



KILLIN NEWS

KILLIN & DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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Ocean world comes to Killin



Weird calls echoed through Killin School on 1st April. This was no joke, but the school's latest musical performance, which opened and closed to the haunting song of whales set to music by Roy Williamson. Classes 5,6 & 7, graphically described the current threats to ocean life by selected items from "Ocean World", blended with choreographed portrayals of marine life. Powerful choral singing was blended with solo readings, singing and ballet dancing. The school was packed with standing room only, and with the Region's Director of Music present. The performance was backed by some marvellous art work; a huge multicoloured mural, collages and painted windows decorated the gym.

"Ocean World", written and composed by schoolteachers Peter Rose and Anne Conlon, weaves acomplex picture of environmental destruction. The central story is of a humpback whale migrating to give birth to her first calf, which dies, perhaps poisoned by pollutants. Productive coral reefs are destroyed, forcing the marine animals who live there to leave. A turtle travels vast distances to find her mate killed by junk.

This show was much more than entertainment, but delivered a clear and vital message to us. Man must cease his desecration of the ocean (overfishing, unnecessary slaughter, pollution by trash, toxic chemicals and the dreaded oil slicks); if we continue to treat the world this way we may seal our own fate too.



A great deal of work had clearly gone into the whole production, which was much appreciated. Congratulations and thanks to the staff and pupils on a memorable and meaningful performance

David and Glenda Mardon

Tyndrum's New Hotel "The Ben Doran"

This grand imposing edifice constructed to an exceptional standard with the Highlands and its climate in mind, is due to open, on schedule, on 16th May. Its new sweeping entrance, driveway and traditional stonework are to be admired.

The entire concept is unusual for all the public rooms are on the top floor whilst all 120 guest rooms are on the two floors below. On the north-west side are the staff quarters with all its 25 rooms furnished and equipped to the same high standard as the hotel.

Landscaping is continuing apace with over 4 tons of bulbs planted, many in bloom already and to please the purists, hundreds of indigenous trees and shrubs are presently being established

D.Wilkie

The Killin News would like to wish Ian Cleaver every success with his new venture, "The Ben Doran"

Editor.

The Old Mill

The saga goes on. A representative of the Forth Valley Authority visited the Mill on 23rd April to see how that body could involve itself.

He expressed a favourable comment on the venture and those who spoke to him have confidence that a substantial contribution to the costs will be made.

J. Sutherland

Killin Floral Award Scheme: 1992

We would like to encourage as many people or businesses to take part in this years scheme. Who Knows? You may be a lucky prize winner!

There are two categories, **Domestic** and **Commercial Premises** for - Hanging Baskets, Window Boxes or tubs (or all three!) There will also be a Children's Section. The entry fee is £ 1.00 and names should be given to the Tourist Information Centre from whom any further information may be obtained.

Please join the scheme. Remember it helps to make the village more attractive to both tourists and villagers.

P.McKinnon.

COMMENT The Village Water Supply

I suppose it's something of a relief to hear from Captain Baillie Hamilton (see report on Page 3) that the recent spraying of the forest where the village water comes from was with what he describes as a "harmless substance". It is also encouraging to know that he is conscious of the responsibility of having the village reservoir in his forest.

Nagging doubts remain, however, about the general use of chemicals in farming and in forestry, and we feel that the village would be happier if no. chemicals at all were used. (Indeed they would have been happier without a forestry plantation there at all!)

There seem also to be no absolutes in this use of chemicals. Organisations like the Scottish Natural Heritage or the Tay River Purification Board, always seem to answer worried enquiries with phrases like "shouldn't be harmful" "used in the proper way" "in the recommended way "or " as long as everyone is kept informed" and some times even "not generally desirable for environmental reasons".. At the end of the day the gut feeling of many of the villagers is that we would prefer no spraying! In the meantime we'll keep a watchful eye on the tests to be carried out over the next few months.

High Speed Jet Boats to Killin

We note that from a letter on page 8 from Mr Crane, General ManagerofCroft-na-Caber, that Killin is soon to have the doubtful pleasure of a fast jet-boat taxi service from Kenmore. We wonder what enquiries were made to find out whether, at least at the Killin end, there was any great desire expressed for the service. Already there is, certainly among the trout and salmon angling fraternity, considerable hostility to the whole plan. In more general terms, too, there is a strong feeling, among more than just anglers that we don't wish to see the west end of the loch become a water sport centre like Kenmore. We have no wish to see power boats and jet skis at all!

However, be that as it may, Mr Crane in his letter seemsaware of the risk of antagonising local people, and clearly sees his taxi service as environmentally acceptable. It is perhaps significant that it is being run as a means of transport and NOT a water sport. Initially, too, it will be in service only one day a week in July and August. We will watch developments with interest!

Editor's note

Please note that copy for the July issue will be required by the end of June; so if you have a letter to write, or news of your club or society, get it written as soon as you can - at least by the above date.

The Play's the Thing

The new curtains rose as Killin Drama Group broke away from tradition and presented two plays in the McLaren Hall on 13th/14th March. The Tender Touch' a short comedy by Jean Sinclair and 'Finders Keepers' by Douglas Donald.

The casting was good and it was a pleasure to see new faces as well as the old stalwarts. In the 'Tender Touch' the two sisters were nicely contrasted with Lesley Syme as the douce, responsible girl and Susan Aitken as the brassy blonde. Lesley Kettle raised a laugh and Bill Douglas on to her back in a rock and roll finale.

Jackie Donaldson was a cool fitness freak and Becky Watt did well forafirst appearance as did the ebullient Frazer Bedwell.

In 'Finders Keepers' Fiona Inglis was an amusing but naive Teenager, Glenda Mardon a dotty doting Joyce Grenville type mother, May Hewitt a formidable managing lady and Roger Lambert a conniving con-man with Douglas McRobbie as his long suffering side-kick made a nice double-act.

Mention must be made of the valiant support staff who prompted, managed the stage set, assisted and generally put the show on the road. Well done to the two producers Lesley Kettle and Fiona Inglis and to all who gave the village two nights of real entertainment.

A.Walker.

Local Success in Middle Eastern Rally

Tom Coffield, local plumber from Tyndrum, Perthshire, has been successful in the first round of the Middle East Rally Championship. Tom finished 8th overall in his class N4 on the FIA approved Qatar International Rally, driving a Citroen BX



Turbo Deisel. On arrival in the S tate of Qatar in the Persian Gulf, somere-preparation was undertaken to take account of the different conditions in the desert terrain. This was done by the help of engineers from M & M Motor Engineers, Independent Citroen Specialists of Holmfuth, Huddersfield.

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Fears for Killin's Water Supply

Killin residents have recently been somewhat alarmed at the sight of a helicopter spraying the young forest in the area which is the source of the village water supply.

Initial enquiries pointed to **rock phosphates**, which used properly is a harmless fertiliser. In any case recent tests on the water have shown little or no phosphate deposits.

Captain Baillie-Hamilton, who owns and manages the forest in question, has explained to the Killin News that the spraying was in fact a non-toxic **nitrogen** fertiliser, in his words "a harmless substance", which in any case was a one-off treatment and would not be needed again if at all for many years.

There had, he said, been no complaints about this kind of application anywhere in Scotland. He had, of course, informed the Central Regional Council Water Department of the application and explained that he was very concious of the fact that the village water supply came from his forest and would in no circumstances use toxic materials, such as herbicides in such a sensitive area; so that fears about the water supply being contaminated he feels are groundless.

But to be sure the Community Council has asked the Tay River Purification Board to carry out tests on the water. One of these has already been done and a further sequence of tests will take place over the next few months.

S.A.

Ambulance Service

Through no fault of the local members of the N.H.S. who have worked selflessly, many of us in the village are aware that understaffing has led to a less than acceptable Ambulance Service. Vehicles have on occasion had to come from Callander, Dunblane and even Falkirk, resulting in long delays which put the patient very much at risk. Dr Blaney has written to the Authority in complaint and warning of the possibility of tragedy unless the situation is improved. Fortunately, his warning has been heeded and the crew augmented. This will mean a crew of two will be available at all times.

A period of training will however be necessary and it may be October before the benefit of Dr Blaney's intervention will be felt

J. Sutherland

McLaren High School; Centenary Celebrations

The centenary celebrations for McLaren High School will be taking place in September of this year. A week of events has been arranged starting with a social evening on the 16th September in the school organised by pupils attending the school in the 1950's. the theme will be Gilbert and Sullivan with 'Stars of Yester-year' performing party pieces.

The aim of the evening will be to offer everyone an opportunity to revisit "the Pandora's Box of School-days".

But that's just to whet appetites! Throughout the week a number of events have been arranged, from lunches, archive shows to dances and sports events. To find out more get the pamphlet now available in Killin Post Office or contact the School direct.

Community Council Notes

A meeting of the Killin and Crianlarich Community Council was held on Thursday 16th April, under the chairmanship of Dr Mairi McColl.

A useful discussion took place on how matters of concern to Crianlarich and Tyndrum might be pursued more effectively short of forming a separate council for that area. It was finally agreed that the Council may delegate to individuals or a group of Councillors (in this case that of Crianlarich and Tyndrum) the authority to deal with certain matters thought to be best dealt with on a local basis, provided that the main Council is kept informed. In the longer term it was agreed to test public opinion on the idea of forming a separate Council for Crianlarich and Tyndrum.

With local elections imminent neither Regional or District Councillors were present and consequently it was not possible to follow up certain matters, such as the continuing problem of bus parking in Monemore. In spite of repeated requests the buses still block the pavement. Another matter of concern is also the flooding in front of Killin Church and letters have been sent to Central Region about this. On a brighter note we heard that the Crianlarich Playgroup had received a grant of £700, and this is to be topped up by a further £200 from the Community Council.

A number of items had to be carried over to the next meeting, but it was agreed to consult the Tay River Purification Board about the spraying of the forest area which is the source of Killin's water supply. The council also noted that there is to be a Public Enquiry into the refusal of S.D.C. to approve a planning application for a trout farm near Ardeonaig. The Community Council will be represented.

S.Aitken

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Update of Local Phone Book

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Name: Surname and Initials.

Address: house name/number street, village. Number: exchange and telephone number. Business inserts should also state <u>nature of</u> business concerned. This written information should be handed in at one of these addresses as soon as possible:

- 1. Killin Library
- 2. Mr P. Henderson, Ardlea, Crianlarich.
- 3. Mrs T. Coffield, Dal Kyell, Tyndrum.
- 4. MrsM. Andrew, 4 Scott Cottages, Bridge of Orchy.

Any profit will again go to Killin Church Fabric Fund. The basis of production is one domestic and one business entry per household. Where extra insertions are wanted, the producers would welcome a donation to help towards meeting increased costs, thereby ensuring more money for the Fabric Fund!

J.Morrison.

Heart Monitoring Quick Reporter for Ambulance

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to take part in the Sponsored Netball Match for the <u>Quick Reporter</u> in the Killin Ambulance. Also I would like to thank Maureen Inglis who refereed the match and supplied the equipment, and Ellen Stewart for the refreshments. Thanks also to everyone who sponsored the players and came to support us. I am pleased to say the grand total was £817.00. M.Fenna



For the Ambulance Service

Norma and Jock would like also to thank the netball teams and the various anonymous donors who helped raise even more than was required. The Quick Reporter is now in their possession and has actually already been used. If anyone would like to drop in and see how it works, we're sure Norma and Jock would be pleased to welcome them. With the little extra money that was raised they also purchased an Electronic Blood Pressure Monitor. We are amazed at how the Killin people are always able to raise money for important needs S.A.

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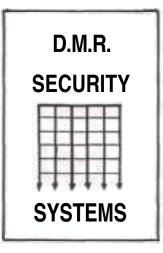
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In recent months there has been much generalised and, sometimes, uninformed comment on the numbers of red deer in Scotland. No one is prepared to face facts will deny there are too many deer, too many sheep and too many hillwalkers in certain parts of Scotland, although those parts do not, neccessarily, coincide. The deer situation in this area is fairly well under control. The populaton has not varied significantly since the Red Deer Commission carried out a Census in 1979. Hill sheep populations have , probably, not fluctuated unduly. However, with rising costs and diminishing returns over many years, few stocks can now truly to be said to be hefted to the ground as they were forty years ago. The increase in the number of hillwalkers in the last few years has been enormous. For example, in the last ten months not fewer than 1,600 people have walked up the private road to Auchessan to gain access to the hill. Consider too, the pressure on Ben Lawers and what it is costing the NTS to maintain and repair the ghastly scar which is the footpath to the

The problems are becoming acute. One can only hope that Scottish Natural Heritage will be able to produce concensus solutions which recognise that the interests of local communities are paramount and that all those concerned with the management of the Natural Heritage are given the opportunity and the means to do so. If this means denying access to the general public from time to time, so be it. Let us all remember that the enjoyment of the Natural Heritage, in whatever capacity, is a privilege, and not a right.

D S Bowser.

Chairman of Killin & District Agricultural Society Retires after 16 Years.

Gilbert Christie whose family has fanned in Breadalbane since the 1690's retired in February.

Since Gibby took over from Ewan Stewart the Killin Show has grown to one of the largest black faced sheep shows in Scotland. Maintaining its agricultural emphasis by the re-introduction of cattle in 1972 the show itself was revived after a gap of 25 years in the 1960's.



Gibby and Pat

Pat, Gibby's wife has been secretary for 23 years - quite an input from the one family.

The biggest crisis they remember was the collapse of the marquee in a gale one night, when Charlie Thornton (guarding the bar) was fast asleep inside. Gibby was presented with a statuette of a ewe and lambs (what else) at the Show Committee Dance.

A.Walker.

Local help for LOCUS

During the next two months, the "Locus" project based in Aberfeldy is aiming to establish three new tourist trails around the area. The project encourages tourism based on the area's history, scenery, wildlife and culture, involving as many local people as possible. One planned trail will circle Loch Tay passing through Killin, Kenmore and the villages along both shores, pointing out the various attractions en route. It is hoped that this will be available for purchase in Killin and Kenmore, so that tourists can start and finish at any point along the route.

Tourism can cause many problems as well as benefits, and the "Locus" project is aimed at allowing visitors to appreciate the local area whilst offering attractions which are beneficial to the local community and do not damage the environment.

By the time this goes to press the first draft for this years trail will be at the printer, thanks to the help of some local residents. If anyone would like to comment on the trail, or has any suggestions for future improvements, please contact LOCUS at The Square, Aberfeldy, as the trails will be reviewed annually to update information and incorporate new ideas.

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New Neighbours: Balquhidder

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The first of the post Pictish settlers are claimed as descending from Lorn, who with two brothers landed in Argyll. Shortly afterwards there arrived St Angus, probably a Culdee from Dunblane of Muthill, who built a stone Chapel around 600AD on a site immediately east of Kirkton Farm and remained to preach the Faith until his death and burial.

The site of St Angus' Chapel avoided the plough until the end of last century, and when he died, a Church, "An Eaglais Bheag" was built in the 13th Century over his grave by the Chief of MacLauean.

The flagstone placed over his grave in front of the Alter of the Little Church bore the knees of hundreds being married or submitting children for baptism, over hundreds of years.

When a second church built by Lord Scone in 1631 (now roofless, overgrown with ivy and competing with a big yew tree) fell into

Rob Roy's Cottage

which belonged to Black Duncan Campbell, a bigger villain than Rob Roy himself, whom he persecuted.

Rob Roy and his murderous son Robin Og, who was hanged in the Grassmarket of Edinburgh, lie within a few yards of St Angus.

The Parish Church contains so much of interest as indeed does the entire Glen, set out in a splendid book by Elizabeth Beauchamp, former Schoolmistress, to whom I am indebted for some of the facts in this short article.



The Bell recovered from Acharn

The book can be obtained from the P.O. at Killin, and is an excellent record not only of Balquhidder, its people and history, but that of surrounding areas and related events.

J Sutherland



Like all Highland Glens, Balquhidder has a history of clan fights, cattle lifting, men leaving for the '15 and '45, intrigue and depopulation, but how many can boast of a clan like the MacGregors, oppressed, outlawed, murdered and murderers, bold in battle and which produced a man like Rob Roy, cattle "lifter", who turned up late for battle so as not to offend either side - a cross between Robin Hood and Ned Kelly.

How many Kirkyards can show a tombstone bearing a lesson in Gaelic pronunciation as can that of a former MacLauran Chief and how many parishes demonstrate so stongly their remembrance and affection for the Saint who brought the Christian Faith almost 1400 years ago.

disrepair and was materially altered, the Saint's stone (Clach Aonghais) remained virtually unprotected until as recently as 1917. It was brought into the present Church, built 1855 at the expense of David Carnegie, a member of an old Scottish family which made its money in Sweden brewing beer, and who settled in the glen much to the advantage of its people.

Among his exploits in "re-distributing" property was Rob Roy's removal of a bell presented to the 1631 Church by Rev. Robert Kirk in 1684.

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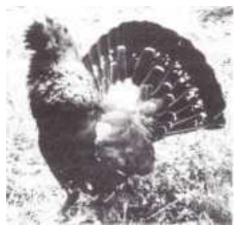
Country View

It was to the eastern end of Loch Tay, that the Capercaillie was brought in 1837. Two dozen birds were ferried across the North Sea from Scandinavia.

The reason behind this curious form of regeneration lay in the brutal fact that this most Scottish of birds had simply died out... The Earl of Breadalbane, it seems, was one of the early conservationists. The Duke of Atholl had proved his worth by reintroducing the red squirrel to his estates from precisely the same source-Scandinavia.

But why should such animals and birds, so much a part of the fauna of Scotland disappear in this way? The awful truth is that the habitat upon which they relied, the great Caledonian pine forest, had all but disappeared, exploited by man, the timber used as fuel, as building material, as the raw material for weapons and for the building of great fleets of ships.

The coming of large scale sheep farming in the latter part of the eighteenth and the early part of the nineteenth century, was the last straw. The great forest of Caledonia which once clothed the Highlands to such an extent that the Romans called Scotland



Caledon...'the Wooded Heights', were, by the nineteenth century almost all but a memory.

Thinking landowners like those in Atholl and Breadalbane, nurtured their estates and practiced an early form of conservation. But the caper's survival since 1837 also owes not a little to the intensive control that was exercised over potential predators on sporting estates

Capercaillie do survive in modem spruce plantations but only in small numbers because the plant upon which they rely for food, the blaeberry, is smothered by modem forests. In general, capers are in serious decline again. For them to survive needs a return to more natural forests, not regiments of solid trees... clearings where the blaeberry can flourish are the key to the long term survival of the 'Horse of the Woods'.

Keith Graham

Filming Food

The Aberdeen based film and video producers Cinecosse under the direction of Mike Marshall, spent a considerable half-day at the Clifton Coffee House at Tyndrum.

Cinecosse are producing a series of food programmes for I.T.V. to be transmitted in the autumn. Part of the series will be a production entitled "Food on the Move" wherein the staff of the Coffee House were filmed early in the morning preparing for the arrival of the masses. The filming continued through to lunch time, the camera following the freshly prepared food being served to hundreds of arriving tourists.

Derek Cooper the well known author, food journalist and T.V. presenter, interviewed staff and customers alike. Come autumn, some weel kent faces may appear on T.V.

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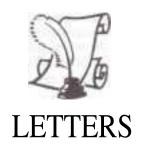
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It is being run as a taxi service and will bring people to Killin for the day for shopping, a meal out etc.

It is not being run as a watersport but as a means of transport.

We hope it will be of great benefit to the tourist trade of the area, bringing people into the area and keeping them there. If anyone would like further information on the service, please contact the sailing school, Croft-na-Caber, Kenmore or Kenmore 236.

Yours etc.

Oliver Crane, General Manager

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Mrs. Dani Hunter

Duncroisk Glen Lochay

Sir

I feel I must reply to Mrs Taylor re: "Fish Farm". At the outset I admit a personal interest being a fishing right holder. I accept the council's grounds for refusal and feel great consideration must also have been given to the objections I, and hundreds, by way of a signed petition, put forward. One has only to see the article in the 6th issue of the Killin News to see just what effect introduced species of both animal and vegetable have on the indigenous stock ie. Mink, Rabbit, Grey Squirrel in this, and Zander, Coypu, Japanese Weed etc. in other areas. Also, one might consider the effect so called "anglers" who are attracted by such schemes, have on the area. Don't take my word for it, see for yourself by visiting other lochs.

As to other developments in the area, it could well be they have been allowed because constitute an actionable tort in any civil no one bothered to object. It may not be realised that a similar scheme has already been turned down for Loch Earn on the grounds of detrimental effects on the loch. It would also be interesting to consider how many jobs are at risk. I accept maybe one or two maximum, but consider the number of people in hotels, boarding house businesses etc. who benefit from visitors coming to fish for salmon or trout. And as regards compensation, how much compensation can fishing right holders expect when fishing is ruined? Nothing I expect!

Yours etc.

S Haydock

Benagues Killin

Dear Sir

I am sure the bold headline about low flying aircraft (Killin News No. 7) met with the

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approval of all residents. The picture was nice - but what exactly was achieved? It seems that the RAF employes highly skilled diplomats (retired) who are retained solely to defray, deflect and de-fuse any attempt to redress the public nuisance committed by these 60 foot monsters.

Certainly within the last year, a local press headline promised us a "30% reduction in low flying". I eagerly scanned your article - expecting to read that the promised reduction was to be implemented. Instead I learned about the cost and related statistics of the wretched machines.

The deputation from Killin could have enquired why preparations for the next offensive have suddenly become such a high priority - involving twice as many flights at half the height - now that the enemy and political bogeyman of 70 years' standing has ceased to exist.

Violent disruptions of the magnitude would context. Why should residents of quiet country areas be expected to tolerate levels of noise pollution which are unacceptable in towns and cities? It all seems entirely illogical to me.

Yours etc.

Alan E Jenner

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The Golf Club: Opening of Clubhouse Extension

On 25th April an **Invitation Mixed Competition** was held to mark the opening of the newly enlarged and refurbished Clubhouse. In spite of some blustery spring (?) weather, 54 couples stood in groups of 6

<u>Amot</u> (Comrie) were the winning couple, <u>Ian Sinclair</u> and <u>Mary McInness</u> (Dunkeld) runners up. The "Consolation Prize" went to <u>Haig Gordon</u> and <u>T Gordon</u> (Muthill). the best Killin couple were <u>John</u> and <u>Kathleen</u> Blyth.



on each of the nine tees, ready for the shotgun start at 2.00 o'clock. Most of the local clubs were represented along with, of course, couples from Killin. Much enjoyable and interesting (?) golf was played, with little emphasis on pot-hunting; but for the record, be it noted that <u>Donald McGlashan</u> and M After the golf a dinner for all participants (and guests) was held in the much enlarged clubhouse, photographs were taken, speeches were made, and enjoyable evening was had by all; a suitable inauguration for our much improved clubhouse.

WRI

The AGM was held on the 2nd April, at which a demonstration on Loose Covers and Furnishings was ably given by Mrs Kimmell. The competition winners were:-

Soft Toy (knitted)

lst-MrsMTwigg,2nd-MrsArgo,3rd-Mrs B McGregor

Pate

1st - Miss Smith, 2nd - Mrs J Willison, 3rd - Mrs B McGregor

The Annual Points Cup was won by Mrs Sheila Ferguson.







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Killin Carpet Bowling Club

The Bowlers held a very enjoyable Dinner Dance on 4th April in the Falls of Dochart Hotel at which the following prizes were presented by Mrs J Willison.

Singles - C Grant, Pairs - J Willison, M Kelly, Bank of Scotland Trophy (Triples) - I Donaldson, D Steven, M Graham, Points - C McLarty, Knockout Cup - H Guild, M Kelly, Rinks Handicap - D Livingstone, I Hunter, M Kelly, 91 League - G Brady, I Kelly, H McDonald, H Campbell, 92 League - I Donaldson, W Rew, M Kelly. Special Prize for Most Measures - W Rew.

The Football Team Recent results:

28/3 - Crieff 1 Killin 3; 4/4 - Killin 2 Burleton 1; 18/4 - Glencarse 1 Killin 2; 25/4 Aerodrome 0 Killin 2;

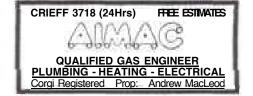
11/4 North Tayside Cub S/F: Killin 1 Blairatholl 0

16/4 Birc's Cup S/F: Killin 1 Vale of Atholl 3

Killin AFC have only been beaten once in their last six leagues and cup games, and anybody who was at the game against 1st division Vale of Atholl would agree that <u>WE WERE ROBBED!</u>.

The date of the annual dance is May 29th; Music by TOP SECRET. Tickets £11.00.

Neil MacKenzie



KILLIN BOYS BRIGADE

May 1st was the annual Open Night and Mr William Stitt attended to inspect the Company and present badges and awards. The boys gave a display of marching, gymnastics, games, and other activities. A presentation was made to Mrs Kay Riddell in appreciation of 10 years service with the Brigade. The Parents and Friends Association served a welcome cup of tea to round off the evening.

The Boys Brigade owes much to its Officer in Charge, Mr Christopher McLarty, and the other officers and helpers. A male officer is still needed to assist with the 20 or so boys in Company Section: please consider if you can spare your Friday evenings to help. Any offer of help with the 20 younger boys is never refused either!

A mention must be made of the great efforts of some of the Brigade competing in the area Cross Country competition, especially Morven Frost, who came 4th, and David Riddell, 5th. Both went on to run against boys from all over Scotland and Ireland in the finals.

L.S.

Killin Gun Club

Killin Gun Club held their first shoot of the year on 22nd March, this being a Charity Shoot. The proceeds from this shoot went towards the Killin Community Bus. 39 Guns attended on a cool showery day.

Article competition over the day was well sponsored by the local community. These sponsors being as follows:

Old Mill Restaurant, Glendochart Caravan Park, Falls of Dochart Hotel, Bridge of Lochay Hotel, Clachaig Hotel, Shutters Restaurant J Gauld, Antiques, Co-op, Post Office, Killin Crafts, Pedlars, J McRae, Butchers, F Smith & Son and Fishers Hotel.

The continuation was sponsored by Game Fayre Ltd, Auchessan.

Many thanks to our sponsors in helping to raise £220 towards the Bus funds.

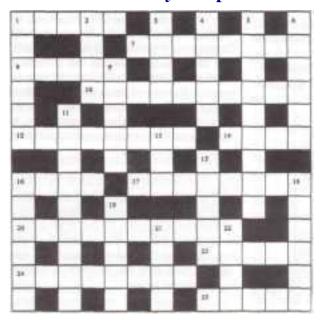
The main prize winners on the day were:-

High Gun - Winner of the Charity Cup - D McRobbie with a score of 133 points. 2nd - E McAllister - 125 points. 3rd - A Wilbert - 107 points. 4th A Corry-Wright - 104 points. 5th - D Robertson - 103 points. 6th - S Christie - 102 points.

Continous 2 man Flush - 1st - D Robertson and E McAllister. 2nd D McRobbie and C Isles.

Continuation D.T.L. Walk Up - A Wilbert. Next Shoot - Sunday 14th June. G D Coyne, Secretary.

Crossword by Scorpion



Across

- 1. Decorate a pint (5)
- 7. Islands or birds? (8)
- 8. Empty, vacuous (5)
- 10. Estimating the worth (10)
- 12. It never comes (8)
- 14. They are often thrown with custard! (4)
- 16. Junction to lubricate for Labour (4)
- 17. Porridge and the queen for the one behind bars (8)
- 20. This is how to avoid becoming parched (5,5)
- 23. It arrives daily (5)

Down

- 1. One in a factory becomes flexible (6)
- The number in a baseball *team* (4)
- 3. Baby powder (4)
- 4. Nautical (5)
- 5. The princess has dreams to end up with section(9)
- 6. Customs, practices? (6)
- 9. Nothing and no-one omitted (5)
- 11. Knowledge gained from experience only (9)
- 13. Behead the boar for a paddle (3)
- 15. Devoid of colour (5)
- 16. I tried to be neater (6)
- 18. Worn by corrosion (6)
- 19. They are also know as Lady's fingers (5)
- 21. Encourage or aid (4)
- 22. Peel or support for millstone (4)

24. Eastern gentleman dined on the start of a dumpling and issues forth from it (8)

25. Totalled by joining to little Edward (5)



Solution of Last Crossword

Across:

1. Aside 7 .Sedative 8. Beast 10. Crustacean 12. Treasure 14. Bait 16. Feet 17. Revealed 20. Immaterial 23. Lakes 24. Longleat 25. Ended

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