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The Price of Gold



Gold Mine a few steps nearer

We reprint our front page photograph from the November 1993 issue showing the location of Gold Mine at Cononish Farm in the shadow of Ben Lui. At that time we noted the agreement made **in principle** by Stirling District Council for planning permission, although there were many doubts and fears expressed by, among others, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Tay District Salmon Fisheries Board.

another, in mining speculation since the early geological surveys some 15 years ago. "It has always been a good mineral farm. Flakes of gold have been found from time to time in the burns". Mining has been in the area for many years; lead was last mined here in 1923. Although John has the Mineral Rights, gold and silver belong to the Crown, so maybe it is not quite as good as winning the Lottery!

Still some problems

It is not exactly the green light yet. The District Council has imposed certain conditions, such as a £500,000 bond to restore the environment. Fynegold still have to consider this and other conditions before they start mining. John Burton is himself confident that the development will go forward. "The Tay River Purification Board would hardly have given its blessing unless it was alright".

As we write, we understand that Scottish Natural Heritage has withdrawn its initial objections.

So watch this space for further news of the Gold Mine!

Final Approval

Things have now moved on somewhat. At the beginning of December, the Planning and Development Committee of SDC, after strong opposition from the Labour Group, finally approved a proposal from Fynegold Exploration Ltd to locate the Gold Mine at Cononish Farm, Tyndrum. One man who is quite happy about this decision is John Burton who owns the remote farm. If nothing else, the development should give him a decent access road, in place of six miles of broken rock!

A mining area

John has been involved, one way or



Weather



Since the last issue, what has the weather been up to? Nothing spectacular on the whole. December carried on the November trend to mildness. 12.2 hours of sunshine is not very exciting when divided between 31 days, with also 12 inches of rain! As a result, Loch Tay reached high levels during the weekend of 11th/12th thereby blocking the South Loch Tay Road at the Acharn Fish Farm and at Fatman Bay (now Fiddlers) (see also page 6). The month of December rarely passes without, at least, a token cold snap and can even include the Christmas period. But usually within a day or two of the Festival, mild air arrives and on occasions, Christmas Day is like a day in June. One often wonders how the Bedouin of the Central Sahara open their conversations, except for the odd sandstorm, most days are identical. Here in the British Isles, should the unlikely situation arise that we find nothing to grumble about, at least we can safely fall back on our changeable weather!

Mervyn K Browne

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Killin Community Council

The December meeting of the Council was held in the McLaren Hall, Killin on Thursday 8 December 1994. Dr Mairi McColl was in the Chair. Ms Sue Gutteridge, Play Services SDC, was present. There were apologies from Councillor S Duke, CRC and Councillor I Martin (SDC) and from J Gauld and D McRobbie. The meeting was also attended by the following: Ms F Campbell-Smith, Mrs D Grant, Mr I McLaggan (all of Killin Traders' Association). Additionally two members of the public were present.

1 Play Area: Breadalbane Park

Ms Sue Gutteridge addressed the meeting. It appears that Central Regional Council are prepared to include a proposal for the improvement of the play area in the Park in their application for European Funding. An important feature of such an application will be that it is strongly supported by the Traders' Association as having an economic as well as social/educational benefit. The application will include a detailed and costed specification to be prepared by January 1995 and must have a commitment to matching funding from Stirling District Council. The SDC representatives present thought this would be forthcoming.

Some discussion followed about re-siting the play area and the Community Council Treasurer pointed out that any re-siting of the play area must take into account the use of part of the Park for caravan rallies; an important source of funds for the Community Council.

A Questionnaire will be available for interested people to give their views generally about the play area and how it might be developed.

2 Rural Housing: Mart Site

It was agreed to invite Mr Craig, the present owner, to address the Council about his plans.

3 Scotland in Bloom

Mr Bedwell of the Local Tourist Association explained that there would be a meeting early in 1995 to promote the possible involvement of Killin in this scheme.

Strathfillan Community Council

Housing: RSHA Mansefield

We are delighted to announce that these houses have been allocated, without exception, to people we would describe as "local". We would like to thank all those who helped in the campaign, particularly Michael Forsyth MP and Councillors Martin and Duke. Could any "local" people needing housing contact John Riley on 0838 400219.

Local Enhancement Project: Criarlarich and Tyndrum

The project, funded by Forth Valley Enterprise with the aim of encouraging tourism, is now almost completed. Some think Tyndrum did better than Criarlarich, however, we would like to thank Forth Valley Enterprise for their investment in our community.

Community Council Elections

Although most of Stirling District Community Councils have agreed to postpone elections for 2 years, Strathfillan Community Council have requested an Election in May 1995.

Tenants Association

We recommend that all tenants in

Tyndrum and Criarlarich area should join the Association. Please contact Moira Robertson on 0838 300296.

Criarlarich By-pass

The Community Council have decided to carry out a full public consultation, including a house to house survey and to report their findings to the Scottish Office by the end of January. The Scottish Office have agreed to this delay before continuing with the project. **Please contact John Champion on 0838 300236** for details.

Local Democracy

A special meeting is being arranged to discuss possible democratic and economic reforms which, for example, could be achieved by co-operation between the Community Council and other voluntary bodies, such as the Tourist Association.

Memorial Service for Tornado Crew: Wednesday 22 March 1995

A Service of Thanksgiving for the lives of the two RAF aircrew, who recently died at Glenoglehead, will take place on Wednesday 22 March 1995 at the crash site. The precise time has yet to be fixed. The families want to express their thanks for the support they have received. They are anxious, however, to encourage any who might wish to make a contribution to the placing of a memorial stone at the crash site. Collecting boxes are situated throughout the Village. Cheques may be sent c/o Mr McNaughton.

D McNaughton

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The Finance

At the moment, a financial package is being put together which will enable the design to commence in 1995, with construction being completed the following year. Central Regional Council have submitted a capital programme to the Scottish Office, which includes £1.2 million for the swimming pool. An £800,000 games field will be available through a lease-back arrangement. In addition, Forth Valley Enterprise will fund some of the groundwork along with a modest amount of European funding. The balance of approximately £1 million will consist of **at least** £350,000 from Stirling District and the rest by means of borrowing. The latter will hopefully be reduced by grants from charitable trusts and other agencies interested in sports development.

Show your support

Now is the time to show your interest in the project by ensuring that our Elected Members stand by the financial package which has been worked out. Delay could mean a real risk as a result of Local Government re-organisation creating a new set of priorities.

Mrs S Trzebiatowski

Vintage Car Touring Trial

Some 90 odd vintage cars taking part in the Lands End to John O'Groats Touring Trial of the Historic Car Register, passed through Killin on 5th December. Killin Hotel was checkpoint HQ. In what became a downpour, the older, more majestic cars, some six in number, took off for Dalwhinnie. The sporty types went up Glen Lochay for a hill trial. Killin News met the proud owner of a 60 year old Rolls Royce from Cornwall (2,600 mile round trip) who was raising money for Bude Town Band. Somehow, your reporter did not see his Lada Samara making a similar trip for the McLaren Hall fund!

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Comment

Children's Play Area: Breadalbane Park (see page 2)

It's great at last that the Council's views about the rather poor quality of the Children's play area in the Park has been noted. Not only is the range and quality of the play equipment limited and somewhat old fashioned, but the area is also poorly situated and suffers from dog fouling. We note that Ms Sue Gutteridge, of SDC's Play Services Section, attended the meeting and spoke of her hopes of improvements. She intends to offer a Questionnaire to local parents asking them what they would like to see in the Park for different age ranges. She also hopes that Central Region will obtain European funding for the improvements - especially if there is a Tourist spin-off!

We clearly need the play area improved for the children of the Village, not for the Tourists. As for asking local parents what they would like, wouldn't it be better to show them some of the more modern and adventurous play areas in other parts of the District? Then they would know what to ask for!

Editor's Note

First may we wish all of you a really Good New Year. 1994 has been good for the Village, let's hope 1995 maintains that improvement.

Copy and advertisements for the next issue are required by **the end of February**, preferably before that date. Thank you.

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Storm Lashed Opening Day

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The wild and rain-lashed Loch put off

all but a few brave anglers on Monday morning and had it not been for the boats that put out from Loch Tay Highland Lodges and Kinnell Boathouse, it would have been the first Opening Day "Duck" since 1947.

Nothing was caught out of Kenmore on River or Loch, but of the boats from Highland Lodges, two were successful. One, a Belgian, Louis Lambert and the other, Stewart Millar from Eaglesham, saved the day. Louis landed a 16 lb cock fish and Stewart one at 17 lbs.



The Rev David McNaughton and Roger Sharp, the Piper at Highland Lodges



The dawn barbecue at Kinnell Boathouse

Famous Grouse Prize

Stewart, of course, wins the $\frac{1}{4}$ gallon of whisky from Famous Grouse, who sponsor the Opening Day on the Loch.

Our photograph below shows the very wet, but happy, Stewart Millar with his splendid fish.



The winner for the day, Stewart Millar, with his 17lb fish

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"Into the Sunset"

You will have heard that our family will shortly leave Killin. The reason for this is simple - I want to write a book. It will be about how my wife Dorothy, coped with Motor Neurone Disease. Her handling of MND was inspiring, despite the tragedy and I want to "get it down" before memories fade. Some have suggested I am going to "retire". Well, if I am, I guess I am the last to hear about it. I am not giving up the "ministry" either; it is very simply that my "ministry" will be expressed in a different way. I want each of you, however, to know what a privilege it has been for us to be here these past 12 years. Words simply cannot begin to express just how grateful and thankful I am (we are).

I think first of each of you, individually and personally and thank you personally for the unique gifts you have given me and mine. I think next of "all things human", I assure you there is in my (fading) memory a rich treasury of events, both wee and stirring, these are profoundly moving. Finally, I think of the splendour that is public worship and the breathtaking wonder that is the Gospel: I am just so grateful for the opportunity of sharing in these and I may say, engaging closely with the mind and Spirit of Jesus. Thank you each very much indeed. I leave you with a bit of Shakespeare:-

"Let me not to the marriage of true minds

Admit impediment. Love is not love which alters.

(But) looks on tempests and is never shaken;

It is the star to every wandering bark ...

Love alters not ...

But bears it out even to the edge of doom.

If it be error, and upon me prov'd I never writ, not no man ever lov'd"

I think you know that I have lived that and very simply want to write it down. Good luck to you all.

Rev D McNaughton

School Pantomime Cinderella - The Alternative Story



Primary 7 presented two performances of Cinderella on Wednesday 14 December. Lots of music and song - a winsome Cinderella who went off into the sunset with Buttons, a vain Prince Charming who landed up with an Ugly Sister - not the usual version. Altogether a most unusual, enjoyable and amusing panto. All credit to producer Helen Sinclair and the full supporting cast.

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The December Floods

Herewith a couple of photographs to remind you of the heavy rain (and melting snow) which we suffered at the beginning of December. The photograph below shows the Falls practically in the Clachaig Bar!



The above photograph, taken from Sron-a-Clachan, shows how well the old Railway was designed. It is the only dry land between the Main Street (at the Glebe) and Loch Tay!



Mystery Photograph

We are pleased to announce that the "Mystery Photograph" in our last issue **has been identified.**

In the first instance, it was recognised by Mrs Wardrop from Crianlarich as a Mr John Paterson, who farmed at Kirkton and died sometime around 1930.

Mrs Rachel Hunter from Ardchyle also recognised the photographs and was able to tell us that John Paterson was something of a character in the area. He used to preach from time to time in Strathfillan Church and the story goes that on one occasion after concluding the service with the appropriate prayers, he suddenly announced "if anyone has a heifer to calve at the back end, see me in the vestry".

Mr Paterson had a family, at least one of whom currently lives in Crieff, we are informed.

More from "What they said about Killin"

Colonel Thornton in A Sporting Tour 1786: "I never saw a better Inn than that at Killin - the Landlord a lively honest Yorkshireman".

Of a boatman hired in Killin and of Highlanders: "Many of them have but one idea which is that an Englishman is a walking mint and they are never satisfied. They really fancy no person understands the value of money but themselves."

Nevertheless, Colonel Thornton caught on one of his trips, if he is to be believed, a trout of 9lbs, two of 4lbs and another of 5 lbs- perhaps the boatman was worthy of his hire.

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New Year Dance 1995

New Year festivities in Killin were extended for another day with the McLaren Hall Annual Dance being held on 2 January 1995.

Following the success of last year's initiative, entry was on a ticket only basis, which limited the numbers and allowed all those who were still capable, to dance without feeling as if they were forming the front lint of a rugby scrum. The night, as always, provided great entertainment for both locals and visitors and also offered the opportunity for all attending to catch up with old friends and acquaintances. The proceeds of the dance are distributed amongst various organisations in the Village and special thanks should go to all those involved. Avoid disappointment and make sure you have a note in your diary.

Next years dance will be on Monday 1 January 1996 allowing all an extra day to recover.

AI

St Andrew's Night

Events to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the building of the present Kirk, culminated with a St Andrew's Night supper in the McLaren Hall. Over 70 people attended, including a number from Firbush Point, some of whom were from the more deprived areas of the World such as parts of Africa. After an excellent meal prepared and served by the members of the Women's Guild, there was an exhilarating demonstration of their skills by the Killin Karate Club who had generously given up their regular booking of the main hall for our occasion. Mary Masterton, Willie Allan and Jack Rough sang, ably accompanied by Sheena Chisholm on the Piano, David Thornton supported by Pat Christie on the Keyboard, fiddled in true Scottish style and he, Pat and Gilbert Christie played for the dancing. David Bowser was Master of Ceremonies, the Rev David McNaughton proposed Votes of Thanks and the evening ended with everybody on the floor (upright) singing Auld Lang Syne. All in all, a memorable and enjoyable evening and a fitting finale to the 250th Anniversary.

D Bowser

More on Moirlannich

Because of the interest stimulated by the restoration of Moirlannich Cottage we are indebted to Mrs L MacAulay for her observations. Mrs MacAulay, in her 23 years in Killin, knew the house and remembers some interesting lore. "Standing out from the inner wall was the biggest chimney mouth I ever saw, it was fantastic. I was told that the back of the fireplace was whitewashed once a week to keep it looking clean". James Anderson had an old photograph (dated 1890) of a "white haired lady sitting in the ingle neuk beside the open hearth fire". This was a Miss Lizzie Robertson, sitting in the kitchen/living room. Mrs MacAulay made a fine painting from the photograph and this caused a stir on exhibition in the Village, many of the older people recognising Lizzie Robertson. (It is reproduced here).



Mrs MacAulay goes on to say that "a glass of milk and a scone, or both in the middle of the kitchen floor, was poor pay for a lad who had to climb up the wide chimney to clean the soot."

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Killin's Kirk 250th Anniversary

Celebrations to mark the 250th Anniversary of the building of Killin's Kirk ended with a very memorable St Andrew's Night on 30 November, ably compered by Captain David Bowser, who reports elsewhere (page 7). Since the Singalong, so wonderfully led by our Primary School on Wednesday 30 March, we can be thankful for the marvellous sequence of very happy events arranged for us by the 250th Anniversary Committee chaired by Captain David Bowser. Each was memorable in its own right:- the Singalong; the dedication of the refurbished War Memorial Window by the Moderator of the General Assembly on Easter Day; the Pageant Service at Whit Sunday; the Exhibition of Fillan's pastoral staff and bell; the Centenary Sale of Work; the Flower Festival; the Summer Sunday evening musical series including a visit from the Glasgow Islay Gaelic Choir; the Ecumenical Service and the St Andrew's Night party for the congregation and friends. There have been other additional events and activities too:- The sequence of gifted preachers including the former Moderator Bob Davidson and two "firsts", namely the first RC priest and the first female preacher at Killin's Kirk; the commissioning of a number of commemorative artefacts; Stirling Battalion of the Boys' Brigade Founder's Day parade; Dr Main's examination of the Kirk Session's records; the Children's Guide to the Killin's kirk building and the painting of the war memorial window. The Minister and Kirk Session want to thank all those who participated in such a wonderful way and especially record their thanks to the leadership and inspiration given by the Anniversary Committee and their Chairman, Captain David Bowser.

D McNaughton

Joan Tinker

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Dear Sir

In the article about Moirlannich Cottage, you ask about the meaning of "Probasti me". It is probably a shortened form of "Probavisti me" which means "Thou has tested me". It is possible that this was a family motto and is probably a quotation from one of the psalms - though at this moment I forget which one.

David Boddington

Editors Note

*David has subsequently written to say he thinks it must be from Psalm 139 **Domine, probasti.** The first line of which is in Latin "Domine probasti me et cognovisti me" and in English "O Lord, **though has searched me out and known me.**"*

Thank you David.

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Dear Editor

*Further to the article I wrote on the Breadalbane Killin Curling Club. In the part dealing with the Club's long serving office bearers, the first Secretary/Treasurer was the **late Robert McDiarmid not Peter.** The late Peter Stewart, popularly known in the village as "PS" and Gilbert Christie's grandfather was President for over 40 years. I make this point for the sake of accuracy.*

John Willison

Killin

Dear Sir

In September this year, I had a friend staying with me who used to own the Clachaig Hotel She has now devoted her time to look after a blind disturbed young man whom she brought to Killin, his name was Billy.



Gregor Gillies, my young neighbour, spent the weekend helping Billy. He took him walking and spent time with him. I am very proud of Gregor - he made a young man's time in Killin very special. What a kind and thoughtful deed.'

Well done Gregor!

Jessie McLeod

Obituaries

Jocky Campbell, born 1915 died November 1994, was the last Killin Crofter. Jocky crofted first on Killin Common (Sron a Clachanside) then he took over Willie (Tappie) Ferguson, the Shoemaker's croft at East Clachaig which he latterly joined with Gray Street Crofts.



Always keen to help with the sheep, Jocky attended all sales at Killin Mart and handlings at Bovain and Acharn Fanks.

When the hogs came home from wintering he would be at the railway station to help take them off the trucks. He fell heir to weak hogs, unfit for the long walk from station to farm. These hogs were the foundation of his stock. Some locals remember Jocky delivering milk and eggs produced at Craignavie Farm by Jimmy McNab. The milk cart was a converted pram.

Jocky was a kind, friendly and good natured man and was a part of life in Killin. He is sadly missed.

RH

Mary Hewitt, a retired prison officer in 1988, a posh Mrs Dunwoody Smythe, a flour covered cook, an upper class 18th century Glasgow lady. May Hewitt played them all with her usual gusto and lent the same energy to her first stint as producer last March. The talent spread to make up and hairdressing, most of the time, however, being spent tending Bill Douglas' luxurious locks!

A shrinking violet she wasn't. It is her forthrightness, her exuberance and her kind heart that we miss most. Bravo May!

Killin Drama Club

William Noble was born and brought up in Strathnairn, Invernesshire. He started work at an early age on his

father's farm, where he worked for many years. Later he set up home in the neighbouring farm, but in the late 1950's he moved to Killin. There he worked for a few years shepherding and then as a lorry driver with the Council Roads Department.

Finally he spent almost 20 years caretaking at the Boys Brigade Centre, Craggan, where he made many friends and was highly respected.

Mrs Mary Steele died on 30 October. She had a hard working life as a dairymaid on farms in the District for 25 years and retired to 13 Monemore for a further 25 years where she continued her skills and traditions. Born in Uist in 1904, Mary had a warm and friendly manner and was always most grateful for the kindness shown by all friends and neighbours.

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Killin and Breadalbane Angling Club AGM - 7 November 1994

WRI

The Killin WRI held their November meeting in the Lesser McLaren Hall. Mrs Sheena Chisholm, President, welcomed members and visitors from the Ardeonaig and Strathfillan Institutes. Dr M MacColl gave a most amusing and interesting talk on the archives of Killin Church, starting in the 1700's. These showed the care taken by Kirk Session for the welfare of the Community. Vote of thanks was given by Mrs B Gordon. **Competition Results: Fruit Loaf:** 1 Mrs J Willison; 2 Mrs M Naismith; 3 Mrs B MacGregor. **Local Photograph:** 1 Mrs K Winton; 2 Miss A Smith; 3 Mrs M Graham.

President Mrs Sheena Chisholm, welcomed members to the December meeting. As the speaker was unable to attend, the members ably entertained themselves. Mrs Mairi Stewart spoke of the organisation of the Rural and her work in it. Mrs Kate Winton demonstrated the art of icing cakes, especially the making of roses. The vote of thanks was given by Mrs Gordon. A letter of thanks was read from the Scottish War Blinded. This was for £225.50 which was raised at a whist drive held in November. **Competition results: Homemade Sweets:** 1 Mrs Sheila Ferguson. **Christmas Stocking:** 1 Mrs Sheila Ferguson.

Killin AFC

Recent results: Burrelton 1 Killin 10. Ballinluig 3 Killin 2. Aerodrome 5 Killin 4. Royale 3 Killin 2. We would also like to record that once again the **married men** were beaten by the **single men!** We wish a Happy New Year to all our supporters.

Neil McKenzie, Secretary

The meeting was held in Killin Hotel. Dr Weaver, the retiring President in the Chair. A good turnout of about 30 members voted to make Dr Weaver an honorary member in recognition of 16 years devoted served.

The following information and decisions were made:

Angus Inglis, Treasurer, reported a substantial increase in permit money giving a healthy balance. It was agreed that the Club would spend £3,500 on re-stocking. There will be no visiting competitors for three weeks after the "stockies" are released. The Hatchery is, at the moment, in abeyance. Because of lack of use the

Central Beat (Salmon) has been given up, but the Club wishes to retain the Lochay fishing.

New appointments: Alex Stewart, President; Gregor MacAulay, Competitions; Stewart Gillies and Allan Walker, Committee. Stuart Webster resigned from the Committee.

Seasons Results: Salmon: Most Salmon: D McKenzie. **Heaviest:** N Cairns. **Awa Cup:** I Downie. **Handicap Cup:** S MacDonald. **Club Champion:** S MacDonald. **Peter Ross Cup:** J Scougall. **Heaviest Basket:** S MacDonald. **Heaviest Trout:** J Scougall.

AW



Biggest Fish of the Year (1994)

We give you now the photograph which came too late for the last (Christmas) issue of the paper. It shows, as you no doubt will remember, Dougal MacGregor receiving the Famous Grouse Prize of a gallon of whisky from Peter Anderson (World Fly casting champion) for catching that 26lb monster, with John Mallinson, owner of the Clachaig Hotel in attendance.

KILLIN HOTEL

*Would like to wish all our customers
a Very Happy & Prosperous New Year.*

The Hotel & Restaurant will be closed from Sunday 8th January and will reopen on Friday 27th January.

The public bar will be open as normal (very limited bar food will be available at lunchtimes from Monday 16th January until Friday 27th January.)



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Killin Drama Club

The members of the Drama Club are again busy learning their lines for this year's production. The format is similar to the previous two years, with a total of three plays being performed. The Youth members, again ably directed by Julia Bates and Felicity Campbell-Smith, will enact a special play entitled "Waiting Room", which should prove to be of great local interest. "Between Mouthfuls", produced by Charlie Methven, includes two very welcome new members of our group. The last play "In a Spin" is being produced by Lesley Kettle and will hopefully raise a titter or two on the night. There will be no prizes, but see how quickly you can recognise "the blonde" or "the bandit". The show will be in the McLaren Hall on 17 and 18 March. To anyone who has not experienced our efforts we would say "Come along - we are sure you will enjoy it". Finally, to anyone who thinks they might enjoy "treading the boards", please come and join us next year, we are always looking for fresh talent. See you in March.

Bill Douglas, Chairman

BB Christmas Party

The last session of Boys Brigade was celebrated on 17 December 1994 by a Christmas Party. Both junior and company sections were invited and asked to bring along a partner. The Brownies were also invited in case some of the younger boys were too shy! Good behaviour and a great feeling of fun made the evening very enjoyable. Traditional games and dances proved more popular than disco dancing so there may be some hope left! It seems a long time since a wide age range of both boys and girls had a party, but it was certainly a success. Thanks to all who helped towards entertainment and food.

Gun Club

Killin Gun Club held their last shoot for the year on Sunday 13 November 1994. 21 Guns turned out on a very wet morning. Shoot results are as follows:- **DTL Class A:** 1st E McAllister 68; 2nd H Campbell 63; 3rd J Mitchell 46; 4th I Menzies 55. **DTL Class B:** 1st G Ross 64; 2nd S Christie 62; 3rd G Coyne 59; 4th Jas Sinclair 58. **DTL Class C:** 1st T Devlin 45; 2nd E Paterson 43; 3rd R Mills 37. **Sporting Class A:** 1st D Robertson 63; 2nd J McKay 63; 3rd equal E McAllister and J Mitchell 60. **Class B:** 1st S Christie 54; 2nd G Ross 51; 3rd equal G Coyne and Jas Sinclair 48. **Class C:** 1st T Devlin 60; 2nd T Frost 39; 3rd R Mills 37; 4th E Paterson 36. **Flush:** 1st Jack, Lennox, Eric 30; 2nd equal Emma, Graham, Jimmy, James, John, B Russell 29. **High Gun:** E McAllister 128. **Suie Cup:** E McAllister.

Annual Trophies for 1994:
Classification: **DTL Class A:** E McAllister 262. **Class B:** G Ross 236. **Class C:** T Devlin 193.
Sporting Class A: H Campbell 260.
Class B: G Coyne 230. **Class C:** T Devlin 212. **Currie Rose Bowl Local:** E McAllister 259. **Agg Sheild:** E McAllister 502. **Runner Up:** H Campbell 476.

All enjoyed a good year's shooting with the Club. The season finished with a small get together in the Suie Lodge Hotel. The Club AGM is on Sunday 19 February 1995. Many thanks to all for their help throughout the year.

G D Coyne, Secretary

Killin Carpet Bowling Club

The annual Open Pairs Tournament was held in the McLaren Hall on Saturday 3 December. There was a good turnout with 25 Pairs entered.

1st in the Pairs were: C McLarty and J Willison (Killin); 2nd J Guild and H Guild (Killin); 3rd S Taylor and D McKenzie (Ardeonaig); 4th H Paterson and I Cooper (Crook of Devon).

1st Singles: J Hermiston (Camserney) and 2nd Singles: D Nicol (Acharn).

Brownies

The Brownies rounded off their year with a trip to see Walt Disney on Ice. We are having a Tupperware Party/ Coffee evening on Monday 30 January at the Church Hall at 6.30 pm. All welcome.

We are starting the New Year with a Beetle Drive on 23 January to entertain the Tuesday Club.

*June Brown, Guider
1st Killin Brownies*

Killin Cancer Research Committee

The Committee wish to thank everyone who came to their Coffee morning on Saturday 10 December. The sum of £611 was raised for this worthwhile charity.



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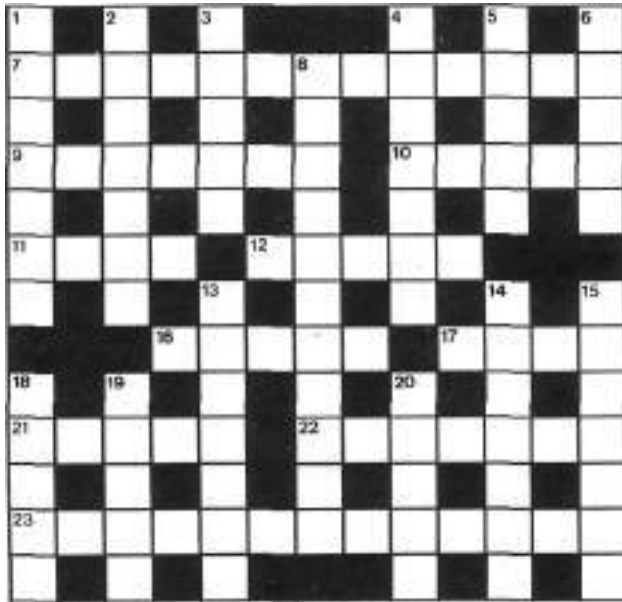
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Winners of Prize Crossword

The lucky winners were Mrs Margaret Burton of Tyndrum and Mr R Lithgow of Killin who each received a cheque for £15 from the Bank of Scotland, Killin.

Solution to Christmas Prize Crossword

Across: 1. decor 4. holly 10. naive 11. restore 12. asteroid 13. loco 15. canape 17. Brutus 19. mute 20. educator 23. nurture 24. burnt 25. blade 26. stall

Down: 2. exist 3. override 5. oust 6. look out 7. enhancement 8. braid 9. demonstrate 14. brick bat 16. natural 18. idles 21. Tyrol 22. fund

7. Gravity greatly contributes to his speed (8, 5)
 9. Sounds like a cold flower (7)
 10. People without a penny manage to get together (5)
 11. Horsefly (4)
 12. Either way it's the least part (5)
 16. Sounds like a low note, but it's got value (5)
 17. A sweet couple (4)
 21. Coral Island (5)
 22. He had a kind of magic lantern (7)
 23. Full of grace (8, 5)

1. Some construction (7)
 2. The flying squad (7)
 3. A container in the Church established long ago (5)
 4. Something for nothing (7)
 5. A Croat in the theatre (5)
 6. No place to be without cars (5)
 8. An up-front theatrical feminist (7, 4)
 13. Get together - by accident (7)
 14. A hairless victory for this leader (7)
 15. Place of the Alhambra (7)
 18. In the past an Italian meal had this (5)
 19. In a sense we supposed models did this (5)
 20. Angle for it (5)

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Conservative Party Turkey Supper

The now traditional Turkey Supper was held in the McLaren Hall on 26 November 1994. A splendid feast was provided by party stalwarts. Michael Forsyth MP spoke briefly about the current situation. A total of £350 was raised.

Thanks

Many thanks once again to Killin and District for their help during 1994 in raising £818 for the Oncology Department of Edinburgh RHSC.

Morag MacNee

New owners of Shutters Restaurant

David and Susan Pettigrew took over on 10 January 1995. I wish them every success and happiness in their venture.

I would also like to thank everyone for the loyalty and support shown to me over the past 10 years.

Lesley Kettle

A Birthday Celebration

Fireworks in Glen Lochay (no, not the return of the Redcoats). Judge Stroyan's 70th birthday was marked by a big family gathering, fireworks, a Black Watch piper and a celebratory shoot before Christmas.

The Judge, as usual, has provided the Village Christmas Tree; those at the McLaren Hall, Kirkcare and the School.

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