, training and networking opportunities. If you are thinking of starting an enterprise, or expanding an existing business, in rural Perthshire, more information is available at the GrowBiz website: [www.growbiz.co.uk](http://www.growbiz.co.uk). Email [connect@growbiz.co.uk](mailto:connect@growbiz.co.uk) to find out more, or make an appointment.

We are holding a two-part learning session called "Dreams into Practice" at the Kirklands Hotel in Kinross on **Mondays 8 and 15 October**. It's the first time we've run this, and we'd be delighted if you would come along and join us.

The "Dreams into Practice" event is aimed at people who would like to explore whether they can transform their talents and skills into a business; or those who would like to use their talents and skills in a more business-like way. The two days will mix short 'info-bursts' with practical and creative exercises. On the first day, we will concentrate on marketing, and on the second day we will look at pricing. For more and to book your free place, go to [www.growbiz.co.uk/events](http://www.growbiz.co.uk/events)

To keep up to date with GrowBiz news and events, sign up to the Mailing List on our website. Follow us on social media too - Facebook (@GrowBizPerthshire) Twitter (@Grow\_Biz) and Instagram (growbizperthshire).

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## Kinross Museum

Loch Leven Community Campus  
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August was a busy month for the Museum. In addition to a presence at the Kinross Show and the Rotary Boat Race event in the Kirkgate Park, Kinross Museum welcomed visitors from as far away as Queensland and Western Australia.

Additions to the collection continue to arrive and recently we have received a slate from Cleish School, Scouting memorabilia and medals and correspondence connected with Able Seaman John William Wiseman of the Royal Naval Division's 'Howe' Battalion who was killed in action on 30 December 1917 at the age of 19. At

the time of his death his mother lived in South Street, Milnathort.



*From the Museum collection: A Memorial Plaque commemorating Able Seaman John William Wiseman, killed in action in 1917*

Plans are afoot to have a 'Garden of Remembrance' in front of Kinross Parish Church. To be opened on

Saturday 27 October, it will remember more than 200 Kinross-shire men killed in action during the Great War.

Crosses supplied by Poppyscotland will be laid out by volunteers from the five parishes in Kinross-shire the day before. The Museum is also assisting various community groups holding local remembrance events in the county in November to mark the 100th anniversary of the Armistice of 11 November 1918.

If you would like to know more about the Museum's collections and activities or would like to become a Museum volunteer, do drop by the Museum Study Room on Thursdays (10am-8pm) or Saturdays (10am-3pm) to find out more.



## Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club

The monthly meeting is on **Thursday 6 September** when the speaker will be Mrs G Robin talking on 'Hercules the Bear'.



### Away Days

**13 Sep** Museum of Flight, East Fortune.

**27 Sep** Scottish Craft Centre, Letham.

The bus leaves the Green Hotel at 9.15am. Contact Mrs P Crawford, 01577 862962.

### Friday Walkers

**7 Sep** The Fish Supper Walk from St Monan's to Anstruther and return.

**21 Sep** A walk through Auchtermuchty Common.

Walks leave from the Green Hotel. Contact Ian Simpson, 01577 863691.

### Friday Hill Walkers

**14 Sep** Kingseat, Dollar John/Noreen 9.00am

**28 Sep** Glen Tilt Derek 8.30am

Contact Pauline Watson, telephone 01577 862685.

### Activities

All sections will be starting up this month.

**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.

**Keep Fit** class meets every Monday at 2pm in the Masonic Hall. Contact Val Oswald, 01577 864020.

**Craft Group** meets Wednesday at 2pm in Millbridge Hall. Contact Elizabeth Smith, 01577 861387.

**Fly Tyers** meet each Monday in Millbridge Hall. Contact Ian Campbell, 01577 830582.

**Carpet Bowls:** Meet Monday at 2pm in Millbridge Hall. Contact Helen Duncan, 01577 863248.

## Common Grounds

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August has been a quiet, albeit enjoyable, month as we have had a chance to catch up with volunteers and customers as they exchanged holiday adventures.

The fruits of the garden have also been shared with us and thanks for the donations of gooseberries and red and yellow currants. We look forward to sampling some delicious jellies! Preparations are in hand for an interesting morning with a 'Taste and Talk' session from Unorthodox Roasters followed by a social get together for our hard working volunteers. A full report on this will follow next month.

**Project:** Our project for September is the Ethiopia Medical Project. The Project continues to treat women with prolapses and has recently taken on the care of people suffering from a form of elephantitis in the feet. This can be cured if there is access to water, soap, shoes and socks.

The charity was founded by local lady, Jo Middlemiss, along with her cousin Maureen Burnett. Earlier this year they made their eighth annual month long visit to the project. It is situated in Buccama which is seven dusty hours south of Addis Abba.

**Project Lunch:** Our next project lunch will be on **Wednesday 10 October**. It will take place at 12 noon in the Guide Hall, Church Street, Milnathort with a speaker from Project Sachibondu. Following the speaker there will be a lunch of homemade soup, bread, tray bakes and Fairtrade tea or coffee. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, look at our website.

Our opening hours are from 10am to 12.30pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

Contacts outside of opening hours are Elspeth Caldwell (Convener) on 01577 863350 and Linda Freeman (Secretary) 01577 865045.

## Fairtrade

Angel Cakes and Avant Garde Gifts support Fairtrade in Kinross-shire! We are very pleased to report that two new businesses on the High Street in Kinross have both enthusiastically joined the growing list of shops and cafés in Kinross-shire where Fairtrade products are used or can be purchased.



**Avant Garde Gifts** have a wide range of gifts, including some produced by local individuals and they are now also stocking a range of Thought Clothing men's and ladies socks, made from bamboo which has strong anti-bacterial properties to help keep your feet healthy. They are produced from sustainable materials and are fairtrade products.

**Angel Cakes Cake Shop and Tearoom** provide cakes, scones and light lunches as well as afternoon teas, children's parties and cakes to order. They are now also selling delicious Divine Chocolate bars which come in six flavours and Divine is the only Fairtrade chocolate company which is 45% owned by cocoa farmers. This means that the people who grow the cocoa beans receive a fair price for their crop.

Please support these businesses and if you would like to buy some Traidcraft goods from us, please get in touch.

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## Portmoak Hall 100 Club

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## Kinross & Ochil Walking Group (Affiliated to Ramblers Scotland)

Hopefully, the weather will continue to be kind to us as we move into September. Whether you're new or returning to walking, or an experienced walker, try out a walk or two to see if you'd like to join us. You will be made very welcome. The benefits include exploring new areas, improving mental and physical fitness and walking with other people in a relaxed and sociable environment. We operate car sharing but it is not essential to have a car.

### Weekend Walks

**Saturday 1 September: Glen Quaich to Loch Freuchie, 7½ miles.** A low-level walk from Amulree taking in a small part of the Rob Roy Way. Good paths and tracks with some minor road walking.

**Sunday 16 September: Upland Lowland Circular, 7 to 8 miles.** An undulating walk in the Strathmiglo area. Distance dependent on autumn land use.

**Saturday 29 September: Gargunnoch to Kippen, 7½ miles.** Circular walk along quiet roads and lanes.

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 four miles 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 11 September: Falkland Estate and the Tyndall Bruce Monument.** Uphill to Westfield Farm and onto the track that curves around Black Hill. Splendid views from the Monument.

**Tuesday 25 September: Gateside's Old Industrial Area and the Bonnet Stane.** Down to the old industrial area, along the route of the old railway line then heading for the Bonnet Stane in the farmland at the foot of the Lomond Hills. Return along the original old road.

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## Kinnesswood in Bloom

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August is over and judging is finished for this year. In the Kinross-shire Civic Trust awards we were declared the winner of the Best Kept Village. Representatives of our group attended the presentation ceremony on 22 August. It was a chance to ask questions of the panel of judges.

We have been out and about more regularly in the run up to judging and I think visitors and regulars would agree that the village has been looking good. Thank you all those who have contributed to the tidy and weed free streets, displays of flowers, window boxes and pots in the main street and tidy gardens. Thank goodness we had some rain at last.

Thanks to Gordon Vance for creating and funding the Kinnesswood Gardens map, currently displayed in Benarty View. Gordon provides a great deal of technical support to the group and keeps the bonus ball running.

Thanks also to Tom and Andrew from the Paths Group for strimming and clearing Benarty View. It has kept things manageable until work starts.

On 6 August we welcomed judges from Beautiful Scotland and, on 14 August, from Take a Pride in Perthshire. We look forward to finding out the results at the Beautiful Scotland Award ceremony in Haddington on 6 September, and the Take a Pride in Perthshire Awards in Perth later in the month. This is the 'Year of Young People' and it was great to have representation from young people when the judges visited including primary school pupils and Euan, our Duke of Edinburgh volunteer. We also had a video presentation of young people at work in the school garden and elsewhere in the village. There are examples of young people's writing throughout the village and a very bright new poster of art work in the bus shelter.

Well done to all the other villages and towns in Scotland who do so much to make their own patch beautiful. Not all take part in competitions but all their efforts are appreciated. Those who are going to Haddington look forward to seeing the town.



## Recipe



supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom

### Chocolate Courgette and Spice Muffins

I have made chocolate courgette cakes before but these are a little different with the addition of spices. This is one way to use up your courgette glut.

#### Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 400g caster sugar
- 250ml vegetable oil
- 5 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa
- 1½ teaspoons vanilla extract
- 250g grated courgette
- 375g plain flour
- 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon mixed spice

#### Method

Preheat oven to 180°C. Prepare 24 paper cases in muffin tins. In a large bowl beat the eggs, then beat in the sugar and oil. Add the cocoa, vanilla, courgette and stir well. Stir in the flour, bicarbonate, baking powder, salt and mixed spice and mix well.

Pour batter into prepared cases, filling two thirds of the way full. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes. When cool, you can top with your favourite chocolate icing.

## Kinross & District Pipe Band

"Last Thursday's Jam" –

### an open invitation!

As the World Championships in August has drawn another competition season to a close, the Band is now settling down to work on an exciting new repertoire of competition tunes for next year. And with very encouraging signs of a number of new members swelling our ranks, the band is looking forward to what promises to be a standout year in 2019!

But although success in competitions and rising through the grades is what drives us, it is not the only thing that defines us: above all, Kinross Pipe Band values friendship, community and the development of piping and drumming in whatever form that takes. With that in mind, we extend an **open invitation** to all pipers and drummers in the Kinross area, whether you're used to playing solo or in a band, and whatever your skill level, to join us on the **last Thursday of every month** during the non-competing season from September through to April every year, for an evening session of **just playing together**. There is no fee and no obligation, and you can come every month or once in a blue moon, as you like! We promise we won't twist your arm to join the band, these will quite simply be *no commitment* opportunities to "jam" and chat together!

Looking forward to seeing you there! (7pm to 9pm, Lodge St Serf's Hall – next to the Muirs Inn.)



Beautiful Scotland Judges

Nigel Kellett

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## Loch Leven Community Library

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



### Opening Times

Monday*	10am-1pm
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday	10am-8pm
Friday	10am-6pm
Saturday*	10am-3pm or 4pm

\* Monday 10am-1pm and Saturday 1pm-3pm or 4pm: Limited service, provided by volunteers (FOLLCL, see page 62).

### Regular Sessions for Young Children

No need to book, just come along:

- **Bookbug Rhymetimes:** Saturdays 10.30am-11am and Wednesdays 2pm-2.30pm.
- **Pre-school Story Time:** Tuesdays 10.15am-10.45am. Parents, grandparents or guardians and toddlers will be made most welcome at these free, open sessions.
- **Stay and Play:** Wednesdays 2.30pm-3.30pm. Saturdays 11am-12 noon. 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.

### Book Groups at the Library

We currently have three book groups for adults running at Loch Leven Community Library:

- Crime:** Once a month on a Tuesday evening, 6.45-7.45pm.
- General:** Once a month on a Friday morning, 10.30-11.30am.
- Café:** Once a month on a Saturday morning at 11.15am. The next meeting is on **Saturday 22 September**.

Please contact the Library for the other book group dates.

### Book Groups for Children

**Chatterbooks:** For children aged 7-11 years. On the first Friday of each month. The next meeting is on **7 September**, 4pm-5pm. New members welcome. Please contact the library to book a place.

**Code Club:** Code Club gives children aged 7-11 years an opportunity to learn to code, no matter who they are or where they come from. The project introduces coding concepts to allow children to build their knowledge incrementally. The next meeting is on **Thursday 6 September**. New members welcome. Please contact the library to book a place.

### IT Help Sessions

Free sessions, but booking essential. The next session is on **Thursday 27 September**, 2pm onwards.

### Coffee and Crochet

A new group starting in the autumn. Contact the library for more details and to leave a note of interest.

### Newsletter Deadlines

A list of future deadlines can be found on our website

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

## Bridgescapes with L Bruce Keith, Tue 2 October

With the opening of the Queensferry Crossing last September, it is appropriate to celebrate the long and illustrious history of bridges within Scotland and the contribution Scottish engineers have made to bridges around the globe. In this illustrated talk, debut author Bruce Keith will discuss his book 'Bridgescapes', which is a personal journey through history, celebrating Scotland's bridge building heritage.



Amplified by a young Scottish photographer, Lewis Matheson, this will prove to be a thought-provoking, enlightening and engaging evening.

The talk takes place on **Tuesday 2 October** at 7pm. **Tickets are £5 and booking is essential.** Book at the library or online at [www.culturepk.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.culturepk.org.uk/whats-on)

## 'Jump into libraries' for National Libraries Week

### Wednesday 10 October

- **10am-12 noon: Community Coffee Morning and Book Sale. Coffee & Cake & Books.** We are holding our first ever coffee morning to celebrate National Libraries Week. Everyone welcome.
- **2pm-3pm: For the Kids.** BookBug Rhymetime followed by Stay & Play plus Lego time.
- **2.45pm onwards:** Talk by Holistic Practitioner. £5 entry (including taster sessions).
- **7.30pm: Author Talk** by Hazel McHaffie. **Free event.** Booking necessary. Adults only. 'When it's time to say 'enough!'' Imagine the trickiest dilemmas thrown up by modern medicine today. In a former life, Hazel McHaffie was a researcher in the field of medical ethics, trotting the globe lecturing. She now beavers away at home creating engaging family dramas bringing these complex psychological issues alive in her novels.

**Foodbank:** The library is now a foodbank collection point for Broke Not Broken.

**Free WiFi & Computer use** for library guests and members.

**Dog waste bags** available.

**Kitchen waste caddies** available.

More information on all Library, Museum and Art gallery events at **[www.culturepk.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.culturepk.org.uk/whats-on)**

### Images of Kinross-shire

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

### Photo Library

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

## Friends of Loch Leven Community Library (FOLLCL)

**Change to our opening times:** We have now been opening Loch Leven Community Library on Saturday afternoons from 1pm until 4pm for over two years and more recently also on Mondays from 10am until 1pm. Based on our monitoring of the use of the library, we have decided to close an hour earlier on Saturday afternoons.

**Up to and including Saturday 15 September, we will still be open from 1pm to 4pm. From 22 September we will be open each Saturday 1pm to 3pm. There will be no change to our Monday opening hours (10am-1pm).**

We'd like to say a big thanks to all of you who come along to make use of the library on Saturday afternoons and Monday mornings – we really appreciate your support. If you haven't been along to see us in action yet, we would be delighted to see you.

You can:

- borrow and return books
- use the PCs, scanner, printer and photocopier
- have access to free WiFi
- read the papers and magazines
- pick up free kitchen bins and dog bags
- bring old batteries to recycle
- and more!

(You will need your library card to do some of these).

We hope you will all continue to support us in providing this service for the community. Loch Leven Community Library is the only library in Perth and Kinross which is open at these times.

**FOLLCL** is a group of independent volunteers who staff Loch Leven Community Library on Saturday afternoons and on Monday mornings. For further information, please contact Richard Scott on 07999 510500 or find us on Facebook.



## The Kinross-shire Civic Trust

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[www.kinross-shirecivictrust.org](http://www.kinross-shirecivictrust.org)

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### Best Kept Village and Hamlet Competition

Kinross-shire Civic Trust organises this annual competition. You can read about the judging on page 19.

### Kinross Show

The Trust enjoyed a very good day at the annual Kinross Show. Not only was the event blessed by good weather, but it was attended well also.

We had a photo quiz on the stand which puzzled many people. The photos displayed buildings, items and small snippets of views around the county which caused many scratching of heads. It was all good fun but the winning score was 11 out of 12, which showed that someone knows his county. The winner was Cllr Callum Purves.

The Trust also took the opportunity to advertise its Photographic Competition for children of primary school and secondary school ages as part of the Year of Young People 2018. Further details are given elsewhere in the Newsletter. (See page 28.) We hope many children will take part.

### Annual Dinner and Visits

A date for your diary: The Annual Dinner for the Trust will be on **Wednesday 20 February 2019** at the Grouse and Claret. We are very pleased to announce that the speaker will be Peter Nurick, who will be talking about the new V&A Dundee. That will be something to look forward to and the Trust will be following that up by arranging a visit to the V&A shortly afterwards.

**The Japanese Garden, Cowden.** You may have seen the beautiful Japanese Garden at Cowden on the BBC Programme 'Landward'. The Japanese Garden is now open. For directions and opening times visit the website [www.cowdengarden.com](http://www.cowdengarden.com). We will be organising a visit in the new year.

## Kinross Centre

It has been another busy month for the Kinross Centre. As well as our outings for ice cream and drives around our beautiful countryside, including trips to Birnie Loch and Silver Sands Beach in Aberdour, we enjoyed a wonderful day at the Royal Yacht *Britannia*. We had a tour of the Royal Yacht, where the sun shone on us and we felt like royalty. We have some beautiful photos of us enjoying the day which will be displayed in the Centre.

We also had a fantastic afternoon of music with one of our members' daughters, Ann and her friend, Stevie. The afternoon was full of music, dancing and singing, and we also had the opportunity to play a musical instrument which made it great fun.

Our ever-popular barge trips are drawing to a close with only two left. The weather has been really good to us this summer and we have all thoroughly enjoyed the trips and would like to say a big thank you to Seagull Trust Cruises for the warm welcome we receive every month and for making our days really special.

We would love you to be involved with the Kinross Centre, either as a service-user, a volunteer or as a supporter. If you would like further information please contact Nan Cook on 01577 863869.

## Kinross Bridge Club

The Kinross Bridge Club will resume on **Wednesday 12 September**. We meet in the lower hall of the Kinross Church Centre at 6.30pm for a prompt 6.45pm start. We look forward to welcoming back our regular members but also anyone who wishes to come to see if they would like to join us.

For further details, please phone Catriona Marshall, secretary, 01577 864482.



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### Networking Breakfast

Kinross-shire Partnership are keen to tell you about the next Networking Breakfast meeting, taking place on **Wednesday 3 October**. Fix the date in your diary to make sure you enjoy the relaxed networking and excellent breakfast on offer. Cost of the networking and full Scottish breakfast is £10 - our inspirational speakers give their time for nothing!

In October, we are delighted to introduce entrepreneur and businessman Drew Drummond. Drew is Managing Director of Drummond International, an Edinburgh based Leadership Consultancy business which helps individuals and organisations worldwide deal with change, culture and conflict. Working with individuals and teams, irrespective of background and sector, he works closely with major clients to design bespoke leadership development programmes aimed at adding value to diverse organisations, ranging from the voluntary sector to FTSE 100 companies. Drew has a national and international reputation in the field of conflict resolution. As an accredited Mediator, he is highly regarded for enabling ownership and belief through the power of inspirational story-telling and lived experiences across all sectors.

A graduate of St Andrew's University, he has a postgraduate diploma in Human Resource Management and Organisational Development. His professional career and experience to date ranges from a multi-national shipping company to setting up a specialised residential care home for young people. He is also the Patron of the Scottish Centre for Conflict Resolution which helps prevent and resolve conflict for young people, professionals and parents across Scotland. A committed family-man his core values are courage and kindness, exemplified by his setting up and continued involvement with Project Present Fife, supporting Fife Kinship Carers.

As always, the meeting will be at Loch Leven's Larder from 7.15am to 9am and we welcome local businesses, individuals and groups to come and network, find out about each other's organisations and get to know one-another. Whether you're new to Kinross-shire and looking to find out what services or businesses are in the Shire, or you'd like to make new contacts in the area, we'd love to meet you. We'd love you to tell your friends, colleagues and fellow Kinross-shire dwellers how good these meetings are, and encourage them to come along with you on 3 October.

To book your place, please email Karen Grunwell at mail@kinrosspartnership.org.uk. You can choose whether to pay online in advance or in cash on the day and full details are available when you book. The meeting cost, including a full cooked breakfast, is £10 per person.

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### Portmoak Film Society

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



After the balmy long days and short nights of summer, it's the time of year where our thoughts turn to the 'nights drawing in' again... which can only mean the new season of your local cinema, otherwise known as Portmoak Film Society! This year we have selected an eclectic mix which we hope will tickle your film fancy.

We start with one of last year's most widely awarded films, **'Three Billboards outside Ebbing, Missouri'**, the powerful story of one woman's campaign to avenge her teenage daughter's death in a rural American town, where the cops are incompetent and no-one cares. Frances McDormand in the lead role cleared the board of Oscars, Baftas and Golden Globes for Best Actress, and the film itself garnered several more gongs for screenplay, supporting actor and best British film. It will be shown on **Saturday 8 September**, and is followed on **13 October** by the altogether more light-hearted 1961 classic **'Breakfast at Tiffany's'**. On **10 November** we show **'How to talk to girls at parties'** and our pre-Christmas film on **8 December** is a double bill featuring the magical animation **'The Breadwinner'** and short documentary **'Mountain'**. To find out more about all the featured films and 2018-19 dates, visit our website.

Films are shown every second Saturday of the month in Portmoak Village Hall, Scotlandwell and newcomers as well as our loyal regulars are very welcome. A season's membership costs £32, available from Stuart Mackenzie at the Pottery in Kinnesswood (01592 840638) or you can pay £5 on the door. Films start at 7.30pm and hot drinks and refreshments are generously provided afterwards by Helen from Lochend Farm Shop. You may also bring your own bottle. See you soon!

### The University of the Third Age



Kinross-shire U3A launched last month with an introduction to the principles of the U3A by U3A Trustee for Scotland, Ed Link. It was a good beginning for the organisation, with more people wanting to join than there were membership forms, although that has as much to do with the quality of the secretary as the quantity of applicants. Fear not, however, as there will be more membership forms at our next general meeting – an illustrated talk on the Civic Trust by Alistair Smith, at Kinross Parish Church, 10 Station Road, Kinross, on **Tuesday 11 September at 2.30pm**.

We already have six active interest groups including a Science Discussion group, and Famous Scots. Further details on these and our other groups (and membership application forms) are available on our website <https://u3asites.org.uk/kinross> or contact our secretary, Gareth Thomas, by email on [kinrossshireu3a@gmail.com](mailto:kinrossshireu3a@gmail.com).

### The Newsletter on Facebook

We use our Facebook page to announce:

- our deadline and publication dates
- what's in the next issue
- reminders of some local events
- occasional breaking news

'Like' our page to be kept informed. Search for 'Kinross Newsletter' or go to:

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



## Kinross and District Art Club [kadac.co.uk](http://kadac.co.uk)

Another pleasant summer's day beckoned as over 30 members and friends travelled by coach to Pittenweem Arts Festival on Tuesday 7 August. Members enjoyed browsing through a vast array of cottages and other venues, admiring displays, stopping for refreshments, taking in the atmosphere and finding inspiration for their own creativity.

As part of the Perthshire Open Studios event, two of our members have had artworks chosen to represent Kinross and District Art Club at two separate exhibitions. Greg Drumm's painting

called 'Into the Light' is on show at Pitlochry Festival Theatre POS Exhibition and Sheila Marshall's 'Hare Today' is at the POS Showcase Exhibition at The Bield, Blackruthven.

Over the summer recess, members have also been busy preparing and organising for our annual art exhibition. It will be held from 5 to 8 September in Kinross Parish Church (venue 45 on the POS turquoise route). Plans are well in hand as we look forward to welcoming Provost Dennis Melloy to open our exhibition on the evening of Wednesday 5 September.

Sadly, two of our members have passed away during the summer recess. Graeme Hannigan and Jenny Cochrane will be greatly missed for their talent and their contribution to the life of the club. Both had their work selected recently by club members to be included in our 2019 calendar. The calendar will be available at the exhibition and will be a lasting tribute to their memory.

We meet from 2pm to 4pm on Tuesday and Friday afternoons at Millbridge Hall. If you are interested in joining, please contact us via our website.



Ian and Nancy enjoying their day out at Pittenweem Arts Festival

Perthshire Open Studios Venue 45

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## Scotlandwell in Bloom

The group decided not to enter any competitions again this year. However, we have still been busy keeping our village looking its best and enjoying a much more relaxed approach to our activities.

The glorious summer weather meant watering was a daily task but our efforts have paid off with beautiful blooms throughout the village.

Our colourful bikes on display have been a great visitor attraction, and keen photographers have been spotted clicking furiously, especially around our Bug 'n' Bee B&B area (our 'Biodiversity Garden') which attracts masses of insects.

Once again, we would like to take this opportunity to thank 'Turffit' for their generous donation of bark. This has been used for the area around our planters at the top of the Howgait and we are extremely grateful.

We are hoping to support the Blythswood Shoebox Appeal this year. We are planning a box-filling evening sometime in November. Further details will be available nearer the time.



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## Kinross in Bloom

August has come and gone and with it the stress and strain of keeping our baskets and planters in tip top condition in order to get good marks from the judges in the Take a Pride in Perth and Kinross awards 2018.

The judges were here on 10 August, and we await the results of our labours, which we will receive mid September at the annual get together in Perth. Chairman Graham thanks all the committee for their efforts this year, and also the always important task carried out by the volunteer waterers throughout the season; thank you, all.

A proposed attack to try and tidy the corner of Springfield Road and Muirs was put into action at the beginning of the month. A group from the committee began clearing the area around our planters, spraying weed-killer, laying weed-suppressant matting and finally raking red chips around them. We are very happy with the results, and the awards judges were too, as were many members of the public, judging by the congratulatory comments and phone calls.



*The much-improved corner of Muirs and Springfield Road*

We are now planning our spring display. Orders for these plants will be delivered shortly, so we can't sit back and take it easy yet.

The August winners of our 200 Club are as follows:

1. No 79, Mr & Mrs A Wallace. 2. No 74, Mrs E Thomas.
3. No 84, Dr M Weir. 4. No 3, Mr & Mrs G Barnett.

Congratulations to all winners.

September is the start of the new season of the 200 Club. It's only £1 per month. Anyone wishing to join, please contact Aileen on 01577 861477.



## Milnathort in Bloom

We've been lucky to have a lovely stretch of sunny weather with the recent rain much appreciated by us gardeners and farmers alike. Keeping our tubs and hanging baskets watered has been a challenge especially when the pump on the buggy gave up - leaving us to water the tubs by hand with watering cans. My, how our arm muscles have grown! The good news is that the village is looking lovely with all the summer planting brightening up Milnathort – thanks not only to MiB but also all the locals who tend their gardens, hanging baskets, tubs and window boxes. Working together definitely makes Milnathort a brighter place, especially when the sun shines.

With this in mind, we're sure there are others who would like to volunteer (we are a small group of about 12 regulars) to help with some or all of the jobs we do to continue or expand on the work. Some of the jobs we do are: watering on a three-day rota with the Bloom buggy over the summer; potting on plug plants and planting up the baskets in spring; watering the polytunnel plants before putting them out in the village. So, if you think you would like to help with some or all of the above, then please contact Teresa on 01577 865645 as we are a friendly bunch and it would be great to have some extra help.

By the time you read this, the judging for Take a Pride in Perth and Kinross will be over. We'd like to say a big thank you for the support from the community and especially for going the extra mile for judging day.



## Kinross Flower Club

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

After a sunny summer enjoying our gardens, Kinross Flower Club (formerly Kinross Floral Art Club) starts the new session with our first meeting on **Thursday 27 September** in Kinross Parish Church.

Please note that we are now **meeting in the afternoon**, starting at 1pm sharp and finishing before 3.30pm.

We welcome everyone back to the new season and our first demonstration, entitled 'Meanderings', is by Mrs Sandra Halkett from Elgin. Bring a friend with you to enjoy the afternoon with us.

## Kinross Garden Group

Our August outing took us to Lowther Castle near Penrith. A good day was had by all with very pleasant weather and surroundings.

Our last outing of the season will be to Dumfries House and Gardens on **Thursday 13 September**.

The new winter season will start on **Thursday 11 October** in the Millbridge Hall at 2pm; more details will be given in next month's Newsletter.



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List your event as soon as you can to help others with their planning. Contact the website administrator by email: [admin@kinross.cc](mailto:admin@kinross.cc)

## Portmoak Community Woodland

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

For the second year running, Portmoak Moss was chosen by Scottish Natural Heritage for an event celebrating National Bog Day. The government agency and Portmoak Community Woodland Group organised a guided walk and 'pond dipping' to highlight the wide variety of plants and animals which live there.

The weather for the event on 22 July was perfect. Perfect for humans, that is! We soon discovered that it hadn't been so good for the dragonflies and damselflies that like to breed in the ditches.



National Bog Day at Portmoak Moss  
Photo: Lesley Botten

Most of the ditches dried out during the long, hot spell but, where there was water, there was also a good range of species. These included the magnificent common hawker dragonfly with its blue and yellow colouring, and a large red damselfly. How can you tell the difference between damsels and dragons? We learned that the damsels are the size of matchsticks and the dragons are the size of a cigarettes.

Our guide was Daniele Muir from Perthshire Wildlife. In a pool of water behind one of the dams, we fished out a great

diving beetle; the kind of insect you'd never suspect was there without the help of an expert. Daniele explained how important it is to keep water in the bog for these species.

Susan Webster of SNH, said, 'We chose Portmoak Moss because it's a pretty amazing place and it's not as if you have to go to the Outer Hebrides to find it. It's really close to where people live and we appreciate the community involvement'. The walk was rounded off with a display of live moths, trapped the previous night by specialist, George Guthrie. As ever, he had some wonderful moths with beautiful names, like True Lovers Knot and July High Flyer. The bog day was attended by around twenty people.

Of course, the weather broke a few days later, no doubt to the relief of the insects, not to mention Portmoak Community Woodland Group. Thanks to a generous donation of grass seed from local company Turffit, we had sown the new play area in Portmoak Community Orchard in Kilmagad Wood. All we needed was some regular rainfall, to get it off to a good start. It is growing nicely and, as long as we don't get another prolonged dry spell, it should do well.

We still don't know if the grass will be ready for our **Apple Day** on **Sunday 30 September** from 2pm. If it isn't, we'll be across the road in Portmoak Village Hall, where we'll be offering expert apple identification, apple-themed baking and freshly pressed apple juice. All you have to do is bring your apples, a twig and some leaves if you want to know what varieties you've got. Also bring containers to take away the juice and a little bit of money to donate for refreshments. The event itself is free.

It's a busy time for us and the woods' owners, Woodland Trust Scotland, who carry out the routine maintenance. This year volunteers have had the additional job of trying to remove highly intrusive Himalayan Balsam from the ditches close to Portmoak Moss. We don't want this weed in the Moss as it tends to take over and push out many other plants.

For progress reports on this, and many other aspects of the community woodland management, please come to our regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Well Country Inn.

## Potager Garden

Bowton Road, Kinross

We have been pleased to welcome a couple of new volunteers to the garden over the summer, and we are planning a summer outing soon to visit a garden near Auchtermuchty. Our Monday morning volunteer sessions will continue until the weather gets worse in the autumn. Do call in to have a chat and a cuppa sometime. The garden is open during the day for visitors; please take care and supervise children, and do not touch or taste the plants. The schoolchildren will be returning to the garden soon for their harvesting and tasting session, and to see the giant sunflowers which have thrived over the summer. We have already harvested the onions and a lot of French and broad beans, and other crops are coming along well.

We will again be holding a **coffee morning** and raffle in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support at the garden on **Saturday 29 September** from 10.30am until 12 noon. There will also be plants for sale, and we look forward to welcoming you then. For any enquiries, please contact Amanda on 07963 476803 or [amandajames1577@gmail.com](mailto:amandajames1577@gmail.com).



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## Kinross High School



Here at Kinross High School, we have been settling into the new school year after what has hopefully been a relaxing and rewarding break for both pupils and staff. For those who haven't been on worldly adventures, the Scottish summer certainly seems to have provided some much-needed sunshine.

One of the main events for many of our students during the summer holidays was SQA exam results. It can be a stressful time for our young people (and their teachers!) but all the hard work has paid off. We would like to congratulate candidates on a great set of results this year; National 5 results are well above the national average yet again and our Higher and Advanced Higher candidates performed very well indeed, equalling or bettering records in each area. It seems like no time at all since term ended but we're embracing the new session and looking forward to a productive term.

On Tuesday 14 August, we welcomed 153 first year pupils. Our Prefects and Big Buddies will be working with them throughout the first term and are on hand to help new pupils. Migrating from primary school to secondary can of course be challenging so our House Pupil Support Teams are eager to help make the transition smoother.

As well as a cohort of shiny new students, the start of term also brings opportunities to look ahead. We have lots of events to squeeze into the very short eight-week term including excursions, trips abroad and visits from exchange students who are excited to attend classes and spend time with their local host families.

As always, Kinross High School recognises merit in both academic and extracurricular activities and we are proud to celebrate the successes of our pupils in and out of school, including achievements during the holidays.

Shortly before school broke off for summer, a group of S2 RME pupils took part in the Inspiring Purpose project. This gives students the opportunity to reflect on their values, qualities, inspiration and aspirations. Creativity is the key to Inspiring Purpose so participants are encouraged to make their project unique, relevant and meaningful. The faculty teachers are passionate about delivering this project as it is a fantastic opportunity for them to learn more about the pupils. We were delighted that our pupil Lilly was amongst the 45 secondary school finalists selected and was awarded the Jane Haining Memorial Shield. Huge congratulations also go to Caroline who placed second in the S2 category! Another fantastic achievement for KHS.

We would like to congratulate S4 pupil Ella who was selected to play for the GB under 16s Women's Basketball team. After representing Scotland's under 18s in Luxembourg this year, she travelled to Slovenia in July as one of only two Scottish girls representing the UK in the Women's Basketball European Summit. After rigorous training and practice matches, Ella flew to Montenegro as part of the GB team in a European tournament. We can't wait to hear all about it. *See Sports News page 72 for more about Ella.*

Over the summer, music teacher Mr Finlay musically directed 'You're a Good Man Charlie Brown' at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. He had a little help from two of our pupils, drummer and percussionist Guy, and Joseph who plays bass guitar. It wasn't just Mr Finlay who was impressed by their performances; the sold-out show received 4-star rave reviews! What an incredible opportunity; well done, boys.



*Fringe success: Joseph, Guy and Mr Finlay*

After winning a scholarship to study at Tianjin Foreign Studies University in China for a year, former pupil Ailsa has returned home just as Kinross High School's relationship with the Confucius Institute is flourishing. We have appointed a new Mandarin teacher Mr Chen and we hope to be joined by a visiting teacher later in the year. The scholarship will be offered again this year so we hope that some of our young people will apply. Looking back on her experience, Ailsa said, "Having only just left high school, I was more than a little bit terrified. The next ten months would be the most valuable and rewarding of my life. Our classes in China are incredibly intense. Although the work is demanding, living in China enables me to put my learning in context and make use of the new vocabulary I have learned. Being surrounded by the language allows me to see my progress as my understanding of Chinese improves. Being immersed in the culture and language has made me fall in love with learning Chinese which will inspire me further when I continue my studies of Chinese at Oxford in October." We wish Ailsa the very best of luck at university.



*Ailsa (right) soaking up Chinese culture*

Further congratulations go to brothers Max and Jay who are performing in the Pipe Band World Championships (Max is also travelling to Moscow to perform in the Military Tattoo with the Celtic Pipe and Drums Corp), and to Lomond pupil Logan who has secured an apprenticeship with Perth and Kinross



*S4 pupil, Jack*

Council as an apprentice electrician. Congratulations also to S4 pupil Jack who has earned a place in the Scottish Swimming Youth Squad following great success at the British Summer Championships in Sheffield, and to Rugby player Finbar who has been selected to play at the European Junior Touch Championships at Stirling University this year.

# Sports News

## Kinross Vaulting Group

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### FEI European Vaulting Championships 2018, Hungary

Atholl Pettinger and Jack Wilson qualified to compete at the 2018 European Championships in Kaposvar, Hungary, in August this year. The team set off on an epic trans-European journey in Liz Mackay's lorry with her horse Rum 'n' Coke (Rambo) on his first ever trip overseas. Despite some challenging sweltering August weather conditions and particularly vicious flies, both Atholl and Jack performed very well, and Rambo adored the adulation that comes with competing at such a major international competition. Atholl got through to the final and finished eleventh in Europe, and Jack just missed going through to the final finishing a commendable sixteenth. Another great adventure for the KVG team and many new tales to tell!



*Atholl and Jack with the KVG team in Kaposvar*

## 2018 Summer Camp

Our annual summer camp in August was very well attended this year. We managed to secure two days of top level coaching from Michela Callegari, one of Italy's most senior equestrian vaulting experts.



*KVG vaulters dance workshop at Dance Connect, Kinross*

After a fun, high energy dance workshop at Dance Connect in Kinross, the vaulters spent the rest of camp under the scrutiny of Michela, who shared her extensive knowledge with everyone from our grass roots child members up to our elite senior vaulters. Drawing influences from multiple disciplines from ballet to pilates, gymnastics to athletics, Michela worked everyone hard both physically and mentally, reminding us of what an all-encompassing sport equestrian vaulting really is.

## 2018 Scottish Championships

This year's SEV Scottish Championships will be held on Saturday 1 September at SNEC West Lothian. Approximately twenty of our vaulters will compete on six horses, making for a very busy day! Spectators are always welcome at vaulting competitions. We would love to see you there.

Please contact Liz Mackay by email at [lizmacward@hotmail.com](mailto:lizmacward@hotmail.com) if you'd like to find out more about vaulting.

*See also Notices, page 96.*

## Basketball

**Ella Doherty** (15) from Powmill was recently selected to play basketball for the Great Britain under 16 national team. She has been in Portugal with the team for a few international warm up games and then she is off to Montenegro for the FIBA under 16 European Championships. Ella

has also represented Scotland in the under

18 team which involved a trip to Luxembourg. Ella plays for Perth Phoenix Basketball Club but started with local basketball team Kinross Cavaliers. Ella would like to thank SSTsensing and Caledonia Washroom Services for their continued support.



*Ella Doherty*

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## Milnathort Golf Club

This year we were honoured to be chosen to host the Scottish National Final of the R&A Nine Hole Championship. This is a national competition run by the R&A to promote nine hole golf as an ideal way to enjoy playing the sport in less time, either recreationally or competitively. We were delighted that 140 pairs of golfers from clubs across Scotland gathered in Milnathort over two days in June to compete for four coveted places in the grand final. The final was held on the Championship course at Carnoustie on the Saturday preceding the Open Championship in July. Teams from Niddry Castle, Falkirk, Dunblane and Kenmore came through to experience the once in a lifetime opportunity of playing the first four and last five holes at Carnoustie on the eve of the 147th Open. This included the famous 16th, 17th and 18th holes of the renowned Angus links, considered by many to be the toughest finishing holes in golf.



*Scottish Golf and R&A present plaque to Milnathort Golf Club Captain and Lady Captain after a highly successful national final*

The two-day final at Milnathort was attended by several senior representatives from the R&A and Scottish Golf. We were delighted to receive many compliments on the excellent condition of the course as well as the warm welcome given to all our visitors.

If you are thinking of joining a club in the area, we have various types of membership deals throughout the year. We offer great value with no joining fees and no waiting list. For those who are interested in learning to play, why not enquire about our 'Get into Golf' membership scheme which includes professional coaching and is a great way to take the first steps towards playing the game.

Why not pop in to the clubhouse for a coffee and a chat to see what we have to offer? Alternatively, contact our administrator, Wilma, on weekday mornings on 01577 864069.

### Looking for Contact Details?

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## Kinross Hockey Club

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



### Men's Section

Pre-season training is well underway before the first league matches for firsts and seconds on **Saturday 22 September**.

Men's coach Ollie Volland is working on fitness, skills and match play with both squads to get players ready. In addition, a series of warm up games are scheduled for early September.

Both teams will be welcoming new players and the seconds are looking forward to giving several of the older Kobras an opportunity this season (together with some Dads as well). Training takes place on Tuesday evenings and new players are always welcome.

### Ladies Section

September is now upon us; all the summer holiday moths and cobwebs have been blown away and we are now back in full training, with Ladies Training every Wednesday evening from 7pm until 8.30pm, Corinthians on Mondays from 7.30pm until 8.30pm, and the development group every Wednesday from 6pm until 7.30pm.

Saturday 25 August is a big day – it is the first day of national competitions, with our firsts opening their challenge on the Championship away to Edinburgh Cala seconds. Our seconds' season does not begin until **Saturday 8 September** when they head to Dundee for the annual Midlands pre season Bell Trophy Tournament. Their first League game is the following week, away to last year's League winners Madras. Good luck ladies!

Here's to a victorious start for both teams.

## Kinross Kobras Junior Hockey

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



After weeks of great summer weather, the Kobras headed to St Andrews (their favourite summer destination) for a district junior tournament hosted by Madras HC. We had six teams (three at U10, two at U12 and one at U14) and got soaked!

The U10s only got slightly wet and did well with a healthy number of wins.

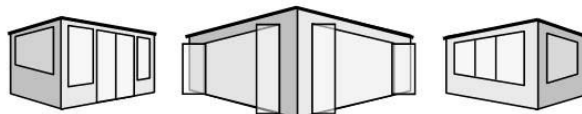
U12s and U14s got the worst of the weather but seemed to shake it off and played some nice hockey on the whole.

The baking stall provided welcome respite from the rain and helped fuel a good afternoon of hockey.

The new season started in earnest in August with training on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and tournaments at least once a month. See the hockey club website for more details.

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## Kinross Otters

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We're looking forward to the start of our League meets this month. Our Premier and Second Division squads are both competing and are aiming to consolidate their strong performances so far this season.

The Midland Sprints also take place at the beginning of this month. It should be a great opportunity for Otters to build up their personal bests after the summer and come home with a great medal haul. No pressure!

We were fortunate enough to be gifted some tickets from our friends at Scottish Swimming for the European Championships as part of the Glasgow 2018 events.

Loads of our Otters entered the ballot and the lucky winners got to see their heroes perform at the fabulous Tollcross International Swim Centre. A lot of happy faces and hopefully lots of hot tips to take back to training!

Our new recruits from the June open assessment are settling in well. We would encourage any swimmers interested in joining to look at our website and

on our Facebook page for information on our next trials.



*Kinross Otters attending the European Swimming Championships as part of Glasgow 2018*

## Orwell Bowling Club

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We have been very busy over the past four weeks and the weather became more unsettled as time went on. Congratulations to Anne McGouldrick, Jeannie Jackson and Maz Thorn for winning the East of Scotland Triples Final. They will represent the East of Scotland in the top ten next year. Hard lines to the Ladies Scottish Senior Rink (Jean Jackson, Maz Thorn, Sandra Fullerton and Jean Menzies) who were defeated in the second round of the National Finals at Ayr. Congratulations to Jean Menzies and Sandra Fullerton for winning the County Charity Pairs. Over £400 was raised for the Diabetes Society on the day.

The ladies played their Fellowship Game against Strathmiglo on Monday 6 August. It was a win for the away team and a loss for the home team.

We had 18 entries for our Ladies Open Pairs held on 15 August. The three section winners were: Section 1 Lochore, Alison Duncan and Mary Murdors; Section 2 Orwell, Jeanie Jackson and Linda Reid; Section 3 Orwell, Sandra Fullerton and Jean Menzies, and the highest up qualifier was Causewayhead, Angeline Doyle and Sheila Morrison. The winners were Sandra Fullerton and Jean Menzies. A big thank you goes to all who donated to the catering and the raffle. A big thank you also goes to all the helpers in the kitchen, the umpire and the score marker.

The Gents 2 Bowl Pairs were beaten by two shots in the semi-final of the County. The 4 Bowl Pairs and the Rink reached the final but, unfortunately, neither was successful. Well done to them all.

The Gents won their first game in the County Top 10 against Sauchie but were narrowly beaten by Tillicoultry in the next round. Once again, well done.



We have only played one friendly since the last report. It was a home game against Kinross and the score was Orwell 62, Kinross 47.

The game against Alva South was unfortunately cancelled as six of our players were away to Ayr and were unable to fill the teams.

We also cancelled the away game against Glencarse as the gents were playing in the county finals.

Two games were rained off; at Carnbo we played whist and at Leslie we played dominoes.

The Haig Cup was played on Friday 20 July. The gents' winner was Ian Gellatly and the ladies winner was Linda Reid.

In the Roy Dougray Trophy on Sunday 5 August eleven members played. The winner was Vic McKechnie.

The bowling season will soon come to end and there are just a few weeks left to play our internal competitions. Members please note that the green closes on **Saturday 29 September** with a charity game in aid of the RNLI (1.30pm for 2pm start). Please come along and give your support. Raffle prizes are always welcome.



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## Kinross Netball Club

### Adults

We're back! Training started on Friday 17 August and it was great to see everyone including some new faces. We train every Friday from 7pm to 8.30pm at Loch Leven Community Campus in the large sports hall. The aim of our sessions is to have fun, make new friends and enjoy playing netball. Our sessions are for all abilities from 18 years old up. The first session is free then £4 per week. If you'd like to come along feel free to pop into any of our sessions or contact us by Facebook or email at [kinrossnetball@hotmail.com](mailto:kinrossnetball@hotmail.com).

Our club is not just a fitness club. We like to get out and about in the community and do some socialising. For example, a group of us recently took part in the Kinross-shire cricket festival. Everyone had great fun and we'll definitely be back. Thank you so much to Kinross Cricket Club for welcoming us and putting on an amazing spread afterwards!

Over the summer we entered a team into the 'Bounceback to Netball' summer nights league. We won all our matches to secure a place in the final. It was a very close game but we managed to win by 24 to 19.

We've also had a trip to Kinghorn to play a friendly against their BBN team.

As well as all this, we had a stall at the Kinross Show and it was great to see so much interest in our club.

We are pleased to say that we are hosting our own tournament for the second year running. It will take place on **Sunday 2 September** at Perth College UHI and all funds raised are in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. We'll be selling raffle tickets so please let us know if you'd like to buy any. You could win one of our amazing prizes.



*Some of the players who took part in the summer nights league*

### New Under 13s Netball Club

A new netball club is starting on Friday 31 August. The club will run during term time from 6pm to 7pm in the large games hall at Loch Leven Community Campus. Sessions will cost £3 per week. Coaching will be provided by Kim Kilgour and Emma Thorpe from Kinross Netball Club. Emma is just starting out on her coaching pathway but has years of experience playing netball. Kim has been coaching the cluster schools from P5 to P7 for the last two years and enjoys it so much she's decided to start this new club with the help of Perth and Kinross Netball Network.

If you're interested in coming along, please contact Kim on 07833 914289. Alternatively, contact Perth and Kinross Netball Network by email at [pknetballnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:pknetballnetwork@gmail.com) or on Facebook.

## Kinross Rugby Club

### Youth Section

#### Minis

Summer holidays are over and rugby season is underway again. Training has resumed at Kinross Rugby and our youngest members have hit the ground running.

Our biggest event of the year, **Kinross RFC Minis Festival**, takes place on **Sunday 30 September**. With around 400 young players expected to attend, this is a great opportunity to come along and see the hard work and dedication of our players and their coaches and volunteers in action. Parking does get busy, so please be patient.

Training takes place every Saturday morning from 10.30am at the KGV Park. All children welcome, provided they are five years old and above and in P1 to P7.

#### Midis

Tuesday night training is underway again for the midis boys. During the first half of the season the S1 to S4s take part in the Midlands Schools T4 Conference. Matches will take place on Saturday mornings.

Club training takes place on Tuesday evenings at 7pm at the KGV. All new players welcome and no previous rugby experience needed.



## Fossoway Tennis Club

We are a family friendly club (nothing too serious) based in Crook of Devon welcoming new members of all abilities. We have internal competitions for all ages including coaching for younger children. Have a look at our Facebook page or come along on a Thursday evening from 6.30pm to speak to a member. Individual and family memberships available. Contact Gerry on 07549 553063 or email [fossowaytennis@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fossowaytennis@hotmail.co.uk).

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## Kinross Golf Club

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The 2018 **Ladies Open** will be held on **Saturday 8 September**.

The competition is individual stableford over 18 holes on the Bruce course. The Revie Memorial Trophy will be presented to the lady with the best stableford score. Our Mary Queen of Scots diamond earrings are still waiting to be won! The earrings, kindly donated by Mary Queen of Scots Enterprises Ltd, will be awarded to the first lady who achieves a hole in one on the Par 3 - 3rd. The competition entry fee is £10. If you would like a late entry, please contact Jennifer on 07837 358367.

On Friday 20 July we held our second 'Ladies Night' of the season. The evening was attended by 80 ladies who all had a great night singing and dancing to the Jersey Notes.

The Jersey Notes commented that the clubhouse was a great venue with a fantastic atmosphere!

Our next **Ladies Night** is on **Friday 30 November** and the tribute act will be ABBA. Look out for more details in due course.

The Seve/Cancer Research Charity Golf Day held at Kinross Golf Club on Friday 3 August was a great success. It was attended by 120 golfers who all had a great day and thought the course was in really good condition, thanks to Andy and his staff. Luckily the weather was good, which in turn led to some really good golf scores.

The Stableford singles winner was Stuart Bald (Garage Door Services) with a very good score of 41 points. Stuart was closely followed by the runner-up Ronnie McHale (Kinross GC).

The team winners were Team Clunie (Gordon Clunie, Grant Clunie, Paul Dees and David Eadie) with a team score of 87 points.

A big thank you goes to Kinross Estate Company for allowing us to hold the event at Kinross Golf Club. Thanks also go to Lyn and all her staff for looking after us all day and into the night.

This event would not be possible without the support of the local companies who provide valuable products, donations and prizes. It would also not happen without the golfers who participate and donate raffle prizes. Stephen Hynd would like to thank everyone for helping to raise over £3500 for Cancer Research.

Thanks to John Fraser, Raymond Hall and Susan Quinn who successfully ran the Kinross Junior Open on 17 July.

Over 20 junior competitors attended, the sun was shining, the course was in excellent condition and the winners were as follows:

Scratch U18 winner, John Vogelpohl (Pitreavie); Scratch U14 winner, Daniel Bullen (Auchterarder); Handicap U18 winner, Rory Hutchinson (Milnathort); Handicap U18 runner up, Brian McCormick (Milnathort); Handicap U14 winner, Andrew Wilkie (Blairgowrie); Handicap U14 runner up Tom Jackson (Milnathort).

We are also grateful to Greig McSporran for sponsoring the best net score in each section.

Kinross golfer Scott Michie was one of the eight players who represented Perth and Kinross County when they won the Midlands Team Championships 2018 at Thornton recently. Well done!



*Scott Michie*

Ann Smith and Heather Gough represented Kinross Ladies in the 2018 R&A Coronation Foursomes area final at Ratho Park. They finished sixth (only two points behind the winners) in a field of 85 pairs. This is an excellent result for Kinross Ladies. Well done, Ann and Heather.

Congratulations to all our players in the Ochil League. Kinross Golf Club are the 2018 winners.

This year the Senior Open was held at St Andrews, Old Course, for the first time. As a club we were invited to assist with the marshal duties over the week of the competition. We were allocated holes 12 and 13 to look after and all 23 volunteers from the club enjoyed the experience. As always, we were warmly received by St Andrews Links Trust who organise the marshals.

### **Social Diary Dates**

Please note the following dates for your diary:

**Saturday 15 September**, Summer Fun Quiz Night;

**Saturday 29 September**, Steak night in the restaurant;

**Saturday 20 October**, End of Season Dance;

**Friday 30 November**, Ladies Night with an ABBA Tribute.

Check our website for more information about golfing or social events. You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

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## Kinross Cycling Club

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What a great summer for cycling we have had (even if it is now business as usual with the weather!). Club rides have been very well attended and we have welcomed a number of new members to the club. Our membership is currently at an all-time high. It is great to see new members out enjoying themselves on their bikes and benefitting from the improved fitness and confidence that soon develops as the miles build up.

We have a choice of three weekend rides. The Saturday Social ride covers around 25 miles at 10 to 13mph, with a café stop. The Bun Run averages 40 to 50 miles at this time of year at a pace of 12 to 15mph. Both these rides leave from the campus at 9.30am prompt. The Sunday club run leaves the campus at 9am and there is usually no café stop on this ride.

## Fixie Time Trial

For the third year, our club organised a national cycle time trial specifically for people riding single speed cycles.

This is a niche market in cycling and our 17-mile course is a tough test of ability, finishing with the three-mile climb to Stronachie.

Our entrants came from all over Scotland and, for the first time, we had a lady rider. Our own secretary Kathryn Baker acquitted herself very nicely.

Everyone was rewarded with an ice cream from Giaccopazzi's afterwards.

## Grand Prix Series

With only two events remaining, the club time trial series is coming to an end. There have been new faces this year and it has been good to see plenty of ladies participating. Final placings in the league table remain open and hotly contested.

The series concludes with the mile sprint on 6 September, with a social

gathering for food and beers afterwards.

## Community Support

We were delighted to be able to offer some financial support to two valued local community groups earlier in the summer. In June we made a donation of £200 to KLEO. We also presented a cheque for £500 to Kinross-shire Day Centre.

## Save the date

Our annual awards night dinner will be held on **Saturday 1 December**. More details to follow in due course.

The Men's road race takes place on a circuit around Duncrervie and Glenfarg on **Sunday 30 September**. Thank you in advance to local residents.

Our ever popular CX race is taking place at Lochore Meadows on **Sunday 21 October**.

Details of all events can be found on our website.



## Kinross Tennis Club

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

The Wimbledon Championships are now just a distant memory, along with those scorching days of early summer! However, there is still a lot of tennis to be played this season and the ongoing US Open to enjoy. We will also hopefully experience the customary good weather of September, so there's still plenty of time to pick up a racket and join us for a game this season.

We currently have coaching sessions and social tennis for adults and juniors. There is something for everyone at all levels of ability.

## Henderson Vase Tennis Tayside

Our mixed team played in division two of this event and we have had a very mixed season. At the time of writing our record was won 1, drawn 0 and lost 4. This means that we are currently languishing at the bottom of the division.

It has been a tough season with many short term and longer term injuries. Well done to all who participated.

## Perth and District Ladies

Our ladies have been competing in the Ladies Doubles division one.

## Perth and District Gents

Our gents have been competing in the Gents Doubles division three with mixed success.

## Junior Coaching

We continue to place considerable emphasis upon junior coaching.

Autumn coaching sessions are now in full swing for Minis (ages 5 to 8) and Midi and Junior (ages 9 and over).

Junior coaching at all levels is also available and continues through until Tuesday 2 October (completing an eight week block).

To book for junior coaching and camps, please contact the coach, Daniel Reed, by email at [dartennis@amx.co.uk](mailto:dartennis@amx.co.uk).



Alternatively, contact the junior tennis coordinator, Siobhan MacLeod, by phone on 01577 865890 or by email at [kinrossstenniscoaching@gmail.com](mailto:kinrossstenniscoaching@gmail.com).

## Club Championships

The senior club championships are ongoing at the time of writing. Finals day is on **Sunday 2 September**.

The mini red, orange and green championships and junior championships were held within the coaching lesson schedule and form part of an integrated approach to coaching.

## Summer Social Tournament

For the second year running, this was unfortunately cancelled due to adverse weather conditions on that particular day. This will be re-scheduled.

## Non Members and Visitors

Sands the Ironmongers are able to provide access to the tennis courts during their business hours of Monday to Saturday, 9am to 5.30pm. A court fee of £10 is payable (£20 deposit is required for the court key).

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We are very aware of the nights drawing in. This is a sure sign that it's time for the winter training schedule which starts this month. It's also a good time to join a club to help to motivate you to keep the running up through the winter. We always welcome new members and have training sessions that fit all abilities. Whether you're new to running, want to improve or just want to keep fit and active during winter, there will be something for everyone.

It was great to see 224 runners at the inaugural Loch Leven Parkrun on 11 August. If this was your first time, there's plenty of support through clubs such as ours to help you stick at it. The Loch Leven Junior Parkrun continues to be popular. It is held every Sunday morning at 9.30am. It is a 2.5km circuit of Kirkgate Park for those aged from 4 to 14.

Club training over the next month is outlined below. Tuesday nights will focus on speed work for the first half of September. We meet at 7pm at Kirkgate.

Wednesday nights will continue as trail runs until 12 September. On Wednesdays we meet at 6.30pm at the Health Centre for care share to the start of the run.

From 18 September the winter training programme starts and we will meet at 7pm at the Health Centre on both Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The new training schedule will be posted on our website very soon.

The informal Sunday morning run meets at 9am at the Health Centre car park for either a trail or hill run at a very leisurely pace.



*KRR at Balmullo Hill Race in August*

### Programme for September

**Sunday 2 Sept:** Informal Run or Comrie Relay Hill Race.

**Tuesday 4 Sept:** 2 mile time trial followed by hot chocolate and kit sale at Roger's garage.

**Wednesday 5 Sept:** Strathmiglo trail run.

**Sunday 9 Sept:** Informal run.

**Tuesday 11 Sept:** Pyramid reps at Kirkgate Park.

**Wednesday 12 Sept:** Exmas Handicap Route.

**Sunday 16, 23, 30 Sept:** Informal run.

**Tue 18, 25 and Wed 19, 26 September:** to be confirmed.

Check our Facebook page or website for further information or to make contact.



*The inaugural Loch Leven Parkrun on 11 August*

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The new curling season starts on 10 September. The ice crew started to prepare the ice pad on 8 August by turning on the refrigeration plant. Two weeks later they started to 'flood' the ice pad; layer upon layer of water to the required thickness. After a further week the ice is painted white and then the markings are put in place. For curlers this is a very exciting process.



*The new entrance, part of an extension to the curling rink*

This year we have a new feature – under-ice logos, which have been sponsored by eight companies. The companies are: A Craig Electrical, Earnside Coaches, Natural Energy Company, Brian Johnstone Pharmacy, Cameron and Greig Veterinary Surgeons, David McQueen Gas and Heating Engineer, High Valleyfield Pharmacy and Lochend Farm Shop. We value the support of all our sponsors. Contact [philbarton@kinrosscurling.co.uk](mailto:philbarton@kinrosscurling.co.uk) if you would like to discuss sponsorship or advertising.

The new extension is nearing completion. The photo is of the new entrance. The new tarmac has still to be laid, and the internal rooms to be decorated. The extra space will make a massive difference. The 'formal' opening of the extension will take place during the bonspiel to celebrate Kinross CC's 350th anniversary – this makes them the oldest club IN THE WORLD! We are thrilled that Kate Caithness, the President of the World Curling Federation, will be our guest of honour. We are now starting a campaign to raise funds for upgrading the toilets and changing rooms. Please look out for ways to support us. There are three current projects:

- Buy a Brick – and have your name on a brick!
- Place your name on one of our curling stones.
- Buy a ticket to win a hospitality package at St Johnstone FC.

There will be many more opportunities during the season.

There is an Open Night on Thursday 6 September starting at 6.30pm to discuss the plans for the new season.

**[STOP PRESS: The Open Night is postponed until further notice as the building project is a little behind schedule.]**

The **first full bonspiel** is on **Saturday 22 September**. There will still be time to sign up for this fun event. Most clubs will have started their annual programme of matches by this date.

There are several opportunities for new curlers to try our sport. We also offer the chance for 'Company Curling' – this is where a curler brings three friends, colleagues or customers to try out the sport. Details for all competitors can be found at the rink (after 10 September).

Finally, we are very pleased to have a rink mascot; come along and meet 'Button'. Here he is enjoying his summer holidays, before he gets really busy in September.

*Button on his summer holidays*



## Athletics

Kinross-shire's world-class athletes, **Laura Muir** of Milnathort and **Eilidh Doyle** (née Child) of Kinross, have been performing in recent weeks.

At the European Championships in Berlin in mid August, Laura took the lead early in the 1500m, running strongly to take gold – her first major outdoor title.

Also in Berlin, Eilidh won bronze as part of the women's 4 x 400m relay, although there was disappointment in her main event, where she finished last in the 400m hurdles final.

The following week it was the Muller Grand Prix in Birmingham. Laura ran a tremendous race to come first in the women's 1000m, though not quite fast enough to beat the UK record set by Kelly Holmes 23 years ago.

Eilidh came fourth in the 400m hurdles at Birmingham.

### Need to check something in an old Newsletter?

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# Out & About

## Loch Leven NNR



[www.nnr.scot](http://www.nnr.scot)

Is autumn on its way? For weeks Loch Leven has basked in sunshine but the weather appears to have turned, with the temperatures down by ten degrees and much less sun. A spot or two of rain has greened the fields up after being like a desert for many weeks.

Many thanks to all the folk who came to see us at the Kinross Show. We had great fun setting up the stand and there were plenty of craft things created with the adults and the children. We've got a couple of autumn events coming up at Loch Leven. On **Sunday 30 September** there is a **Fungi Foray** at Levenmouth, meeting at the Findatie Car Park. The walk starts at 2pm. Sarah will be assisting Richard Smith from Fife Council searching for fungi in the woods. I'll be doing a **Dawn Goose Walk** at Burleigh Sands on **Sunday 4 November** starting at 6.45am. We'll stand on the loch shore waiting for the geese to leave their roost.

The toilets down at the pier are expected to be delivered on Tuesday 11 September. Ground work is underway. Well done to all the partners who helped to deliver this including PKC, HES, TRACKS and Kinross estate, after two years of planning. If anyone is having any trouble contacting us, our e-mails have changed from @gov.uk to @nature.scot. Please update your contacts accordingly.

There have been a few interesting bird visitors to Loch Leven recently. A Long-eared owl has been on St Serf's, Little Egrets seem to be resident on the loch now, a Little Ringed Plover was also on St Serf's and over 20 Ospreys have been seen at once.

I am still updating the blog regularly. There are lots of plant, birds and scenery photos. Search for Loch Leven Wordpress. Also news is reported via the Scotland's National Nature Reserve page on Facebook, @Stevethecappercaillie on Instagram and @SNHnortheast.

The warning signs are still up regarding public health around the loch. Please exercise caution around the loch until the signs come down. With the obvious drop in temperature the conditions are improving and there is little evidence of algae now. At this time of year vegetation from the loch bed gets washed up along the shoreline. This rots down and can smell a little. Even though we've seen these algae events, the water quality has improved a lot over the last 20 years. The local environment is much healthier then the days of 'Scum Sunday' in the nineties.

Please note that open water access is discouraged on Loch Leven NNR between 1 September and 1 April. This is to protect the wintering birds on the site. For further information about the avoidance of disturbance to the wild birds and access guidance to the site please visit our website [www.nnr.scot](http://www.nnr.scot). Many of the birds we see at Loch Leven are turning up from now on. Please enjoy the wildlife spectacle that happens on your doorstep.

Jeremy, Reserve officer

**Deadline for all Submissions**  
**5pm, Friday 14 September**  
**for publication on Saturday 29 September**

## Gardens Open in September



**Rowberrow**, 18 Castle Road, Dollar, FK14 7BE, open by arrangement and also on **Sunday 2 September**, 2pm-5pm. B & R Jarvis, tel 01259 742584, email rjarvis1000@hotmail

**Hollytree Lodge, Muckhart**, Dollar, FK14 7JW, open by arrangement until 31 October. Liz & Peter Wyatt, tel 0797 337 4687, email elizwyatt@aol.com

**Pitcurran House, Abernethy**, PH2 9LH, open by arrangement until 30 September. Mrs Noel-Paton, tel 01738 850933, email patricianp@pitcurran.com

**Rossie House, Forgandenny**, PH2 9EH, open by request. Mr & Mrs David Nichol, tel 01738 812265, email judynichol@rossiehouse.co.uk

**Parkhead House**, Burghmuir Road, **Perth**, PH1 1RB, open by arrangement until 30 September. Mr & Mrs M Tinson, tel 01738 625983, email maddy.tinson@gmail.com

**Hill of Tarvit Plant Sale and Autumn Fair, Sunday 30 September**, 10.30am-3pm. Admission £2, children free. A fantastic opportunity to purchase bare root and potted plants. Donations of plants also welcomed on the Friday or Saturday. Children's activity: make a willow crown.

More information about these gardens, and many others open throughout Scotland, is available on the Scotland's Gardens website [www.scotlandsgardens.org](http://www.scotlandsgardens.org)

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As we move away from the breeding season and summer turns to autumn, the wildlife are once again at peace with one another. A dull, wet September afternoon sees a lone grey heron huddled in the rain sitting in quiet companionship with an adult lapwing, a union that mere months ago would have been impossible.

Sightings of osprey have been particularly good throughout August. These beautiful birds have been spotted in numbers as high as six throughout the reserve, their long flight back to their wintering grounds signalling the oncoming change in season.



*Heron and lapwing*

The warden team have been hard at work this month removing scrub and brambles from the reserve, as well as ensuring the wetland vegetation is cut appropriately. This is done in order to prevent it becoming overgrown, and allow the habitat to remain as it is – a wet grassland. Wading birds such as lapwing need the grass levels to be low at the start of the breeding season to allow them to dig out the ground and make their nests. However, once they have laid their eggs they need the grass to grow around them to hide them from potential predators.

We have some excellent events this month including a **Wild Night Bat Walk** on **Friday 7 September** from 7.30pm to 9pm. Here you can explore the reserve after dark to see and hear the different types of bats found. Up to five species of these fascinating nocturnal creatures can be spotted, including the rare Nathusius' Pipistrelle bat. Booking is essential (RSPB

members £8, child members £3, non-members £10, child £5). Another of our seasonal **Wildlife Writing Workshops** is being held at Loch Leven on **Saturday 22 September** from 10am until 2pm. Come with paper and pen and a readiness to be inspired by the birdlife, wildlife and landscape of Loch Leven. Author and poet Anita John will lead you through a range of exercises designed to get you writing. You will take a tour of the reserve and then return indoors to capture your images in words. Booking is essential and can be done via our Eventbrite page at [rspblochleven.eventbrite.com](http://rspblochleven.eventbrite.com) (RSPB members £10, non-members £15).

Although it may seem far off in the distant future, Halloween is just around the corner and Loch Leven will be hosting a spooky Halloween half-term **Treasure Hunt!** Simply drop in anytime between 10am and 4pm from **Monday 8 October to Sunday 21 October**. Pick up your treasure sheet at the visitor centre and see how many objects you can find! Expect nature wonders, spooky stuff, and of course, the odd trick or treat. Suitable for children of all ages, no booking required (£2 per sheet).

If you have visited the reserve recently you will have noticed there is a new path leading up from the car park to the visitor centre which is now wider, smoother, and much more wheelchair friendly. This is all part of our underpass project to provide open access for all our visitors to the heritage trail, no matter what their ability. The underpass tunnel is due to be completed by the end of October and we would like to thank all our visitors for their patience, understanding, and continued support during this time.

## Weather



### July Weather Report from Kinross

Total rainfall	44.6mm = 1.78ins
Heaviest rainfall	10.3mm (28th)
Total sunshine for the month	210.1 hours
Sunniest day	10.8 hours (26th)
Minimum temperature average	9.71°C
Lowest temperature	2.6°C (6th)
Maximum temperature average	22.09°C
Highest temperature	27.3°C (27th)

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# Farming

## Teenagers and Lamb

You might think I've lost the plot... A better column would be about harvest as the fields around our loch are turning golden. Maybe I could write about how the livestock and crops coped in the drought of July or about the success of Kinross Show, but no. This month, I'm inspired to join these two words together to create a more daring title and look at how we can encourage our young people to eat more lamb.

I was given a head start as our own teenager let me know that the High School were offering free samples of cooked lamb on The Street at Wednesday lunchtime. Its "Love Lamb" week and our industry body, Quality Meat Scotland, organises this in conjunction with the school kitchen to promote Scottish lamb.

Taste is the main driver of food choices for all ages so if your teenagers haven't tried lamb before I'm pleased they can have a wee taste with their peers. If they want to try more, autumn is the time to pop it in the trolley when it is in season and tastes at its best.

Two of our kids love lamb. The boys like chops as they are juicy, tender and you

don't need a knife and fork (despite the fact that they are 19 and 15, cutlery remains optional.) They also prefer lamb mince so we swapped to this a few years ago for our 'mince and tatties' nights. It's also their first choice on the BBQ on a burger with cheese or with peppers on a skewer.

Our daughter is no longer a teenager and in common with many girls her age she chooses to eat only a little good quality meat each week. However, a highlight of her trip to Skye in the summer was dinner at The Ferry Inn, Uig where she selected loin of Highland lamb with Mediterranean vegetables and baby spinach. It was naturally reared, so an ethical choice as well as being delicious, I believe.

I do feel that red meat protein produced from a grass-based diet has nutritional benefits. This year we had 1300 lambs turned out into the fields and I can tell you about their life on our farm and why I think this helps the meat that we produce to be so good for you.

It's a perpetual cycle really, but commences early on during pregnancy when we feed the ewes on turnips grown on our farm, homemade silage

and a concentrate feed that is made with Scottish cereals blended with protein and minerals. The ewes rely on this for lamb development and to produce a good milk supply once the lambs arrive. As the grass grows the concentrate is reduced and the lambs are reared in the fields on their mother's milk and grass alone.

We've sold 30% of our lambs already. I admit some of our early lambs get a bit of extra feeding to supplement the shortage of spring grass, but the majority are finished only on forage. It's the year round attention to nutrition that means the final product is a fantastic protein source with good levels of healthy fat and full of vitamin B3 and B12, phosphorus and zinc.

I don't expect many teenagers read this column so I'm relying on you to make it a talking point over dinner one night this week. Hopefully it stimulates some discussion and of course it would be easier to discuss if you are all tucking into a flavoursome lamb roast, traditional shepherd's pie or maybe even an exotic lamb tagine.

Whatever it is, enjoy it!

Fiona

## Local Attraction Opening Times

### Lochleven Castle, Castle Island, Kinross

Located on an island in beautiful Loch Leven, this is one of Scotland's oldest castles, probably built in the early 1300s.

Mary, Queen of Scots spent a traumatic year in captivity here, when she miscarried twins and was forced to abdicate. She dramatically escaped in 1568.

The property is reached by boat, operated by Historic Scotland and departing from the fishery pier (Pier Road, KY13 8UF) where there is parking and a Historic Scotland shop and ticket office.

Due to limited capacity, it is recommended that all visits are booked in advance. This can be done online at [www.historicenvironment.scot/lochleven-castle](http://www.historicenvironment.scot/lochleven-castle) or via the local ticket office. Phone 01577 862670 for further information. Access times for 2018:

26 March to 30 September: Daily, 10am to last outward sailing at 4.15pm

1-31 October: Daily, 10am to last outward sailing at 3.15pm

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**Events listed below are in the church unless indicated otherwise.**

### Regular Services and Events

**Sundays:** 10.30am: Morning Service with Crèche. Junior Church (age 3 to P7) and 'Jam Pact' (Secondary Age) meet at church centre from 10.15am, finish at church.

7.30pm: 'Crossfire' (S1 upwards) in church centre.

**Monday:** Evening House Group: contact office for details.

**Tuesdays:** 10am: Pram Service. Afternoon House Group: contact office for details.

**Wednesdays:** 10.45am Service, church centre.

1.30pm: Craft Group. 3.05pm: 'Talkback' for P6/7 in Upper Room. Evening House Groups: contact office for details.

**Fridays:** The Brigade, church centre.

Anchor Section 6 – 7.15pm, Junior Section 7 - 9pm, Company Section 8 – 10pm (Contact: David Munro 862126).

**Saturdays:** 10am -12noon 'Coffee Stop', church centre. Coffee, cakes and book sale most Saturdays.

### Other Events and Services

#### September

- Sun 2** 10.30am: Quarterly Communion.  
6.30pm: Informal Evening Communion.  
Collection at both services for 'Christians Against Poverty' (SC039942).
- Mon 3** 8am: Silent Meditation.
- Tue 4** 2.30pm: Service at Whyte Court.  
4pm: Service at the Sycamores.
- Sun 9** 10.30am: Morning Service: 'Ability Sunday'.
- Thu 13** 7pm: All Friends Together.
- Sat 15** 8.30am: Prayer Breakfast.
- Sun 16** 12.15pm: 'Cheese Roll and a Chat', after the Morning Service.
- Tue 18** 7.15pm: Guild resumes – learn about the trip to Malawi by young people from Kinross Parish Church.
- Thu 20** 9pm: late evening service of Compline.
- Sun 23** 7.30pm: Special Evening Service led by 'Crossfire', in recognition of Scotland's 'Year of Young People'.
- Tue 25** 2.30pm: Service at Causeway Court.
- Sun 30** 10.30am: Harvest Thanksgiving. Harvest Appeal for 'Christians Against Poverty', especially its work in Scotland (SC039942).  
5.30pm: Harvest Supper at Church Centre – supper intertwined with worship and a focus on Malawi.

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### Sunday Services 11.15am

#### September

- Sun 2** 11.15am **Morning Worship celebrating the 'Year of Young People'** followed by refreshments in the Village Hall served by Guild members in aid of Guild funds. Traidcraft Stall.
- Mon 3** 3.15pm **Messy Church** in the Village Hall. Open to all children and their carers.
- Sun 9** 11.15am **Morning Worship\***
- Sun 16** 11.15am **Morning Worship\***
- Sun 23** 11.15am **Morning Worship and Guild Dedication Service\***
- Mon 24** 2pm **Guild Meeting** in the Village Hall.
- Tue 25** 7pm **Kirk Session** meet in the Young Room.
- Fri 28** 5.30pm **All-age Games Night and Supper** in the Village Hall.

\* Please note that refreshments will be served in the Young Room after Morning Worship. All welcome.

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### Sunday Service

We meet every Sunday at the Crook of Devon Village Hall. The service starts at 10.30am for teas and coffees, with the gathering to worship God commencing at 11am. After the service, there will be refreshments and conversation. For more information about who we are and what we do, visit our website.

## Kinross Gospel Hall

Montgomery Street, Kinross  
[www.kinrossgospelhall.info](http://www.kinrossgospelhall.info)

- Sunday** 10.30am Breaking of Bread  
12.30pm Sunday School  
4.00pm Gospel Meeting (1st & 3rd Sundays of the month, Friends and Neighbours Tea)
- Monday** 7.30pm Prayer Meeting  
8.15pm Bible Study
- Thursday** 9.30am Toddlers Group (Montgomery Toddlers)

## St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church

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St Paul's is inclusive, 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 and 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.

### 1st Mondays

10am Pastoral Care group (Side chapel).

### Tuesdays

11am Informal Holy Communion (Side chapel).

### Thursdays

1.45pm – 2.45pm Rector's Hour. An opportunity to drop in and speak to the Rector in the Church Office (*please note change of time*).

### Forthcoming Services and Events - all welcome

#### September

##### Sun 2 Pentecost 16 (Proper 22)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

##### Sun 9 Pentecost 17 (Proper 23)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

##### Sun 16 Ninian of Whithorn

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Whole Church Sung Eucharist.

##### Sun 23 Pentecost 19 (Proper 25)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

##### Sun 30 Pentecost 20 (Proper 26)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Lay-led Liturgy of the Word and Sung Eucharist.

(Harvest Sunday will now be Sunday 21 October).



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### Regular Services

Mon 7pm Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Prayer Group at 8pm in the church hall.

Tue 10am Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Morning Prayer (9.30 - 9.50am).

Wed 10am Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Morning Prayer (9.30 - 9.50am). Teas / Coffees after Mass, in the church hall.

Thu 10am Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Morning Prayer (9.30 - 9.50am).

Fri 10am Holy Mass preceded by Morning Prayer and Confessions (9.30 - 9.50am).

3pm Divine Mercy Devotions.

Sat 10-10.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions (first Saturday of every month Holy Mass at 10am).

7pm Vigil Mass.

Sun 9.30am Mass (teas/coffees after Mass in church hall).

**Confessions** also on request.

**Prayer Group** meets on a Monday, 8pm-10pm, in the church hall and is open to all.

**Children's Catechism class** meets every Monday during term time, 3.45pm-4.30pm in the church hall.

The weekly newsletter, Mass times, news and updates or changes can be found on our website.

### SPONSORED WALK OR CYCLE ROUND LOCH LEVEN STARTING FROM LOCH LEVEN BOAT HOUSE

**Sunday 23 September 12.45pm**

Fossoway church and its wonderful Elizabeth Wilkie Hall provides a great service to the community: church services, social nights, mother & toddler group, café refresh, film nights, men's breakfast etc. As our income falls we need to raise funds to continue serving the elderly and the young people of the area. Please join us for a day out walking, cycling or riding your way round Loch Leven. Bring a picnic, stop off for a coffee along the way, walk the dog, do the whole 13 miles or just a part of the route. Everyone welcome to help us keep the church and the hall as a viable asset to our village and the wider community.

**Sponsor forms and further information available  
from Janet Harper or the Kirk**

A great day out to raise funds for Fossoway Church - everyone welcome!

Bring your friends, bring your dogs. Free hire of mobility scooters available.



Contact Janet Harper, telephone 01577 840225  
Scottish Charity No SC013157

## Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church

**Church of Scotland** (Charity number SC015523)

Minister - Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison

Telephone: 01577 863461

Email: angusmorrison3@gmail.com

Website: 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.

**Messy Church** resumes in Orwell Hall on 29 September from 4 to 6pm.

### Dates and events for your diary

**2 Sep** Joint all-age service in Orwell Church at 10.30am.

No morning service at Portmoak Church.

**28 Sep** Oasis Ladies Group meets in Portmoak New Room from 10.15am to 11.45am: 'A trip to India with Wilma'.

**2 Oct** The Guild meets in Orwell Hall at 7pm: 'To Windsor to meet the Queen'.

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

## 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.*

## Fossoway, St Serf's & Devonside Church

**Church of Scotland** (Charity number SC013157)

Church Road, Crook of Devon, Kinross-shire, KY13 0UY

www.fossowaychurch.org.uk

Minister: Rev Lis Stenhouse Telephone: (01577) 842128

Email: estenhouse@churchofscotland.org.uk

Session Clerk: Mrs Janet Harper Telephone: (01577) 840225

Email: aclassicsoul@aol.com

Our church is a very warm and welcoming place situated in the Crook of Devon, a small village about six miles from Kinross. Come and join us, we would love to meet you.

We have prayer time every Sunday before worship, 9.15 - 9.30pm. All are welcome.

**Sunday Services** at 9.45am. All are welcome.

### September

**Sun 2** 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.

9.45am Morning Worship.

A special service to celebrate the Year of Young People led by KYTHE Youth Band.

**Sun 9** 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.

9.15am Morning Worship.

**Sun 16** 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.

9.15am Morning Worship.

**Sun 23** 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.

9.15am Morning Worship.

**Sun 30** 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.

9.15am Morning Worship.

### Café Refresh

Thursdays, 2 - 4pm. Time for coffee, cake and a blether.

### messychurch@fossoway

Our next Messy Church will be on Friday 28 September at 3.15pm in the Crook of Devon Village Hall.

Lots of messy fun; all are welcome but remember that all children need to bring an adult.

### Christianity Explored

7.30pm in the Church Hall, September 13, 20 and 27, October 4 and 25 and November 1 and 8.

Christianity Explored is a relaxed and informal way of sharing the best news you can ever hear, and gives people space and time to think about the big questions of life. Over seven sessions we will look at Mark's Gospel to find out more about the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith – Jesus Christ. The structure of each session is simple: a short time of praise and prayer, a short film, and a chance to have a short discussion. All are welcome.

### Film Evening

7.30pm – 9.30pm in the Church Hall.

On Friday 7 September we will be showing: *The Darkest Hour*<sup>PG</sup>. Winston Churchill is appointed prime minister during the early days of World War II and is faced with the momentous choice of continuing to fight or trying to parlay with Hitler.

On Friday 5 October we will be showing: *Finding your Feet*<sup>12</sup>, The 'feel good' movie of the year.

Please join us for the film, a cuppa and a blether and even some popcorn.

### Classified Advertisements

Check the Classified Ads section on **www.kinross.cc**

Buy or Sell Goods up to the value of £750

Items are advertised free of charge for up to six weeks

### Sending photographs to the Newsletter

Contributors, if sending a photograph to the Newsletter, please send as a JPEG file and not embedded in a word document. Thank you.

# 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 SCIO

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross

Reg Scottish Charity No SCIO7748

**Tel: 01577 862071**

**Mobile: 07592 392 235**



*We provide a warm, friendly and stimulating environment in which children can learn and develop through play.*

**Garden Guddle:** Mon 9am - 3pm.

**Playgroup:** Children from age 2 years welcome.

Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri 9.05am - 11.50am

**Inbetweeners:** Mon 9.05 - 11.50am, optional Lunch Club afterwards. Children from the age of 3 years welcome.

**Rising Fives:** Tues 12.55pm - 3.10pm, optional Lunch Club beforehand, 12.10-12.55pm. 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**

Unfortunately this group is not on at present as there is no one to run it. Should anyone wish to volunteer to start the group up again, please contact Swansacre Playgroup.

The premises are available to hire for Private Functions. For more information, please contact Louise on 07926 600 0657 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 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

## 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

## Glenfarg Village Folk Club

*The club meets at "Backstage at the Green",  
Green Hotel, Kinross, on Mondays  
Doors open 7.30pm Music starts 8pm  
Entry fees: Guest nights: Members £6, Non-members £9;  
Singaround: £2 for all  
For more info, see: [www.glenfargfolkclub.com](http://www.glenfargfolkclub.com)*

**3 Sept: Jed Grimes.** Having begun his career with the 70s folk-rock band Hedgehog Pie, Jed has continued to entertain throughout Europe ever since. A combination of his folk-roots music, powerful vocals and rich guitar style, allied to his ready Geordie wit, continues to excite his audiences.

**10 Sept: Flossie Malavialle.** Flossie has a wide repertoire ranging from folk through jazz through Piaf through blues. That range, combined with a brilliant personality and enthusiastic stage presence, ensures a night to remember.

**17 Sept: Singaround.** Summer's over, Seasonal Affective Disorder on the way. The theme tonight has to be "Quality Dreich" to allow us to wallow in our low mood. Despite that, all welcome whether to sing, play, listen or cry.

**24 Sept: Brooks Williams.** Originally from Statesboro, Georgia, Brooks is a modern-day great American blues and acoustic guitarist. His music draws heavily on his native roots and his style has been described as "a beautiful fusion of blues, old country with a touch of Americana". A multi-recording artiste who has performed at Celtic Connections, The Cambridge Folk Festival and with thousands of gigs under his belt, tonight he is at Backstage. Wow!

**1 Oct: Daria Kulesh and Tristan Seume:** Two hugely interesting artistes now joined in an exciting new collaboration. Daria is a singer-songwriter with Russian and Ingush roots and Tristan is one of the UK's leading young acoustic guitarists.

## DO YOU LOVE TO SING? Hillfoot Harmony Ladies Barbershop Chorus

Looking for new members  
Rehearsal Wednesday evening in Dollar  
More information via Facebook  
[hillfootharmonycomms@gmail.com](mailto:hillfootharmonycomms@gmail.com)

### REFRESH

*In association with Light & Life*  
**Thursday 6 September**  
7.30pm – 9pm

Angel Cakes Tearoom, 157 High Street, Kinross

This will be the second in a series of events organised by the team who previously ran Healing Rooms in Milnathort. We are now working with "Light and Life" who have events throughout Scotland.

"Refresh" is an opportunity for you to relax in a friendly environment, enjoy Angela's delicious cakes, tea or coffee and also experience some relaxing therapies such as hand massage, encouraging words, healing prayer and prophetic art. There will also be uplifting live music to enjoy and opportunity, if you wish, to have a chat with some of our trained volunteers.

There is no charge for admission. Refreshments will be on sale.

**Cleish SWI  
Coffee Morning  
Saturday 15 September**  
10am – 12 noon  
Cleish Hall. All welcome.

## Skeins & Bobbins Classes

Primary and Senior knitting classes resumed in August. Please note, **Thursdays are fully booked**. For Tuesdays and Fridays, please book in advance.

**Primary:** Tuesdays 4, 11, 18 & 25 Sept.

**Senior:** Fridays 7, 14, 21 & 28 Sept.

Knitting and crochet group for adults continues on Saturdays, 2pm-4pm. Crochet resumed on 18 August 2018.

Skeins & Bobbins, 120 High Street, Kinross. Tel: 01577 208107.

## The Thursday Group

This is a women's group, meeting on the first Thursday of the month in the lower hall of the Church Centre at 7.30pm. Existing and new members very welcome. Contact Elaine on 01592 840266. The first meeting is on **Thursday 6 September 2018**.

<b>6 Sept</b>	<b>Malawi</b> (Brenda Frier)
<b>4 Oct</b>	<b>Heavenly Chocolate</b> (Gwen McQueen)
<b>1 Nov</b>	<b>Beetle Drive</b>
<b>6 Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Meal Outing</b>
<b>3 Jan</b>	<b>Cycling without Age</b> (Kirsteen Ross)
<b>7 Feb</b>	<b>Jewellery</b> (Gillian Skene)
<b>7 Mar</b>	<b>Woodland Trust</b> (Ian Baird)
<b>4 Apr</b>	<b>Aero Space Kinross</b> (Alisdair Stewart)
<b>2 May</b>	<b>AGM</b>

## The Gaelic Society of Perth

The Society will start their winter cèilidh season at St Matthew's Church Hall, Tay Street, Perth, on **Friday 14 September at 7.30pm**.

Mòd gold medallist Deirdre McTaggart will sing, and Joyce Ramsay will play the accordion.

Admission is £6 for members and £7 for non-members – for an evening's entertainment plus refreshments! Membership of the society is £1 for the year – excellent value.

Further cèilidhs will take place on: 26 October, 16 November, 7 December 2018 and 11 January, 8 February and 15 March 2019.

Further information can be obtained from the secretary on 01577 864589. You can also access our website at [www.gaelicsocietyofperth.com](http://www.gaelicsocietyofperth.com) and find us on Facebook – we are **Gaelic Society of Perth**. On the Facebook page you can also find lots of information about Gaelic events in Fife as well as Perth and Kinross.



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## Loch Leven NNR Events Programme 2018



<b>Sun 30 September</b>	<b>Fungi Foray,</b> 2pm-4pm, Levenmouth
<b>Sun 4 November</b>	<b>Goose Walk,</b> 6.45am, Burleigh Sands car park

*All dates and times are subject to change. All our events are free and booking is essential. To book your place on any of the above events, please email: [LOCHLEVEN\\_NNR@snh.gov.uk](mailto:LOCHLEVEN_NNR@snh.gov.uk)*

## Music In Dollar

The Music In Dollar Coffee Morning will take place on the morning of **Saturday 8 September** from 10am until 12 noon at the Burnside Hall, on the Burnside, Dollar. You will be able to support the Society by coming along and having a coffee and a scone and buying your season ticket for the concerts detailed below! Entry is £2.50 with live music provided by Fergus McCreadie and you can also find out more about the society.

Mrs Donaldson, who supervises the cake stall, is looking forward to getting your donations. Phone her on 01259 742 39419 to discuss when to bring yours along or just bring them on the morning of 8 September to the Burnside Hall.

### Programme for 2018-19

**Sat 15 Sep** **Rose Room**, an award-winning Gypsy Swing Jazz group with fantastic instrumentalists. 7.30pm.  
**Sat 6 Oct** **Daniel Ciobanu**, solo piano. 7.30pm.  
**Sun 20 Jan** **Ayman Jarjour**, solo guitar. 7.30pm.  
**Sun 24 Feb** **Emily Mitchell Vocal Ensemble**, with a mixture of opera, songs from musicals and traditional airs. 7.30pm.

**Sat 16 Mar** **Alistair Savage**, traditional fiddle group. 7.30pm.  
 All concerts are held in the Gibson Hall at Dollar Academy.  
 We hope this eclectic mix – both of musical styles and time – will tempt you to come and try the society out if you have not been before, and we hope you will renew your membership if you have been a member previously.

Further information is available from the concert secretary on 01577 864589 or the society website [www.musicindollar.org.uk](http://www.musicindollar.org.uk).

## Light Up Kinross Fundraising Beetle Drive

(with prizes)

Kinross Church Centre, High Street, Kinross

**Saturday 22 September**

7.30pm – 10pm. All welcome.

Ticket prices: Adults: £5

Children (under 16): £3

Ticket price includes refreshments  
(tea, coffee, squash, biscuits)

Children under 16 to be accompanied by an adult

Please email [mbs21@btinternet.com](mailto:mbs21@btinternet.com) to register your interest and book for the event. Alternatively, phone 01577 862945. Admission will also be available on the evening, but it would help to give an insight into the numbers if you were to register. We look forward to seeing you on the evening in support of this worthwhile cause.

## Adult Vaulting Taster Session

Kinross Vaulting Group at Carnbo, Kinross

**Saturday 22 September**

2pm – 4pm

Cost £17, open to anyone over 15 years old

Maximum weight limit 12 stone

Please contact Liz Mackay to book:

[lizmacward@hotmail.com](mailto:lizmacward@hotmail.com)

## Potager Garden Coffee Morning and Raffle

in aid of

## Macmillan Cancer Support

**Saturday 29 September**

10.30am – 12 noon

Plants for sale. All welcome.

## Milnathort filmhouse at Milnathort Town Hall

is Back After the Summer Break

**15th September 2018**

3.00pm (Doors Open at 2.30pm)

PADDINGTON RETURNS IN AN ALL NEW  
ADVENTURE WITH THE BROWN FAMILY

GET READY FOR FUN, LAUGHS AND MARMALADE

Child	£4.00
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Guarantee Your Seats By Booking Your Tickets Online



8.00pm (Doors Open at 7.30pm)

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**Friday 28th September 2018**

**Fossoway Primary School PTA**

Fossoway Primary School, Drum, KY13 0UL

Doors open 7.00pm, show starts 7.30pm

Tickets: £5 including a glass of wine

Tickets to be purchased in advance

Charity raffle: FABULOUS prizes to be won at the show!

For tickets and more information please contact:  
[fossowaypta@gmail.com](mailto:fossowaypta@gmail.com) or Elaine 07736 144917

## Hedges/Bushes/Trees Causing Obstruction

Property owners are reminded that it is their responsibility to cut back hedges, branches, bushes etc to ensure that pavements and public footpaths are not obstructed.

Property owners may be liable if injury is caused to others and may be charged costs if Perth & Kinross Council is forced to take action.

## KINROSS HUB THE CARERS CAFE

**3 September 2018**  
Dementia Awareness (PKAVS)

**1 October 2018**  
Technology Enabled Care (PKC Staff)

**5 November 2018**  
Men's Shed (Roy Gilmour)

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



## KINROSS CARERS THERAPIES

**IF YOU ARE AN UNPAID CARER\* REGISTERED WITH PKAVS CARERS HUB YOU COULD ENJOY A FREE COMPLEMENTARY THERAPY SESSION!**

BOOKING IS REQUIRED & DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

Therapy Days are the 2nd Monday of each month with Shirley Morgan @ Heart and Soul Centre, High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AN

**REIKI**



**CRYSTAL THERAPY**



For more info on support for unpaid carers in Kinross contact Carer Support Worker Annette Bond on 01738 567076

Bookings open the 1st Monday of each month. Please call the Carers Hub on 01738 567076 to book an appointment.

### Mindfulness Meditation Class

**Mondays and Fridays, 7pm – 8pm**

Loch Leven Community Campus ICT Room

Participants can expect to do some gentle movement, mini sound workshop, relaxation, meditation, mp3 guided meditation, philosophy and reflection.

The sessions are run on a drop-in basis. Entry is by donation. Further information from Vincent Johnston at:

Vincent.johnston@icloud.com



### Scottish Country Dancing Milnathort Town Hall

We start dancing again on Wednesday nights at 7.30pm from **26 September 2018**. Old and new members welcome; no partners necessary.

More information from Cathie at 01577 861103.

### Perth Samaritans

Need to talk? We'll listen.

Contact us by

**phone** on 01738 626666 or 08457 909090

**Email** us jo@samaritans.org

or **visit** us at 3 King's Place, Perth, PH2 8AA

Mondays	1630 – 2130	Thursdays	1630 – 1900
Wednesdays	0830 – 1100	Fridays	1000 – 1630
and	1930 – 2130	Sundays	0800 – 2130

**No pressure, no names, no judgment.**

**We're here for you, anytime.**

### Perth & Kinross School Term Dates 2018-19

Term	Start (for pupils)	End
Autumn	Tue 14 Aug 2018	Fri 5 Oct 2018
Winter	Mon 22 Oct 2018	Fri 21 Dec 2018
Spring	Mon 7 Jan 2019	Fri 29 Mar 2019
Summer	Mon 15 Apr 2019	Fri 28 Jun 2018

#### Holidays and In-Service Days:

Autumn holiday:	Mon 8 Oct – Fri 19 Oct 2018
In-Service days:	Thu 15 Nov and Fri 16 Nov 2018
Christmas holiday:	Mon 24 Dec 2018 – Fri 4 Jan 2019
In-Service & occ holidays:	Wed 13 Feb – Fri 15 Feb 2019
Spring holiday:	Mon 1 Apr – Fri 12 Apr 2019
Easter w/e & In-Service day:	Fri 19 Apr – Tue 23 Apr 2019 (Easter Sunday is 21 April 2019)
May Day holiday:	Mon 6 May 2019

### Grants and Funding Websites

www.pkgrantsdirect.com  
www.foundationscotland.org.uk

Find us on Facebook: [Scottish Mining Trust Culross](#)

The PLUS office is open Mon-Fri, 9.30am – 4pm  
for mental health signposting and enquiries.

Contact Rhona on 01383 830286.



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This weekly group is for anyone with an interest in improving their wellbeing and needing support on their recovery journey from addiction or substance misuse. The café aims to get people speaking about recovery and wellbeing in all its many forms and provides the opportunity to:

- share ideas, information and resources
- explore support networks and ways of moving forward
- breakdown isolation
- improve health and wellbeing

Richard Lister: 07885 971298, richard.lister@cairscotland.org.uk



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The Beacon, St Paul's Church, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AU

Email: [admin@brokenotbroken.org](mailto:admin@brokenotbroken.org)



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**31 March and 30 September**

More information is available on the [kinross.cc](http://kinross.cc) website. Applications may be downloaded from the website or obtained from the Applications Administrator, Barry Davies, Tel 01577 865004 or email [barrydavies57@btinternet.com](mailto:barrydavies57@btinternet.com)

MindSpace Recovery College runs free courses covering all aspects of mental health, co-delivered by people with lived experience, and are open to all.



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
October	Friday 14 September	Saturday 29 September
November	Friday 12 October	Saturday 27 October



**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 

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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**



## The Bike Station

Donate unwanted bikes, parts and cycling accessories for reuse. Poorer bikes are salvaged for parts. Bikes are refurbished by qualified expert mechanics and sold on to the public at affordable prices with a three-month warranty. Donated bikes and parts are collected from all Perth & Kinross Recycling Centres, including the Kinross centre at the Bridgend Industrial Estate. Bike sales are held at The Bike Station, 284 High Street, Perth, PH1 5QS, Tuesday to Saturday 10am – 5pm.

The Bike Station also offers a Repair Service, a Fix Your Own Bike facility and a Dr Bike mobile service.

Tel: 01738 444430. Website: [www.thebikestation.org.uk](http://www.thebikestation.org.uk)

The Perth Bike Station is an accredited Revolve organisation.



## 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)

## 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:

**11 & 25 September**

No appointment is necessary as the surgery is a drop-in service. For complex issues a further appointment may be necessary. Perth CAB can help you. Our advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent.

Contact us: Advice line 01738 450580.

Appointment line 01738 450581.



### 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)

## La Leche League meetings in Kinross

**First Thursday of the month,  
10am – 12 noon**



**LA LECHE LEAGUE  
INTERNATIONAL**

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

## 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 by providing information and running regular self-management courses, workshops and peer support groups.

Our Peer Support Group in Kinross is now a meet up group and is currently *not* meeting at St Paul’s Church room. This runs on the first Thursday of the month from 1.30pm. Please contact our office for further details.

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: 01738 440099. Email: [enquiries.positivechoices@gmail.com](mailto:enquiries.positivechoices@gmail.com)

We are a registered Scottish Charity SC031076

Empowering Lives, Improving Health



## Community Councils

**Kinross:** Secy: Eileen Thomas, 01577 863714  
Email: kinrosscommunitycouncil@gmail.com

**Milnathort:** Chair: Craig Williams, 07885 722125  
Email: craig@stovestuff.scot

**Portmoak:** Chair: Malcolm Strang Steel, 01592 840459  
Email: PortmoakCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

**Fossoway & District:** Chair: Trudy Duffy-Wigman, 01577 840669  
Email: fossoway.cc@gmail.com

**Cleish & Blairadam:** Secy: Patty Fraser, 01577 850253  
Email: CleishCommunityCouncil@pkc.gov.uk

### Kinross Community Councillors

Margaret Blyth	6 Muir Grove	
Jonathan Bryson	4 Burnbank Meadows	
David Colliar	10 Rannoch Place	01577 864037
Dave Cuthbert	85 Bowton Road	07799 750289
Barry Davies	60 Lathro Park	01577 865004
Bill Freeman (Chair)	64 Muirs	01577 865045
Ian Jack	Burnbrae Grange	01577 863980
Lynne McKay	5 Springfield Road	01577 531076
Thomas Stewart	Gellybank Farm	01577 864603
Eileen Thomas (Secy)	50 Muirs	01577 863714
David West	30 Muirs	07824 313974

### Portmoak Community Councillors

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Susan Forde		01592 840128
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Dave Morris		01592 840500
Andrew Muszynski		01592 840467

Have a look at our website: [www.portmoak.org](http://www.portmoak.org)

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## Mobile Library Service

### Visiting on Tuesdays 11 & 25 September

Glenfarg	Main Street	1200-1300
Forgandenny	Rossie Place	1545-1615

### Visiting on Wednesdays 5 & 19 September

Kinnesswood	Opposite shop	0930-1000
Portmoak	Hall	1005-1020
Scotlandwell	Leslie Road	1025-1050
Portmoak	Hall	1125-1140
Scotlandwell	Leslie Road	1145-1205
Levenmouth Farm		1100-1120
Hatchbank Road	Gairneybank	1140-1200
Powmill	Mill Gardens	1320-1340
Cleish	Phone Box	1400-1415
Crook of Devon	Village Inn	1345-1430
Carnbo	Pitcairnie Lane	1440-1500
Causeway Court	Kinross	1515-1535
Whyte Court	Kinross	1540-1610

For more information, see: [www.culturepk.org.uk/libraries](http://www.culturepk.org.uk/libraries) and click on 'Services in the Community'

## Blythswood Care collection in Perth

The charity Blythswood Care uplifts donations of secondhand goods in Perth at **MacDiarmid Park**. There will be collections there on the following Tuesdays, from 11.30am until 1.15pm: **4 September, 2 October, 6 November, 4 December.**

Blythswood Care welcomes undamaged and good quality donations of: clothes, footwear, books, toys, blankets, bric à brac, bicycles, soft furnishings (bedding, curtains etc), CDs, DVDs, mobile phones, tools and small items of furniture. All soft furnishings must have a fire label with BS code BS7177 attached. Regrettably Blythswood **cannot** accept electrical goods.

## Local Volunteer Opportunities

**Broke not Broken** is a voluntary organisation working for the prevention and relief of poverty by providing support and practical assistance to individuals and families experiencing hardship. Please contact Claire Slight to find out how you can help: [clare.slight@brokennotbroken.org](mailto:clare.slight@brokennotbroken.org)

**Greyhound Rescue Fife** at Baltree Country Centre, Gairneybank, Kinross, needs volunteers to clean the kennels and walk and feed the greyhounds. Can you help? Phone 01592 890583. Visit our website at [www.greyhoundrescuefife.com](http://www.greyhoundrescuefife.com)

**Kinross in Bloom:** Volunteer group that provides and maintains floral displays to enhance the environment of Kinross. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Iain Todd at: [iandmtodd@talktalk.net](mailto:iandmtodd@talktalk.net)

**Kinross-shire Day Centre:** We are looking for volunteers to serve meals and help with day trips and activities, such as bingo and singing, for a lively bunch of over-aged teenagers (over 65s). If you would like to find out more, we would love to hear from you. Pop in and speak to Nan or telephone 01577 863869.

**KLEO (Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation):** If you enjoy local events on your doorstep, like the monthly Kinross Farmers' market and the winter festival events (concerts, comedy and the festive street market), please join the KLEO team! For more info about KLEO events, go to [www.kleo.org.uk](http://www.kleo.org.uk). If interested, please contact Bouwien Bennet at [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk) or call 01577 863107.

**The Potager Garden** is a small community garden in Bowton Road in Kinross, KY13 8EQ. It is a registered charity run by volunteers, and a main aim is to give education to schoolchildren about plants, gardening and the environment. If you would like more information about our volunteering opportunities, please contact the Convenor, Amanda James, on 01577 840809, or [amandajames1577@gmail.com](mailto:amandajames1577@gmail.com)

**RSPB Scotland Loch Leven:** We need volunteer fundraisers to help support the wonderful world of nature on our doorstep. Pin badges, bucket collections, events and sponsored walks – if you'd like to join our team, please contact Lyndsay Stobie at: [Lyndsay.Stobie@rspb.org.uk](mailto:Lyndsay.Stobie@rspb.org.uk) or call 01577 862355.

**Kinross (Marshall) Museum:** The Museum Trust is looking for volunteers to help care for Kinross-shire's heritage collections and man the Museum Study Room in the Loch Leven Community Campus on Thursdays and Saturdays. If you would like to know more, drop by or contact the Museum on 01577 867153 or email: [information@kinrossmuseum.org.uk](mailto:information@kinrossmuseum.org.uk).

**Swansacre Playgroup:** A long established charity playgroup for children aged 2-5 years, we need volunteers to help support us with play sessions. For more information, please email [swansacre@gmail.com](mailto:swansacre@gmail.com)

**Kinross Heart Start:** Campaign to secure funds for public access defibrillators in Kinross. Contact Pamela Hunter to find out how you can volunteer on 01577 862419.

**Light Up Kinross** is a small local charity with responsibility for Kinross Christmas lights and decorations. We require additional volunteers to assist with fundraising and administration of the lights. If you are interested, please contact David Colliar, email [davidcolliar@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:davidcolliar@tiscali.co.uk) or Bill Freeman, email [billywhizkid78@gmail.com](mailto:billywhizkid78@gmail.com) or contact our Facebook page.

**Common Grounds:** Charity café staffed by volunteers on Tuesdays, Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays in Guide Hall, Church Street, Milnathort. Open to public 10am – 12.30pm. Opportunity to serve in café or bake for the café. Also opportunity to gain recognised hours towards Duke of Edinburgh Awards and Saltire Awards for young people 16 years and over. Funds raised are used to support charities mainly in Africa. Contact: Convener Elspeth Caldwell on 01577 863350 or Secretary Linda Freeman on 01577 865045 for more information.

**Children's Hospices Across Scotland:** Can you spare a few hours of your time? We are looking to fill the following volunteer vacancies:

**Drivers, Complementary Therapists, Nursing Support, Housekeeping, Garden and Kitchen.**

Volunteering with CHAS is a great way to meet new people, learn new skills and to make a huge difference to the lives of the families who use our services. For further information please visit our website [www.chas.org.uk](http://www.chas.org.uk).

**Seamab** is a residential school that cares for and educates some of the most vulnerable children in Scotland. We are looking for volunteers to help us place and manage collecting cans across Perth and Kinross. Volunteering for Seamab will help make a huge difference to the lives of the children at Seamab and will be a great way to meet new people and develop new skills. For more information please contact Melloney Flinn at [mflinn@seamab.org.uk](mailto:mflinn@seamab.org.uk) or call 01577 840307.

For more volunteering opportunities, go to the community website [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc) and look for 'Volunteering', or look at [www.vaperthshire.org](http://www.vaperthshire.org)

Organisations: If you would like a volunteer appeal to be added to the list above, please email the Newsletter Editor. Please let us know if you no longer need your appeal to be listed.

## Useful telephone numbers

### Medical

Loch Leven Health Centre	01577 862112
Loch Leven Health Centre Out of Hours	01577 865252
NHS 24	111
Perth Royal Infirmary main switchboard	01382 660111
Perth Royal Infirmary (Admissions and Enquiries Desk)	01738 473734
Ninewells Hospital, Dundee	01382 660111
Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy	01592 643355
Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline	01383 623623
Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross	01577 862422
Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort	01577 862219

**Police, non-emergency** 101

### Police, Fire and Rescue, Ambulance

**and Coastguard emergencies** 999

**Gas** (worried about gas safety) 0800 111 999

**Water** (loss of supply, foul water emergency) 0845 600 8855

**Floods** SEPA Floodline recorded messages 0345 988 1188

### Perth & Kinross Council (PKC)

Customer Service Centre (Mon- Fri, 8am-6pm)	01738 475000
Reporting non-emergency Road and Lighting faults (CLARENCE)	0800 232323

### PKC Out of Hours emergency numbers

Adult care services	0345 301 11 20
Anti-social behaviour helpline	01738 476173*42*
(*42* telephone and leave a voicemail)	
Child protection	01738 476768
Council housing emergency repairs	01738 476000
Dangerous buildings	01738 476476
Environmental Health	01738 476476
Flooding	01738 476476
Homelessness	0800 917 0708
Mental health services	0345 301 11 20
Roads (e.g. reporting blockage)	01738 476476

**Traveline Scotland** 0871 200 22 33

**Film shows • Cards • Dominoes • Art Class  
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises**

## Weekly Programme

<b>Monday</b>	Exercise Class	11am	Bingo	1.30pm (except 24th)
	Scrabble, cards & other Games			1.15pm (except 24th)
	"Stride for Life" Walking Group			2pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Carpet Curling	11am		
	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
	Fantastic Fun Quiz			2pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Carpet Curling or Boccia	11am		
	Crafts	1.30pm	Film or music Afternoon	1.30pm
	Dominoes, Scrabble, cards etc			1.30pm
	Balance & Strength Class			1.30pm
<b>Friday</b>	Balance & Strength Exercise Class	11.15am - 11.45am		
	Dominoes, Games or music			1.30pm
	Bingo			1.30pm



## Additional Events for September

Hearing Loss Support and Advice

Tai Chi

Chiropody

Barge Trip

Concert by the fantastic "Sabres"

Library Visit

Day trips to be arranged...

**Monday 3rd** 11am - 12pm

**Wednesday 5th, 19th** 1.30pm - 2pm

**Thursday 6th, 27th** 9.45am - 1pm

(phone 01577 863869 for an appointment)

**Monday 24th** 10am

**Monday 24th** 1.30pm - 3pm

**Thursday 27th** 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**

## 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**

## Local Correspondent

for Perthshire Advertiser and Fife Herald newspapers

**Linda Freeman**

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## Kinross-shire Fund

The Kinross-shire Fund was established in 2006 to make the



area a better place to live, by making grants to a wide range of local charities, organisations and projects which make a positive difference to the community.

To date, over 50 organisations within the 73 square miles of Kinross-shire have benefited from an award, with beneficiaries ranging in age from pre-school to the elderly. The Fund is managed by Foundation Scotland and is currently open for applications, with deadlines quarterly on the first Monday of February, May, August and November each year.

**The next deadline is Monday 5 November 2018.**

Full details, including how to apply via our online application link, can be found at:

[www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/kinross-shire-fund](http://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/kinross-shire-fund)

**Kinross-shire is a Fairtrade County**

## 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.

### Ercol Mirror £90 ono

50 x 36 inches with light elm frame. A1 condition.

Seller Details:

Norman Sillett 01577 865799  
nordot123@btinternet.com

### Television £25

Evotel 40 inch LCD television, 1080p HD, SCART, composite video, HDMI, S-video, VGA. USB output for recording to external drive. Internal tuner for standard definition terrestrial freeview channels (external digi-box required for high-definition channels).

Seller Details:

John Brady 01577 842120  
mm0bir2@tiscali.co.uk

### Trampoline £50

10 foot. Has already been dismantled.

Seller Details:

Verity Thwaites 07793 544509  
veritythwaites82@gmail.com

### Higher revision books Free

Higher revision books and study guides.

### Vivarium £20

Glass vivarium for housing small reptiles. 30 x 30 x 60 cm

Seller Details for above 2 items:

Blair 07986 235793

### Small size Zanussi automatic washing machine £50

Not on Kinross.cc website.

Seller Details:

Mrs. Duncan 01577 863248

## Kinross Recycling Centre

Bridgend Industrial Estate

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

Bras, 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.

Bikes and bike parts will be recycled. (See separate Bike Station notice.)

Collection point for Perth College WEEE project: IT equipment will be refurbished and sold on at an affordable price or recycled for parts. Items accepted include: desktop computers, laptops, mobile phones (without the sim card), tablets, keyboards, mouse controls, cables, DVD players, video players, portable music players, games consoles, new or empty printer cartridges, projectors and flat screen working monitors. The project cannot accept Cathode Ray Tube or broken monitors.

Compost can be collected from the Recycling Centre, subject to availability. Maximum of 2 x 25kg bags per visitor.

## 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').

### IT Support Volunteer (Universal Credit)

Are you a helpful, discreet and organised individual who is passionate about making a difference?

If so, Culture Perth and Kinross (CulturePK) are looking for IT Support Volunteers to offer vital online assistance to individuals to make claims for Universal Credit.

Training and support will be provided in return for a commitment from the Volunteers to provide a high level of customer care, impartial IT support and advice, and support of CulturePK's aims and objectives.

To become an IT Support Volunteer you will possess excellent communication skills, and be comfortable speaking with people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. You will be confident helping individuals to use computers, and have strong IT skills, including proven experience of using the internet, familiarity with Microsoft Office applications and experience of completing forms. You will also have the time and commitment to support local communities on a regular basis and understand the need for confidentiality and discretion. Working with individuals will be on a pre-booking basis so hours are likely to be flexible and in response to customer demand.

Successful candidates may be based at any of the 13 libraries across Perth and Kinross and travel expenses will be paid. To apply for this post, please e-mail jobs@culturepk.org.uk If you would like further information please call Sandra Birse, Senior Officer Libraries on 01577 867154 / 867205.

### Part Time Cleaner, Servicemaster CS Tayside/Fife

We are a contract cleaning company looking for a part time cleaner for evening work in Kinross. Dedication and attention to detail required. The post is for two 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. Must be able to work using own initiative and have high standards.

If you think you are the correct person for this post, please email your name and contact details or call Ian on 01577 864151.

### Servers, The Courthouse, Kinross

Vacancies available for full and part-time day and evening servers. Experience preferred but not essential as full training given. A great opportunity for positive and hard-working people to become part of the Court House family. Contact claire@courthousekinross.com with your CV or drop in a copy in person.

### Bar Manager, The Courthouse, Kinross

Experienced Bar Manager sought for our neighbourhood restaurant. A great opportunity to develop our bar offering and work in a tight knit team. Contact claire@courthousekinross.com with your CV or drop in a copy in person.

### Trainee Chef/Chef de Partie, The Courthouse, Kinross

Exciting full-time position. You will receive full training and a competitive salary. A great opportunity for someone positive and hard-working looking for a career in food. Some experience welcome but not essential. Contact claire@courthousekinross.com with your CV or drop in a copy in person.

## Community Website

For contact details of community groups, hall bookings, job vacancies, leisure and visitor information and much more, visit **www.kinross.cc**

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