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# Editor's Page

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## Letter from The Editor

I can't remember the last time I looked forward to an event so much; the Kinross Show is finally back! The organisers have been working really hard to provide an event suitable for everyone in Kinross-shire that adheres to the current restrictions. I am sure everyone, whether a show regular or attending for the very first time, is looking forward to Saturday 14 August very much. Please remember to buy your ticket online before you come at [www.kinross-show.co.uk](http://www.kinross-show.co.uk).

There have been a few celebrity spots in Kinross in July with Judy Murray officially opening Fossoway Tennis Court (and soon to also visit Kinross Tennis Club). Line of Duty actor Martin Compston caused a bit of a stir when he was seen enjoying a round of golf at Kinross Golf Club and enjoying a local chippie tea! It just goes to show what a great place we live in, which is for the most part, appreciated and looked after by the people who live here and who understand how precious our local natural environment is.

Sadly some 'wild' campers down at Burleigh Sands have caused anger and disbelief at their disregard for

this special place, leaving lots of litter behind and being thoroughly irresponsible (see p5). Real 'wild' camping involves leaving no trace, and being unobtrusive, staying well away from popular visitor spots and parking areas where their presence will impact on the enjoyment of others. What a shame that a few can spoil it for so many others.

Perhaps the time has come for a permit system for Kinross campers such as they have at Loch Lomond. See Cllr Willie Robertson's column on p30 for more details.

As always, we want to hear what our readers think about local issues so please do keep sending us your letters. We can't guarantee to publish them all but we are always interested in your views; this is your *Newsletter*!

October will see the 500th issue of the Kinross Newsletter in print. I'm very proud to be part of such a great team (both past and present) that make it happen, no matter what, every month. Thank you all.

**Hannah Phillips, 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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# Letters

## Elephants Not Hippos

**THE LETTERS SECTION** OF the last three editions of the Newsletter has, unsurprisingly, shown that Kinross-shire is an exact microcosm of the whole of Scotland. It seems we are either a Nationalist or a Unionist, a Yesser or a No Thanker, a Westminster fan or a Holyrood supporter! Everything that affects us has to be seen through the constitutional lens. This is as debilitating as it is depressing and it is only going to get worse.

Any political discourse is wrapped up in this divide, nothing can be discussed without reference to whose fault it is for things going wrong. The SNP are incompetent, the Tories are greedy, Westminster is full of self-serving cronies, Holyrood cannot do anything successfully, Sturgeon good/bad, Johnston good/bad (delete as appropriate) goes the narrative.

From discussion with friends and personal experience this issue has split families. Conversational topics are limited, or even completely ignored, humour is checked in case offence is taken. This is the sad reality of Scotland.

The referendum in 2014 confirmed to me that I was neither a Unionist or a Nationalist. I wanted a reformed UK, no one can deny that it needs altering. That is why I support Home Rule for Scotland. For those who do not know what this means it is a federal arrangement where there is mutual respect between the Edinburgh and London parliaments. Scotland would take control of all domestic powers, raising all its own money and taking full responsibility for the spending the resources, leaving Westminster with only those necessary for the maintenance of the Union, such as monetary policy, foreign policy and defence. This could be a precursor for a fully federal UK. Home Rule was supported by Robert Cunningham-Graham, who in 1934 became the first president of the Scottish National Party. Alex Salmond in 2014 even offered David Cameron the opportunity to put this structure as a third question on the referendum ballot paper. Cameron turning it down was not his only mistake during his premiership.

As a proud Scot it saddens me to see my country torn apart by the constitutional division. I have always found compromise is a great human positive, you might not get all that you want but the benefits of seeing worth in others ideas and working cohesively benefits everyone. Let's all become elephants, with big ears and small mouths instead of hippos, with big mouths and small ears. There is a third way.

*David A MacKenzie  
Kinross*

## No More Politics Please

**I READ THE NEWSLETTER** every month and find it both interesting and informative. The content is very good and standard of photography excellent.

It is a pity then, that in recent editions, we have been subjected to letters where the authors present their own strong political opinions. It is, of course, absolutely no problem that such views are held but I do not believe that the letters column of a local newsletter is the place to express them. Elsewhere in the Newsletter there are regular features by both Councillors and Parliamentarians but they generally manage

## Congratulations!



Congratulations to **Charlie & Beth Foley** of Milnathort who celebrate their Golden Wedding on 6 August.

*With love from Joanne, James and Josh*

to confine themselves to local issues without forcing their political viewpoints upon the rest of us.

Can I ask therefore that we are not subjected to the political opinions of others through the letters pages of your otherwise excellent publication.

*Simon Byford, Scotlandwell*

*It is Newsletter practice to allow readers to voice opinions on any topic, provided they are not libellous or in bad taste. [Ed.]*

## Extremely Free Range!

**HERE IS A PICTURE** of one of our hens next to our railway bench.

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## FURY AT MESS LEFT BY DIRTY CAMPERS

**THERE HAVE BEEN ONGOING** issues with campers pitching up at Loch Leven, especially at Burleigh Sands, and leaving a trail of destruction behind them. While wild camping is perfectly legal, responsible wild campers pitch their tents in the wilderness, often completely unseen by others. They do not impose their presence on local beauty spots or leave litter. Camping right next to a car park or in the heart of a frequently visited beauty spot is not a fair definition of 'wild camping' which leaves no trace.

Local residents took to social media to express their outrage at the mess and litter left behind, with photos of overflowing bins and many concerned for the natural environment. There was even an old mattress dumped at Burleigh Sands. One person said they saw a campervan dumping waste into a car park drain. Another commented: 'People are slowly destroying it. We've not seen the otters or the kingfishers in ages and they were regulars here.'

Cllr Willie Robertson expressed his disapproval of the mess that wild camping and camper vaning is making of our beauty spots around Loch Leven and said 'I am aware that there are very limited powers to control these anti-social activities but we can't allow this unfettered access to continue.'

'The Loch Lomond and the Trossachs



National Park Authority uses a camping permit system which appears to have had a beneficial impact.' See his column on p30 for his correspondence with the Council's Community Greenspace manager.

Neil Mitchell, NatureScot reserve manager at Loch Leven, said: 'We are experiencing a high volume of people camping in the area. NatureScot staff

have been on site at the weekends engaging with visitors and reminding people to remove all litter and not to light fires or BBQs.

We want people to enjoy their visits but it's important that we all do our bit to keep our countryside as we would all wish to find it. Our message to visitors is to bag up all your litter and, if bins are full, take it home with you to dispose of.'

## Recording The Pandemic

### PERTH AND KINROSS COVID-19 COLLECTING PROJECT

**THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC** is one of the most significant historical events of recent times. For the last 18 months, the pandemic has impacted almost every aspect of our lives. It has been a time of enormous change for us all, full of new challenges, different ways of living, working and keeping in touch with friends and families – with many ups and downs along the way.

In May 2020, Culture Perth and Kinross launched a collecting project to record the impact of the pandemic in Perth & Kinross so that future generations can learn about our experiences. Staff across the organisation have created a 'Covid-19 Collection' containing photos, objects, diaries, newsletters, leaflets, poems, and other records. The Collection will show how people and communities have been affected and how they have supported each other. The Collection will be preserved and made available to researchers in the Perth & Kinross Archive and Perth Museum & Art Gallery.

Culture Perth and Kinross would like to ensure that the Collection represents communities across the region and invite you to contribute. If you have documented the year through photographs, diaries, or other ways, please consider depositing them in the Collection. And if you or your local community have done something amazing, please let us know – we would love to include this too! You can get in touch by emailing [covid-19collecting@culturepk.org.uk](mailto:covid-19collecting@culturepk.org.uk) or telephoning 01738 444 949.

Further information is also available on our website [www.culturepk.org.uk/covidcollecting](http://www.culturepk.org.uk/covidcollecting).

We also have an online survey where you can share your experiences and views about the pandemic. Over 500 people have completed the survey so far, and all responses will be added to the Collection. You will find it here [www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CPK-COVID-19](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CPK-COVID-19) and can complete it anonymously or include your name.

# Good To Go For The Kinross Show!



**KINROSS SHOW WILL GO** ahead as planned on Saturday 14 August after the event licence was granted from Perth and Kinross Council. President of Kinross-shire Agricultural Society, Harold Greer, confirmed the show will take place as a predominately open-air event at RSPB Loch Leven near Kinross.

Harold commented, 'This year more than ever we look forward to welcoming exhibitors and visitors back to Kinross Show. We formed a Covid team a few months ago and the group has worked tirelessly to interpret the rules and keep up with the ever-changing regulations. The team recently achieved 'We're Good To Go' accreditation for the event and I'm delighted Kinross Show can go ahead and enable our local community and visitors from further afield to come together safely and enjoy a fantastic day out.'

Regular visitors will be pleased to learn the original format has been retained but the layout has been adapted to use as much outdoor space as possible. Judges are in place for the livestock and horse competitions; the vintage tractor display and dog show (please book through the website this year) will take place. The premium list is available online and entries are open until 2 August. Extra space has been allocated between the trade stands and the arts and crafts traders will operate in an out-

door zone alongside a farmers' market which will see artisan food producers and local farmers trade at the show for the first time. The Scottish Women's Institute has taken a break from running their competitions marquee this year; the committee look forward to their return in 2022.

Following on from last year's successful first ever Kinross Show Garden Competition it was decided to run this again as an alternative to the Flower Show which will also return in 2022. Claire Paton, Flower Show convenor, is encouraging every keen gardener to get involved and submit an entry. 'Whatever size or type of garden whether it be very large or very small, in the country or in the town please enter this year's competition. Just drop an email to the

secretary at [kinrossshow@aol.com](mailto:kinrossshow@aol.com) and we will then make arrangements to judge the garden.' says Claire.

The main ring will remain the focal point, look out for dairy cattle judging in the morning and fun events in the afternoon. A one-way system will operate to guide visitors from the entrance gate in a safe flow round the show ground. There will be sanitiser points at key locations, additional staff have also been employed to clean public areas. The measures mean that spectators will be able to safely view the events in the main ring.

After such a prolonged period of not seeing neighbours and friends the organisers anticipate many visitors will wish to socialise so have extended the picnic area up into the hillier part of the





showground. A quiet area will also be created for those that feel more vulnerable. 'Food and drink will be available so bring a picnic blanket, sit down and enjoy the spectacular view of Loch Leven,' comments Mr Greer. The Scottish Fiddle Orchestra will be playing on the entertainment stage and again in the main ring so it's likely the sounds of top quality Scottish music will add to the atmosphere. 'We are doing everything possible to make people feel safe and relaxed at Kinross Show,' he adds.

**Tickets for the Kinross Show will be available to buy online from Monday 26 July at [www.kinross-show.co.uk](http://www.kinross-show.co.uk)**

Entrance to Kinross Show will be by ticket only. Please **do not** arrive at the Kinross Show without a ticket, as entry will be refused. Track and Trace information will be collected at point of sale, temperature checks will be carried out at entrance gates. Exhibitors and visitors are asked to familiarise themselves with the terms and conditions before purchasing tickets or entering competitions.

## For The Children

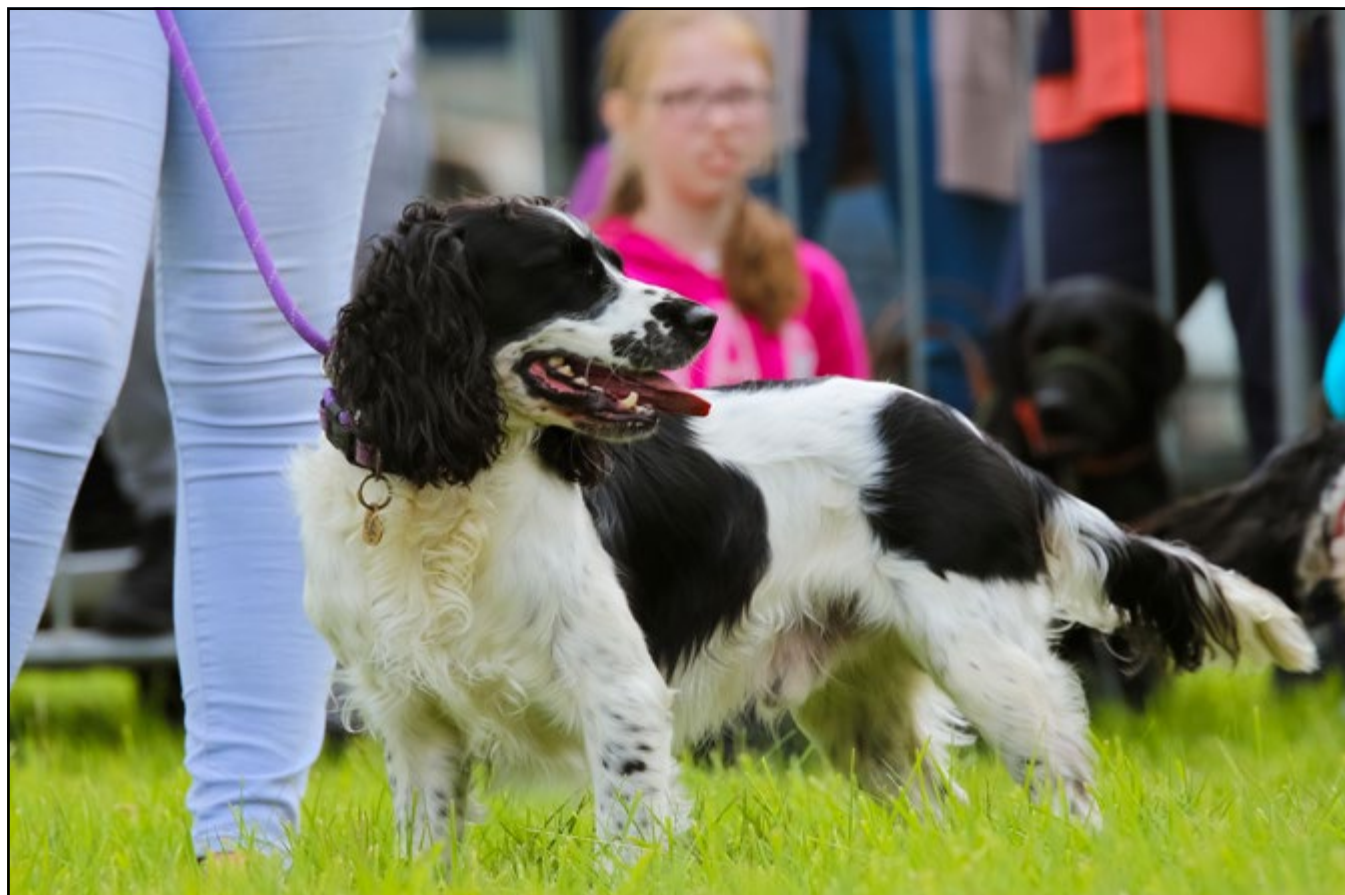
### Tyre Decorating Competition

In a change from our very popular Scarecrow competition this is an opportunity to get the family creative juices flowing and decorate a tyre. There is no theme so we look forward to seeing lots of col-



ourful decorated entries to brighten up the showground. Please remember to keep the creation light (not heavy) as it will need to be carried to the competition area.

We are delighted that a few special farm animals will visit the show to let the kids see and get to know the local livestock and make the connections between farming and food. In the absence of the marquee, outdoor activities for children will be available, the small fairground area will keep younger children amused and a scavenger hunt with clues on a trail, will be a fun way for all ages to explore the show with a goody bag prize for every completed entry.







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# CLASSICS ON PARADE

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Thankfully there were no breakdowns despite many of the cars being over 40 years old and all found their way to the picnic assembly point in good time. The temporary and rather angular bridge at Glen Devon Forest on the B934, Yetts O' Muckhart to Dunning road proved an obstacle of concern to the organisers. Most made the crossing safely, however a few could only avoid grounding the exhaust by first unloading their passengers.

Teams were required to gather names on farm, road and house signs along the way to gain points and the winning crew was husband and wife team, David and Claire Cottingham followed closely by Dave and Elaine Sparling. Both received prizes kindly donated by the proprietors of The Village Inn, Steven and Caroline. Caroline completed the event by awarding a prize donated by a local anonymous equine businessman for the most interesting car to Kenny Claydon, for his beautifully turned out 1954 Riley RM.

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# Advantage Fossoway!

Fossoway Tennis Club had a very esteemed guest to open their new court – and to play some games with the kids!

**STRAWBERRIES AND CREAM**, big crowds and Murray on the court with racquet in hand; it can only mean one thing – Wimbledon? Well, yes, but this was also the scene in the Crook of Devon on a warm Sunday morning in July.

Judy Murray came to Fossoway Tennis Club to officially open the newly resurfaced and coloured court and to deliver coaching sessions to both the young and not so young! An initiative of the Judy Murray Foundation, Judy emphasised how important small community tennis courts are and the importance of making tennis fun and accessible for all. She described local tennis clubs as ‘the lifeblood of Scottish tennis’, praising them for being above all, welcoming.

With her assistant, Fiona Bennie, and the help of Fosso-



Pic: Martin Cassels



Judy with (left) Isla Devanny and (right) Isla Bolton. Pic: Catherine Devanny

way coach, Alessia Palmieri, she worked with young kids and parents for over an hour demonstrating fun drills and games that parents can use to encourage their children and improve basic tennis skills. The second session (also lasting more than an hour) was intended for those of an intermediate and ad-

Pic: Shivali Shah







Whatever had just happened, it was really funny... Pic: Shivali Shah

vanced skill set and demonstrated drills and games that allowed a large group to participate, learn skills and enjoy tennis. The highlight of the day for many of the kids was seeing the water bombs explode as the adults batted them away only to be left drenched by the contents! There was a wonderful atmosphere on the day, with happy, smiling children to be seen everywhere, and although some of them got soaked, their adults also looked to have had a fantastic time.

Local mum Catherine Devanny said, 'We all enjoyed the session. It has given me so many fun ideas and games to play at home with Isla to help develop her tennis skills and reaction time. Isla loved all the different games! The relay races were her favourite, especially when the water balloons came out. I think smashing water balloons with the racquet will be a popular activity in our house this summer!'

Between sessions, Judy officially opened the new court surface by cutting the ceremonial ribbon, ably assisted by Sarah Cassels and Isla Campbell. Judy again spoke of the importance of the 'accessibility' to tennis and emphasised the part played by the community to ensure facilities are available for all to enjoy. After performing the opening ceremony, two of

Judy flanked by club president Gerry Keegan (l) and coach Alessia Palmieri (r)  
Pic: Shivali Shah



the young members – Isla Bolton and Isla Devanny – presented Judy and Fiona with a bouquet of flowers and a memento of Crook of Devon. There was time for selfies and autographs and Judy was only too willing to oblige. Judy was impressed by the work done at the club and has offered to come back to deliver workshops and more – an offer the club certainly won't refuse!

The visit has been the culmination of years of hard work by the committee at Fossoway Tennis Club. Although approaching its centenary, the club has only recently secured



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Judy cuts the ribbon, held by Sarah Cassels and Isla Campbell. Pic: Shivali Shah

membership of the LTA. Through the PACES accreditation programme a development structure has been adopted and the club's future is looking bright. They are lucky to have the services of a local coach. Alessia Palmieri is a level 3 LTA qualified coach and her enthusiasm and coaching skills have been instrumental in attracting new members and have helped re-invigorate the club. For the first time in its history, this year has seen young members, under the guidance of Alessia, compete in recognised LTA events representing Fossoway Tennis Club; we are all very proud of them.

Although the progress over the last few years has been incredible, there are still improvements to be made. The club is

progressive in its outlook and is currently looking at ways to secure long term status with a focus on 'inclusiveness'— tennis for all at an affordable price. Gerry Keegan, President of the club told the *Newsletter*, 'Our first priority now is to get toilets and disabled access in.'

Gerry said, 'This special day was only possible due to the input of the committee and individual members, who, at short notice, rallied round to ensure the visit went smoothly. Thanks also to Iain and Susan from Caledonia Washrooms who supplied hand sanitising dispensers at no charge to the club.'

**\*Judy Murray will be at Kinross Tennis Club on Sunday 8 August**



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# Heroes Parade For Fossoway Gathering

A CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS parade on the theme of heroes and a guest celebrity hero from the world of sport will launch the 2021 Fossoway Gathering at Waulkmill Park, Crook of Devon at 12.30pm on Saturday 4 September. With expectations of further easing of Covid-19 restrictions in August all are looking forward to a safe and enjoyable day out.

The committee are delighted that a strong response from youth and community organisations will ensure a wide variety of activities, stalls, displays and entertainment to interest and engage the young and not so young! The programme includes children's storytelling, fun fair activities, sports, mini-flower show, crafts, arena displays, live music and so much more. A variety of refreshments will be available across the site.

The Gathering is a great opportunity to support local clubs and societies and to learn more about what they can offer.

There are ways you can contribute to the success of the event now.

Volunteer to help with site set-up and take-down and with a variety of tasks during the day itself. If you think you can spare a few hours of your time please contact [fossowaygathering@gmail.com](mailto:fossowaygathering@gmail.com).



Donate to the crowd funder: [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fossowaygathering](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fossowaygathering). The cancellation of the 2020 Fossoway Gathering and Covid-19 restrictions over the past year have curtailed fund-raising activities. Any donation would be hugely appreciated.

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## FOSSOWAY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY NO-SHOW

**SADLY, FOSSOWAY & DISTRICT** Horticultural Society are not able to hold their annual Show this year due to continuing restrictions. However... they are planning to hold a Mini Show at the Fossoway Gathering on Saturday 4 September at the Crook of Devon, Waulkmill Park.

So, please have a look at the various categories open for adults and children on the Facebook page: Fossoway & District Horticultural Society or email [fossowayflower-show@outlook.com](mailto:fossowayflower-show@outlook.com)

There will be loads of other great things going on and they look forward to seeing you with your entries. There will also be a raffle of vegetables and flowers, children's sunflower competition and quiz. All very welcome!

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The debut novel of Kinross-shire's Gerry Marshall is an engaging story of a hero on a quest that encompasses work, war, love and overcoming difficult odds. *The Tribute* is set against the background of Caledonia (Scotland) at the time of the Roman occupation.

The Roman army of occupation of the last 40 years is in decline and retreat. Quarrelling local tribes compete for control and rebellion is in the air.

The weakened Romans are buying peace and time with bribes of silver – 'The Tribute'

– but even this is failing to retain control and pacify the country.

Against this background, the fortunes of two young people become entwined when their worlds collide: Aileen, a Pictish princess and Gaius, a young Roman officer.

Their lives are thrown into turmoil as they are caught between loyalties to family and country. The theft of the latest payment of silver to the Picts from the Romans is the trigger for the action that engulfs everyone.

For Gaius and Aileen, it is a battle to survive.

Gerry's first novel is an engrossing read that would be suitable for anyone interested in history, appealing to both the adult and young adult market. It is available from Lumphanan Press at [www.lumphanan-press.co.uk/product/the-tribute/](http://www.lumphanan-press.co.uk/product/the-tribute/)



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# CALLUM'S A WINNER!

**CALLUM ALEXANDER**, a 15-year-old pupil at Kinross High School, has won the Keep Scotland Beautiful Young Environmental Reporter competition.

This international environmental journalism competition gives anyone aged 11-25 the chance to investigate environmental issues and highlight their solutions, empowering them to take an educated stand on issues they feel strongly about and giving them a platform to articulate them. Entries were accepted in the form of photography, video journalism or a written report.



Callum won in the writing category (15-18 years). What a fantastic achievement!

He calls his 200 page report (120,000 words) his '*Global Report*' and describes its purpose as to examine and address the injustices, threats and man-made crises in the world today, whether that is through the global climate, water, air, food and humanitarian crises. You can read the introduction on p49.

He told the *Newsletter*, 'I was on my school lunch-break when my mum rang and I found out that I had won the competition. I was thrilled... almost speechless! I was very excited to meet Prince Edward and enjoyed talking to him about my report.'

Callum was presented with his framed certificate by HRH The Earl of Forfar (Prince Edward) at Saughton Park in Edinburgh in July.



## Moving Forward With Growbiz This Summer

**WITH SO MANY NEW** business start-ups and existing enterprises having to change the way they operate, GrowBiz continues to offer free support to help them develop and thrive.

Online events have also proven extremely popular. For the past few months, GrowBiz has offered an online Thursday afternoon 'drop in surgery' for quick and simple answers to business-related questions.

GrowBiz's award-winning mentoring programme is now open, and it also works along-

side the Care & Wellbeing Community Interest Company (the CIC) to develop the provision of social care, wellbeing supports and services across rural communities of Perth & Kinross.

In 2020 they launched REDS, a free directory and gift card scheme for rural micro-businesses, to provide a convenient way for customers to shop with them.

Find out how to list your business at [www.reds.scot](http://www.reds.scot). For more information on the support and events GrowBiz provides visit [growbiz.co.uk](http://growbiz.co.uk).

## COULD YOU HELP THE EXPLORERS?

**SOUTH PERTSHIRE EXPLORERS** are based at the Guide Hall in Milnathort. Explorers are for those aged 14 to 18 and offers the young people of Kinross-shire the opportunity to gain new skills and experiences under the guidance of the Scout Association. We currently have several volunteering roles available with the unit and whatever you choose, we'll make sure you're properly trained and supported.

Week by week, our volunteers empower thousands of young people to try new things, make new friends and stand on their own two feet. You don't need to be Bear Grylls to join us. You don't need to have been a Scout when you were younger. You don't even need to know how to put up a tent. Whatever your skill-set, it's up to you what your involvement looks like: we understand that everyone has different skills (and amounts of time) to share.

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## DO YOU HAVE TIME FOR A LOCAL FAMILY?

**HOME START** Perth and Kinross, a charity which supports local families, is hoping to recruit new volunteers for its new initiative, Friends of Home Start. Volunteers deliver emotional and practical support to families, from breast-feeding support to sharing their parenting experience.

Would you like to help local families and can donate some time? Do you feel you have something to offer, even if just a willingness to help out at fundraising events? If so, please contact Home Start on 01738 638847.

# KINROSS KINDNESS – THE



*Photo by Ross Mitchell*

**KINROSS KINDNESS STEMMED** from a simple idea, a vision to want to help and do something for others at the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic. The world had been suddenly turned upside down for all of us by a pandemic that changed all our lives. While some continued to work full-time, others found they had no job now to go to. Some began working from home and have still not returned to their offices. Many vulnerable people were left frightened and unable to leave their homes. Some people felt helpless and simply wanted to be of practical help to others, and that's when Kinross Kindness began to take shape.

Kinross Kindness sprang into action in the first few weeks of a very difficult time. Very quickly a system was established so that prescriptions and shopping could be delivered to those who were shielding or isolating and who needed help from members of their community. Those who lived alone

or who had no family nearby could now reach out for help to get their essentials delivered, from food shopping to prescriptions. Dedicated phone lines were set up to enable chat with people, which was really important to help prevent feelings of isolation. Leaflets were delivered through doors and word quickly spread that if you needed help, Kinross Kindness were there to deliver it.

This was all made possible with the collaboration, gritty determination and great energy and willingness from the entire local community.

Kerry Drummond was one of the volunteers who wanted to get involved. She told the Newsletter,

'I knew straight away that I wanted to be part of it. I was amazed how many other people also wanted to, and we quickly became what felt like a family. Volunteers from all



# GIFT THAT GAVE BACK

spectrums of experience, skills and backgrounds seemed to flood in.

'I went into this thinking I would be helping others that needed it. What I didn't appreciate is that I would also gain so much from the experience. The feeling of happiness and sense of humility you get back is immense and something that can't be bought. The people in the community who needed and used Kinross Kindness quickly became part of our family, chatting to us as our friends would. We talked about everything from what their favourite bread was, to checking in on them and hearing how they were getting on. I'm not sure our users ever knew that the volunteers got as much from them as they got from us. Getting something in return had never been part of the idea.

The whole experience for me has been fantastic. I've been truly in awe of the volunteers. I've learnt lots and, although only mostly met virtually, have made so many friends! To anyone that has ever considered volunteering I honestly cannot recommend it enough. I think for many of us, volunteering became the gift that gave back.'

Wendy McDonald told the *Newsletter*, "I thought I'd be helping with a few deliveries. Who would have known it would quickly become such a big part of my life?

We talked online, quickly had a website in place, a contact telephone number, a Facebook page and volunteers just kept rolling in. We organised spreadsheets, and we got the help out there where it was needed. As things got busier we need-

ed rotas and we expanded the admin team to keep up with it all. All of this was done very quickly and without meeting any of the other people involved. The knowledge, commitment, strengths and personalities of every one of the volunteers enabled the group to become the success it was.

I am fortunate to now know (even though we haven't physically met) so many wonderful people who were like-minded and just wanted to help others in this time of crisis. I still look forward to the day when we can all get together in real life and celebrate our achievements together. I am thankful to lots of people for all the support they have given but a special mention goes to Shona who was always available to help point us in the right direction when we got stuck.

I am humbled by all the thanks and praise from so many of the people who have used our services to all our volunteers. I am so proud of what we all achieved.'

And what do the community say?

'What would we have done without them all? I do not know! They were delivering our meds when there were big queues at the chemist, as we could not stand that long in the cold. The cheery chats we had many a day – thank you for all the help. You are the best.'

"You all did a great job! Thank you all!"

"Fabulous initiative – well done all involved."



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# CHARITY CAFE AT COUNTY FABRICS SALE

COUNTY FABRICS IS AN Aladdin's cave of discontinued designer fabrics set in a former watermill in Crook of Devon. The owner Katie Evans left the corporate world eight years ago to take over the running of the shop and she hasn't looked back.

Over the last couple of years the showroom has undergone an extensive renovation with a new roof, new windows, a welcoming wood burning stove, bespoke fabric displays and cleverly designed corners filled with beautiful fabrics that can only be appreciated when you visit in person.

Every year (apart from 2020, of course!) County Fabrics has held a warehouse clearance sale where prices are slashed dramatically and people are able to buy designer fabrics at a fraction of the retail price. This year Katie has decided to go bigger and better as we all need something to look forward to! There will be a larger marquee in the showroom gardens which will be stacked full of discounted fabrics and soft furnishings, plus an area for guest designer Iona Buchanan.

The Warehouse Clearance event also helps to raise funds for a chosen charity. The 2021 event will support a recently formed charity called The Stephen Lyon Foundation. The addition of SLO this year is one that Katie and the team are very pleased to support.

Jackie Lyon who founded SLO explained who they are 'SLO is a family based charity that was set up for the benefit of the local community. They work



within the heart of the Kinross community to provide support to individuals that experience suicidal thoughts. We recognise them as valuable and unique people that enrich community growth and development, so want to ensure that they receive the support and expert services they need and deserve, at a time when they need it most.' The funds are raised by donations given to a Charity Cafe in the marquee which is stacked full of delicious treats, tea and coffee.

The County Fabrics Team are experts in their field and together with their makers they have filled windows across Scotland with made to measure curtains and blinds. Not only do they stock hundreds of rolls of fabric, they also have a dedicated area in the showroom that houses a library of books



and hangars for you to peruse. They also pride themselves on sourcing any fabric that a customer may have spotted somewhere else.

They are currently in the middle of re-branding which will include a shiny new website which offers the visitor a unique view into County Fabrics World. Watch this space!

We really hope to see everyone at the event, even if to stop just for a chat with a cup of tea and cake.

*The Warehouse Clearance Event runs from 20-22 August from 10am-4pm.*



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# PARTNERSHIP FOR THE FUTURE

**LAUNCHED IN 1998**, as part of Scottish Government's Rural Partnership Scheme, the Kinross-shire Partnership is a volunteer run, not-for-profit limited company. Its objectives are to identify, promote and encourage opportunities in Kinross-shire for:

- **Economic and Tourism Development**
- **Community Recreational Facilities**
- **Environmental Improvement**
- **Promotion of other projects for the wellbeing of the County and to support and co-ordinate groups currently engaged in such activities.**

The Partnership acts as a 'think tank', a catalyst, and a co-ordinator of disparate groups; an umbrella organisation, and a facilitator to achieve substantial change.

So how has this played out over the past 23 years? The Partnership has been actively involved in numerous projects, and continues to act on behalf of local residents, organisations and businesses. Many groups' beginnings were supported by the Partnership, including The Friends of Kirkgate, KLEO, The Kinross-shire Fund and Aerospace Kinross. The Partnership continues to work with TRACKS, Nature Scot, Historic Scotland, Visit Scotland, Perthshire Tourism Partnership and RSPB, to name but a few.

Launched in 2002, the website [www.kinross.cc](http://www.kinross.cc), a joint project with Kinross Community Council, was one of the first community websites in Scotland. It continues to serve the community with comprehensive information for residents, businesses and visitors. It is currently undergoing a major upgrade.

Examples of other Partnership achievements include securing funding, and organising, electrification of Market Park; providing support and funding to help the Cricket Club move to Loch Leven's Larder; funding signage diverting HGVs off the M90 at Junction 5 to reduce lorries in Kinross before the ring road. 2014 saw the first Networking Breakfast at Loch Leven's Larder. Covid forced these onto virtual platforms, where they continue for now.

Tourism has always been a focus of the Partnership's activity, starting with the early creation of Visitor Information Points. In 2009 the mobility scooters scheme was initiated, funded and facilitated through the Partnership, allowing people with mobility issues to access the Heritage Trail.

The Tourism Forum was established as a sub-group and [www.visitlochleven.org](http://www.visitlochleven.org) was created. The Forum con-

tinues today, playing an important role in keeping Kinross-shire's interests prominent with organisations like Visit Scotland and Perthshire Tourism Partnership. Members of the Forum meet with these and similar bodies to ensure information flows from and to the Shire.

The Partnership is actively looking for

new members, in particular for someone to coordinate the work of the Tourism Forum. If you are interested in finding out more and think you have skills to help, please email [mail@kinrosspartnership.org.uk](mailto:mail@kinrosspartnership.org.uk). The need for The Kinross-shire Partnership as a facilitator of substantial change has never been greater!



## Car Share Scheme Launch

**LOCAL CHARITABLE ORGANISATION** Kinross-shire Move Greener (KMGO) has partnered with Enterprise Car Club to launch a car share scheme for Kinross-shire.

The scheme is the first of KMGO's projects which are aimed at providing practical alternatives and opportunities for people to make a small but positive impact on the environment; promoting health and wellbeing; and generating sustainable local economic activity.

Malcolm McFarlane of KMGO, said; 'KMGO is delighted to be able to bring a car share scheme to Kinross-shire, made possible through the hard work of a small group of volunteers and with the support of Kinross Community Council, Perth & Kinross Council and grants from CoMo UK and the Kinross Common Good Fund.

Our first car, which is based at Old Causeway Car Park (Millbridge Hall) is a mid-size family car. For now, it is a hybrid (petrol/electric), but there is a request in with P&K Council for electric charging points. As soon as those chargers are in place, we will switch to a full electric vehicle. We plan to expand the fleet to include vans, wheelchair accessible vehicles and a minibus – all fully electric. So, in time, we will have a fleet of vehicles for just about every need.

KMGO can now offer residents, local businesses and organisations an alternative to running their own vehicles. Research shows that one well-utilised car share vehicle can reduce the environmental impact by the equivalent of 11 other vehicles. Renting the car share vehicle, just for essential journeys, reduces the number of non-essential journeys and gets people walking and cycling more, which has a positive effect on health and well-being. And we will involve local businesses in cleaning and maintenance – which has a small but, again, positive impact on the local economy.'

Joining the car share scheme is easy and, as well as the environmental and other benefits, it can be much more economical than running your own vehicle. To join the scheme and or to find out more about KMGO, please visit [www.movegreener.org](http://www.movegreener.org)



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# Far East POWs Honoured By Local Writer

LAST YEAR SAW THE 75th anniversary of the cessation of fighting in the Far East (VJ Day) but, as with so very many special occasions, Covid-19 restrictions were in place and the event was scaled down. This year an even larger VJ75+1 was planned to take place on 15 August at the National Memorial Arboretum, Staffordshire. I had intended to lay a wreath on behalf of the many Scottish descendants and families of former Far East Prisoners of War – but again, due to Covid-19, I won't be there.

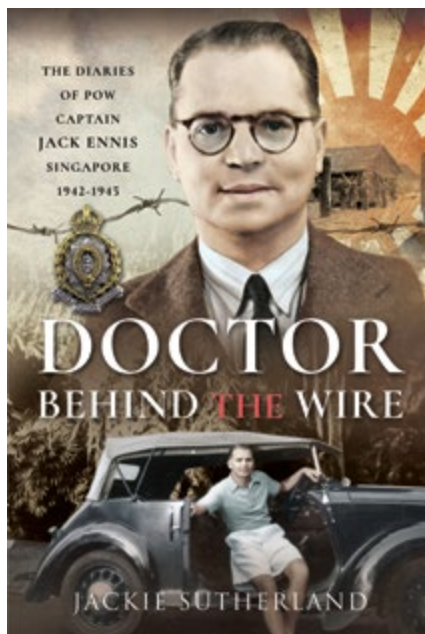
Lockdown has been so difficult for so very many people but surprisingly gave me the opportunity finally to publish my late father's wartime diaries.

Over the past few years, I've regularly given talks about the Girl Guide quilt of Changi, and have often been asked 'What did your father do during wartime in Singapore?'

Lockdown gave me the time to answer the question fully... and to write.

Just over a year ago I floated the idea of a book to a publisher – and was, to be honest, astonished when the proposal was accepted within 24 hours!

The book *Doctor Behind the Wire* was published in July this year. It is a tribute to my late parents, Jack and Elizabeth Ennis,



and to all those who were caught in the conflict in the Far East. On 15 August this year and as every year, many will pause just to remember the conflict and sacrifices made in the Far East.

My parents were fortunate (they survived) and returned with mementos of their time in captivity – Jack's diaries, smug-

gled letters (they were in different gaols), postcards home, an aluminium letter knife made from aircraft wreckage, home-made wooden sandals and much more. Items from this collection are currently on display in the Kinross (Marshall) Museum and can be viewed in the Campus Library.

Copies of *Doctor Behind the Wire* can be purchased at the Museum Study Room in the Kinross Community Campus (Thurs 10am-7pm and Sat 10am-1pm) at the (discounted) pre-publication price. All royalties from the sale of the book will go to charity.

Jackie Sutherland

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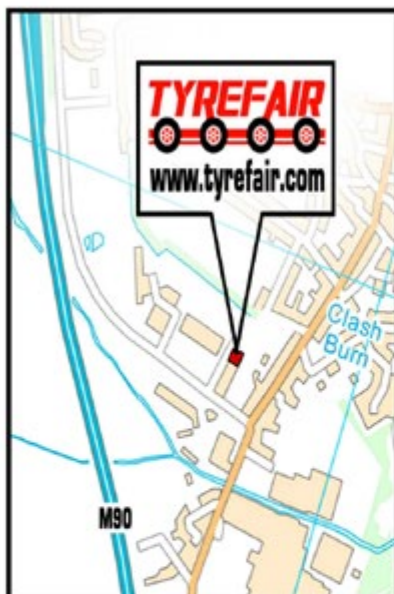
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## Councillor Richard Watters

### Frozen Meals for Primary Schools

**TWO YEARS AGO** AT a full Council meeting, Councillors rejected recommendations to provide our children with frozen meals from a centralised production unit (CPU) in Dundee. There was an agreement to look at other options going forward.

Given this, it was a surprise to all opposition councillors to find the same proposal in the papers of the Council's most recent Full meeting in June. There was no notice of this before the release of the papers.

Unfortunately, the Conservatives and their Lib Dem partners managed to get the policy through the committee and all primary school children in the area will now be fed frozen meals. The arguments against this still stand from two years ago.

Given the Scottish Government's rollout of free school meals to all primary school pupils, the challenge of feeding our children is real. But the Tories and Lib Dem have chosen to contract out the challenge to Dundee, so that Dundee gets the higher-skilled jobs that have previously existed in PKC school kitchens. They could have chosen a solution that enhances and increase higher-skilled jobs within our local area.

I agree fully with one of my colleagues who stated: 'I believe the citizens of Perth and Kinross want local cooks producing nutritional, tasty meals for their kids using fresh and locally sourced ingredients. Our catering staff know their kids and need flexibility in the way that they deliver these meals to best suit the individual needs of pupils. We need to keep these skills in Perth and Kinross. Shipping weekly frozen meals from a production unit in Dundee will not satisfy any of these needs.'

Two direct manifesto pledges by the SNP that are now being introduced in Scotland will have a positive impact on our communities and will open up opportunities within Kinross-shire.

£13 million pounds is being invested throughout Scotland to ensure all families won't face music tuition fees or core curriculum



charges such as in home economics or craft and design.

Councils in Scotland will also benefit from an increase of more than £541 million on the previous five year allocation, an uplift of more than 20% to £3.2 billion for affordable homes. Perth and Kinross Council's share of this money will help deal with some of the housing issues that I deal with on a regular basis.

I was saddened to see and hear of the mess left by 'Dirty Campers' at Burleigh Sands recently. Responsible campers, whether wild campers or roadside campers, should be following the Scottish Outdoor Access Code which is available at [www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot](http://www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot).

The key point is to Leave No Trace. If you can carry it to the site, you can carry it away.

We need to find a workable solution to this problem, so that a few dirty campers don't spoil the enjoyment of camping for the majority of campers and for others who also enjoy the area. Finding a solution will be complicated and challenging.

I for one would hate to see draconian rules implemented that prevent individuals enjoying the experience of camping. The Scottish Government and other key agencies are looking into the issues and possible solutions on a countrywide level. Meanwhile it is important that we provide bins and appropriate signs—while also demonstrating our own commitment to leaving no trace.

**Councillor Richard Watters**

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## Liz Smith, MSP

LIKE SO MANY OTHERS, I am relieved that, after sixteen months of incredible difficulties, we are finally looking at a return to normality. The UK Government's programme for reopening the economy has helped businesses to plan ahead, yet many in the business sector feel these assurances have been far less clear in Scotland. We have however, made some progress in recent days. On 13 July, the First Minister announced that she would now follow the four nations approach to the relaxation of travel restrictions – something that was met with relief by many, including within the aviation and tourist sectors, both of which had been very worried by the likely impression that Scotland, unlike other nations, was going to continue to be 'closed for business'.



### Listening To Business Concerns

In my role as Shadow Cabinet Secretary, I have spent the last couple of months listening to the concerns of businesses, most specifically what they see as the greatest challenges as we move forward from the pandemic. Not surprisingly, this is all about people's jobs, their real disposable income and investment opportunities, especially those affecting infrastructure. There has also been concern expressed about the prospect of an SNP-Green deal and how this could hamper economic growth. The very last thing Scotland needs now is additional tax burdens which the Greens want to impose and which would put Scotland at a competitive disadvantage.

### Investment In 4G Coverage

There is however, better news on the horizon for Kinross-shire, including the news from the UK Government that £1 billion investment will be delivered to enhance 4G coverage across the whole of Scotland. The investment will see 91% of Scotland's landmass in range of 4G and, more importantly, 74% in reach of all four mobile providers (EE, O2, Vodafone and Three) to eradicate the so-called 'not spots' which mean local people are forced to sign up with the provider that covers their area exclusively. I am very aware of the frustrations caused by poor broadband and I expect this will be eagerly welcomed by businesses and local people who experience these lacklustre connection speeds daily. This investment once again shows the positive difference that can be made to people's lives with the benefits of investment from the Scottish Government and the UK Government.

### Council Support For Businesses

Likewise, a very welcome scheme has been introduced by Perth and Kinross Council which aims to tackle the problem of empty housing by providing advice to landlords. The Council can advise owners on selling, renting, repair work, or converting the property to a different use. In addition, they can provide advice on grants and financial incentives for bringing the property back into use, whether this is residential or commercial. If this is something that would be of interest to yourself or someone you know, there is further information at [www.pkc.gov.uk/vacantproperty](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/vacantproperty) on the Council's website. The Council also has a grant scheme available to help businesses improve shop frontage.

### Good News On Road Safety

Lastly, I am very pleased with the progress being made in improving road safety around Kinross-shire. Councillor Callum Purves and I have been strongly pressing for the reduction of speed limits and have achieved numerous new 20mph stretches of road, in addition to this new limits have been installed in Easter Balgownie and Carnbo which have been reduced to 30mph. Road safety is of the highest importance, and I will continue to listen to local voices regarding speeding. While I can only commend efforts by local community officers for proactively

enforcing these rules, the reality is that since the centralisation of the police force by the Scottish Government, there has simply not been enough resources to do the number of speed checks that residents have been calling for. If you have any areas near you that you would like to raise concerns about then please do contact me.

The Scottish Parliament is now in recess but please do not hesitate to get in touch if there are any local issues that you would like to see addressed.

**Liz Smith, MSP**

## Councillor Willie Robertson

### Wild Camping Around Loch Leven

I have been contacted by many constituents concerned about the huge rise in wild camping around Loch Leven especially at Burleigh Sands and Findatie and the resulting mess that many of these campers have left. I have raised the issues at Burleigh Sands with Nature Scotland (SNH) who manage the loch's environs. This is also a problem at other locations in Kinross-shire.



They told me that because of the access legislation there is not a lot they can do so I asked the Council's Countryside Ranger service for help. They are now visiting Burleigh Sands, Kirkgate and Findatie on a regular basis and speaking to 'wild' campers and camper van owners parking in these locations.

The Right to Roam legislation allows people to take responsible access to land. Neither the Council or the land manager can move people on unless they can prove that they are behaving irresponsibly. This is an almost impossible thing to monitor so by the time the damage has been done the culprits have most likely moved on leaving a mess behind that needs to be cleaned up. I, like all users of the Heritage Trail and Loch Leven get very upset to see our lovely countryside being trashed.

I think the problem lies with the Right to Roam legislation which is poorly drafted and has led to problems in beauty spots throughout Scotland. I contacted Nature Scotland and the Council to see if the camping permit system introduced within the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park can be introduced here. Please see below the response I got back from the Council's Community Greenspace manager. As you will see he has given me an email address to report issues: [visitormanagementgroup@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:visitormanagementgroup@pkc.gov.uk). So, if you want to report a problem please use this address.

*In terms of Visitor Management we are looking at both the short term issues for this season and a more strategic medium and long term approach to facilities, infrastructure and staffing – all with an emphasis on welcoming responsible visitors, minimising the impacts on residents and maximising the opportunities for local businesses.*

*In terms of the specific issues you raise, we will review the bin provision and litter collection, encourage people to take litter home and get the new Visitor Rangers out to have a look. We have actioned this already. On the camping byelaws – I have been on the multi-agency group coordinated by Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park for over a year now and have a good knowledge of the situation there. They are also overwhelmed with numbers just now and whilst their approach has helped it isn't perfect. There are an enormous amount of resources required to bring it in and manage it thereafter.*

*All of this is being looked at at a national level with the Scottish Government and key agencies – VisitScotland, NatureScot, Police Scotland, the National Parks and others as it is now a Scotland wide issue. It would be best to see what comes out of that this year before we embark on any significant local solutions. In some ways it would be a lot clearer and consistent for everyone*

in Scotland if the rules were the same everywhere and there was a more strategic approach to provision of infrastructure and facilities.

So we will feedback on the shorter term things we can do on the specific problems you have highlighted and also later in the year, on the medium to longer term issues. In the meantime, there is some information on the website which may be helpful if you wanted to direct people to that Perth & Kinross Council – Promoting responsible tourism in Perth and Kinross (pkc.gov.uk) and there is an email address included in it for people to report issues which is [visitormanagementgroup@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:visitormanagementgroup@pkc.gov.uk)

**A911 Scotlandwell to Auchmuir Bridge Road:** As reported last month Portmoak Community Council (PCC) and residents who live along this road are campaigning for the speed limit to be reduced from 60mph to 40mph. I and my fellow ward councillors and PCC have requested such a speed reduction for years without success. The need to reduce the speed limit on this section of road has become even more urgent following a fatal accident on it in the middle of July. All those seeking a new 40mph must redouble their efforts to make this happen.

**Curate Wynd Car Park:** I love it when someone comes up with a really good idea. On this occasion a resident of Curate Wynd has suggested that the car park there be expanded – there is an area of unused waste ground at the back of the car park – and along with extra spaces he suggested that an electric vehicle car charging points be installed. I thought this was an excellent idea and have written to the Council asking for it to be investigated.

**Overgrown Embankment:** The embankment between Mill Street and Coventry Place is very overgrown. I have contacted the Council and asked for it to be tidied up.

**Overgrown Hedges:** As always at this time of year can I ask everyone who has a hedge bordering a pavement to make sure that it is not blocking the way for pedestrians. Overgrown hedges makes life difficult for those who are partially sighted and pram and mobility scooter users.

**Councillor Willie Robertson**

## Councillor Mike Barnacle

**AN EMAIL** from Cllr Barnacle to Brian Cargill sent on 07.07.21

*Dear Colleagues, In April and May 2021 I sought clarity on the adequacy of the budget to complete the agreed measures and did not obtain that! Also we are now in the school holidays so is there any sign that the long awaited School Road junction improvements work is scheduled to start since I am tired of asking.*

*Regards, Cllr Mike Barnacle*

**REPLY FROM BRIAN** Cargill, Traffic and Network Service Manager at PKC received on Thursday, 8 July.

*Councillor Barnacle, firstly I must apologise for the delay in replying to you. It has been, and it still is a very busy time for our staff but we should have at least replied to your latest correspondence and this was an oversight on our part. I honestly do not recall a more challenging time during my career and our staff resources are absolutely stretched to the maximum. Our Traffic and Road Safety team are still fully employed trying to deliver the last of the 20mph speed limits and the School Exclusion Zones. Over 70 no. 20mph speed limits, 30 no. 40mph buffers and 10 School Exclusion Zones have and are being provided. I appreciate that you have heard this a number of times but because of our limited staff resources we really are still flat out dealing with these projects at this time. There is light at the end of the tunnel, these projects will soon be completed and we hope to make inroads into other priorities very soon.*



## A977 Gateway Signs

During the Covid pandemic we still managed to do some work on the A977 earlier this year and the gateway signs should now all be in place. This was a significant visual part of the project and we should now have a consistent signing approach along the route.

## A977 School Road

Because of our limited staff resources we employed consultants to carry out the design work of the School Road junction on our behalf. Unfortunately due to Covid and the restrictions on essential travel the consultants were unable to carry out site investigation work as planned. This has resulted in a delay to the initial and final designs for the School Road project. We have been in regular discussions with the consultants and a further meeting is to be held tomorrow where we will get an update on their progress. It is hoped that the final design is very close and then a definite date can be programmed for delivery of this project. As advised previously a programme meeting was and still is to be held with Tayside Contracts to discuss and programme the School Road signals project. As soon as we have the final designs from the consultants we will discuss the project with Tayside Contracts and we will be able to advise you on the programme date.

## A977/B9097 realignment

This project as always going to follow the above School Road project and because of the delays and our current work pressures and priorities this project will again have to be passed out to consultants. We will consider how best to address this and advise you in due course of likely timescales.

**Available Budgets –** In relation to the available budgets I can advise that when we have final designs for School Road we will be able to obtain more accurate costings. This will allow us to assess whether the current available funding for the remaining identified projects is adequate or not. It is our feeling just now that this won't be the case but until we have more accurate costings that is only speculation.

The Spaces for People project as well as the 20mph speed limit trial have taken up our staff resources for the last year. In addition staff redeployment has also decimated our teams and only last week we were once again requested to provide staff for redeployment to our colleagues in Social Care. From the outside worlds point of view the pandemic is nearly over but it certainly isn't from the Councils and our teams perspective. We will continue to try to deliver as best we can in the circumstances and hopefully we will have more positive news and dates for you in the coming weeks. As soon as we have more concrete information we will provide you with this at the earliest opportunity.

*I trust that the above brings you up to date with the current position.*

*Best regards,*

*Brian*

**AN EMAIL SENT FROM** Cllr Barnacle on Friday 16 July:

*Dear PKC Roads Colleagues,*

*I forward an email frae my constituent in Drum & ? what has happened regarding the proposed 20mph limits for Crook of Devon & Drum that we were assured were progressing. I note & welcome the successful trial in Kinnesswood so presumably there is nothing to hold matters up, pandemic permitting; however i*

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*note the recent arrival of Gateway signs for Drum with 30mph thereon, presumably part of A977 funding, which suggests a lack of joined up thinking re the programme? Whilst writing i note Brian's reply to me of 8th instant re A977 mitigation & timescales and I request ASAP confirmation on the available budget to cover the Drum Xroads project in case we have to find further capital provision later this year.*

*Clarity please gentlemen?*

*Regards, Cllr Mike Barnacle*

### **Kinross-shire Community Transport Group Zoom Meeting 27 May 2021, 7pm News from the May Meeting**

**Present:** Cllr Barnacle, Cllr Watters (P&K Council), Malcolm McFarlane (KMGO), Paul Appleby (Cleish CC), Michael Haigh (Fossway CC), John Fallon (Local Resident Rumbling Bridge), David Aird (KVG), David Colliar (Kinross CC), Phillip Lord (Muckhart CC), Douglas Fraser (Glenfarg CC), Margaret Roy (P&K Council PTU)

**Apologies:** Cllr Robertson, Cllr Purves (P&K Council), Carol Farquhar (Fossway CC), Margaret Ponton (Glenfarg CC)

#### **Matters Arising**

Cllr Barnacle advised that Sarah Brown had issued transport survey to her pupils at KHS, all agreed that SB should be asked to re-issue survey when there was a full return of pupils to KHS after summer holidays. Cllr Barnacle will contact Sarah and request this. MR offered that PTU would tweak the survey so it was bespoke for the young people of Kinross High School.

#### **Update on Current Subsidised and Commercial Local Bus Services in Kinross-shire**

Margaret Roy (MR) confirmed that usage of Service 55 continues to be consistent despite the current CV19 situation. MR confirmed that recent changes to the Ember service timetable had resulted in Service 55 now being able to connect with it at Kinross P+R.

MR had highlighted this to the company and they will take this connection into account for any future timetable revisions.

Cllr Barnacle and Michael Haigh both noted they had noticed passengers using Service X53 in the Kinross-shire area of late.

#### **Future Planning for Public Transport Provision in Kinross-shire**

MR confirmed that PTU had drafted a suggested off peak timetable between Kinross and Powmill and this can be progressed once the true travel demand is known once we enter recovery. Cllr Barnacle noted that his preference would be that if this service were to come into fruition that it extended to Blairingone.

MR advised that she had submitted John Fallon's suggested timetable to this end to First but had still not received a written response from Andrew Jarvis. However post meeting it transpires that AJ has been promoted to First Portfolio Director for Scotland and North England. MR has sourced the appropriate First manager to liaise with in regard to this matter and will hopefully have an update for the next meeting.

#### **KMGO**

Malcolm McFarlane of KMGO introduced himself to the group and gave the background to their work and aspirations. Malcolm explained that the main areas they were concerned with were environmental impact, local economy activity, active travel, car share schemes, white chair scheme, e-bikes and joining up with other transport modes. MR agreed that links between PTU and KMGO would be useful and she will contact Malcolm in this regard.

Malcolm also requested a copy of the Kinross-shire Transport survey that was undertaken pre-CV19 and its results and MR agreed to provide this to him.

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

All agreed to meet again in two months and Cllr Barnacle will confirm actual date nearer the time.


**Councillor Michael Barnacle**

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HE ARRIVED ELEVEN YEARS ago, all skin and bones. A six-month adolescent the vet said, with a head too big for his hungry body. He'd been living wild on some scrubland. Desperate to be rescued, he'd jumped into my friend Luis' van and refused to leave, sitting on the front seat until they got to mine. I agreed to keep him while his microchip was checked but we found he had none. Within days I'd fallen for a ginger tom with a freckled nose and big green eyes. We called him Rojo.



Rojo melted hearts, wooing and winning even my most cat-resistant friends. It never seemed to cross his mind that people might not want his company. Each guest was greeted at the door, every delivery man escorted to the front-garden gate. He loved people and they responded in kind.

Rojo didn't have much time for climbing trees or days out on his own. He liked accompanied strolls and sitting with my partner and me under our big old tree. Always close, we'd become inseparable during lockdown. He'd call to see which room I was in if he'd been out for a comfort break. His was a rough love of ferocious kneading, human hair grooming and head bumps. If he felt attention-deprived, he'd tap my hand repeatedly until he got the strokes he wanted. Not one for social distancing, he'd learned from the cat sitter how to high five.

Last year, Rojo discovered zooming and, inevitably, photobombing. As soon as he heard voices, he'd be up on the desk mooning my fellow Parliamentarians. One appearance went viral. At the last count, it'd been viewed twelve million times, earning him appearances at the Taiwan Cat Film Festival and, any Youtuber's dream, the Jimmy Kimmel Show. He gets fan mail from Los Angeles to Lagos.

Two weeks ago, Rojo went for an evening stroll to our garden gate. I never worried when he was out. He was scared of cars, avoided roads, and never strayed far. Within moments, neighbours I didn't know were at our door. Rojo had been killed by a car, they said. A driver had handed them his body but hadn't stopped. Details were sketchy. Rojo was lying dead in their driveway when we went to their address, his head wrapped in a towel. A half hour after I'd given him his tea, we were leaving him, lifeless, at the vet.

There have been many tears since. The house is quiet without him. I long for his boisterous, demanding, constant presence when awake, and his trusting snoring beside me on the sofa when asleep. Some people will say he was just a cat. But he was my Rojo. I loved him, and I miss him.

*Under current law, you must report to police any collision with certain types of animal, including dogs, horses, cattle, pigs, goats, and sheep. However, drivers are under no legal obligation to report accidents involving cats. John Nicolson MP is supporting a change in the law.*

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## Councillor Callum Purves



### Dirty Camping

While most local residents and visitors have been enjoying the spell of good weather responsibly, it has also unfortunately attracted some people who have shown little regard for our local environment.

Several residents have raised concerns with me about wild camping and caravanning at Burleigh Sands. Some of the photos of littering, abandoned bin bags and even the fly tipping of larger items were appalling, and it is vital that action is taken to address this problem.

Earlier this year, the Council introduced a new visitor ranger service. They have been addressing the problems of wild camping mainly in Highland and Eastern Perthshire reasonably successfully.

Until now, they had not often been down to Kinross-shire, but given the recent spate of poor behaviour, I have asked them to attend Burleigh Sands and monitor areas around Loch Leven so that we can hopefully nip this problem in the bud.

### Instrumental Music Service

At the last Holyrood elections in May, several parties – including my own – pledged to make the instrumental music service part of the core education, thereby eliminating music tuition fees.

The Scottish Government have recently confirmed that they plan to proceed with this policy, and new arrangements will be put in place for music tuition in Perth & Kinross before the start of the next academic year. The Council will contact parents about this change in due course.

This is often an area that causes concern when the Council sets its budget and officials in the past have suggested steep rise to fees so I am sure that this change will be broadly welcomed.

### Mental Health Services

As many of you will know, NHS Tayside has come under fire for the provision of its mental health services and was subject to an independent inquiry by the former chief inspector of prisons, Dr. David Strang.

Dr Strang's original report was highly critical and made a series of recommendations. These were underpinned by the core principles of trust and respect: of service users, of carers and of staff.

Dr Strang recently published a progress report. While some improvements have been made, he said it was clear that NHS Tayside had not fully appreciated the cultural change that is required to deliver better mental health services.

Frustratingly, in 2019, the Integration Joint Board on which I sit was stripped of some of its responsibilities for these services by the Scottish Government who passed them to NHS Tayside (the very body responsible for the failings and who, at the time, was still in special measures).

Despite this, I will continue to do my best to hold those responsible for the delivery of these vital services to account.

### A911 Road Safety

Concerns have been raised for many years about the appropriateness of the national speed limit on the stretch of the A911 between Scotlandwell and Auchmuirbridge that includes Bowhouse and Arnot. Other parts of this road between settlements are set at 40 mph as is the stretch on the Fife side of the boundary to Auchmuirbridge.

I have made several representations over the years for the limit to be lowered, but the Council has said that there are not enough vehicular accesses onto this road. I have written to the Convener of the Council's Environment & Infrastructure Committee to ask him to review the Council's policy that is blocking this change.





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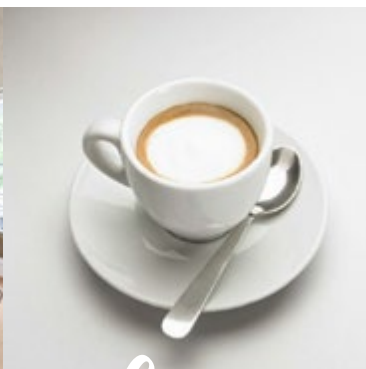
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Last month, there was very sadly a fatality on one of the particularly bad bends. This was where there had already been several other non-fatal accidents. Perhaps this tragedy will focus minds, but these issues have been pointed out to the council for many years and action is long overdue.

### **Kinnesswood 20mph**

In Kinnesswood, representations over road safety have been listened to and a temporary 20mph speed limit was introduced along with the introduction of vehicle-activated signs. This trial is about to come to an end.

While we are yet to see the figures that will show whether there has been any reduction to the overall speed of vehicles, the feedback from residents has generally been positive.

A decision now needs to be taken about whether the limit is made permanent, and I have suggested to the council officials that it should be.

### **Carnbo 30mph Limit**

Another village where concerns about road safety have been raised for many years is Carnbo, which remains at 40mph despite a significant increase in the number of properties in the village.

Residents have requested that the limit be lowered to 30mph, but this has up until now been rejected. Following another request I made, Council officials have now confirmed that the limit will be lowered later in this financial year, which is welcome news.

### **Verge Cutting**

Several residents have raised concerns with me about problems with verges being overgrown, particularly at junctions, which was affecting sight lines for people trying to turn. This was particularly bad following the growth spurt in June.

By the time you read this, all verges and junctions across Perth & Kinross should now have been cut back. Junctions will receive a second cut to improve sight lines from the middle of August onwards.

If there are any areas that are particularly bad or that you think might have been missed, please contact me at [CPurves@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:CPurves@pkc.gov.uk)

**Councillor Callum Purves**

## **Jim Fairlie, MSP**

**FOR A SECOND SUMMER** in a row, we have seen major local events cancelled because of concerns around Covid and being able to ensure that the events went ahead safely and in accordance with all appropriate guidance.

I know that the decision to cancel these events will not have been taken lightly by the groups of dedicated volunteers who organise them and it will be a real sign that we are really and truly heading back to the long-awaited post-covid way of living when events like these can be part of our lives as a community once more.

There are all sorts of landmark events in the lives of a community, just as there are for a family and for an individual. One of the saddest things about the past year and half has been the extent to which young people – and their families – have missed out on being able to celebrate some of those landmarks in the way they might have expected.

I sincerely hope that this coming year will see a return to being able to do that.

August means the start of a new school year and I wish all the very best to all our young people as they embark on another stage of the adventure that we call growing up. In particular to those who are at one of those landmark moments – starting off in primary school for the first time, or moving on to secondary. These are big transitions in any child's life and emotional times for parents.

Of course, it can be a financially difficult time for some and I was pleased that the Scottish Government has increased the School Clothing Grant so that those eligible will have received £120 per child attending primary and £150 per secondary pupil.

Research indicates that the additional support through the School Clothing Grant is worth over a quarter of a million pounds across Perth & Kinross alone, with payments being made to an estimated 1850 children.

Yet again, we see in action a tale of two governments. Whilst the Scottish government is building a social security system built on dignity, fairness and respect, Westminster are preparing to cut Universal Credit, threatening to plunge 20,000 children in Scotland into poverty. The contrast is stark.

The commitment to ensuring the best possible outcomes for all young people attending Scotland's schools continues in other ways too, and I welcome the delivery – in time for this new school year – of a couple of important policies which were in our election manifesto.

Thanks to more than £7 million of funding from the Scottish Government, fees for children learning a musical instrument at school will be removed and a further £6 million will go towards waiving charges for things like materials for home economics or theatre trips associated with drama qualifications.

If an activity is important to a course, then the ability to pay for it should not be a hurdle at which anyone falls. This package of support means the removal of another obstacle to equality of opportunity and the stigma that can come from being left out or left behind.

**Councillor Jim Fairlie**



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## Vehicle Crime Awareness Campaign

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As crime rates return to pre-COVID levels, officers are seeing a rise in the number of cars, vans and motorcycles being stolen, or having items stolen from within.

Attempted theft of vehicles has increased across Scotland and in a number of divisions, there has been an increase in the number of vehicles successfully stolen too.

Officers are now urging the public to take appropriate security measures in respect of their vehicles and valuables within, to try and prevent further victims of these crimes.

Detective Superintendent Joyce Greenhorn, Police Scotland's Acquisitive Crime Lead, said: 'With people now able to spend increased time away from their homes again, be it to go on holiday, or returning to other activities, the number of instances of vehicles being subject to criminal activity has risen.

'We are treating this upward trend with the utmost seriousness and want to provide communities with all the information they require to help stop their vehicles and property being targeted.

'Please always remember to keep your vehicle locked when unattended and remove all valuables, or store them safely out of sight. If you are going on holiday, ask someone you trust to keep an eye on your home, car, van or bike and get them to report any suspicious activity they observe to police immediately.

'We will be using our social media channels to provide crime prevention advice over the coming week, so look out for these updates.

'You can also visit our website [www.scotland.police.uk](http://www.scotland.police.uk) at any time for useful guidance on safeguarding your home, vehicle and personal possessions.'

## Recent Incidents

Between 5.30pm and 7.30am 8/9 July, a Suzuki Quad bike was stolen from a farm near Balado. (CR/19281/21)

## Updates

A 24-year-old man will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal for breaking the window wipers off a silver Peugeot parked in Muirs, Kinross on Saturday 10 July.

*Anyone with any information that may be useful should contact Tayside Division on 101 or any police officer, quoting the crime reference number listed at each incident. Alternatively, information can be passed anonymously via the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.*

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

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- **Try and 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)

...to find out more about home safety services?

- **When circumstances allow, contact your local council for more information. Depending on your circumstances, you may qualify for a free security alarm.**

## Police Scotland – local community

**Telephone 101 for non-emergencies**

Community officers for Kinross-shire:

**PC Ashley Mitchinson and PC Martin Gemmell.**

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

Community Sergeant (Kinross-shire): **Sgt Mark Craig.**

Community Inspector for Perth South (Strathearn, Strathallan, Almond & Earn, Kinross-shire): **PI Craig Stephen.**

PC Spalding is also on Police Scotland twitter and can be followed on [twitter.com/policescotland](https://twitter.com/policescotland) or [@Kinross](https://twitter.com/Kinross)

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## Community Watch

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**– Telephone 0800 555 111**

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## THE COUNTY CINEMA REMEMBERED

AS A YOUNGSTER IN the 1950s there was no better place to be on a wet Saturday afternoon than the County Cinema in Station Road, Kinross. Many will remember this grand Art Deco building which was opened in September 1938, almost exactly a year before the outbreak of World War II at a time well before we all had access to a television set.

'Cinematographic exhibitions' had taken place in Kinross since the early years of the twentieth century when silent films emerged as a new form of entertainment. Pioneers of early cinematography in the burgh were Maudie and Duncan Payne who opened the first cinema in Kinross in a tent situated at the junction of Curate Wynd and Montgomery Street. They later moved to the Town Hall where the ever-popular 'Paynes Pictures' attracted larger audiences, with "silents" being accompanied by Duncan playing the fiddle and Andrew Renton on the piano.

The first purpose-built cinema in Kinross opened its doors on Monday 12 September 1938 with a screening of the film *Heidi* starring Shirley Temple in the title role. Based on the story of a five-year-old orphan girl by the Swiss author Johanna Spyri (1827-1901), this novel was first published in 1881. The main feature was preceded by the British Movietone News and the official Opening Programme concluded with *The Jones Family in Hot Water*.

After a rendering of 'God Save The King', the County Cinema was officially opened by Mrs G A Ramage Dawson of



Balado House who was introduced by Bailie Scott, chairman of the Board of Directors of The County (Kinross) Ltd. Found in the archives of Kinross (Marshall) Museum, a 20-page souvenir brochure of this event tells us that the first manager of the cinema was Francis B Carter who had previously worked for The New Century Pictures Ltd in Leeds before managing the Victoria Hall in Halifax, the New Picture House in St Andrews and the Tudor Cinema in Giffnock. The projectionist during the war years was Ella Ford and in the 1950s that role was taken by Alex Ross from Kelty with James Sneddon as the new Manager.

The architects and general contractors responsible for the design and erection of the iconic County Cinema were the Glasgow firm Stellmatics Ltd, with luxurious tub chairs supplied by L B Lockwood & Co., theatre furnishers in Bradford. The prices of admission in those early days were 6d, 9d and 1/- (2.5p-5p) in the stalls and 9d in the balcony.

With the arrival of televisions in everyone's front room the County Cinema began to lose its appeal. Changing its name to 'The Rio' and the introduction of Bingo made little difference and in the 1980s the cinema was finally demolished to make way for new housing in Station Road. The presence of the 'silver screen' in Kinross had come to an end after nearly five decades, leaving only the memory of films of



yesteryear, Pathe News and ice cream on a wet summer afternoon.

David Munro  
Kinross (Marshall) Museum



# A Fine Life On The Lavender Farm



Photo: Rowanne McGee

**AS THE WARM AUGUST** weather rolls in, The Scottish Lavender Farm is hard at work getting ready to harvest this year's crop. With six years of hard labour getting the farm established, father and son duo Graham and Rory have excitedly opened the farm up for tours of not only the beautiful fields but also an insight into the process of distilling lavender into high-grade oils.

The tour also explores other projects at work on the farm, such as their efforts to rethink modern-day Scottish farming by allowing arable fields to grow into meadows as well as encouraging the brown hares and roe deer to take residence there rather than chasing them away.

Additionally, the farm is free from pesticides, herbicides, and other nasties; the only thing touching these plants is rainwater. For Graham, harvesting his crop is a labour-intensive project, as he takes ten days to cut the lavender by hand with a sickle in the morning, while the afternoons are spent distilling, guaranteeing customers the highest quality. Not only does the manual harvest help protect the plants from damage, but it also preserves the existence of the near half-million bees living on the farm.

As well as new environmental projects, Graham hopes that it won't be just lavender that grows on the farm in the near future. 'It's amazing. Twenty years ago you would never have been able to grow lavender in Scotland, but the climate has changed – and, as it does, so does what we farm.' The father and son are now trialling other plants such as rosemary, chamomile, cornflower and various mints.

Due to lockdown restrictions, the pair have also had to get creative in their attempts to distil new oils as they could not purchase copper steam distillers from abroad. Instead, imagination and trial and error has been put into fashioning a homemade machine which has so far been a success.



Photo: Rowanne McGee





Photo: Deborah Harling

As much as The Scottish Lavender Farm is a working farm, it is also an education centre. Experimenting with new farming concepts in Scotland, with the hope of encouraging other farmers to take on not only more sustainable methods but also new crops that have previously been considered unsuited to Scotland's challenging weather. There was so much to learn and explore on the tour as well as the modest opportunity to pose amongst rows of lavender for candid photos. There couldn't be a better way to spend an afternoon than roaming The Scottish Lavender Farm.

Rowanne McGee

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# Rumble In The Jungle

*Lieut Col Andrew Middlemiss has seen service in many theatres of action during his distinguished Army career. Here he talks about one of the more forgotten conflicts in which he was involved.*

**BETWEEN 1963 AND 1966**, British and Commonwealth forces fought against Indonesia in a conflict that focused on the future of Brunei and North Borneo. The fighting consisted of tough, small scale clashes in the jungles on border areas, ending in a victory for the Commonwealth and UK Forces.

Borneo (Kalimantan to the Indonesians) is the second biggest island in the world. Along its northern coast lay three British dependent territories – the colony of Sarawak, the Sultanate of Brunei and, at the north easterly tip, the colony of North Borneo (now Sabah). The border of these with Indonesian territory, jungle and mountains, is a thousand miles long. In 1961, Tunku Abdul Rahman, Prime Minister of Malaya, proposed the formation of a Federation of Malaysia to combine Malaya, the colony of Singapore and the three (British) Borneo territories. Initially, all concerned accepted the idea, but eventually both Brunei and Singapore would drop out – Brunei first, because the Sultan was unwilling to become a constitutional monarch like the others in Malaya; much later (in 1965) Singapore left, reluctantly, because its Chinese majority and outlook did not chime with Malaya. The new Federation of Malaysia was formally born on 31 August 1963.

However, President Soekarno of Indonesia was wary of continued British influence in the region. He wanted to extend Indonesian control on the island, by adding these territories to the rest of Kalimantan.

## Brunei Revolt

On 8 December 1962, pro-Soekarno rebels, known as the North Kalimantan National Army, tried to capture the Sultan of Brunei, and seize his state. He called on the British for help.

In a phenomenal effort of brilliant, speedy planning and execution, within hours, two companies of Gurkhas had been airlifted in from Singapore. Over the next few days, other units joined them, including the Queen's Own Highlanders



and 42 Royal Marine Commando. After rescuing a number of hostages and securing Brunei's key strategic points – such as its radio stations, government buildings and oil refineries – the rebellion was easily suppressed with low casualties.

## North Borneo (now Sabah)

In April 1963, hoping to intimidate the local population, Soekarno authorised cross-border incursions into North Borneo by so-called volunteers. Five battalions of British and Gurkha troops, under the command of Major-General Walter Walker, were committed to defend a frontier that extended for nearly 1,000 miles of jungle-covered mountain.

## Jungle Warfare

Walker had experience fighting the Japanese in Burma and





Model of the battlefield

the Communists in Malaya, and he was quick to put the lessons learned in those campaigns into effect. A keen advocate of the use of helicopters in modern military operations, he set out to dominate the jungle by patrolling, and placed great emphasis on the gathering of intelligence. Medical and agricultural projects were initiated to win the 'hearts and minds' of the local population. Locals were also recruited into an irregular force known as the Border Scouts. This was tough, close country to operate in, with extreme heat and almost 100% humidity. Patrolling visibility was a matter of yards, sores became infected, malaria was rife, and the enemy was cunning and ruthless. People say you love the jungle or you hate it. It's very claustrophobic if you let your mind think along those lines. Navigation is hard, and is all by contours or river beds on maps; there are no features like pylon lines or church spires. In some especially closed-in secondary jungle, I used to think I was doing well if I knew what grid square I was in! By and large, the soldiers adapted really well. A lot of them were just young boys, not long out of basic training and never east of Kinross in their lives.

### Commonwealth Effort

By the time Walker handed over command to Major-General George Lea, his force had been increased to 13 battalions of infantry, the equivalent of a battalion of SAS, plus artillery and engineer support. Early in 1965 Troops were provided by Malaysia, Australia and New Zealand, as well as Britain. All eight battalions of Gurkhas were engaged in the confrontation, and once again showed their value as jungle fighters. Tours were of varying length; Gurkhas generally did 6 months, British battalions in the Far East did 4 months, while the UK-based units normally did 12 months.

### Border Raids

In September 1963, Soekarno committed Indonesian regular troops to the conflict. Their tactics were to cross the frontier in bodies of up to 200 men, and establish bases in the jungle. Walker responded by setting up bases of his own near the border, which were supplied and reinforced by helicopter. He also received top level permission from Number 10 to mount secret cross-border raids into Kalimantan, to pre-empt Indonesian attacks -the famous 'Op Claret Raids'.

### One Example

The best known 'Op Claret' operation occurred on 21 November 1965. A company from the 2/10 Gurkhas encountered a platoon sized force of Indonesians, in an entrenched position in Kalimantan, opposite Bau. The position was so situated that it allowed only one approach, which was along a ridge so narrow that only three men at a time could move up it in line-abreast formation.

Lance Corporal Rambahadur Limbu led a party of 16 men in an attack on the forward machine gun position, from where they were to provide support to the rest of the company, during their attack. They were about 10 yards away, when the Indonesian sentry opened fire, wounding one of the Gurkhas, and alerting the rest of the platoon. Seeing the danger that they were in, Rambahadur Limbu rushed the machine gun, and destroyed it with a grenade. Alerted, the rest of the Indonesian platoon began to fire on the forward pit, thus making it an untenable position, from which to provide support for the company attack. In order to report this fact to his platoon commander, Limbu exposed himself to enemy fire, before returning to pull two of his wounded comrades to safety. An hour-long fire-fight followed, which has since become known as the Battle of Bau, during which the Gurkha

Nanga Gaat on the Rajang River, North Borneo, 1964





## Features

company launched an assault on the Indonesian position. At least 24 Indonesians are believed killed in the attack, while the Gurkhas suffered three killed and two wounded.

L/Cpl Rambhadrur Limbu received the Victoria Cross for his actions.

Op Claret operations continued and developed in scope; they were now undertaken by all UK and Gurkha battalions. The permitted depth of operations increased from the initial 5,000 yards to 10,000 and then to 20,000 yards, applied only to Special Forces. Regular infantry generally remained within range of artillery support. The Indonesians continued to remain publicly silent about these operations. By mid-year, the program of Claret operations had in effect established a 'cordon sanitaire' a few kilometres deep on the Kalimantan side of the border. The Indonesians then laid down thousands of anti-personnel mines against the Western Brigade.

### The Battle Of Plaman Mapu.

President Soekarno wanted a 'spectacular'. Thus, a significant attack was made by the Indonesians against Plaman Mapu, the base of B Company, 2 PARA. It was identified as a target because it was barely 1 km from the border and lacked mutual support from any other Commonwealth base. The majority of B Company was out on patrols, and Plaman Mapu was only lightly held. It was composed of a company HQ element, an understrength platoon, and a mortar section, all commanded by the Company Sergeant Major – "Patch" Williams.

The attack started at 5am on 27 June 1965, made by three platoons of Indonesians. Read the amazing war diary account:

'Indonesian artillery fire continued to rain down on the camp, wounding several men and sending the defenders into disarray. Sergeant-Major Williams rushed to the headquarters to order the artillery officer to bombard the taken positions before attempting to organise a counterattack himself. Whilst under heavy Indonesian fire, Williams gathered a section of defenders, who had taken refuge in a slit trench, and led them towards the captured outer positions. A shell landed among the group, and wounded half of them, but Williams and the remainder engaged at least 30 Indonesian infantry, who had been firing into the base from the trench, in vicious hand-to-hand combat, and managed to push them from it with minor casualties. Williams then looked to secure the perimeter, but seeing that the Indonesians were massing for a second attack, he sat down in a vacated machine gun nest, and sprayed the new wave of attackers, who attempted to seize the command bunker, with fire. This was not without cost, and Williams was fortunate to have escaped with a single head wound, which nevertheless blinded him in one eye, though he did not notice this in the heat of battle. Williams then began to receive supporting rifle fire from other British troops in nearby trenches, as well bombardment from the single remaining mortar, and some 105mm artillery emplacements from a nearby camp.

After an hour and a half, the Indonesians launched a third and final attack up the slope towards the base, which the British responded to with artillery and grenade fire. This defence was remarkably effective, and eventually the barrage of Indonesian rocket fire halted and



*Rebels captured during an attack by the Queen's Own Highlanders on the Brunei oil town of Seria, December 1962*

the few remaining British soldiers rose from their hideouts and began to clear the perimeter. Soon afterwards, Gurkha soldiers and medical staff arrived at the base by helicopter, leaving the soldiers behind to secure the area, and airlifting the wounded to a nearby field hospital. By this point, however, Indonesian forces had withdrawn, effectively ending the battle.

Despite the sheer intensity of the fighting and the number of Indonesian troops, final British casualty numbers were low: 2 killed and 8 wounded. The British in turn inflicted at least 30 estimated casualties upon the Indonesians.

CSM Williams was awarded the DCM and went on to become a Lt Col QM, an amazing soldier, with his distinctive eye patch. The Battle of Plaman Mapu is considered a turning point in the Confrontation. Never again was such a powerful and concentrated cross-border attack attempted by the Indonesian Army. Within months, Indonesia was convulsed by revolution, and peace was secured in the next 12 months as the conflict ground to a halt.

### End Of Conflict

By late 1965, the Indonesians had lost control of the frontier. They were further undermined by internal strife. In October 1965, the Indonesian army crushed an attempted coup by the Indonesian Communist Party, the main supporters of Soekarno. The following March, the anti-Communist General Suharto overthrew Soekarno. He then withdrew Indonesian forces from the border areas and signed a treaty with Malaysia in August 1966. The confrontation was over. It had claimed the lives of 114 Commonwealth personnel, and wounded another 180. Nevertheless, it had been a striking success for Britain's new all-professional army.

*Andy Middlemiss BEM DL*



# Health & Wellbeing

## News from the Health Centre



### St Serf's Medical Practice

**ST SERF'S MEDICAL PRACTICE** would like to welcome Dr William Jones who will join us from 9 August. Dr Jones replaces Dr Lingard who has now taken up another post within NHS Tayside. Dr Lingard would like to thank all of his patients for their kindness and on behalf of everyone at Loch Leven Health Centre, we wish him all the best for the future.

Dr Jones joins us from another practice within Tayside and he looks forward to supporting patients with their healthcare needs in the future.

### Orwell Medical Practice

**ORWELL MEDICAL PRACTICE** has welcomed a new Practice Nurse, Fiona Faulds-Reid, who has started recently and is enjoying meeting and assisting the Practices patients.

**NHS TAYSIDE CONTINUE TO** offer drop-in clinics for the Covid Vaccination. Both practices post regular updates regarding this on Facebook.

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# Callum's Global Report

## Dear Reader

My name is Callum Alexander, currently living in Perth and Kinross, Scotland and I am 15 years old. For the last twelve months, I have been working on an extensive project I call 'Global Report', which examines and addresses the injustices, threats and man-made crises throughout the world today, whether that is through the global climate, water, air, food and humanitarian crises. The 'Global Report' is more than 200 pages long, contains around 120,000 words and comprises of ten chapters including context, preface and epilogue/conclusion. By the end of the report in a category called 'Conclusion', it describes a list of environmental and

The years of 2020 and 2021 must certainly represent the intent significance and purpose in learning from man - made mistakes of which we have so appreciably decimated planet earth and all its inhabitants. In other words, once we emerge out from the Covid-19 pandemic, it is pivotal that we as a human race do not revert back to "normal life", because our way of 'normal life' is not efficient and is indeed killing humans and planet Earth. We cannot live in the same culture that forced us into this substantial crisis of the Coronavirus pandemic, climate change, poverty, war and far more, and hope that all these crises will merely disappear. One of the greatest threats

**On p17, we told you how young Callum Alexander, a 15 year old pupil at Kinross High School, has won the Young Environmental Reporter competition organised by Keep Scotland Beautiful. Here, he summarises his winning entry – it makes sobering reading.**

human rights laws that must be passed under international law during the 26th UN Climate Conference (COP26) to prevent irreversible disaster to the world's ecology, economy and future generations. These audacious laws show of what not only must be done to meet the Paris Climate Agreement by reducing Greenhouse Gas emissions by 55% by 2030, and become net-zero by 2050, but to indeed achieve all 'Global Goals' that the United Nations presented to the world's nations in 2015 in dire regard to ameliorate wildlife and the entirety of humanity. I bear solutions to the climate crises and more not of advanced technology, but of International policies that are set to protect all peoples and prevent a further deterioration of crises throughout the world.

The truth of the matter is that people are talking about the COP26 to be the conference to change the world and is our very last hope for the world and humanities survival. However, if we have learned anything from the Paris Climate Accord, it is that allowing individuals governments to set their own climate targets as they have proven time after time that they have failed to the requisition to meet climate targets is evidently unreliable and is now plainly becoming considerably dangerous. The IPCC has found that unprecedented action is required to meet climate targets set by the United Nations. And it is said without any doubt, that if many government bodies continue to make self-climate targets which are inefficient or continue to fail in achieving their climate targets, our world, and civilization along with it will deteriorate and collapse.







Major changes in our world's system are needed, because it is indisputable of how corrupt the current system is that when a corporation or company can knowingly violate Human Rights, pollute and cause the deaths of countless people and decimate the environment, and yet seem to pay no, or little penalty towards their actions, and then still continue to kill and pollute as it is more profitable than to otherwise implement Human Right laws and environmental legislation and regulation. The international system is failing to protect humanity and the rest of the world, with incontrovertible proof displayed by the calamitous effects of climate change, pollution, escalating poverty, increasing chronic diseases among people, and of course, the Covid-19 pandemic. We should not only make unequivocal and audacious actions (shown in 'Conclusion') because we can do, and not because we should do, but because we need to in order to survive.

to humanity is the inability to learn from many of our own man-made mistakes at all, or simply not fast enough. If we do not learn from our past mistakes, history will inevitably repeat itself and will cause us to face the brink of collapse.

What we have been doing for the last past decades in attempts to prevent the escalation of Greenhouse Gas emissions and Climate Change is clearly not the answer, perhaps it has been helpful in spreading awareness about climate change by imposing flawed emission targets, but

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is clearly not the answer, and that the situation is getting worse year by year, with apparent evidence from the UN Environmental Programme that indeed reports that Greenhouse Gas Emissions are still increasing, and that the world is headed for an excess of even 3°C breach of climate temperature. It is now close to six years since the Paris Climate Accord was signed by 189 nations, however no International progress has been made to reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions world-wide. Instead of it being six years of climate rectification, it has instead been six wasted years for climate collapse and spoliation.

Humanity was born with new and intelligent ideas that shaped our world today of which we live in, and that is precisely what our world needs now. People talk about 'a lost generation' from staying out of schools due to the effect of Coronavirus pandemic. However, I believe that the young generation should

stop being perceived as a lost generation, and instead be regarded and re-illustrated as the 'learned generation', about how we can prevent a breach in the Paris Climate Agreement and prevent future pandemics, and prevent war, abolish poverty, end inequality and racial injustice, and so create peace throughout the world, one of which does not only division, but a free world for everyone to enjoy at their own privilege and basic human right. Only if we work together and all move forward as a society to prior and achieve these goals will we succeed.

I believe it is best said that it would be Impossible to limit a rise in Global temperatures and avoid irrevocable crises throughout the world if the COP26 summit fails to impose and regulate climate, environmental, wildlife and humanitarian policies that are audacious, but balanced, under international law to protect the environment and all people.

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# WINNING WAYS

by Jo Middlemiss



**WHEN THINGS IN YOUR** life seem almost too much to handle, or when 24 hours in a day is not enough – try to remember this story:

A professor stood before her philosophy class, and had some items in front of her. When the class began, wordlessly, she picked up a very large and empty glass jar, and proceeded to fill it with large rocks.

She then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. She shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the rocks. She then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand, and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. She asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous 'yes.'

The professor then produced two mugs of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed. 'Now,' said the professor, as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognise that this jar represents your life.

The rocks are the important things — faith, family, children, health, friends, and favourite passions — things that if everything else was lost, and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter, like your job, house, and car. The sand is everything else — The small stuff that we fritter time away with like scrolling through phones and tablets, TV and worrying about what others might think!

'If you put the sand into the jar first,' she continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the rocks. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time

and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you. So.... pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness.

Play with your children.

Take time to get medical check-ups.

Take your partner out to dinner.

'Take care of the rocks first — he things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just pebbles and sand.'

Just when it seemed that the lesson was over, one of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled.

'I'm glad you asked. It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.'

**Jo Middlemiss, MBE**



# Community Council News

The Community Council News is based on draft minutes of local CC meetings. Full draft minutes are posted on local websites and notice boards. Please note, the Community Council News is not a verbatim reproduction of CC minutes. Where there are two months' worth of reports, there will be a considerable amount of editing.

## Kinross Community Council

### News from the June Meeting

**Present** at the meeting held on Tuesday 22 June 2021 were CCllrs W Freeman (Chair), D Colliar, M McFarlane, H Phillips and M Wood, Cllrs C Purves and W Robertson, David Alston and Mrs C Aird.

In the absence of CCllr L McKay, CCllr W Freeman advised that he had been asked to Chair the meeting.

**Apologies:** CCllr L McKay, CCllr T Stewart and PCs A Mitchenson and M Gemmell.

### Matters Arising

#### Davis Park

Cllr Purves advised that a greenspace team had been allocated to provide a sketch design in late autumn and a topographic report was still to be completed.

He also advised that the information in relation to waste management was still to be provided.

#### Kirkgate Park/Kinross House

Cllr Purves confirmed that, following a question at a previous meeting with regard to the funding received for the filming of 'Outlander' at Kirkgate Park, PKC had confirmed that the funds were deposited in a general fund for use in the Kinross area.

#### Seat at War Memorial

CCllr Freeman confirmed that the seat required a bolt screw on one side and he would arrange for this to be fixed as soon as possible.

#### Kinross Town Centre

**Provost's Lamp:** CCllr Colliar confirmed that the lamp was now in place. It was agreed that a sign should be erected to advise visitors as to why the lamp was there. CCllr Colliar confirmed that the estimated cost of installation was £1350 + VAT, plus the cost of a sign. Funds were available for to pay for this work following the receipt of a grant.

The cost of installation meant that there were funds still available and it was agreed that CCllr Colliar would speak to Scott Denyer at PKC in respect of levelling the lighting in the area.

**Burns Begg Road/ Kirkgate Park Road:** On behalf of CCllr McKay, CCllr Freeman requested an update on the required repairs for the area as residents were now taking it upon themselves to fill potholes with gravel. There had also been a complaint received in respect of the traffic at the junction of Burns Begg Street and the High Street.

Cllr Purves advised that whilst he had chased again for an update, he had not heard anything from Mike Morgan. Both he and Cllr Robertson will chase for an update.

On a related point, CCllr Freeman enquired as to when the public toilets would be reopened at the Church Centre. CCllr Colliar advised that these toilets are only open when the day centre was open hence the reason for them being closed at the weekend.

Cllr Watters advised that the closure of public toilets was high on the list of things to consider when funding is being discussed. CCllr Colliar commented that it was now very difficult to find public toilets in towns in the area and gave an example of toilets in Perth City Centre. He advised that the toilets at The Inch were very difficult to access as the disabled parking spaces had now been turned into electric

parking points. Also, unless you have a disabled key, people cannot access these toilets. It was pointed out that this was particularly difficult for people who while not being registered disabled but had a temporary injury such as a broken leg, and had great difficulty using the public toilets. Cllr Watters agreed to contact his colleagues in Perth about this issue and would ask them to chase up these issues. CCllr Colliar advised that the disabled parking spaces at St Catherine's Retail Park now had a bollard at the end of them, causing access issues for anyone who reverses into the spaces and he felt that Councils needed to give thought as to the needs of the users when designing car parks.

CCllr McKay enquired as to when the signs for Kinross Learning Centre would be removed. Cllr Watters agreed to follow this up on receipt of the specific sign locations from CCllr McKay.

### Pedestrian Crossings

**Springfield Road Crossing:** CCllr Freeman advised that the traffic light on the left hand side near Sainsbury's had a fault with the amber light.

CCllr M McFarlane advised that Cllr Robertson had been speaking to a resident in the Springfield Road with regard to the original request for a crossing at the junction with The Muirs.

**Proposed Gallowhill Road Crossing:** David Alston thanked the CC for allowing him to attend the meeting to discuss his concerns in respect of the proposed crossing on Gallowhill Road. Mr Alston advised that he had been a resident for over 31 years and wanted to raise his concerns in respect of the crossing which was proposed for just outside the 30mph zone at Lathro Lane. He had a number of safety concerns about the placing of the crossing, not only the location but also the speed limit of the road and the fact that the residents of Phase 2 of the Persimmon development will have no say in the location of the crossing. Mr Alston agreed that there needs to be a crossing, but just not at that location.

Cllr Robertson agreed with Mr Alston and commented that funding for the crossing has been provided under a Section 75 agreement between PKC and Persimmon Homes, and that this funding will be lost if it is not spent within a particular timescale.

Mr Alston advised that, from reading the Reporter's letter of 21 January 2021, it would appear that the draft conditions placed on the agreement mean that the crossing will be in place prior to the residents of Phase 2 moving in, although Cllr Robertson did not think it was legal to have a crossing in a 60mph area as it would be too dangerous.

Cllr Purves advised that he had discussed the issue with Mr Alston and confirmed that there was a time limit in respect of spending the funding and as such, he had asked PKC officers whether the funding could be used for something else. He has not had a response to his questions.

He went on to advise that Persimmon Homes are trying to revise their plans for Phase 2 by building more houses and he supported Mr Alston and Cllr Robertson's suggestion that the crossing be moved further up Gallowhill Road.

It was noted that there would need to be a path created near to the lane in order to ensure that the crossing was en-route for users.

Members were advised that the application was due to be

discussed at the PKC meeting in July and an update would be given at a future meeting.

#### Hayfield Garden Community Garden

Cllr Robertson advised that he had spoken to PKC who had advised that apparently the Community Garden had been taken on by the school and the person that Cllr Robertson needed to speak to was on annual leave until the end of June. Cllr Robertson will confirm the situation and report back to a future meeting. CCllr Colliar advised that this should not have happened as it was meant to be a garden for use by the community. It was agreed that the item would remain on the agenda.

#### Planning Matters

##### Planning Applications Received

21/00524/FLL Extension to dwelling house at 16 Mavisbank, Kinross.

21/00973/FLL Erection of a replacement bird hide at Loch Leven Bird hide, High Street, Kinross.

21/00882/FLL Siting of a caravan (for a temporary period) at land 25 metres south of Gellybank Farm, Kinross.

##### Planning Applications Determined

21/00654/FLL Erection of a replacement dwelling house (revised design) at 27 Curate Wynd, Kinross, (approved)

21/00628/FLL Alterations and extensions to dwelling house at Comrie House, 4 Station Road, Kinross, (approved)

21/00667/AML Erection of 2 dwelling houses and garages (approval of matters specified in conditions of 18/01807/IPL at land 20 metres south west of 16 Curate Wynd, Kinross, (refused)

21/00657/LAW Erection of 3 dwelling houses (existing) at land 30 metres south west of Leiland House, Balado (refused)

21/00636/FLL Installation of public access defibrillator and CCTV camera at 15 Swansacre, Kinross, (approved)

21/00559/FLL S42 application to delete condition 10 (street lighting) of permission 18/00540/FLL at land 110 metres south east of Beaufield, Balado (approved). It was noted that this application was the one which the CC had objected to.

#### Other Planning Matters

##### Drains at Persimmon Homes Development

Cllr Purves gave an update on the situation in respect of drainage at Lathro Meadows advising that ward councillors had received a letter from Persimmon Homes taking full responsibility but blaming the contractors for defective workmanship. Persimmon Homes have a phased plan of repairs in place but there remain concerns re groundwater. Update will continue to be given at future meetings.

#### Reports From CC Representatives

##### Website

CCllr Colliar advised that he had received an email from Colin Low in respect of the new website and expressed his reservations in how this work was being taken forward. Whilst accepting that the website needed to be modernised, he asked if the CC wanted to be 50% shareholders and continuing with the Newsletter.

Cllr Phillips advised that the *Newsletter* felt that the My Kinross website could be detrimental to the advertising revenue of the Newsletter and remained unconvinced that a website, rather than social media, was the best way to move forward.

There was a long discussion about whether the CC should continue the work with the My Kinross website and there were three options suggested which were then put to a vote.

Option 1 – Stay involved and explore further = 1 vote

Option 2 – Walk away completely = 3 votes

Option 3 – Continue with the original proposal to upgrade the website = 2 votes

Option 2 was carried.

It was agreed that CCllr McFarlane would attend the meeting

on 8 July to explain the CC's decision and he would email the CC with what he was going to say at the meeting.

#### Transport Hub

CCllr Colliar advised that an email had been received inviting the CC to get involved and it was agreed that CCllr Phillips would respond advising that the CC were keen to be involved in any discussions. It was felt that the reinstatement of a rail link would be of huge benefit not only to the local residents but to the whole of central Scotland.

#### Kirkgate Park

CCllr Colliar stated that whilst it was wonderful to see the park being used, visitors were parking on grass verges and therefore causing damage. He suggested that the CC should contact PKC to advise them of this and to ask for improved parking in the area.

CCllr McFarlane advised that Cllr Purves had arranged to meet with Growbiz which may bring opportunities for the area and these should be taken forward if appropriate.

#### Electric Vehicles

CCllr McFarlane advised that funds had been transferred to the bank account. The first vehicle is in place and is regularly being used. CCllr McFarlane will provide statistics for a future meeting.

#### Grass Cutting

On behalf of CCllr McKay, CCllr Freeman advised that there had been a number of complaints received in respect of the grass cutting at Wester Balgedie – it was felt that this restricted the views of motorists and Cllr Purves agreed to look into this.

#### School Cuts

CCllr Freeman, on behalf of CCllr McKay raised the issue of cuts to education and asked why children were suffering and there appeared to be teachers leaving the profession.

Cllr Purves advised that there had been no cuts to education



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in the most recent budget and in fact there had been reinstatement of some posts in order to help during the pandemic. The proposal for frozen meals being provided by PKC two years ago had been rejected as it would have resulted in job losses and recently the Scottish Government had announced that free school meals would be provided to all primary school pupils. PKC officials have advised that the current infrastructure was not able to cope with this. There was a meeting scheduled for the following day to discuss this matter in more detail.

## AOCB

### Gazebo

Cllr McKay had questioned whether a gazebo and/or a banner could be purchased to be used at the Market to ensure continued engagement with the public. Cllr McFarlane confirmed that there were funds available and Cllr Wood would look into the purchase/printing of such a gazebo.

### Wild Swimming

It had been noted that there had been a number of wild swimmers and water sports enthusiasts in the loch recently and it was felt that there should be notices erected at various points around the loch advising that these activities were dangerous. Cllr Phillips advised that there was a box at the end of the Pier which should have a safety ring in it, but this was empty. Cllr Purves agreed to look into getting notices erected.

### Funding

Cllr Colliar confirmed that funding from PKC would be received in August/September and would be dependent on funds in the account at that time.

*The next meeting of Kinross Community Council will be on Tuesday 27 July 2021 at 7.30pm. It is hoped that the meeting will be held face to face but this will be confirmed nearer the time.*

## Milnathort And Orwell CC

**Due to a technical error, the July minutes of Milnathort and Orwell Community Council are not available.**

*The next meeting will be held via Zoom at 7pm on Thursday, 5 August, 2021. Anyone who wishes to attend is asked to contact [communitycouncilmilnathort@gmail.com](mailto:communitycouncilmilnathort@gmail.com)*

## Cleish & Blairadam CC

*The next meeting of Cleish and Blairadam Community Council will be on Monday 30 August 2021.*

## Portmoak Community Council

### News from the July Meeting

**Present** at the meeting held on 13 July were Cllr C Purves, Cllrs A Davidson (Treasurer & Acting Chair), S McGregor (Secretary), D Morris, S Forde, K Donaldson, and 9 members of the public.

**Apologies:** Cllr R Watters and W Robertson, Cllr G Smith

Approval of previous Minutes held on 8 June 2021:

Cllr D Morris: requested a procedural item to circulate final draft minutes to CC Members as they are sent to Kinross newsletter. Also, request to circulate previous month's draft minutes with the agenda for the next month's meeting.

Cllr A Davidson: flagged a correction. Minutes from 08/06/21 stated there was not a fire hydrant in Glen Lomond, when in fact there are fire hydrants but the hydrant require the water supply to function.

### Matters Arising

#### Road Safety Action in Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell

Cllr Purves gave an update:

**Easter Balgedie:** Road safety team had responded to confirm that the 30mph limit will be introduced. Drawings being for this, which will be forwarded to roads committee for approval. Likely implementation later this financial year. Other speed

mitigation measures in Easter Balgedie could be introduced but should be considered carefully.

An E Balgedie Resident commented that they thought this would be well received and offered to assist with garnering support for further speed mitigation measures.

**W Balgedie:** Cllr C Purves will pick up on the issues previous highlighted so they are not forgotten about.

**Scotlandwell:** speed bumps being potentially moved from Kinnesswood will be highlighted.

**Golf course / Grahamstone:** PKC road team had refused 20mph limit.

Speed limit trial across PKC: **D McKeown at PKC had promised** to feedback trial results once it was completed.

**Scotlandwell:** 20mph sign reorientation: a repair order had been raised and this should be completed quite soon.

**Scotlandwell-Auchmuirbridge (and Bowhouse):** representation had been made from residents about the possibility of better signage and speed limit lowering to 40mph limits, as was present on other sections and in Fife. The Road Safety team did not think there was a significant amount of development along the Bowhouse stretch to argue for this. Cllr C Purves was not in agreement with the policy that had led to this decision and planned to proceed this with the Road Safety team and Directors to see if the policy can be changed. The precedent on the rest of the stretch has been set and there is no real reason not to reduce the speed along the Bowhouse stretch.

**A911 Road Safety Plan:** Still pushing to get the route action plan, to assess and plan the whole strip holistically.

The CC highlighted the need for cutting back of hedge along A911 from E Balgedie to Kinnesswood, and verges from Portmoak Hall to Scotlandwell. Vegetation growth is making pavements extremely narrow.

**Glenlomond sewage, and Water Supply to Glenlomond and Wester Balgedie:** Cllr A Davidson gave an update: Specialist team were due to assess sewage system this week. Scottish Water had as yet not responded. The issue had been raised with local MSPs and local MP. Glenlomond sewage system needs to be adopted by Scottish Water. There had been an overnight water outage again in the last month but water had been restored by 0730hrs. The Fire Service is aware of the issue and had confirmed that if there was an incident they would ensure they brought a tender full of water in case of outage.

**Construction of hill track, Bishop Hill, Kinnesswood:** drainage, gorse clearing, electric fencing: Cllr D Morris confirmed no further developments on this item. Recent heavy rain and run-off is still a serious problem possibly exacerbated by areas of dead vegetation due to bracken spraying.

Cllr S Forde highlighted ragwort growing on the path up to the Bishop Hill at Scotlandwell. Cllr C Purves suggested that he could raise the subject to PKC possibly to Environmental Health as the plant can be poisonous to animals and livestock. Farmers and residents should be aware of the potential hazard and act accordingly.

**Friar Place, Scotlandwell: hedge height reducing visibility:** Cllr S Forde outlined the ongoing issue. Cllr C Purves confirmed that council can compel resident to cut back hedge or complete the work and bill resident back for work. Gary McConnell from PKC had been on site and did not report a problem.

**20 mph traffic sign reorientation in Scotlandwell:** Secretary had reported this to PKC. As confirmed by Cllr C Purves a repair order had been raised and this should be completed in due course.

### New Matters

**Portmoak Community Council By-Election:** Thursday 12 August 2021 to elect 5 members

The by-election is scheduled for Thursday 12 August 2021 to elect 5 members. Persons wishing to represent their



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community council must be 16 years of age, reside in the community council area and be named on the electoral register for the community council area in which they are standing. A candidate's proposer and seconder must also be named on the electoral register and reside in the same community council area.

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### Potential for reclassification of the A911 and B9097 roads:

This item had been suggested by Cllr W Robertson and a number of local residents. The impetus was to reduce the use of the A911 by large lorries. Previous iterations of PCC had campaigned to the Road Haulage Association to have satnav on trucks reclassified so A911 could be flagged as not suitable for large vehicles.

### Grahamstone Road signage for no vehicle access to LLHT and speed limit:

Cllr W Robertson and residents in the Grahamstone area had highlighted the issue of vehicles travelling at speed down Grahamstone Farm track at speed expecting to access the LLHT. Google maps recommend this as a route for vehicular access to Loch Leven. This however is a private road with no public vehicular access or parking and only limited turning space. Public access is only for non motorised users, as per the Scottish Outdoor Access Code. Cllr C Purves highlighted that being a private road, Grahamstone residents would be primarily responsible for signage.

**Portmoak Cemetery maintenance:** The Secretary had received complaints from residents of poor maintenance of the cemetery. An approach to PKC had received a positive and quick response from the Burials team who manage maintenance. While under pressure from delays resulting from COVID situation, the team usually aim to mow grass every 2 weeks and strim undergrowth every 4 weeks. The team at PKC had confirmed the strimming had been completed and had provided photos.

### Police Reports

PCC were pleased to welcome the Police Liaison Team to the meeting. PC A Mitchinson gave an overview of the last month, there were fortunately not many incidents.

**30/08/21:** Lochend Farm shop was broken into on some forensic evidence was found but no suspects as yet.

**10/07/21:** 2 males seen to be harassing campers at Burleigh Sands. They were traced walking along road and given a warning. No crimes committed.

**13/07/21:** Two young people broke into Portmoak Primary. Additionally there had been approx. 11 road traffic incidents. Cllr K Donaldson highlighted car abandoned in Westfield area on

Wed 07/07/21 at about 2am, this had been reported to the Police Scotland.

A resident asked the police about the issue of overtaking along 20mph section on the A911 with the suggestion that some unmarked vehicles would be useful. The CC agreed there is a lot of high-speed overtaking in speed restricted areas. The police confirmed they are aware of the issue and try to include this info into their response. Only traffic police have access to the unmarked vehicles. Pop-up policemen may become available for trouble spots.

The CC highlighted speeding along the Causeway and also at Golf Course and Woodmarch. These problems were supposed to have been flagged up to D McKeown during the A911 survey in 2020. Woodmarch remains problematic, a promised build out or other solution has never been built. The CC flagged this up again to PKC. The Head Teacher at Portmoak Primary is also concerned about this Woodmarch pinch point with its dangerous narrow pavement, with special care having to be taken on school trips along to Portmoak Village Hall.

### Planning

#### New Applications:

**21/00818/FLL** Erection of a dwellinghouse at Land 30 Metres North East Of Arkle Cottage Leslie Road Scotlandwell. Comments by: 17 July 2021, no CC comment.

**21/00878/FLL** Formation of a footpath and associated works at Land 90 Metres South West Of Lochend Farmhouse Scotlandwell. Comments Date is past on 6 July 2021.

Approved by council. Application previously approved by CC.

**21/00997/FLL** Erection of 22 dwellinghouses, 3 garages and a garage with ancillary accommodation, formation of SUDS pond, landscaping and associated works (LDP site H54) | Land 100 Metres South East Of Cragton Villa Rost Gardens Scotlandwell. Comments by Fri 30 Jul 2021.

The CC had only received notification of the planning application on the 12/07/21, one day prior to the PCC public monthly meeting. There was representations from residents with concerns about more houses and no infrastructure. There appears to be no affordable houses in the plan. Opinion from public highlighted concerns that the development will not contribute positively to the amenity of Scotlandwell. No amenity planned for children. Concerns about flooding on this piece of land. 22 homes correlates to a likely large increase in cars while there are still existing road traffic issues and limited public transport.

#### Planning Decisions:

#### Progress with Developments

**Westfield Community Liaison Committee:** Cllr K Donaldson reported that work at the site was limited, but test drills were proceeding.



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**Paths Group:** The Paths Group had been busy over the past month. Humid, warm weather has left many paths very overgrown. The Dryside Road path from Easter Balgedie to Springfield Farm has been strimmed and cleared, there is also a new fence, which is very useful, as it separates livestock from the path at Springfield Farm. Peat Loan has recently been flailed by PKC Community Greenspace and had soon become overgrown but the Paths Group had been working to clear it again. Also clearing of some of the informal paths in Stephens Field. Volunteers or extra help at this busy time would be appreciated: contact Alison on 07943 881181 or Anne on 07547 457046 for more info.

### Treasurer CC Accounts

**Main account:** £ 662.80

**Michael Bruce account:** £1372.65

Treasurer is still having to get previous treasurer to assist with transactions, prior to moving accounts to the Kinross Credit Union. Invoices for Zoom and for Hosting for the CC website are being processed.

### Councillors' Reports

Cllr C Purves: nothing substantive. On local Kinnesswood speed trials Cllr Purves asked for feedback about whether the CC and residents felt they should be continued? The CC agreed that they believed them to be useful.

### Matters Notified To The Secretary

**Electoral Commission Annual Canvass in 2021:** The annual electoral registration canvass of households in Angus and Perth & Kinross commences with forms being sent to all addresses in August 2021. Electors for whose e-mail addresses are held by the Electoral Registration Office will have an opportunity to respond to an email asking for confirmation that the information held is correct, or to provide details of any changes. These emails should

be sent out from week commencing Monday 5 July 2021.

Any queries, contact [ero@tayside-vjb.gov.uk](mailto:ero@tayside-vjb.gov.uk) and your query will be dealt with.

**Public Consultation on The Fireworks (Scotland) Miscellaneous Amendments Regs 2021:** Consultation website at: <https://consult.gov.scot/justice/use-and-sale-of-fireworks-in-scotland> should you wish to give your views. The consultation will close on Sunday 15 August.

*The next meeting of Portmoak Community Council will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 10 August 2021.*

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# Club & Community Group News

## Common Grounds

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If an empty plate is a sign of how much we've enjoyed a meal, then our cleared table at the midsummer market echoed our success. At the start the table had been groaning with tombola prizes, tablet, cakes and beautiful knitted baby jumpers, not forgetting our books and bookcase. At the end, all of this was gone and our funds had a boost of £285.65! It was a fun day for our duty volunteers, sharing the excitement of winning tickets, interesting chat and meeting new faces. A suitable reward for all their hard work! With teddy netting over £70 back at the coffee shop, we had a 'win-win' day. A sincere thank you to all who helped in organising the tombola, donated prizes and baking. A special mention goes to Mrs Kelly, mother of Theresa Cannon, one of our volunteers, for the lovely jumpers. Although a senior citizen from the west of Scotland, her knitting skills are as good as ever and raising money for many charities. It is so good to learn that our efforts are reaching other corners of the country. Plaudits must also go to all who visited our stall and helped achieve our impressive total. We were all so pleased for the gentleman in the picture opposite (whose third winning ticket from our smart red tombola drum earned him our star prize) that we forgot to ask his name! Maybe you will know him?



**Project:** Our project for August is the charity 'Literacy in a Box'. Even if war, disease and famine did not exist, poverty ultimately robs children of the chance of being able to go to school. The poorest parents cannot afford food or clothing, let alone school materials and an education is their passport to a better life. Literacy in a Box tries to make a difference. The schools in Zambia who have received the boxes have prospered and the orphans and very poor children have benefited most. The resources have allowed them to enter school in the first place. A box contains enough resources to meet the needs of 25 children to learn and exercise. The trust has no paid employees, all are volunteers.

For more information, visit our website. Our opening hours are still 10am-12.30pm Tuesday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

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

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### Market at Market Park again on 28 August

After a successful June market the KLEO committee has decided to organise a similar market at the Market Park on **Saturday 28 August** from 10am to 3pm. There is a waiting list for stall holders for the normal markets on the High Street as there is limited space there, so this is another chance to give more stall holders the opportunity to come to Kinross as there is plenty of space at the Market Park.

This market will be a community event to celebrate summer with a great variety of food, drink and craft stalls and there will be some great entertainment too from local musicians!

If you like to book a stall space at this market please send an email to [info@kleo.org.uk](mailto:info@kleo.org.uk).

All the farmers' market stalls are fully booked but there is still space for bringing your own gazebo stall. We can provide a trestle table if needed. Fee for a stall space is £35 or £20 for community groups and charities.

The 25 September and 23 October markets will be back on the High Street again.

The Festive Street market is on Saturday 27 November.



### Kinross Kacophony Orchestra

The Kacophony Orchestra is an orchestra for adults who would like to play their instruments in a group with conductor Dougie Flower. We invite all orchestra instruments to come along (all abilities welcome but handy if you read music). Please don't worry if you haven't played for a while, we are a very friendly and informal bunch. Sessions now take place throughout the summer on Wednesday evenings from 7pm to 8pm in Milnathort Town Hall. Weekly fee is £4.

If interested in coming along please phone or e-mail Bouwien (01577 863107 or [bouwien@kleo.org.uk](mailto:bouwien@kleo.org.uk)) so we know how many people are coming in case we reach the limit of numbers. Also please bring a music stand. We sit/stand 2m apart. Please wear a face mask until seated.

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# Recipe

Supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom

## Mint, Blueberry and Lemon Cake

### Ingredients

115g soft butter  
25g fresh mint, leaves picked  
250g fresh blueberries  
Finely grated zest and juice of 1 large lemon  
250g plain flour  
2 tsp baking powder  
Pinch of salt  
225g caster sugar  
2 large eggs  
150g coconut milk  
100g granulated sugar

### Method

Preheat oven to 180°C/fan 160°C/gas mark 4. Grease a loaf tin (11cm x 22cm approx) and line with baking paper.

Finely chop a quarter of the mint leaves (1 tsp approx). Put the blueberries in a bowl and stir in 1 tsp lemon juice and the chopped mint. Set aside. Sift together the flour, baking powder and salt in a bowl.

Cream butter and caster sugar until pale and fluffy. Beat in lemon zest. Beat in eggs one at a time, adding 1 tsp of the flour with the second egg. Add coconut milk gradually, folding in large spoonfuls of flour until the mixture is smooth.

Spoon one third of the cake mix into the prepared loaf tin and scatter one third of the blueberries. Repeat twice more, ending with a layer of blueberries. Bake for 60-70 minutes till a skewer inserted into middle of cake comes away clean.

Put the rest of the mint leaves and 2 tbsp of the granulated sugar into a small bowl and pound with pestle until you have a bright green paste. Stir in the remaining lemon juice and leave to infuse.

When the cake comes out of the oven, leave it to cool for 5 minutes. Strain the minty lemon juice into a bowl, pressing out as much as you can then stir in remainder of sugar. Spoon it over the cake and leave to cool. Serve cut into thick slices.

*(Highly recommended! Ed.)*



## Kinnesswood in Bloom

On 1 July, members had their first meeting for over a year in Carol's garden. There was wonderful hospitality and everyone really enjoyed being together again after such a long time. We welcomed Morag to our meeting and at our Saturday work party and Lynsey returned after a year or two of hard study and settling into teaching. It's great that, during Covid-19, we have actually gained members including Millie doing her Duke of Edinburgh Award and Henrike, a new resident of the village.

The donations to Friends of KIB this year are £2045; an indication perhaps of people spending more time at home



and appreciating their local surroundings. Our spirits are really lifted by the positive comments made on Facebook.

The new raised beds at the school were all planted after Easter and the growth has been excellent, particularly after the recent rain. The mushroom compost has resulted in amazing tatties. The children of Portmoak Primary should have a great harvest when school returns. The polytunnel is not quite finished but only requires a few hours of work then clearing the inside can begin. In the meantime, there are quite a few pots of tomatoes, courgettes, peppers and other vegetables doing well under cover and we have added a vine.

Work parties have been taking place on Saturdays and during the week to ensure the village looks its best before the 'Best Village' judging in the last week of July. We decided that the cart at Gamekeepers should be our special initiative this year in the local competition. It is a completed project and is now looking splendid. The 'Keep Scotland Beautiful' judges are due to visit us on 4 August. It will be somewhat different this year with no tea and scones and fewer people to walk round with the judges. The portfolio has been completed and sent off along with entries for a couple of extra awards. We keep our fingers crossed.

It has been a challenge to produce an online entry for the RHS 'Britain in Bloom' competition. After the words and pictures, we looked at making videos to tell our story. Thanks should go to Andy Masson who took drone footage of the village and Gordon Vance who put together video and photographs to make excellent footage. These represent the community effort and the school growing project. We have all been learning new skills. The entries for 'Britain in Bloom' have been written and sent off so we await feedback in September. Andy Masson's video is on our Facebook page and, in due course, we will show the other videos.

A surveyor has visited Michael Bruce Cottage and identified possible places where water might be entering the building. We await her report and will have a better idea of the next steps in the process. The listening post is broken and Rory has sent the electronic part back to the manufacturers. We hope to have it up and running soon.

The art trail is complete and you can access it using your smartphone. Much of the work on coasts and waters done by the schoolchildren is either in the bus shelter, hanging on the park fence or on posts around the village. This will come down when school starts again. We have already had many visitors, local parents, grandparents and others from a wider area. It's a good way to spend a couple of hours exploring the village; why not stop for an ice cream at the shop when you've finished?

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Glenys Andrews, KADAC Club Secretary and former KADAC president

## Kinross and District Art Club

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A small group of members enjoyed a joyful few hours on Tuesday 13 July painting *en plein air* in Cleish. Thank-you to the village residents for accommodating us and making us feel so welcome.

This month, it is a delight to present the profile of our current club secretary and former chair, Glenys Andrews. Please enjoy reading how art has featured in her life from an early age:

'My earliest memories of artistic efforts are of being in the infant class of Crombie Primary school and being told off by the teacher for drawing a profile of a head on my little blackboard with a piece of chalk. 'You are far too young to be drawing a face sideways,' she chided. 'Draw a proper face straight on!' Some years later as a pupil at Dunfermline High and taking O Grade Art, I was still fascinated by the sculpture of profiled heads and I sketched drawings of my father, mother, brother and grandmother. These turned up again recently and my brother and I agree that they were actually pretty good likenesses!

*Lockdown Walk: The Old Kinross Railway Track by Glenys Andrews*



Fast forward to a career in teaching and education administration where, as Director of Education in the London borough of Hillingdon, I introduced the idea of displaying children's artwork in the otherwise soulless, sprawling Civic Centre building. This simple idea generated pride in the schools who participated and an appreciation by staff and visitors of the sheer joy that the creativity expressed by children brings to everyone who stops to take in its innocent charm.

On my retirement in 1998, my husband and I came to live in Kinross. We were caring for my Dad who lived in Dunfermline and I also volunteered as a fund raiser for CHAS for a number of years. But it was a chance chat with a friend I'd met at the Windlestrae leisure club that led me to the Kinross and District Art Club. I was made most welcome and my efforts at painting in acrylics were the subject of some interest as most of the members at that time painted in watercolour. I then made the mistake of turning up at the AGM where everyone in the room except me, it seems, had been chair before, so it was time for the new person to step up!

Some 5 years on, I was still chair of KADAC as well as president of Perthshire Open Studio; I am now in my tenth year of helping to organise this fabulous, annual art event. This year it involves over 200 artists in Perthshire and Kinross-Shire opening their studios and galleries to the public for a 9-day event from 4-12 September. Do look out for publicity of the event nearer the time and take the opportunity to discover the amazing wealth of creative talent which is on our doorstep! KADAC has participated in POS for the past 10 years but this year, due to the impact of the Covid-19 situation, the KADAC exhibition will take place, hopefully, in November. See you then!

*The club hopes to restart normal painting sessions on Tuesday 10 August 2021 at 2pm in Millbridge Hall, if Covid-19 restrictions allow. We meet on Tuesdays and Fridays (2-4pm) in Millbridge Hall each week. If you are interested in joining the club and developing your own creativity, you will find more information and contact details on our website.*

## KYTHE

### Transforming Young Lives

KYTHE's mission is to transform young lives by ensuring every young person in Kinross-shire is given the opportunities they need to reach their potential. With a personalised approach to youth work, every young person coming through our door is valued as an individual.

We recently spoke to some of the young people who started coming to KYTHE around three years ago, and who now volunteer, to hear how KYTHE has been transforming their lives.

Through a chance meeting with senior youth worker Barry, Sam started to go along to the newly opened KYTHE hub. Another young volunteer, Jack, had previously set up 'Jack's Bar' and, as Jack had started a college course, the responsibility of running the bar was taken up by Sam. This opportunity included the responsibilities of placing orders and helped Sam to develop his leadership and retail skills which will help him in the future. Even during lockdown, Sam could be found online leading (with much hilarity) a virtual cooking session on Friday afternoons.

Abbie's grandfather had initially helped start up KYTHE so she was familiar with it. Abbie was also given individualised opportunities to reach her potential. Reflecting on her time with KYTHE, Abbie said, 'with KYTHE I've learnt more than I have in any other place, to be honest. I've learnt a lot about





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other people, about youth work, about myself even.'

Abbie has lead groups and explained, 'This year I'm doing a Youth Achievement Award which is giving me a lot of training, such as mental health awareness, first aid, fire safety and that sort of thing. I think I've massively changed in a lot of different ways. I think confidence is one of them, that's been a massive part of my journey with KYTHE, and the ability to work with groups and understand other people as well.'

Abbie went on to say, 'I will always have KYTHE, no matter what I do in the future. I've a lot that I can take forward with me, with my Youth Achievement Award, transferable life skills that I can take forward to use for whatever job I get.'

Another young person who has been volunteering regularly for many years said, 'I gained a lot of confidence and a lot of new social skills, and belief in myself.'

When asked what KYTHE means to them and what they would tell others about KYTHE, this young person replied, 'It's a fun place to come and hang out and be yourself and no one will judge you.'

Sam agreed, '[KYTHE is] so much fun. It's a place for all young people, no matter your background or anything. You can always come and it's really inclusive, no matter who you are.'

Abbie was similarly full of praise. She commented, 'I'd say it's one of the best places to go. It's a really homely place, it's really welcoming and it's so, so much fun. It's one of my favourite places to be.'

To find out more how KYTHE is transforming young lives, contact us by email at [office@kythe.org.uk](mailto:office@kythe.org.uk). Alternatively, contact our youth workers by email at [barry@kythe.org.uk](mailto:barry@kythe.org.uk) or [gillian@kythe.org.uk](mailto:gillian@kythe.org.uk).

Sam and Abbie



## Kinross Beavers

As well as the start of the Euros in the final few weeks of June, the Beavers enjoyed some great sessions to conclude the summer term.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions still being in place, we had split teams for the Scavenger Hunt at Burleigh Sands and Kirkgate Park on 11 June. The Beavers had to find a variety of items from coloured flowers to butterflies. They also had to identify a fact about Loch Leven; island names were a favourite. We also enjoyed a number of games to finish off the evening.

On 18 June, as most of the country were settling down to watch Scotland play England at the Euros, the Beavers meeting was held on Zoom to allow both Beavers and leaders to cheer on their respective teams. The Beavers were also doing a camp from home. We saw some great pictures of camps and dens where they would be sleeping that night and we also had a list of tasks to be completed over the weekend.



Above: Archie all set to camp at home Below: Robbie with Big Ben model

It was a top night all round.

As Covid-19 restrictions eased for Beavers, it was great that we could all get together on 25 June. This was our last night before splitting for the summer break. Visiting Portmoak Moss, the Beavers walked the trail and had a go at den building. The dens were all great and it was fantastic to see the teamwork that went into



getting them built. At the end of the evening, there was a presentation of badges and certificates; well done to all who received them. Congratulations also to Finlay who was presented with a certificate for having 100% attendance last term.

Last, but certainly not least, Helen, our group chair, was presented with her 25 Year service award and also the merit good service award by Dave, our group scout leader. What an amazing achievement! Thank you Helen for all your commitment.



Helen receives a 25-year-service award

*Are you interested in volunteering with scouting? It's easier than you think. We have opportunities both behind the scenes and directly supporting young people in our group. With full support and training, you can volunteer on a flexible basis. Not only is it incredibly rewarding and great fun but you'll learn some brilliant skills transferable to the workplace and further education. Please contact us by email at [kinrossbeavers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kinrossbeavers@hotmail.co.uk) for more information.*



Muir and Sonny at the top of East Lomond

## Kinross Cubs

As the summer term started to gather pace, the cubs continued to take part in a variety of outdoor activities. In mid-May, the Cubs completed the second part of their cyclist badge as they cycled from the Kirkgate Park to Burleigh Sands before then cycling back to Kirkgate. All Cubs who took part had a great time exploring part of the Loch Leven Heritage Trail.

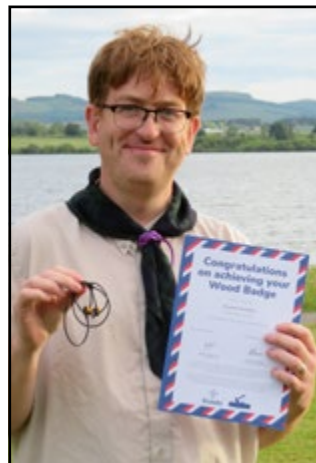
As our usual meeting place is unavailable, we have been mainly using Kirkgate Park for our weekly meetings. At the end of May the Cubs came together in the park to try and overcome the challenges of a minefield obstacle course that the leaders had setup. Together in their sixes the cubs decided on the best way to communicate before working in pairs to overcome the obstacle course. One person in each pair was blindfolded whilst their partner guided them around the course by communicating instructions to them.

We have been very lucky that it has been sunny most Wednesday evenings and it was certainly sunny for our sixer evening. Some of our sixers delivered an activity requested by the Cubs; pizza and a water fight!

The Cubs have also been working on their hikes badge and we had a great hike up East Lomond. All the Cubs did well and reached the summit where we were rewarded with great views of Edinburgh. The following week it was back to Kirkgate Park as the Cubs had a great time attempting the egg drop challenge. For this challenge, the cubs had to work in teams to build a protection around an egg so that it would not smash when dropped from a height. The Cubs showed excellent teamwork and thinking skills to build some great structures to protect their eggs although several eggs did end up getting smashed! On the same evening, we were delighted to invest Ryan, Jude and Gareth after they had successfully completed their transition from beavers. Welcome to Cubs boys!

At our final meeting before the summer holidays, the Cubs

Harry and Muir with their certificates. Right: Water fight at the park!



Certificates awarded to cub leaders Sandy and Gary

enjoyed a games evening at Kirkgate Park. At the end of the meeting we had a presentation of badges and certificates; well done to all who received them. Congratulations also to Muir and Harry who were both awarded the Chief Scouts Silver Award. This is the highest award a cub can achieve.

There were also a couple of presentations to some of the Cub leaders. Congratulations to both Sandy and Gary who were each presented with their wood badge after completing all of their leader training.

If you would like to get involved with 1st Kinross Cubs and see how much your young one can grow, then please email us at [kinrosscubs@hotmail.com](mailto:kinrosscubs@hotmail.com) for more details.

## Kinross & District Rotary Club

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



### What Do You Do To Take Care Of The Environment?

On 21 June Malcolm Rooney, District 1010's Environmental Officer, addressed Rotarians on Zoom about 'Environmental Sustainability and Climate Change...The Power of One'. He reminded us that this is a topic for all of us to know about, to care about and to do something about. Malcolm presented an array of aspects and strategies for us to consider as a club, reminding us of our responsibility and duty of care to future generations. He also reminded us that each and every one of us has the 'power of one' to act. What do you presently do to protect the environment and what changes will you make?

### New President

Outgoing president Brian Timms officially handed over the presidency of the club to George Lawrie by presenting him with the chain of office, filmed earlier in the day.

This is George's second period of office as club president and he is well known to members as a hard-working and dedicated member of Rotary. Brian and George staged a 'Desert Island Discs' style entertainment in which we learned more about his childhood, career in farming, involvement in local and national concerns and, most importantly, his family. We wish George well for his presidential year and look forward to working under his leadership.

### Why I Became A Rotarian

Although our recent activities have focused largely on our local community, international service has continued to be an important part of what we do. Rotarian Alistair Smith details some of these in his account of why he became a Rotarian –





'I have been a member of Kinross Rotary for over 30 years and, in that time, I have enjoyed helping the club fulfil the aims of Rotary. Rotary assists projects in the local, national and international arenas. I have been particularly involved in the many international projects that the club has supported.

Rotary International has aimed to eliminate polio throughout the world – which it has very nearly achieved. The next major project is water. Over 880 million people in the world do not have access to a pure, clean and safe supply of water. 10 babies die every 3 minutes in the world from water borne diseases. Too few people know about this.

I have been involved in Sand Dams projects in Malawi. This is a simple solution to a drastic problem. Rainstorms come twice a year in which the riverbeds are scoured and all the beds washed downstream. By supplying the local people with cement and guidance, they construct a concrete dam across the river about 8 to 10 feet high, which traps the sand from being washed away. The sand filters and cleans the water, which is taken off from a pipe at the bottom of the dam. The locals can obtain clean water for washing, cooking and irrigating their land for fresh vegetables for themselves and to sell to neighbours, making money for themselves and improving the economy. Each dam provides for about 1000 people in the community. Simple, cheap, but very effective.

Another international project I have been involved in is the Rotary International Shoebox Scheme which has been very well supported in Kinross-shire. We have had great help from the schools in this; some of you may have been involved yourselves. We provide the schools with purpose-made shoeboxes and ask everyone to fill them with presents for children. Last year, we were able to collect over 300 boxes, which were added to the boxes collected by all the other clubs in our district and these were then transported to identified destinations in Eastern Europe in time for Christmas, all of which enabled over 10,000 deprived children to have a happier Christmas.

We have also been involved in raising funds for a project in southern Ethiopia – the Ethiopia Medical Project – which treats uterine prolapse and podocooniosis. Both these widespread conditions carry a social stigma with sufferers reporting being ostracised from their families and communities. Yet both conditions can be treated, and in many cases reversed, with some simple treatments, which we are proud to support.

These are just a few of the schemes that I have been involved with in my time as a member of Rotary and it has been very satisfying.'

### Get In Touch

*The scope of our activities is wide-ranging. Join one of our meetings and see how you can get involved! Contact us by email at [secretary.kdrc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.kdrc@gmail.com) for details.*

## Kinross in Bloom



Summer has arrived! Everything is in place and we are now in the process of making sure all the planters and hanging baskets are well watered during the summer. Thanks to all our extra summer volunteers who kindly give up their time to make sure the plants are well looked after during the warmer weather.

*If you would like to support Kinross in Bloom in our 200 Club, please contact [aileen.sorbie@lineone.net](mailto:aileen.sorbie@lineone.net). If you would like to help in any way (formally or informally) please contact [susan.mitchell50@gmail.com](mailto:susan.mitchell50@gmail.com).*

## Fairtrade in Kinross-shire

Please visit our Traidcraft stall at the Farmer's Market; as well as all the other delicious products, you can buy Kilombero Rice from Malawi. If we sell 90kg of this rice, it means that a rice farmer in Malawi has enough money to pay for one of their children to attend secondary school for a year! In Malawi primary schooling is free, but everyone has to pay for secondary education. The rice is delicious and we are also encouraging you to buy an extra bag to donate to Broke Not Broken. By buying 1kg of rice for £3, you are helping a farmer in Malawi and a family in Kinross-shire. We have already managed to donate 30kg to Broke Not Broken since April so please help us towards our 90kg target.

When you choose to buy products with the Fairtrade Mark you are *#ChoosingTheWorldYouWant*. Please choose to make this difference.



## Kinross Camera Club

[kinrosscameraclub.org.uk/wp/](http://kinrosscameraclub.org.uk/wp/)  
[www.facebook.com/KinrossCCclub](https://www.facebook.com/KinrossCCclub)



Over the last month we have been enjoying more trips out together with our cameras. Our summer evening programme recently included visits to Elie, Balvaird Castle and Glasgow. Despite a rainy evening one of our members braved the storm and caught some beautiful shots of the colourful beach huts at Elie. The visit to Balvaird Castle took place on a brighter evening and the light much improved for some atmospheric landscapes with sun-rays appearing from below the clouds adding drama to the skies. Even though it was a grey evening in Glasgow some wonderful architectural shots were taken

## Kinross In Bloom 200 Club

### July Draw

1st	No 66	Susan Snowden
2nd	No 85	James & Lorraine Whyte
3rd	No 55	George Mitchell
4th	No 11	Edna & Andrew Burnett



*This month's photograph 'A Splash of Colour' was taken by Dianne Whalley.*

with interesting reflections and abstract angles coming into play.

We had two interesting and thought-provoking themes to work on this month; symmetry/pattern and surrealist colour. A Zoom meeting gave us the chance to share these images along with those taken on the summer evening visits. It is always a well-attended, enjoyable evening where we have a catch up and chat about our photographs. We also share tips and tricks on how to improve techniques in camera and during editing. We are looking forward to more evening visits in August and keeping our fingers crossed for some calm weather with good light.

*If you would like to learn more about our camera club and our summer evening meet ups and even becoming a member, please get in touch with our secretary by email at [secretary@kinrosscameraclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@kinrosscameraclub.org.uk). You can also visit our website or find us on Facebook.*



## Portmoak Community Woodland Project

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



We don't mind getting our hands dirty and our feet a bit wet if there are conservation jobs to be done. However, when it comes to the really big stuff we need Woodland Trust Scotland contractors with serious equipment.

Thanks to their recent work, summer visitors to Kilmagad Wood have been enjoying the new, re-wilded appearance of the lower slopes. In the few weeks since contractors removed the old deer fence the grass has grown and started to soften the ruts and scars created by their machinery; a tractor and lifting equipment for dragging out all the fencing and the gorse that had grown through it.

The thousands of trees planted on the hillside by primary school children and other volunteers back in 2009/10 no longer need protection from deer and have grown so tall that they are beginning to form a proper woodland canopy. You can see young, green hazelnuts beginning to ripen on the bushes, while the other native species like oak, holly, rowan and birch are doing well. The only failures are the dead, skeletal ash trees which have succumbed to ash dieback disease; a horrible fungal infection which is predicted to kill 80% of our native ash trees. The disease originated in Asia, arrived in Europe





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about 30 years ago, and was first recorded in the UK in 2012, probably coming in on imported ash saplings. Unfortunately, our native ash has no defence against it.

We are also dealing with another invader which native plants struggle against. It's the Himalayan balsam plant which grows vigorously and crowds out many of our own wildflowers. Places like damp ditches, which often host a great variety of plants, can be reduced to a monoculture of Himalayan balsam. Portmoak Community Woodland Group and volunteers have been pulling it out of ditches near the Scotlandwell entrance to Portmoak Moss and the results are excellent. Unfortunately, each flower produces so many seeds that we can't afford to relax and we'll be doing more Himalayan balsam 'bashing' as the summer goes on. We're making every effort to stop it getting into the Moss, where wildflowers are now being joined by an exciting range of fungi. Between the purple orchids growing beside the main path across the bog and the multi-coloured toadstools and mushrooms springing up beneath the trees, it's well worth taking a look!

## Boys Brigade and Girls Association



The Covid-19 situation meant that, for the second year running, there was no annual display for parents and friends to witness the achievements of a curtailed session. An awards' night was held on the final Friday of June.

### Company Section awards:

*Promotion to Company Section:*

Zara Webster and William Constable

*Best recruit*

4th, Alysia Shepherd, 3rd Claire Cassells, 2nd Ben Halkett, 1st Adelaide Almond.

*Best Squad*

Squad 3: Sgt. Rebekah Roe, Elizabeth Savage, Alysia Shepherd, Hayley McRitchie & Ben Halkett.



### Promotions

L/Cpl. Elizabeth Savage & Martha Harvey; Cpl David Savage & Zoe Webster

### President's Badges

David Savage & Zoe Webster.

*Neale Trophy (citizenship)* Zoe Webster

*Best member (Melville Trophy)* Zoe Webster.

The Company is due to resume on the first Friday of September.

**Anchors:** for boys and girls in primaries 1, 2 and three

**Juniors:** for boys and girls in primaries 4, 5 and 6

**Company:** for boys and girls from primary 7 to age 14

**Senior:** for boys and girls aged 15- 18

All sections meet in the Church Centre.

*Left: President's badge winners Zoe Webster & David Savage.*

*Top left: Zoe with the Neale Trophy and the Melville Trophy*

*Top right: Newly promoted Zara Webster and William Constable.*

## Circle Dancing

Circle dancing is well and truly back in earnest after a long absence! At long last classes are again taking place at 10am each Tuesday and Wednesday morning in the dance studio, Junction Road, Kinross. Classes last for one hour. If you would like to try circle dancing please do not hesitate to contact Lynne on 07931 398098.

## Kinross (Marshall) Museum

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

### New Opening Hours

Since we reopened the Museum we have only been able to welcome visitors and researchers to the exhibition space and study room on Saturdays and Sundays. Now that the Campus library is open Tuesday through to Saturday, you can see the current exhibitions during library opening hours. Once again, you will be made most welcome in the Study Room by Museum volunteers on Thursdays (10am-7pm) and Saturdays (10am-1pm).





## Kinross Ladies Circle

Has the past year left you re-assessing your social life? Have you recently moved to the area? Are you looking to meet new people?



Then look no further than Kinross Ladies Circle (KLC)! The aim of our group is, firstly, fun and friendship and we also plan to get back to doing some fundraising, when restrictions allow. Ladies Circle is for women aged 18-45 and then we progress to Kinross Tangent for those aged 45 and above.

We love nothing more than getting together socially and will organise ad-hoc nights for dinner, lunches, cinema trips or planned times for an escape room, pudding club, craft nights, ghost walks; anything that people want to try, we will give it a shot. There is no expectation to come along to every meeting, social or fundraising event; everyone has commitments and we all do what we can.

KLC have arranged many fundraising events over the years including comedy nights, bingo and charity bike rides to name but a few. If this sounds like a group you'd like to be involved with then drop us an email at [ladiescirclekinross@gmail.com](mailto:ladiescirclekinross@gmail.com) or head over to our Facebook page and message us there.

## Museums and Libraries

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

## Museums & Galleries

Culture Perth and Kinross are partnering up with Tayside Biodiversity for a local nature hunt, and they want you to BioBlitz your garden or local greenspace. By looking for both common and rare species, you will be contributing to a local snapshot of our wildlife.

You can take part on your own or with family, friends, and colleagues. What you discover will provide valuable information on the current state of nature in Perth & Kinross and contribute new scientific data to help wildlife conservation and research. Record your observations of wild plants and animals that you see in your garden or park. A BioBlitz is a project to record all the species of an area over a short period.

Details can be found here: [www.cpkmuseums.co.uk/bioblitz](http://www.cpkmuseums.co.uk/bioblitz)

In a new commission for Culture Perth and Kinross, artists Walker and Bromwich will introduce a site of contemplation

in Perth Museum and Art Gallery, where silhouettes of once common local mammals are cast across the gallery. Suggestive of cave paintings and mythological Underworlds, the installation will provide a glimpse of possible future loss. The Shadow World will contain delicate evocations of endangered animals, questioning what will be left without positive change and intervention. These animals are currently on the red list of endangered animals, threatened with extinction from habitat loss and disruption to food chains.

The installation will provide a dark suggestion of the near future when these endangered animals are lost, existing instead in memory and trace.

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## Portmoak Hall 100 Club

### July Draw

1st	No 78	Bill Michie	Wester Balgedie
2nd	No 4	Joe Smith	Scotlandwell
3rd	No 131	Gail Bryson	Kinnesswood

### Opening times:

10am – 7pm every Thursday:

10am – 5pm every Friday, Saturday and Monday.

10am – 4pm every Sunday.

### Libraries

The popular Bookbug sessions are back in a physical format! Mums, dads, grandparents, or carers can now enjoy rhyme, story, and song sessions with their child in Kinross at Loch Leven Community Library as well as other locations across Perth and Kinross. Contact the library for further details.

The Soutar Festival of Words, inspired by Perth Poet and Writer William Soutar, will return with a blended model of exciting events in-venue and online. The 2022 festival will take place from Friday, 22 April until Sunday 24 April.

Perth and Kinross Libraries now have a free tablet lending service (currently only in the AK Bell Library, Perth). It's called Hublet, and the tablets can be used anywhere in the building with an adult library card. Please note that Hublets won't work outside the library. Hublet docking stations will be rolled out to five other libraries across Perth & Kinross in the coming weeks.

### Loch Leven Community Library

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10am – 7pm

Wednesday: 10am – 6pm

Thursday: 10am – 7pm

Friday: 10am – 6pm

Saturday: 10am – 1pm

Sunday: Closed

01577 867205

[lochlevenlibrary@culturepk.org.uk](mailto:lochlevenlibrary@culturepk.org.uk)

Perth Museum and Art Gallery and The Fergusson Gallery in Marshall Place in Perth remain free to enter for all new and returning visitors. There are a range of measures in place to ensure the health and safety of visitors and staff. Full details along with information to help you plan your visit can be found online at [www.culturepk.org.uk/nowopen](http://www.culturepk.org.uk/nowopen).

### Kinross Centre

Well, what fantastic weather we have been having! Who needs to go abroad when we have sunshine like this!

We are gradually getting back to some normality, things are definitely looking better for everyone. We are still taking baby steps with reopening fully at the moment, (we still have reduced numbers and meal delivery to homes). We really don't want to move too quickly and undo everyone's good work.

Social distancing has reduced which is making things a little easier but we are still being very cautious. We will continue to wear masks at the centre.

Our coffee bar has been quite busy, and it's great to see our friends again. Protective screens are being used between the tables. They will stay for the time being.

May we also take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support of Kinross Centre, we very much appreciate it.

As every month, I would again like to say a massive thank you, to all the hard working staff, volunteers and committee at Kinross Centre don't know where we would be without you all.

The same goes for all the other organizations in this area. You have been amazing with all your fantastic work throughout this pandemic. This is a wonderful community and we are proud to be part of it, so thank you all.

Please continue to stay safe.

*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 01577 863869.*



### Kinross Potager Garden



We are looking forward to taking part in the Open Gardens day in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care on Saturday 7 August, from 12 to 4pm. Tickets are £10, with a map, to visit 9 different and beautiful gardens in Kinross and Milnathort. Tickets available on the day from 63 South Street, Milnathort (opposite the war memorial) or 90 The Muirs (opposite the Health Centre,) and we hope to have tickets at the Potager as well, if you want to start at our end of Kinross, in between 46 and 48 Bowton Road. The ticket includes refreshments at several of the gardens.

At the Potager garden we have a sensory area, shrubs and flowering plants, as well as fruit trees and the vegetable beds full of edible plants, and tomatoes and squashes in the greenhouse. We will have some hardy plants for sale for garden funds, and bags of organic vegetables for sale at £1 each, to be donated to the Marie Curie funds. You could also have an informal chat with some of our volunteers, if you might think of joining our friendly team maintaining the garden.

We look forward to welcoming you to the garden; just look out for the Marie Curie balloons at all the different venues.

*For information about the garden, or volunteering with us, contact Amanda James on 07963 476803, [amandajames1577@gmail.com](mailto:amandajames1577@gmail.com).*



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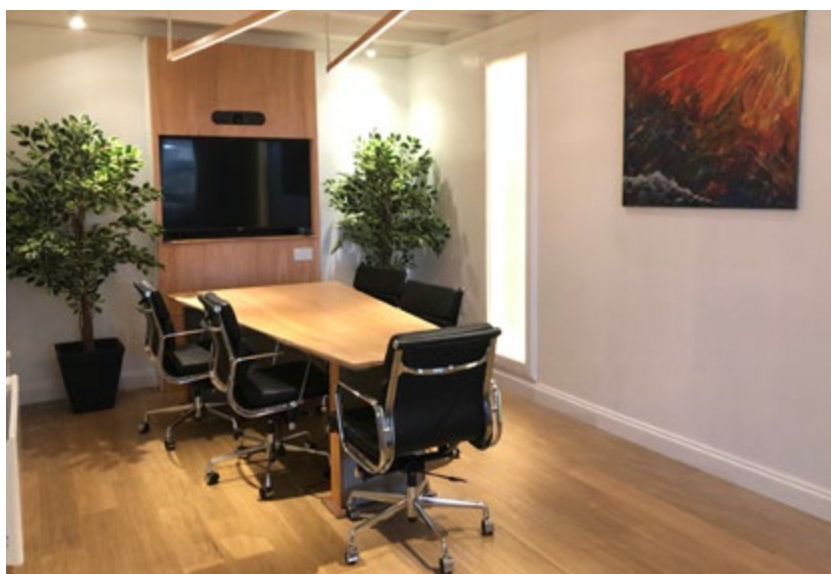
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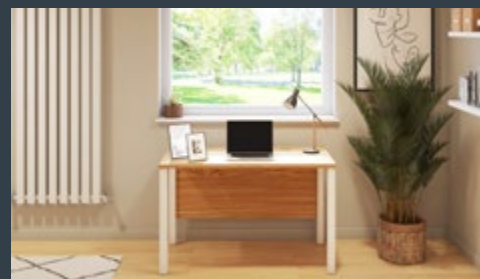
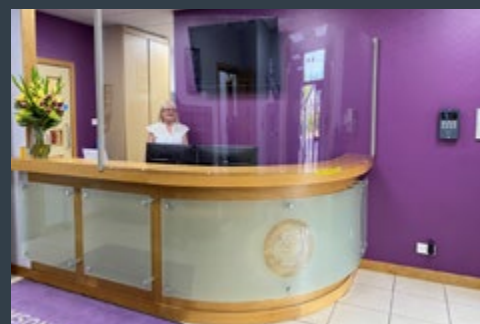
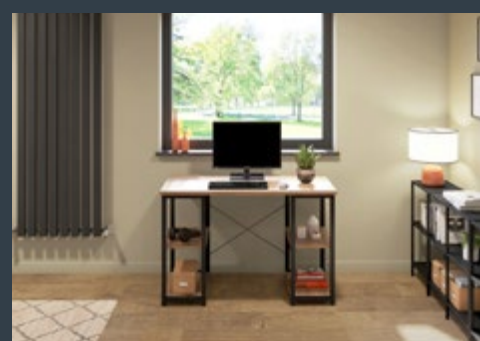
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### Kirkgate Park

Elsewhere, the Perth and Kinross Council 'natural raingardens' – modest swathes of marsh/wet grassland vegetation alongside the Loch Leven Heritage Trail through Kirkgate Park – have been allowed to grow and escape cutting this summer. They are at the edge of a narrow area of regularly mown wet grass, at the lower end of the extensive area of general amenity grassland that comprises most of the park. It is still possible to wander into wet squelchy grass (and get wet feet and shoes) in the mown zone; it might be worth extending the larger of the features a few extra metres to incorporate that area too?



*Squelch – there's the water!*



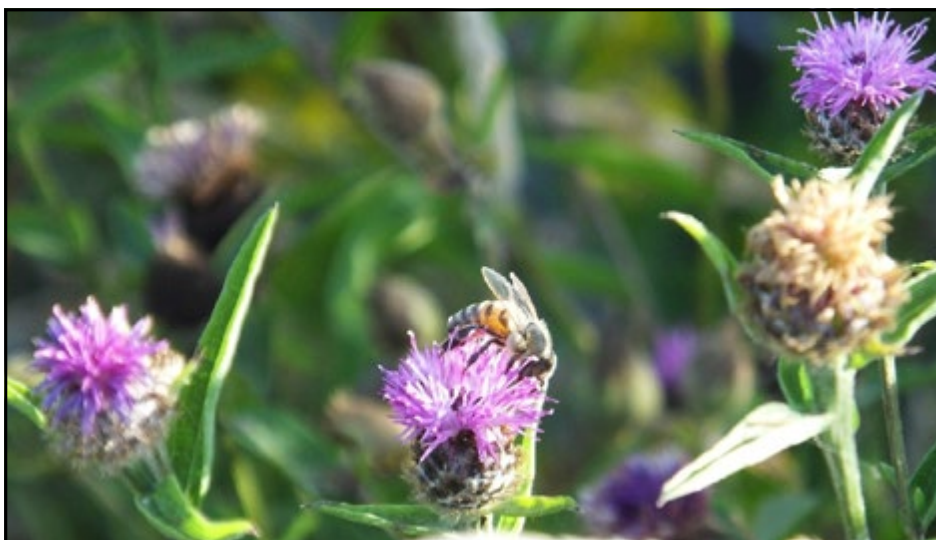
*Ox-eye daisies and wild geraniums (above)*



*Natural raingarden at Kirkgate Park (above) and knapweed (below)*

After the disappointment of the destruction of early summer flowers by the surprise spring mowing of the wildflower swales along the west Kinross link road/bypass, it is good to see that the parallel swale, through the undeveloped land around the Kipper premises, still offers a wealth of colour and a variety of wildflowers.

The swale is alive with the sound of buzzing bees and a closer look at the flowers reveals more pollinator insects too. In contrast to the ox-eye daisies and wild geraniums, Knapweed is large leafy plant and could be seen as little more than a giant weed, prior to July flowering and the outbreak of colour. At least the insects appreciate it; it is at its most colourful now.





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### Loch Leven's Larder

Progress at Loch Leven's Larder has continued, albeit slower than hoped due to limited staff time. The original raingarden basin is now a mass of greenery, including ragged robin. The dry gravels around the edge featured an excellent show of tall ox eye daisies and poppies in June-July.

In the heavy rainstorms of last June-July, the new fence-line trenches and additional basins coped very well, intercepting scouring flows across the car park and diverting the peak runoff into the basins. Work has slowly continued to ensure the basins and the trenches are not simply straight in and straight out features, but hold the water long enough to slow the flow and avoid scour. A bit more excavation (especially the top trench and the lowest of the new basins) and the levels will be better. A wildflower mix from Scotia Seeds was sown in the lower trench, which has steep sections and

unfortunately many of the seedlings were swamped during high rates of water flow which mobilised soil from further up the trench. The problem recurred during the rainstorms too. Dense clumps of transported seedlings have survived at the lower end of the trench. Here and there too, some stubborn little seedlings are struggling up through the mounds of sand left by the rainstorms. So, the priority is restore the soil levels, and stabilise them with plants. In addition to the wildflower seedmix mentioned earlier, a set of plug plants was purchased from Celtica Wildflowers and planted in the two trenches and the upper raingarden basin, alongside other native wildflowers adding colour or quick fix to bind the soil (foxgloves, cat's ear, buttercups); anticipating the blooms which should appear next year from the surviving seedlings.

Several small bushes and climbers have also been dotted along the fences: cotoneaster, broom, honeysuckle, viburnum, ivy, variegated ivy, periwinkle; all grown from cuttings locally. Their survival and protection from washout depends on establishment of grass, clover and a variety of other meadow plants along the trenches, and around the woody plants. Not all the plants are native wildflowers however, in the interests of colour and accepting challenges of availability, planted colour has included garden familiars such as geraniums, and crocosmia.

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# Sports News



*Ruari Souter blocking an attack from Redas. Connor is refereeing*

## Kinross Volleyball

Kinross Volleyball club, in partnership with KYTHE, ran 6 days of junior volleyball coaching on the campus grass and in the church centre over the first fortnight of the school summer holidays. We were pleased to see a range of new youngsters attending the programme.

*The Kinross lads at Darnhall prior to their matches. Left to right are: Ruari, Connor and Jack*



Rain on the second week meant that organisers were scrambling around to find indoor facilities and, as the campus was fully booked, the only available venue was the church centre.

### Summer Holiday Sessions

Free 'pop up and play' sessions continue on Sunday afternoons at the campus grass area at 3.15-5pm. A number of adults and juniors are turning up regularly for these popular sessions.

A number of local juniors have also been attending regular beach volleyball coaching sessions at Perth's Darnhall beach centre. Three former Kinross V.C. lads competed against each other at the UK Beach Tournament event held at Darnhall and it was unusual that their three teams were drawn together in the same qualification centre. Number one seeds Connor Boyle with his partner Stewart Caldwell eventually won gold medals with Jack McKelvey and Redas Mastebrocks just missing out on the bronze medal position, losing narrowly in the third/fourth play-off match. Ruari Souter and Nikolas Stougiannos finished in fifth place.

Hopes of Kinross teams competing in the annual De Haan tournament were dashed when the Belgian government restricted team entries to home teams only this year.

It is hoped that Kinross teams can take part in the planned one-day Scottish Open Volleyball Tournament on Saturday 11 September at Perth's North Inch.



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There is some great news this month as we have two races to announce at last! We are planning to run the Path of Condie half marathon on **Saturday 21 August** and the Milnathort dash on **Sunday 19 September**. These events are open to all; for further information please check out our website link (details above). These races will be fully Covid-19 compliant for the restrictions on the day of the race and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Race results to report include Scott Strachan who ran the Moray coastal trail 50 mile ultra and came tenth overall, the Lairig Ghru and the Edinburgh 7 hills for our club members. Our picture for this month shows some well-deserved beers at the Lairig Ghru run.

As usual the club training sessions included a wide variety of different activities. Members enjoyed 4-minute interval sessions, 90 second interval sessions and a session for 12 x 2 minutes. We also had a hill rep session in Milnathort. These are all great sessions for speed training under good supervision. For those looking for something different, we also held trail runs at Lochore Meadows, Strathmiglo and West Lomond, a treasure hunt at Falkland estate and a Benarty hill run. These runs are great fun and show off some of the lovely scenery we have.

As always, the first Tuesday of the month is a 2-mile time trial session with some great personal best times for club members. The variety of the sessions and scenery has been great and they were well attended by members. All sessions follow the guidance from the Scottish Government and athletics and virtual sessions were provided for those who could not attend.

The club training sessions fit all abilities and involve a variety of running activities as you can see from this month's sessions. Interval sessions improve running speed, trail runs build up strength and stamina, and slower chatty runs are good for socialising. The club welcomes all abilities; whether you are new to running or experienced, just looking for new routes to try out or to meet new faces, there is something for everyone. If you fancy getting involved or trying out a run with the club, visit our website and get in touch.

Enjoy your running.

## Kinross Colts

### An Introduction To Kinross Colts FC

The club was founded in 1986 and currently consists of teams at every age group from under 6s to under 17s as well as two Saturday amateur teams, a women's team, an over 35s team and two veteran and vintage 7-a-side squads.

Currently there are over 400 boys, girls and adults playing and/or training with the club. We are one of the small number of clubs which has an unbroken line of teams at every age group and we are committed to continue this going forward.

The club is a registered charity with the following key aims:

The advancement of public participation in sport; To provide a positive, safe, developmental environment for children to play football; To encourage participation in, and enjoyment of, football for all players, irrespective of gender, race, religion, social status, age or ability; To promote the ethos of teamwork, respect for others, fitness, self-discipline, health and well-being; To promote sportsmanship and fair play in footballers, coaches, officials and parents irrespective of



*Well-deserved beers at the Lairig Ghru run.*

gender, race, religion, social status, age or ability; To promote the development of youth football and provide a pathway into amateur football within the community of Kinross-shire through the provision of teams for boys, girls, men and women that foster fair play and participation for all; To enable disadvantaged children's involvement in football by ensuring that social status and financial circumstances are no barrier to participation; To provide and improve facilities for the development of football in Kinross-shire; To enhance our players' sense of social responsibility by working with and supporting other charitable organisations and actively supporting our local community.

As a club, we participate in the Fife Football Development Pathway. Our 7-a-side teams play in the Fife Soccer Sevens Development Association (FSSDA) before progressing to the 11-a-side game as part of the Fife Football Development League (FFDL) then onto the Association of Fife Youth Football Clubs (AFYFC). Our two amateur teams play in the Kingdom of Fife Amateur Football Association (KOFafa). We are currently working to develop a girls' pathway within the club and we hope that our women's team will soon be able to join an organised league.

The club is run by volunteers who give up their time to either manage, coach or be part of the board of trustees. Without these volunteers the club would be unable to function. As a club, we actively invest in the continuing development and education of all our coaches and volunteers to ensure the players enjoy the best possible support and development during their time with the club in a safe and welcoming environment.

Since our inception in 1986, the club has enjoyed amazing support from the wider community; something for which we are continually thankful. This has taken many forms but, this month, we would like to call out the ongoing support we have across all our age groups with regards to sponsorship. Thank-you to the following companies who are current supporters:

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## Kinross Otters

Our swimmers, coaches and volunteers began the month with a hard-earned rest and a break from the new routine. Although being back in the pool these last couple of months has been very welcome and a happy experience, the Covid-19 protocols of wearing face masks, socially distancing, arriving and leaving in swimming costumes and the lack of the usual socialising poolside have meant it has been very different for everyone.

After recharging their batteries, the youngsters returned to Live Active Loch Leven mid-month with weekends still free until the schools return in August. More senior members have also been continuing their outdoor swimming at Willowgate in Perth.

Excitingly, eight Otters also took part in the first Scottish swimming meet in 16 months earlier in July. The festival of swimming at the Royal Commonwealth Pool in Edinburgh, with concurrent meets in Aberdeen and Glasgow, was aimed at the club's 'performance' level swimmers aged 13 and over. We hope it will pave the way for a safe return to all levels of competition soon!

Although the competitive stuff is on the way back for everyone (fingers crossed), there is still plenty of time for fun. At time of writing, the club was planning a day out at Willowgate for all age groups, followed by a barbecue (weather permitting of course) to ensure that our strong sense of community continues.



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# Himalayan Summer

**MID-SUMMER AT LOCH LEVEN** means its Himalayan Balsam season! A lot of you may have noticed large, pink flowered, sweet smelling plants near the trail. This will probably be Himalayan Balsam. It is a non-native, extremely invasive plant hailing from the Himalayas. Himalayan Balsam was introduced to the UK in 1839 as a pretty plant to acquire for the garden. Sadly, its invasive properties were not known and now many wetlands and river banks are choked up by this expert spreader. Its scientific name is *Impatiens Glandulifera*; this basically translates to 'Impatient seed bearer'. This is well named, as in August when the plant is starting to seed, any movements of the plant (i.e. touch or wind) can send seeds flying in all manners of direction. Seeds can fly out of these seed pods as far as four metres, each plant can also disperse up to 800 seeds, so you can see how this is a master of colonisation.

We continue to control Balsam on NNR by hand pulling, slashing and strimming. Our main objective is to keep the Balsam at bay and ensure that it's not getting worse around the reserve. It can be a bit of a thankless and arduous task, but at the end of the day we are doing our bit here for conservation and it is satisfying when you can see your progress at the end of the day!

August at Loch Leven NNR is a fabulous time for wildlife! Congregations of hirundines (swallows and sand martins) are present around the loch in massive groups. A mix of juvenile and adult birds all feeding up and preparing for their migration back to Africa next month. Look out for common darter dragonflies when out and about near wetland areas. A butterfly to look out for in August is the painted lady. Migratory adults would have laid eggs two



weeks prior, and these eggs would have hatched caterpillars which have now pupated into adult butterflies, all in the space of 2-3 weeks!

Ospreys have been seen regularly now on the loch and in good numbers. August is the best month to see these charismatic raptors as it's the time where juvenile and adult birds feed up before their migration to western Africa in September. Look out for them 'fishing' on the loch; they will hover above the loch, spot a fish then dive into the water talon first. If they are lucky, they will leave with a big trout in their talons!

The Mill Hide Rebuild project is progressing. The plans have been submitted for planning permission, whilst broadly the same it will have a more open design at the back so that the cameras and other visitors can see

into the hide more easily from the trail. Discussions are underway to appoint contractors and to source materials including fire retardant treatments for the timber.

Recent wildlife highlights include; water vole, nuthatch, greenshank, red admiral butterflies, hundreds of ringlets and meadow brown butterflies, ospreys and large-flowered hemp nettle.

As always, keep an eye on the blog (Loch Leven WordPress), Loch Leven NNR Facebook page and the Loch Leven NNR Instagram for regular updates.

Cheers!

Simon Ritchie  
Loch Leven Nature Reserve Officer

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# The Children Grow Up

## WITH THE BREEDING SEASON

coming to an end and our lap-wing chicks now fully fledged adults, it has been a busy month for wildlife at RSPB Loch Leven. Our very noisy neighbours at the black headed gull colony have had a lot of young on the go too, with lots of fledglings now fully developed into independence. The flood by the Carden hide has been occupied by hundreds of adult tufted duck, but we have also spotted plenty of young too, including gadwall chicks, shelduck chicks, little grebe, and coot chicks.

Some lovely sightings of marsh harrier and osprey have been spotted regularly on the wetlands, as well as reports of kingfisher and otter too. The swallows have started nesting in and around our coffee cabin, thankfully parents are on hand to feed the chicks – a diet of cappuccinos and millionaire slices is probably not what they are after!

Our lovely bumblebee meadow will be open to the public soon and will be available to walk through around mid-August. Plenty of bumbles and butterflies are currently on show – including lots of ringlets and meadow browns, and lots of damselflies along the verges too. Not to mention the wildflowers popping up everywhere!

Our wonderful volunteer team have been hard at work adding plug plants to the bumblebee meadow, working on the decking by the ponds, and helping to maintain vegetation around the trails and the picnic area. A big thank you for all their help, we could not do what we do without you.

The project to renovate our café, reception, and toilet blocks continues. After all the demolishing, taking down and stripping out, we are finally putting the buildings back together again. As predicted the old buildings threw up a few challenges that we had to deal with, together with delays in some material and products, completion will now be in September. We are working with the contractors to get this date finalized.



Our car park is now well on the way to being finished, but parking is still available at the top end for now. Our coffee cabin and pop-up shop are available 7 days a week 10am – 4pm, so please stop by and stock up on bird food, binoculars and gifts. For all that thirsty work we have fresh coffee and snacks available from the cabin. If you have not visited us yet and are feeling a bit unsure about where to go, you can check out our new

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#### June 2021

Total Rainfall	27.5mm/1.1in
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## Gardening

# The Garden In August



**IS IT MY IMAGINATION**, or is everything really late flowering this year? My lilies in pots are usually well over by now but some of them are still in bud. I'm blaming the very cold spring we had.

So, August. It's the last official month of summer before we start counting down through autumn and into winter again – but as you guessed, there's still plenty to be doing in the garden.

As well as the usual jobs of feeding, watering and weeding, August is a great time to be collecting seeds that you can use for next year. I usually wait until the plant is near the end of its life and no amount of deadheading is going to encourage any more blooms. I leave a few flower heads to produce seed and keep an eye on them. Once the seed head has ripened (starting to go brown) I nip it off and put in a paper bag. You can also put in a plastic box with kitchen roll. Once the seeds fall off the seed head (you may need to shake a little) store in a cool, dry place over the winter, ready for sowing next year.

Dead-heading is very important this month to keep your flowers blooming for as long as possible. Go round your pots and garden regularly and just nip off those blooms that are past their best. You don't want all their energy going into

seed production when they could be giving you extra flowers.

While the ground is still warm you can start sowing hardy annuals, such as calendulas and sunflowers for early summer colour next year. I've had a mixed experience from doing this, it sometimes works and sometimes doesn't, so I usually sow indoors in the spring. If you have a spare patch of garden, give it a go though; you may be more successful than me!

Now's the time to prune your rambling roses if you have any, the recommendation is that you remove up to a third of the stems that have flowered and tie the rest to supports. I have two against the house in the front garden. I must remember and do this to give them a good start for next year.

How are you getting on with your biennial seeds? I sowed some red and white sweet williams a couple of weeks ago and they're looking good – a couple more weeks and I can prick them out into cells and grow them on, ready for planting out in September. As usual, I've sown way too many and will need to give a lot of plants away – it's good to share!

Although there's a lot of tidying up to be done in the garden and preparation for next year, the garden's still looking great and there's lot of colour.

Late flowering plants are starting to bud and midsummer plants are in full bloom. I know I go on (and on) about lilies and what great value they are but take a look at these below. This was three plants a couple of years ago and they've multiplied in the pot to give this stunning display. They'll give a good few weeks of colour and joy to my patio.

So, watering, feeding, dead-heading, weeding and seed drying are the main things to be doing in August. Enjoy your garden, enjoy the sunshine and I'll see you again next month – the first month of autumn!

*Teresa Stirling*



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## Farming

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Our pup Luna, who was born before Christmas, is coming on. She's house-trained and walks okay on a lead, but is very keen on my flower pots. She gets herself into trouble almost daily, if given a moment alone, next to the trailing pansies. Each time I discover another flower pulled out I scold her and tell her it won't be long now until she leaves the comforts of the farmhouse. It will then be time to go out every day on the farm with our son who will teach her how to work with sheep. It may seem young to enter the adult world, but it's about the right time for a working collie to start learning more, and it will occupy her active brain meaning she will (hopefully) forget about pansies.

Starting young is important as there is so much to learn, and it struck me that this seems to happen a lot in farming with children and young people involved in a way that is not seen in other professions or businesses. Our son has been a vital support since I've not been so well and can't do the farm work like I used to. Charlie has taken on everything and made a brilliant job, he worked alongside me since he was a toddler, so I suppose I can say he had good training!

When I was recently asked to supply a reference for an eighteen-year-old making an application to agricultural college, I began by listing her farming experience, which similarly had started from an early age. Throughout primary school Sarah got involved at home by keeping hens in the farmyard, raising pet lambs and as she got older rearing calves.

Having taken on lambing work with me and a milking job locally, I was able to highlight her knowledge of livestock husbandry and her good attention to detail with animals. She is not alone in being so capable, her sister, Rachael, is a few years older and a confident lamber who can be left in charge of the whole lambing shed due to her exceptional ability and enthusiasm.

The ewes were sheared last week. It's such a relief when their fleece is removed. They feel so much better and the risk of coupling on their back and becoming stuck is over for a few months. They are also less prone to fly strike and maggots after shearing so life is better for both flock and shepherd.



*Calum Shaw shearing my ewes with Emily poised to roll the fleece.*

When talking of impressive young folk I'd like to give the shearing team led by Calum Shaw, a massive shout out. Calum has been coming to clip the ewes for 16 years but looking back him and his brother Alister were only teenagers then. On their first visit they sheared our whole flock in an afternoon under the guidance of their dad, an outstanding effort before either of them had even passed their driving test.

The following year Calum could drive, so he took on the organisation of the run, bringing in new shearers. Later on his girlfriend Emily, who is a superfast wool roller and expert packer, joined

them. Since then, he has sheared all over the world, competed and won the Scottish Open and National shearing competitions and grown his shearing business to see them shear over 20,000 sheep between St Andrews and Crieff each summer.

Funnily enough his nickname on the shearing circuit is 'The baby faced assassin'! Quite apt really, and a reminder that farming is in very safe hands when we have young men and women, such as the ones I am lucky enough to work with and many others like them, coming through.

*Fiona*





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## Kinross Parish Church

**Church of Scotland** (Charity no SC012555)

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10 Station Road, Kinross KY13 8TG

**Website:** [www.kinrossparishchurch.org](http://www.kinrossparishchurch.org)

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**YouTube:** Kinross Parish Worship

**Instagram:** kpscotland

**E-mail:** [office@kinrossparishchurch.org](mailto:office@kinrossparishchurch.org)

**Office Tel:** (01577) 862570

The Church Office is operating remotely. Leave a phone message or email.

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

Ordained Local Minister: Rev Margaret Michie

Session Clerk: Jaffrey Weir

**KEEPING IN TOUCH:** contact the Church Office to be included in our weekly email of events.

### Regular Services and Events:

**POSSIBLE CHANGES:** Some of the meetings below, previously on Zoom, may be in person by August, depending on Government and Church of Scotland guidance. Check with the weekly email, website or church office.

**Daily Prayer:** Monday to Friday, listen to a daily prayer - 01577 528270, option 2 (Likely to restart in August. See weekly email).

### Sundays

**10.00am: Wake Up, Warm Up, Worship:** an informal 20 minutes of prayer, contemporary worship songs and interaction on Zoom\* (Likely to restart in August. See weekly email).

**10.30am: Morning Service in the church.** Booking advised for attendance, through the church office by Friday at 10.30am. This is the easiest way to provide Test and Protect details and ensure appropriate seating is laid out in advance. However, you can also now just turn up.

Sunday morning services are also available as a live stream on the church website, YouTube and Facebook. Thereafter available to view on YouTube, Facebook and the church's website; from around 1pm, listen by phone on 01577 528270 and press 1; or request a CD or copy of the sermon from the church office.

**11.15am** After Church, meet up for coffee on Zoom\* (Likely to restart 8 August. See weekly email)

**6pm: Sunday Evening Prayer,** on Zoom\*



### Mondays

**8pm: House Group** – Bible study and fellowship on Zoom\* (Resumes 18 August. See weekly email).

### Tuesdays

**1.45pm: House Group** – Meeting informally over the summer. See weekly email.

### Wednesdays

**12 noon: Mid-week prayers,** livestreamed on Facebook.

**1.30pm: Craft Group** meet in the church.

**7.45pm: Men's House Group** (Resumes 18 August).

**8.00pm: Women's House Group** – (Resumes 25 August).

### Thursdays

**11-12pm Table Talk** – Chat and coffee on Zoom\* (Likely to restart in August. See weekly email.)

### Other Services and Events:

#### August

**Sun 1 10.30am:** Morning Service, including Communion at the service, livestreamed and on Zoom\*.

**Mon 2 8am:** Silent Meditation. Some pointers for meditation on Facebook

#### Mon 2 - Fri 6

**Family Week – Jungle Adventure.** Registration in advance only. Contact church office.

**Sat 14 11am:** All Friends Together on Zoom\*

**Mon 16 7.30pm:** Monday House Group resumes

**Wed 18 7.45pm:** Men's House Group resumes

**Thurs 19 9pm:** late evening service of Compline in the church and livestreamed on Facebook

**Wed 25 8pm** Women's House Group resumes

**\*For Gatherings on Zoom:** see weekly email or contact the Church Office for link details.

## Family Week – Jungle Adventure 2-6 August

**Register: Contact Church Office**

## Cleish Parish Church

**Church of Scotland**

(Charity No: SC003168)

**Minister: Rev Lis Stenhouse** BD (Hons)

Tel: 01577 842128

Email: [estenhouse@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:estenhouse@churchofscotland.org.uk)

**Session Clerk: Neil Maclure**

Email: [neil.maclure19@gmail.com](mailto:neil.maclure19@gmail.com) Tel: 01577 864826

Please visit our website: [www.cleishandfossowaychurches.org.uk](http://www.cleishandfossowaychurches.org.uk)

### August 2021

We are very pleased to announce that our church building is open; however, this is dependent on any alterations in Government guidelines. Any changes to our plans will be announced on our new joint church website:

<https://cleishandfossowaychurches.org.uk>

#### Sunday, 1 Aug

**11am:** Morning Worship

**12.15pm:** Joint Cleish and Fossoway Churches Morning Worship by Zoom



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**Sunday, 8 Aug**

**11am:** Prayer Time in the church  
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**Sunday, 15 Aug**

**11am:** Morning Worship and Baptism  
**12.15pm:** Joint Cleish and Fossoway Churches  
 Morning Worship by Zoom

**Saturday 21 Aug**

**1-3.30pm Cleish Fete and Classic Car Show**

**Sunday, 22 Aug**

**11am:** Morning Worship  
**12.15pm:** Joint Cleish and Fossoway Churches  
 Morning Worship by Zoom

**Thursday 26 Aug**

**7pm:** Celebration of Holy Communion by Zoom

**Sunday, 29 Aug**

**11am:** Morning Worship  
**12.15pm:** Joint Cleish and Fossoway Churches  
 Morning Worship by Zoom

If you would like to join with us for any of the above Zoom services: please phone the Rev Lis Stenhouse 01577 842128.

**As we have limited seating in our church, due to the current pandemic restrictions you will need to reserve a seat in advance. Please phone Margaret McMillan on 01506 825641.**

**Fossoway, St Serf's & Devonside Church**

**Church of Scotland**

(Charity number SC013157)

Church Road, Crook of Devon,  
 Kinross-shire, KY13 0UY

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

**Minister: Rev Lis Stenhouse** Telephone: (01577) 842128

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**Session Clerk: Mrs Janet Harper** Telephone: (01577) 840225

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**August 2021**

We are very pleased to announce that our church building is open, however this is dependent on any alterations in Government guidelines. Any changes to our plans will be announced on our new joint church website <https://cleishandfossowaychurches.org.uk>

**Sunday, 1 Aug**

**9.45am:** Morning Worship  
**12.15pm:** Joint Cleish and Fossoway Churches  
 Morning Worship by Zoom

**Sunday, 8 Aug**

**9.45am:** A Time for Prayer  
**12.15pm:** Joint Cleish and Fossoway Churches  
 Morning Worship by Zoom

**Sunday, 15 Aug**

**9.45am:** A Time for Prayer  
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**Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church**

**Church of Scotland** (Charity number SC015523)

Minister – Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison

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Email: [angusmorrison3@gmail.com](mailto:angusmorrison3@gmail.com)

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

**Sunday services continue in Portmoak Church at 10am** each Sunday with all current Covid-19 safety procedures in place. As social distancing is now reduced to 1 metre more people can be accommodated within the church but masks must still be worn. It is no longer necessary that seats be reserved in advance each week, but contact tracing information is still required for those attending. The situation will be monitored as the weeks go by, and further changes will be made as the regulations change. Please check the church website or Facebook page for further information.

**Online services are not being posted at present.** It is hoped that once Orwell church has re-opened, live streaming of the services will take place each Sunday morning, and recorded versions will also be available as before.

Uncertainty continues as to when the renovations at Orwell Church will be completed, and church services able to resume. Please check the church website or Facebook page for further information.

**The Church Office and shop is still closed until further notice.** The office email below is being checked, but less frequently than normal: [orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com](mailto:orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com)

**St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church**

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Muir, Kinross, KY13 8AY

Fr David Mackenzie Mills, Rector.

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Email: [frdavidkinross@gmail.com](mailto:frdavidkinross@gmail.com)

You can also find us on Facebook

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

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.)

**\*\*The church building is now opened for services in person. Our normal Sunday morning services begin at 10am. We will provide regular updates on our website - please do refer to it regularly. We have uploaded important information about how you can attend in person, as well as online. Thank you!\***





## Church Information

Our services will continue to be broadcast from the church building as livestreams via 'Zoom' and Facebook Live. Thereafter, recordings of these services will be available through the church website, Facebook page and YouTube. Our church bell will ring from 9.50am.

Please be assured of our prayers and intercessions, especially if Covid-19 has directly affected you and your family. As always, you are most welcome to contact the Rector by phone or email if there is anything that our community can offer a listening ear or any practical help under restrictions as they stand.

*May the road rise up to meet you.  
May the wind be always at your back.  
May the sun shine warm upon your face;  
the rains fall soft upon your fields and, until we  
meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

## Events and Services in August

### Sunday 1: Pentecost 11 (Proper 18)

10am Sung Eucharist

### Sunday 8: Pentecost 12 (Proper 19)

10am Sung Eucharist from home. (Available via Zoom only)

### Sunday 15: Pentecost 13 (Proper 20)

10am Sung Eucharist

### Sunday 22: Pentecost 14 (Proper 21)

10am Sung Eucharist

### Sunday 29: Pentecost 15 (Proper 22)

10am Sung Eucharist

*The Scottish Episcopal Church has committed itself to becoming carbon neutral by 2030. There is much to consider in the next 8½ years regarding climate change, and how our choices affect the lives of millions of our neighbours across the world.*

*During September, our worship will focus on 'Faith in a Changing Climate' (USPG). Every week, the sermon slot will take on the form of open, respectful discussion in which we might learn from one another.*

*If you are interested in joining us either in person or online via 'Zoom', please contact Fr David.*

## St James' Catholic Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Parish Priest: Father Martin Pletts. Tel: 01577 863329

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## Regular Services

Mass Times and Devotions can be found on the website. Make your bookings as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Confirmation of bookings should be received within 24 hours, if not please contact Fr. Martin to check.

The weekly newsletter, Mass times, news and updates or changes can be found on our website.

Remember that now distancing is down to 1 metre in the churches and Holy Communion is being distributed at the proper time, with the priest coming to you at your pew. Please kindly observe all instructions given you by stewards at the door as this will ensure both smooth running and proper adherence to current protocols.

## Sunday 1 August

Holy Mass at 9am., 11am and 1pm in St James', with Confessions available after 1pm Mass.

## Parish Barbecues

Friday 6 August at 2.30pm and Sunday 8 August at 3pm. Due to restrictions I would ask that everyone lets me know which day and time is best for you. We will be able to accommodate up to 30 people at each event.

Fr. Martin has kindly agreed that the Parish will meet the cost of this event. However, it has been suggested that if you wish, you could bring some non perishable food or toiletries to be donated to Broke Not Broken or alternatively a donation in a bucket to help SSVF with their work.

Please contact Sid Grant on 07713 582628 or [sid.j.grant@gmail.com](mailto:sid.j.grant@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.

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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 cafe. 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.*

## Kinross Gospel Hall

8 Montgomery Street, Kinross

**We invite you to visit our website for short messages relevant to these strange times.**

[www.kinrossgospelhall.info](http://www.kinrossgospelhall.info)

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## Loch Leven Church (Charity No: SC049050)

**Loch Leven Church is temporarily meeting online via Zoom, or at drive-in services, at 10.30am each Sunday.**

Everyone, of all ages, is very welcome to join the informal service; please just email us for the details to join in.

**To be kept up to date, and find out more about us, please visit our Facebook page *We Love Loch Leven*, our website [www.lochlevenchurch.com](http://www.lochlevenchurch.com), or email us at [info@lochlevenchurch.com](mailto:info@lochlevenchurch.com)**

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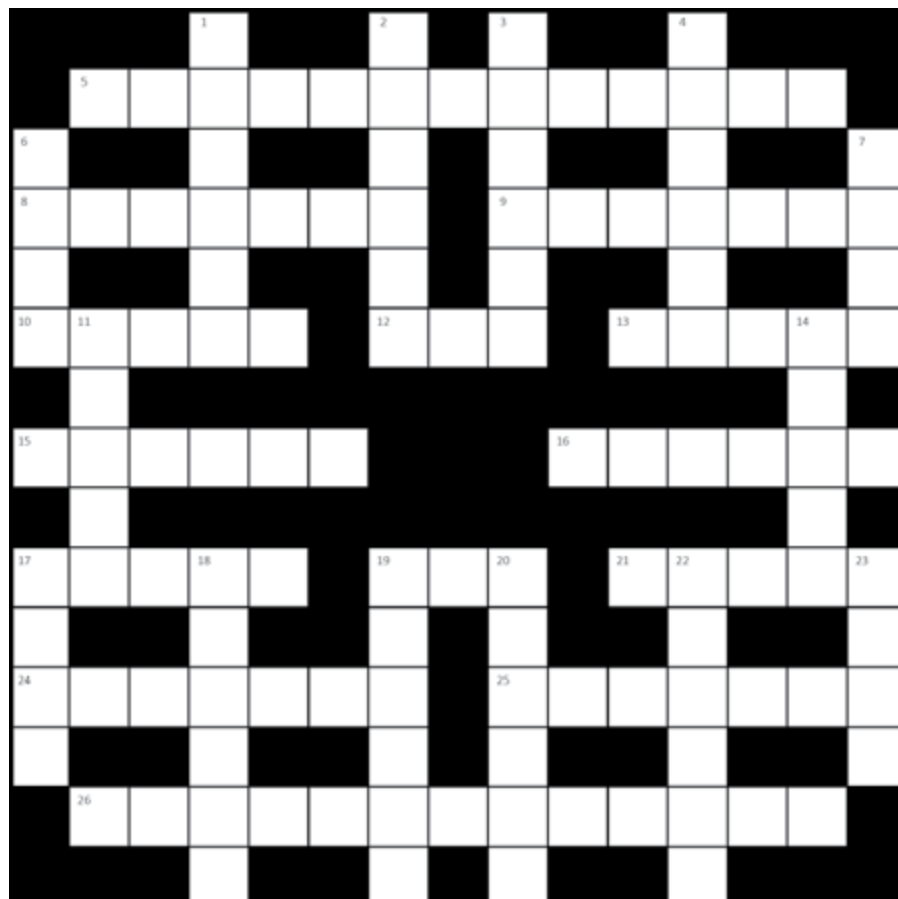
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## KINROSSWORD

Test your local knowledge with our crossword, where a number of the clues relate to Kinross and the surrounding area. No prizes – just bragging rights for getting it right. Answers on page 29.



### ACROSS

- 5 Stage at Kinross Show (13)
- 8 Kinross Coffee Maker (7)
- 9 Sport on offer at Kinross Activity Centre (7)
- 10 Muscle twitch (5)
- 12 Told you so (3)
- 13 Love (5)
- 15 Kinross River (6)
- 16 Month of Kinross Show (6)
- 17 Ground near the loch (5)
- 19 Elephant bath (3)
- 21 Played at Kacophony Orchestra (5)
- 24 Small sweet pickle (7)
- 25 Kinross Show vehicle (7)
- 26 Discontent (13)

### DOWN

- 1 Period of inactivity (6)
- 2 Outbreaks of violent weather (6)
- 3 Fodder crop (6)
- 4 Key part of Kinnesswood In Bloom recipe (6)
- 6 God of love (4)
- 7 Children asked to decorate one for Kinross Show (4)
- 11 Former planet (5)
- 14 Grown by keen gardeners (5)
- 17 Non food items appreciated by Broke Not Broken (4)
- 18 Visit at least one (or all nine) locally in August in aid of Marie Curie (6)
- 19 Kinross cycling doctor from years gone by (6)
- 20 Required for alternative route (6)
- 22 Used by many children in Kinross-shire with Judy Murray's help (6)
- 23 Saint with his own island in Loch Leven (4)

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Monday	Exercise Group	11.30am
	Games – with safety measures	
	Indoor curling, quizzes	1.30pm
	Art class –with safety measures	1.30pm
	'Stride for Life' Walking Group	2pm
Tuesday	Exercise Group	11.30am
	Games – with safety measures	
	Indoor curling, quizzes	1.30pm
Wednesday	Church Service (NOT 4 or 18 Aug)	11.15am
	Games – with safety measures	
	Indoor curling, quizzes	1.30pm
	Tai Chi (NOT 4 or 18 Aug)	1.30pm
	Art class –with safety measures	1.30pm
Thursday	Exercise Group	11.30am
	Games – with safety measures	
	Indoor curling, quizzes	1.15pm
Friday	Exercise Group	11.30am
	Bingo – with safety measures	1.30pm
	Games – with safety measures	
	Indoor curling, quizzes	1.30pm



Film shows • Cards  
Dominoes • Art Class  
Exercises • Chiropody  
Trips • Daily Papers

**COFFEE BAR OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC from 8.30am - 4pm**

**Older Adults Lunches Daily**



We only have a small programme of events at the moment due to restrictions, but we hope to introduce more as and when restrictions are lifted.

Please be aware events may be cancelled at short notice.

Thank you so much for all the support. Safety measures are in place.

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# Notices

## DR DONALD DUNCAN BEQUEST COMMITTEE

The above Committee have, for many years, provided bursaries for educational purposes for Applicants whose parents were resident in Kinross at the time of their birth and who have received at least 3 years education in the County of Kinross (primary or secondary school). Applications are welcome from anyone meeting these criteria and who are to undertake further education. This includes attendance at University, College, or other establishments as long as the Committee is satisfied as to the course or training in question. This includes full time or part time studies. Awards may be given for one year and subsequent years at the discretion of the Committee.

Please note that a maximum of five awards will be given to any Applicant.

Applications must be lodged by 30 September 2021 to be considered at the Committee meeting to be held later in the year. Application Forms can be obtained from Andersons LLP, Solicitors, 40 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AN or by emailing mail@andersons-kinross.co.uk

## MOBILE POST VAN AT BUCHAN AVENUE, KINNESSWOOD

**MONDAYS 13.45 till 14.45**  
**WEDNESDAYS 12.45 till 13.45**

## KINROSS DELIVERY OFFICE ROYAL MAIL 87 High St, Kinross KY13 8AR OPENING TIMES

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>8-10am</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>8-10am</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>8-10am</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>8-10am and 4-7pm</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>8-10am</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>8am-12pm</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>

## Funding

KVG/ROS is supported by Perth and Kinross Council but there is always a shortfall. Our Management Committee are continuously fund raising, and coupled with the donations we receive from local organisations, service users and individuals, we are able to provide the funds to cover our expenses and running costs. We are so grateful to everyone who supports us and allows KVG/ROS to deliver this vital community service.

Our continuous service to the community is only possible due to the core funding received from:-

Perth and Kinross Community Care  
Perth and Kinross Community Transport Fund  
and the generous donations from  
Kinross Community Council Newsletter  
Local churches, community groups  
and organisations  
Legacies and Bequests



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**Tel 01577 840 196**

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



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April 2021

To book a driver and for more details of the charges that apply  
Contact us on

**01577 840196**

Or email  
administrator@kvgandros.org.uk

**Kinross-shire Volunteer Group  
and Rural Outreach Scheme**

Registered charity 806881 Volunteer Friendly Award Holder



# Cleish Fete and Classic Car Show

(Postcode KY13 0LR)



**Saturday 21st August 2021**

**Cleish Village Hall – 1.00 - 3.30pm**



**BBQ ("Rootin & Roamin"), Teas, in the Village Hall  
Produce, Cake & Candy, Tombola, Plant Stall, Cards,  
Books, Media and Children's Games**

**Classic Car Show**

**All pre-2000s cars welcome – Please be in field by 12.00pm**

**Entry to Classic Car Show free but please contact**

**David Leslie on 07778772349 or at [cleishcarshow@cleish.org](mailto:cleishcarshow@cleish.org) to  
confirm car details and entry.**

**If you have a pre-2000s car please come,  
and let your local car contacts know too.**

**All proceeds in aid of Cleish Church (Charity No SCO03168)**



## Community Investment Fund 2021/22

# £600,000 Community Fund Open for Applications

Perth & Kinross Council's Community Investment Fund (CIF) is open to new applications. Community groups can apply for funding for projects that tackle local inequalities and improve quality of life. The deadline for the fund is 3 September 2021.

Information on how to apply can be found on the Council's website at [www.pkc.gov.uk/cif](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/cif)

If you need more information please contact  
Roseanne Gray (CLD Worker)  
[rgray@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:rgray@pkc.gov.uk)

This table below sets out how much funding is available in each of the multi-member Wards. Whilst there is no minimum or maximum amount that you can apply for, you should bear these amounts in mind. In the two previous years of CIF the average funding award was around £6,000.

Ward	Total 2021/22	Ward	Total 2021/22
Ward 1: Carse of Gowrie	£45,000	Ward 8: Kinross-shire	£53,000
Ward 2: Strathmore	£56,000	Ward 9: Almond & Earn	£43,500
Ward 3: Blairgowrie & Glens	£47,000	Ward 10: Perth City South	£167,000
Ward 4: Highland	£43,500	Ward 11: Perth City North	
Ward 5: Strathtay	£50,000	Ward 12: Perth City Centre	
Ward 6: Strathearn	£47,000	<b>Total</b>	<b>£600,000</b>
Ward 7: Strathallan	£48,000		

(2021/08/19)

Community Investment Fund - Perth & Kinross Council 2021/22 [www.pkc.gov.uk/cif](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/cif)



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# OPEN GARDENS DAY

## Kinross & Milnathort

Sat, 7 Aug  
12-4pm

9 attractive gardens of varying sizes and features  
TICKETS AND MAP £10 including refreshments. Available on the day from 12pm in the gardens of:  
Kinellen House, 63 South St. Milnathort KY13 9XA and  
The Young's, 90 The Muirs, Kinross KY13 8AZ  
Children free: no dogs please All proceeds to Marie Curie Care



## OPEN GARDENS FOR MARIE CURIE

The MARIE CURIE fundraising committee are hosting an

### OPEN GARDENS DAY

Saturday, 7 Aug  
12-4pm

**TICKETS £10**

Nine very attractive gardens of varying sizes and features, all in Milnathort and Kinross, are sure to be of interest to all.

Your ticket will include light refreshments.

Tickets and a map to the gardens will be available from 12pm in the garden of Kinellen House, 63 South St, Milnathort, KY13 9XA (opposite the war memorial, enter by driveway to the left of the house). On-street parking. Also available from The Young's, 90 The Muirs, Kinross KY13 8AZ.

All proceeds from this event will support Marie Curie Care.

### INTERESTED IN GUIDING?

#### Girl Guide Troops In Milnathort, Kinross & Portmoak Need Helpers

Volunteer with Girl Guiding and help make a difference to the lives of girls. Be an inspiration for girls and young women and help them realise their full potential and share some unforgettable moments along the way. Register on line at [go.girlguiding.org.uk](http://go.girlguiding.org.uk) and I will get back to you. Kinross need a Guide Helper, Brownie leader and helper. Portmoak need a brownie helper and Milnathort are looking for a Rangers leader. If you would like to volunteer and would like a little more information, please just give me a buzz.

*Alison 07764 750212*

### Friends of CHAS – Kinross Needs You!

Friends of CHAS Kinross, a local volunteer fundraising group, came together in 2020 to help raise funds for Children's Hospices Across Scotland. Their first fundraising initiative (an online raffle) was a resounding success, raising an amazing £2,500. Led by local entrepreneur Beth Gibson, the group are now looking for new members to help them plan their next fundraiser.

Do you enjoy meeting people? Making a difference? Planning fun and creative events? Then please think about Friends of CHAS – Kinross. They'd love for you to join them.

**If you'd like to learn more about the group or are interested in joining, please contact community fundraiser Lyndsay Stobie at: [lyndsaystobie@chas.org.uk](mailto:lyndsaystobie@chas.org.uk) or 07557 370746.**

## COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND

The 2021/22 Community Investment Fund is now open to applicants.

Applications are open until Friday 3 September.

The Community Investment Fund is designed to support local projects which tackle inequalities in communities across Perth and Kinross. There are some changes to CIF for 2021/22, so please read the guidance at [www.pkc.gov.uk/cif](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/cif) before completing an application form.

£600,000 is available in total across Perth and Kinross, with applications to be made based on the Council ward in which the project will take place. If you are not sure which ward you are in, you can find out by checking your postcode.

Please note that for 2021/22, the three Perth City wards have been merged into one larger funding pot for the city.

Please get in touch with any questions by emailing [CIF@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:CIF@pkc.gov.uk) or call 0345 30 111 00.

### MOBILE LIBRARY 4 & 18 August (Fortnightly, Wednesdays)

Kinnesswood (Opposite Shop)	09.30 – 10:00	Powmill (Mill Gardens)	13:20 – 13:40
Portmoak Hall	10:05 – 10:20	Crook of Devon (Village Inn)	13:45 – 14:45
Scotlandwell (Leslie Road)	10:25 – 10:50	Carnbo (Pitcairnie Lane)	15:00 – 15:30
Levenmouth Farm	11:00 – 11:20	Whyte Court (Kinross)	15:45 – 16:15
Hatchbank Road (Gairneybank, Kinross)	11:40 – 12:00	Contact us by phone on 01577 867205 or by email at <a href="mailto:lochlevenlibrary@culturepk.org.uk">lochlevenlibrary@culturepk.org.uk</a> .	

**There will be NO SERVICE on Wed 4th Aug due to essential vehicle maintenance and repair.**

## DOLLAR MUSEUM OPENING TIMES

**Saturdays 11am-1pm and 2-4.30pm,  
Sundays 2-4.30pm  
Entry free. All welcome.**

## Grants For Good Causes

**Kinross Community Council Newsletter Limited  
(KCCNL), Charity No. SC040913**



All profits from the *Kinross Newsletter* are transferred to a charitable company, KCCNL, and given away to local good causes. Groups and individuals are invited to apply to KCCNL for grant funding. Decisions on grants are made at two meetings per year. The deadlines for grant applications are:

**31 March and 30 September**

More information is available on the *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)

## Perth & Kinross School Term Dates 2021

**In-Service Days:** Monday 16 & Tuesday 17 Aug

**Term Starts:** Wednesday 18 Aug

**Term Ends:** Friday 8 Oct

**Autumn Holiday:** Monday 11 – Friday 22 Oct

## DROP-IN COVID TESTING

Monday	Area Offices/Library, Pitlochry
Tuesday	Aberfeldy Community Fire Station
Wednesday	Atholl Street Car Park, Dunkeld
Thursday	Davie Park, Blairgowrie
Friday	Auchterarder Fire Station
Saturday	Kinross Fire Station
Sunday	Perth Community Fire Station



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## Perth Citizens Advice Bureau

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Contact us: Advice line 01738 450580.

Appointment line 01738 450581.

Clients can access advice in the following ways:

- By calling us on 01738 450580 between 10am and 3pm any weekday. If the query is quick for us to deal with, we will do so and if it requires more time or research then we will arrange for an adviser to get back to them either via e-mail or with a telephone appointment.
- Webchat from our Perth CAB website [www.perthcab.org.uk/](http://www.perthcab.org.uk/) this is available from 10:00 each weekday, currently until 13:00 but we hope to expand these hours soon
- Via e-mail to [advice@perthcab.org.uk](mailto:advice@perthcab.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)

## Newsletter Deadlines

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 the *Newsletter* website for latest information: [www.kinrossnewsletter.org](http://www.kinrossnewsletter.org)

Issue	Deadline	Publication Date
September	Friday 13 August	Saturday 28 August 2021
October	Friday 17 September	Saturday 2 October 2021

## 100th Birthday and Diamond Wedding Anniversaries

Do you know a Perth & Kinross resident who is celebrating their 100th or 105th+ birthday?

Do you know a Perth & Kinross couple celebrating their 60th, 65th or 70th wedding anniversary?

PKC can arrange delivery of flowers or for a local councillor to present a basket of flowers to the person or couple on their special day.

**Tel: 01738 475051 Email: [CivicServices@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:CivicServices@pkc.gov.uk)**

## Local Correspondent

for Perthshire Advertiser  
and Fife Herald newspapers

**Linda Freeman**

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## Situations Vacant

### Taxi Driver

**A2B Taxis** are currently looking for a self-employed part-time taxi driver to potentially cover a council contract Monday to Wednesday (approximately 1-2 hours am and pm) and also one Friday, Saturday and Sunday per month. Candidates must be of good character, smart appearance and be able to look after and keep their vehicle clean and sanitised at all times. Would suit active retired person living in the Kinross-shire area. Anyone interested in this position should call Bruce on 07743332237.

### Volunteers, 1st Kinross Cubs

**1st Kinross Cubs** is a part of the 1st Kinross Scout Group and offers the young children of Kinross-shire the opportunity to gain new skills and experiences under the guidance of the Scout Association. Every year the Scout Association help over 450,000 young people in the UK enjoy new adventures; to experience the outdoors, interact with others, gain confidence and have the opportunity to reach their full potential. It's not just young people who can get in on the action. Working alongside our youth members are thousands of adult volunteers, with a huge variety of roles and opportunities available. Why not strengthen your CV while making a real impact on the lives of young people? How much time you give is up to you, and you don't need any previous experience. We currently have several volunteering roles available with the cub section, and whatever you choose, we'll make sure you're properly trained and supported. If you are interested and would like more information about our volunteering opportunities, then please contact Daryl on 01577830346 or email [kinrossbeavers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kinrossbeavers@hotmail.co.uk)

[www.pkc.gov.uk/adultlearninghub](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/adultlearninghub)

### Digital Skills

We are offering free digital skills sessions.

These sessions will cover essential digital skills for life and work, such as: staying safe online, communicating with others, setting up an email address, accessing services online and much more.

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**CONTACT US**  
Email: [learningcurve@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:learningcurve@pkc.gov.uk)  
Tel: 01738 470092  
Mob: 0777 555 3245

PERTH & KINROSS COUNCIL

### Mindspace Recovery College

Mindspace Recovery College runs free courses covering all aspects of mental health, co-delivered by people with lived experience, and are open to all.



### Homes for Cats Wanted

Fife Cat Shelter, a Scottish Registered Charity, is always looking for homes for rescued cats.

Cats can be visited, by appointment, at Causeway Cattery, Scotlandwell.

Contact Rhona on 01383 830286.



## Items for Sale

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

### NEXT PENDANT CREAM LAMPSHADES £35

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### YAMAHA SONIC ELECTRONIC KEYBOARD Free

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### GOLF CLUBS Free

Two woods, three irons, sand wedge and putter. Red and white bag and umbrella.

For above 5 items, please contact:  
Gwen Burke: [gwen.perry@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gwen.perry@hotmail.co.uk) 07971 460490

### TITAN POWER TREADMILL £80

John McMeekin, 07341 932797

### SWING SEAT Free to take away

Two seater with canopy, but no cushions. Good condition.

Norman Sillett, 01577 865799  
[nordot123@btinternet.com](mailto:nordot123@btinternet.com)

### MASON'S JUG £15

Collectors jug in good condition. No chips or cracks. Paynsley pattern. Height 7ins, diameter of base 3ins.

Pat Hughes, 01577 840385  
[pat.mike@btinternet.com](mailto:pat.mike@btinternet.com)

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### CARAVAN AWNING £250

Vango Varkala 280 caravan air awning (5 years old, hardly used. Original price £440.)

For above 4 items, please contact:  
Neil Maclure, 07764 369193  
[neil.maclure19@gmail.com](mailto:neil.maclure19@gmail.com)

## RBS MOBILE BANKING

Weekly on Fridays  
10.15 - 11.15 am

Giacopazzi car park, Kinross



## Befriending Kinross



**Are you new to the Area?  
Would you like someone to talk to?**

**Someone to have a coffee with?**

**Help to feel less socially isolated?**

If you would like to request a befriender please contact us and we will arrange a time to meet with you to discuss the process.

ptb.kinross@bethanyct.com

t: 07747 018 550

## 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.

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 Recycling Centre

Bridgend Industrial Estate

Opening Times:

**Mon - Fri 9am - 7pm**

**Sat - Sun 9am - 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.

## EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

### Kinross Kindness

Community information and support 01577 212 036

### 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  
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Ninewells Hospital, Dundee 01382 660111

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**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

**Loch Leven Community Campus** 01577 867200

**Kinross High School** 01577 867100

## Community Councils

**Kinross:** Chair: Lynne McKay, 01577 531076  
Email: [kinrosscommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:kinrosscommunitycouncil@gmail.com)

**Milnathort & Orwell:** Chair: Craig Williams, 07885 722125  
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## Mobile Library Service

Mobile Library services have now resumed. See panel on p102 for details. For more information, see: [www.culturepk.org.uk/libraries](http://www.culturepk.org.uk/libraries) and click on 'Services in the Community'

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**No pressure, no names, no judgment.**  
**We're here for you, anytime.**

## Enquire

**Are you looking for information about your child's rights to support in school?** If so, contact **Enquire**, the national advice and information service for additional support for learning.

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## August

Mon	2-6	Family Week at Kinross Parish Church	
Tues	3	Fossoway Community Council meets	
Wed	4	NO Mobile Library	102
Sat	7	Gardens Open Event in aid of Marie Curie 12-4pm	101
Mon	9-15	Perth and Kinross Mental Health & Wellbeing Festival	51
Tues	10	Portmoak Community Council meets	59
Sat	14	Kinross Show	6
Wed	18	Mobile Library	102
Wed	18	Perth and Kinross schools autumn term begins	103
Fri-Sun	20-22	Warehouse Clearance Event and Charity Cafe County Fabrics	23
Sat	21	Path of Condie half marathon	77
Sat	21	Cleish Fete and Classic Car Show	101
Tues	24	Kinross Community Council meets	57
Sat	28	Farmers' Market, Market Park 10am-3pm (note change of venue)	60
Mon	30	Cleish and Blairadam Community Council meets	57

## September

Fri	3	Community Investment Fund deadline	102
Sat	4	Fossoway Gathering	14
Sun	19	Milnathort Dash	77
Sat	25	Farmers' Market, Kinross High Street 10am-2pm	60
Thur	30	Dr Donald Duncan Bequest Committee deadline	

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<b>Baillies</b>	High Street, Kinross	<b>Fossoway Store</b>	Crook of Devon
<b>Sainsbury's</b>	Station Road, Kinross	<b>Fossoway Garage</b>	Crook of Devon
<b>Giacopazzi's</b>	Lathro, Kinross	<b>Mona's Coffee Shop</b>	Muckhart
<b>Giacopazzi's</b>	New Road, Milnathort	<b>Powmill Stores</b>	Powmill
<b>Stewart &amp; Smart</b>	Stirling Road, Milnathort	<b>Loch Leven's Larder</b>	Near Wester Balgedie
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