



KILLIN NEWS

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Memorial Service for RAF Tornado Crew



On the afternoon of Wednesday 22 March, on the hillside, high in Glenogle, swept by wintry winds, a large number of people gathered to take part in the Thanksgiving Service for **Flight Lieutenants Patrick Peter Harrison** and **Peter John Michael Moseley**, who lost their lives in the tragic crash of their aircraft in September of last year.

As well as the parents, friends and relatives, there was also a large contingent from No 13 Squadron RAF Marham. Also represented were the villages of Killin, Lochearnhead and Balquhidder, and all local services that had been involved.

The Service was introduced by the Rev. David McNaughton of Killin and hymns were sung to music provided by the RAF Kinloss Voluntary Band. Ministers from Callander and Balquhidder also took part, as did Padre Ian Greenhalgh, Station Chaplain RAF Marham.

Following the Bugler's Last Post, an Act of Dedication of a Memorial Stone took place involving the parents of the two airmen; and the proceedings

were concluded by the playing of Flowers of the Forest and Mo Dhachaigh (My Home) by lone piper Duncan McKinnon of Ardeonaig.



Rising costs of the Killin News!

Those of you who attended our recent Annual General Meeting will remember that there was considerable discussion about the costs of your local newspaper. The last issue, for example, cost about 75p per copy! Although it was slightly larger than usual, it merely illustrates the recent trends. The production costs have risen by more than 60% and in spite of the great support of our advertisers we are currently running at a loss. In the short term, therefore, we will have to increase our advertising rates, probably by about 20 to 25%, and be somewhat less generous about extra copies. In the longer term, we are examining how we might reduce our production costs by trying to do ourselves some of the work, currently done by the SDC Resource Centre. When we started some four years ago, the Resource Centre operated as a relatively cheap "service to communities". About a year ago, the Council decided it had to "pay its way"; hence the 60% increase in production costs.

In forthcoming issues, therefore, we are going to be dependent on the continuing goodwill (and generosity) of **our** advertisers. Meanwhile we shall do our best to improve on the present production methods.

Sinclair Aitken

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Killin Community Council

The Council met on Thursday 13 April in the McLaren Hall and Dr M McColl was in the chair. Councillor Susan Duke, CRC and Councillor Ian Martin, SDC were present.

Breadalbane Park Play Area: It was reported that the European Grant for this work has not materialised. Councillor Duke, however, though! that there were still possibilities for re-siting and improving it. Estimates for the repair of the fence between the Schoolhouse Garden, Glenairlie and the Park had not yet been received. SDC to be asked to contribute.

Dumping Refuse at Mart or opposite: Anyone doing so to be reported to the Police.

Killin Folk Festival: 16-18 June: It was agreed that camping in Breadalbane Park during this event should be allowed. It was suggested, however, that those using the facility should be asked to make a payment to the Community Council Funds. The Traders' Association to be contacted about this.

Revaluation of Commercial Properties: It was agreed to write to Michael Forsyth MP about the excessive increase in the above.

Rights of Way: Now that Dunmuir was to be sold, some effort should be made to re-establish the right of way in this area, it was agreed that Mr Holmes, Killin and Tim Dickson, Principal Countryside Ranger should be consulted.

Mr Ian McGregor, Retiral: Dr McColl presented Mr I McGregor with a cheque for £250 as an expression of the community's appreciation of his various helpful activities.

Next Meeting: 8 June at 7.30 pm in the McLaren Hall.

Strathfillan Community Council

By-Election

It has been decided by Stirling District Council Community Services Department in consultation with community councils to postpone Community Council Elections from May 1995 until October 1996. However, Strathfillan Community Council decided at its meeting on 7 December 1994 by a majority of four votes to two that they would prefer to hold an Election to enhance their credibility with the community. Accordingly, a By-Election has now been arranged for 27 June 1995 and the timetable is summarised below:-

Last Dale for Lodging Nominations 29 May. Last Dale for Withdrawal of Nominations 5 June, Polling Day (if required) 27 June, Inaugural Meeting to be advised.

Community Council Elections are different from those for Local Councillors or MPs in that an Election only takes place if the number of nominations exceeds the maximum number of Councillors defined in the Constitution.

In Strathfillan this maximum number is 14 and there were only seven nominations for the May 1993 Elections, the remainder of our Councillors having been co-opted. Many people are doubtful about the credibility of a community council which has been appointed without the need for an Election. However, others consider that providing an Election and the opportunity for nominations have been well publicised then the council appointed, without an Election, is just as valid. Effectively those people who wish to serve the community are given that opportunity. In order to promote this Election on 27 June 1995 we have decided to print a special By-Election

issue of the "By the Way" newsletter. Our wish is that the Strathfillan community will take an active interest in this Election and ensure that the number of nominations exceeds 14, thus necessitating an Election and assuring the credibility of the new council.

Tyndrum Village Hall Association

I am pleased to announce that we have been awarded a grant for refurbishment of the Village Hall of approximately £12,000 from the Scottish Office and £6,000 from Stirling District Council. The cost of the project will be approximately £24,000 the remaining £6,000 being provided from Hall funds plus an overdraft at the Bank. The Village Hall is the property of all residents on the electoral role of Tyndrum, all of whom are entitled to attend all committee meetings and vote on issues raised. The purposes of the village hall are:-

- 1 To provide recreational facilities of a social, educational, cultural and sporting nature.
- 2 To promote a spirit of friendship and enhance community life, being welcoming to all members and their friends.
- 3 To improve conditions of life in the community, without distinction of race, sex or political opinions.

It is the hope of the committee that the presence of a newly refurbished hall will encourage much greater numbers of people to enthusiastically and energetically take part in both rejoining and enjoying our activities. Please contact the writer or Lamond Gosden, Vice Chairman; Elizabeth McLellan, Treasurer or Lesley Ann Thomson, Secretary, for further information.

John Riley, Chairman

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The Centre Wellington High School Band were on an organised tour arranged through McLaren High School. They performed various concerts in Callander and ended their stay in Scotland with a splendid ceilidh in McLaren High School.

The photograph shows the youngsters together with their visiting hosts, Fraser Bedwell, Marissa Mardon and Andrew Inglis.

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Foal born at Morenish



Looks like another star for Milton Morenish Stud. Nikita, bom 7 April 1995, is a Cleveland Bay Cross Bavarian Warmblood Filly. Herdam, Samantha, is a pure bred Cleveland Bay. The Booths also own her 4 year old son Mr Fox who is proving to be exceptional, both in the showjumping and dressage world. Nikita, the top Bavarian Stallion JapaloupeS. now has to prove her quality to keep the Milton Morenish flag flying, as Amadeus, the colt, bom 2 years ago at the stud, has been a prolific winner in the show ring. Her owner, Mrs Booth is quietly confident that he will make a top dressage horse. Nikita will enter the show ring later this year and with her outstanding quality and breeding should do very well.

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This ruling means that revenue from renting out salmon rights will not be lost. Anglers would be loath to rent a right which would allow only one rod to the individual fisherman. The Board, according to the Courier, wishes to commend proprietors and anglers who have in the past restricted and will continue to restrict the total number of rods used in their boats to a maximum of three.

It is unfortunate that the Board did not discuss the matter with the West Loch Tay Salmon Fishers Association before attempting to put policy into action or indeed give notice to salmon right holders, many of whom were harassed by the Bailiffs employed by the Board.

Comment

We should like to draw your attention to the letter on page 13 from four youngsters in the Village.

It seems to us that they have come up with the germ of a good idea.

It is certainly true that there isn't a lot for young teenagers to do in the Village, particularly in the evening. Of course there are certain activities on certain evenings, badminton, Boys' Brigade, even floodlit football training, but the youth club idea which they are presenting is different and if it were a reality, it would attract a wide group of youngsters and as the old fashioned saying goes "*keep them off the streets*".

What these youngsters now need is some kind of response to their letter.

Of course a Youth Club, complete with premises, pool table, arcade games and music, costs money and perhaps quite a lot. But in a Village which has seen over the past few years a good part of a million pounds spent, or about to be spent, on facilities for tourists and visitors, surely its time something was done for the Village youngsters.

Who's going to respond to their plea? The Community Council? Stirling District Council Leisure & Recreation Department? Forth Valley Enterprise?

Come on somebody, make a start! And it's not just money we need; it's also people who are willing to become involved in such an enterprise.

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Next Issue

Copy and Advertisements for the next issue, distributed towards the end of July, are needed by the end of June - preferably earlier than that.

Remember advertisements will refer to the months of August and September.

Killin Drama Club



This year again Killin Drama Club provided us with a feast of varied entertainment with three one-act Plays.

The evening started off with the youngsters performing the Waiting Room. While a good performance, it was disappointing that some of the young actors could not be clearly heard by the audience. There are some promising young people in this group

and perhaps with a firmer guiding hand, they could excel.

It was good to see some new faces joining the "oldies" to tackle an Alan Ayckbourn play "Between Mouthfuls", which is a difficult play both to produce and act. "In a Spin" by Richard Hodge told the tale of an unlikely robbery and was well handled by an experienced cast.



I hear talk of a new lighting system, and a Pantomime, which, if true, would give the Club a great boost.

All in all a good evening, Keep treading the Boards!

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In cold, dry weather the fleece provides excellent insulation so the sheep needs less energy to keep herself warm. She therefore has more chance of giving birth to and rearing a healthy lamb.

In wet weather the sheep uses all her energy trying to keep warm. It is also harder to get a dry place to lie and the ground becomes very soft, making it harder for her to get about.

The sheep give birth at the end of April until mid-May. The six weeks prior to this are the most important.

Fortunately, this year, although the sheep were lean at the beginning of April, it has been a better month with little rain or hard frost.

If the weather behaves for the next few weeks a reasonable lambing is hoped for.

As far as Chernobyl is concerned, another farm was released from the scheme in January. Levels continue to fall, but testing will probably continue for a few more years yet.

Stewart Christie

Killin & District Leisure and Recreation Club

This is a plea for more members to come forward and help us to keep the Club going. Although the Club is still managing to function and meet its commitments and pay the Summer staff, the fall off in membership means that there is less revenue for the Club.

Since our inception, some three years ago, we have not increased the membership or our prices for use of the facilities. However, our costs continue to rise and although money is tight these days, a full adult membership of £25 is less than 50p a week. Children could be given a membership of £12 as a present for a birthday or suchlike. Membership entitles members full use of the facilities at no extra cost for the full year April to March.

The committee are always looking at ways to expand or enhance the facility and any suggestions are very welcome, from members and non members alike. There is one way a lot of you do help us and that is buying the weekly tote tickets which have been a great source of revenue for the Club, in fact, if it were not for the tote, the very existence of the Club itself would be in doubt.

We are determined to keep the Club going, as at the moment the facilities are comparable with any. So if you feel that you require a healthy outdoor pursuit, please consider us for a membership, age is no barrier. We have tennis, bowling, football, five a sides and basketball. If you don't feel a membership is for you, keep buying the tote tickets. As well as helping us keep going, you never know, you might be lucky like Rachel and Peem.

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End of an Era

With the retirement of George and Paddy after 47 years, Smith's Joinery firm closed, the last of four including the Breadalbane Estate Joinery that once flourished in Killin. Fred Smith took over the business in 1942 from Ronnie Fraser. When George and Paddy started in their present premises the machinery was worked by two mill wheels, water driven. Electricity was put in in the 1950s. George started his apprenticeship at 10/- a week working on the wooden clinker built Estate and Hotel fishing boats.

The firm saw social changes, worked and made the last cart wheel and produced the last working mill wheel for Edrummy and provided shuttering for the Hydro Electric schemes formative buildings. At one time employing eight people, work took the firm to Glen Etive and Blackmount for estate projects. George remembers carrying



materials up to the Lawers/Ben Ghlas site hut for repair work. As well as keeping the books since 1947 Paddy looked after customers DIY needs, supplying nails, screws etc.

Although the business has closed, joinery work is being undertaken by John Sinclair who worked with the Smiths for 32 years.

We wish George and Paddy a happy retirement. George's wife Anne, now

recovered from recent illness, is continuing with her plant nursery.

No doubt Paddy will be able to give more time to her many interests and George more time to his golf!



Weather

Not since the glorious April of 1984 has the lambing period passed without at least one disastrous day and night of cold, downpour, gale and highly unpleasant conditions. Although April was a month of contrasts with periods of cold north east winds, on the whole the weather was reasonably dry, which, coupled with warmer interludes, also dry overhead, was a boon to the new born lamb which stands a much better chance of survival when dry, though cold, than when conditions perhaps some degrees less cold are wet and stormy and where wind chill and exposure are detrimental to survival.

March 1995 contained what was perhaps the worst of the winter's weather. The arrivals of spring migrants was more or less on cue. Although a notable absence in recent years is that of skeins of geese flying north over Ardtalnaig, this may mean that for some reason these birds are taking perhaps a more easterly route on their journey from the Solway, Morecambe Bay and other winter-ways to their nesting grounds in the Tundra's of Spitzbergen, Novaya Zembla and so on.



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Centenary of Killin Masonic Lodge

Across the Years



The 100th Anniversary

A milestone was reached this year with the Killin Lodge, Breadalbane St Fillans No 815, celebrating 100 years since its establishment in the Village.

The members had been making plans for this occasion for some time and the last few weeks of hectic preparations culminated with the Centenary Meeting on Saturday 25 March in the McLaren Hall. There was a large attendance of Lodge Members and representatives from the Lodges in the Province, supported by friends of the Brethren from as far afield as Nottingham and Huddersfield.

The RWM Brother William L Stitt welcomed the assembled Brethren into the Lodge on this special day and hoped they would all enjoy the proceedings. The deputation from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Perthshire West headed by Brother David H Cramb DPGM was then admitted and welcomed. The Deputation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland headed by Brother (the Right Honourable) The Lord Burton MWGMM was received in due form and welcomed by Brother Stitt on behalf of the Lodge members.

The impressive ceremonial of re-dedication was then carried out by (the Grand Master Mason of Scotland) Brother The Lord Burton and the Office Bearers of Grand Lodge.

The Centenary Dinner followed at the Killin Hotel when the traditional Toasts were honoured.

The Lodge has always been supported by a wide cross section of the community and its records, which are complete, are full of local family names from Lawers to Tyndrum and Glen Lyon to Balquhiddier. There are entries which mark members leaving the area from overseas; Canada, America, South Africa, New Zealand, Australia, India and Spain and to other parts of the UK.

It is also a fact that visitors to our corner of Perthshire who had stayed for a few years joined the Lodge and there is mention in later Minutes that they continued their Masonic interest back in their home locality.

From the early days the Members have assisted in supporting local organisations and have been present at fund raising events, the first of these being a concert in the Drill Hall, now Killin Crafts and associated premises, in aid of local charities. Today the Lodge plays its part in carrying on the example set by our founders.

The present Lodge Members trust that they carry the hopes and aims of our founders with pride and it is our prayer that caring Masons will still be meeting into the millennium and for all time to come, in the Lodge Room at Manse Brae.

Incidentally among the different meeting places over the years, one cannot be accurately located, namely the Killin Armoury, where there was a meeting in March 1906; any thoughts on this would be appreciated.

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The Centenary Dinner was held in 1981, when 100 people celebrated 100 years of club life. The Guest of honour was Alistair Nicholl, Secretary of the Scottish National Angling Society and an international angler. In 1984 the local team progressed to the semi-finals of the Benson and Hedges National Competition at

Graffham Water, but failed to reach the final. The team comprised Willie Allan, John Elders, George More, Jim Simpson, the late Jim Christie and Tony Weaver. In 1981, early in the morning, two poachers were arrested with two salmon under the bridge on the Dochart. No owner could be found to take out an injunction. On investigation by Douglas Allan and Tony Weaver, it was found that, despite denials by Breadalbane's

Solicitors, Countess Breadalbane still owned the Salmon Right for the water between the old mill and the bridge. This Right was purchased by the club for use by members who are permanent residents of the village.

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Workshops planned include ceilidh dancing with Bob Blair, women's voice with Sheena Wellington and fiddle playing with Aly Bain. The Appalachian Clog Dancing - come along and find out at a special workshop. Children have not been forgotten. There will be events for

children over (he weekend - singing, dancing and great fun! Competitions have been organised for musical pairs and ceilidh bands. Entries invited.

The Folk Festival as it has come to be called is being run by the enterprising Killin and District Traders' Association in conjunction with Danger Inc, a firm of Celtic Music Consultants. The Festival Sponsorship has been secured from a number of sources including Scottish Brewers and Forth Valley Enterprise. The Festival has been designed to lift the economic profile of the area and considerable interest has been shown judging by the number of enquiries from the UK and overseas.

Breadalbane Park has been designated the official Festival campsite and there will be a Festival Office situated just inside the gates of the park. The organisers acknowledge the assistance



Ali Bain & Phil Cunninghame

given by the Killin Community Council and Stirling District Council in the provision of this facility and they will be monitoring the site to ensure minimum disturbance to the community. There will be session bars throughout the Village and beyond and already there have been numerous enquiries from bands wishing to come and play.

Tickets for the individual events are available on the door and a weekend ticket at a special rate of £18 (£14 concessions for children under 14 and OAPs) can be purchased before 1 June from Fiona Stewart, 2 Dochart Road, Killin. Weekend tickets purchased after 1 June will cost £20. Weekend tickets holders have priority entrance to all events over the 3 days including 3 concert/ceilidhs and numerous workshops and events so book early to avoid disappointment.

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In fact, so successful has this latter dealership been, that they earned (four of them) a prize of a trip to the factory

in Canada and four days "conferring" in the Caribbean sunshine! Not bad for two lads from Loch Tay! For that's where it started. Both Gordon and Steve learned their trade at GR Smiths of Acharn. That company subsequently went **bankrupt**, so Gordon and Steve got together to form A & B Forestry and Agricultural Services, now a highly successful enterprise. (Although we hear on the grapevine they'll still mend your golf trolley!)

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All quiet at the Green Team?

Get your ear plugs out! Regular Green Team meetings in the school garden started again on the 27 April, and will take place on alternate Thursdays throughout the Summer months.

Several meetings took place over the Winter, when we were able to use the former shop a! Lynedoch (or Horwoods). The room is quite bare at the moment but members have brightened it up by decorating it with some of their artwork. In January, we all made 'green' resolutions so that we could all try and be more environmentally friendly. Let's hope we stick to them!

Last Autumn, the Team had collected hazel nuts and some other seeds, which were planted during the Winter. The seedlings which grow from these will be planted by the children near the Lawers Burn to provide food for the red squirrels living there. At the moment no young trees are growing up in the wood because of grazing.

The Green Team have an exciting programme of events lined up for the Summer including some bat detection, navigation, practising their observation and much more. We are also hoping to be able to take some of the group to Killiecrankie, to learn about the wildlife there and see grey-haired Steve! New members are welcome, just come along to the next meeting (ask Mrs Frost when it is) and we can always use extra adult helpers.

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Letters



Dear Sir

Alan McKenzie, Drew Wright, Steven Grant and myself (Graham Grant) have thought of an idea for 10-18 year olds. Some of the younger age group get into trouble at night because there is nothing to do.

What we had in mind was a games room for us to play pool, arcade games and listen to music. If we had to, we could raise money somehow to pay for the equipment. We hope to try and get a lot more kids and adults interested in this idea. We would have to think of a place and then ask permission. We could even make up a petition to see who is for and who is against this idea.

Yours faithfully

Alan McKenzie, Drew Wright, Steven Grant and Graham Grant

Election Results

A new Unitary Council was elected for Stirling on 6 April, which will work in tandem with the present District Council until it takes over full responsibility in 1996.

The composition of the new "Shadow" Council is 13 Labour, 7 Conservative and 2 Scottish National.

The member elected for North Queensland, which includes Killin, Crianlarich and District, is Kenneth Campbell, SNP. He won with a majority of 50 votes.

Killin Highland Games

Remember, the Highland Games will once again take place in Breadalbane Park on Wednesday, 2 August, and again we'll have the Famous Strong Men.

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Killin Gun Club

Killin Gun Club held their first clay Pigeon Shoot of the year on Sunday 2 April. 23 guns turned out on a very windy but dry day. Shoot results as follows;

DTL Class A: 1. H Paterson 58; 2. A Lennox 56; 3. G Ross 54; 4. E McAllister & H Campbell 51. **DTL Class B:** 1. G Coyne 58; 2. D Deans 48; 3. J Sinclair 38. **DTL Class C:** 1. R Mills 47; 2. A Donaldson 47; E Paterson 40. **Sporting Class A:** 1. J Sinclair 65; 2. G Ross 57; 3=. H Campbell & E McAllister 54. **Class B:** 1. D Deans 57; 2. R Cairns 54; 3. A Lennox 51. **Class C:** 1. A Donaldson 42; 2. F Frost 39; 3. R Mills 33- **High Gun & McGregor Cup:** G Ross 111 points. **Continuation:** A Donaldson.

Notice: The Club is to hold a Clay Pigeon Shoot for Beginners. All interested should contact the Secretary on Killin 820487. We will then set a date for the Shoot. **New Fixture List:** 11 June, 23 July, 13 August: 50 Bird Open Sporting, sponsored by A & B Services (Scotland) 3 September - Open 50 DTL 1 October, 12 November.

George Coyne, Secretary

Killin Curling Club Results for Season 1994/95

Winnipeg Cup: Gilbert Christie and his Rink. Runner Up: Douglas McRobbie
Dr Mairi Salver: Kay Riddell. Points Cup Gents: John Blyth. Runner Up: James Reilly.

Points Cup Ladies: Kathleen Blyth. Runner Up: Chrissie Fenton.

Province Cup: Killin No 1 Skip John Blyth. Medal Presented at Ladies Outing: Morag McAllister.

P Christie, Secretary

Killin Carpet Bowling Club

Killin Carpet Bowling Club held their Annual Dinner and Prize Giving in the Killin Hotel on the 1 April, music by Kevin Walker, and a fine night was had by all. The prizes were as follows:-

Singles: C McLarty. **Pairs:** C McLarty, N Lawrence. **Triples:** H Campbell, G Donnelly, C McLarty. **Rink Trophy:** D Livingstone, H Campbell, G Donnelly, A Walker. **League Trophy:** J Willison, J Guild, A Walker, R McAllister. **Rinks Handicap Shield:** C Grant, J Willison. **Points:** J Willison. **Knockout Trophy:** C McLarty, H Campbell.

Footnote: At the Annual Match between the Green Bowlers and Carpet Bowlers, the latter won with 38 points to 4. Nevertheless it was a good social evening with a good buffet and a dram.

Killin Heritage Society

There was a good turnout for the last meeting of the 1994/95 season on 7 April. Mervyn Brown who has farmed on Loch Tayside for the past 45 years, gave a talk that ranged over the changes in that time. A picture of farm life that saw the demise of the horse - mechanisation of farming. The Lochside with a two day a week bus service!

The general information combined with Mervyn's interest in conservation, wild life and, of course, the weather, provided a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

BB Car Treasure Hunt

On 9 April, 13 cars set out from the McLaren Hall to solve the clues, these included two entries from the Killin News Team. The route was round Glen Lochay, up past the Golf Course, back through the Village for a walk about the Dochart Bridge, then to the Hall via Lyon Road, for a well earned cup of coffee and supper.

This was the second venture in this form of fund raising and Alex Stewart devised some fiendish clues in an attempt to fox the participants. These included historical, the obvious, at least to him and Latin names for common birds to translate to English. It is my duty to report that the News Teams were no match for Kay Riddell's car full of brains, who were the overall winners, with the Webb family coming second after two tie-breaks.

The consolation prize went to Charlie Grant and family and the most original answer going to Richard Shand's team whose answer to the clue "By the sound of this, females are excluded from inspection" was a "a field of rams" when the correct answer was "a manhole cover".

The compiler has, under protest, agreed to easier clues if asked to compose another hunt and the Boys Brigade benefited to the sum of £66 from the evening with grateful thanks to everyone.

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Boys' Brigade Open Night

On the evening of 28 April, the Boys' Brigade gave us a very enjoyable evening of varied entertainment. Mr Ian McGregor inspected the boys and awarded the prizes.

Junior Section: Best group: Auchlyne. **Perfect Attendance for 1 year:** Ryan Douglas, David Stewart. **3 years:** Timothy McColl. **Gold Awards:** Kenneth Campbell, Timothy McColl, Roger Simpson and Rory Syme. **Company Section: Best Squad:** 4 (Douglas Ferguson). **Perfect Attendance for 1 year:** Greig Donnelly, Calum Frost, Stuart Kelly, John Smith and David Riddell. **4 years:** Cameron Frost. **7 years:** Gregor Gillies. **Best Drilled Boy:** Gregor Gillies.

Fraser Bedwell received the President's Badge, the first time that this has been awarded to the Killin Company and Rev McNaughton was presented with a medallion in recognition of his services to the Brigade. Many thanks are due to the Officers who give their time and energies to the Brigade.

Killin Football Club wins Promotion

Killin 5 - Perth Royale 3

Killin have won promotion from Division 4 to Division 3 after this hard fought battle against Perth Royale. Congratulations all round for a great team effort. We would like to thank the 31 supports and 2 strangers who braved the nice sunny day to come and shout the team on. Well Done, Killin AFC!

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Golf Club

We are happy to record an achievement that perhaps only golfers fully appreciate - a bit like scoring a maximum 147 break in snooker - a hole in one. This was in fact achieved by our own George Smith (handicap 4) on 14 April on the third hole at Killin Golf Course with a 4 iron. Well done George! Drinks all round?

We would also like to record that one of Killin's younger members recently featured in a "Golf World" as one of our most improved players in 1994, namely Cameron Taylor. Also featured was Jan Rough who had a similar achievement among the ladies.

Badminton Club

Winners for 1994/95 were Sonia Grant - Ladies Champion. James Fenna - Gents Champion. David Riddell - Junior Champion.

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President Mrs Sheena Chisholm welcomed everyone to the last meeting of the season. The speaker was Mrs P Lodge who told us of Beauty Therapy and demonstrated facial make-up. The vote of thanks was given by Mrs M Hunter.

Following the annual business was conducted. Among the visitors was the Group Chairman, Mrs Rita McEwen, who spoke of the Group's 60th birthday later in the year.

Competition Results - Carrot Cake: 1 Mrs M. Twigg; 2. Mrs S Ferguson & Mrs M Graham. Easier Card: 1 Mrs M Naysmith; 2 Mrs S Ferguson. Points Cup for the Year: Mrs S Ferguson. Points Cup for Best Trier: Mrs M Naysmith.

Obituaries

Mairi Stitt - On Wednesday 29 March, our village said goodbye to a dear respected villager and friend Mairi Stitt. Mairi was a quiet, retiring person, not one to seek limelight or to be seen in the forefront of events. She was a loyal friend and that friendship was given without reserve and for life. A helping hand, a listening ear, a cheery word, comfort and a welcoming smile were always available to those in need. Mairi suffered her long illness with great courage and fortitude. She is at peace now but the village is a poorer place without her.

Ian Fraser - Killin lost one of its best known villagers with the death of Ian Fraser in April. Ian opened the Killin Branch of Frasers Plumbing Firm in 1945. Born in Glasgow in 1918 he was brought up in Kenmore and went to Acharn School. He was a member of the Fire Brigade as leading fireman and then Sub Officer, joining in 1951 and retiring in 1977. He retired from business in 1984. A friendly and obliging man, it was said that Ian knew the plumbing and whereabouts of every pipe in the Village. He will be greatly missed.

Thank You

Fiona's Wedding

My niece Fiona was married in St Fillans Church on Saturday 29 April.

We had planned for a small wedding with no more than 60 guests. Many more were invited but it was assumed that the overseas guests were unlikely to come. We were wrong, over 100 people replied saying they were coming. We wondered if Killin could cope with such an invasion. We now know they can and the Village gave them a big welcome. We had a wonderful day, perfect weather and guests were completely won over by the Killin people and the superb surroundings. Thank you to the many guest house owners, hoteliers and shop keepers who welcomed them and whetted their appetite for more. They will be back.

Gina Angus, Glebe Collage



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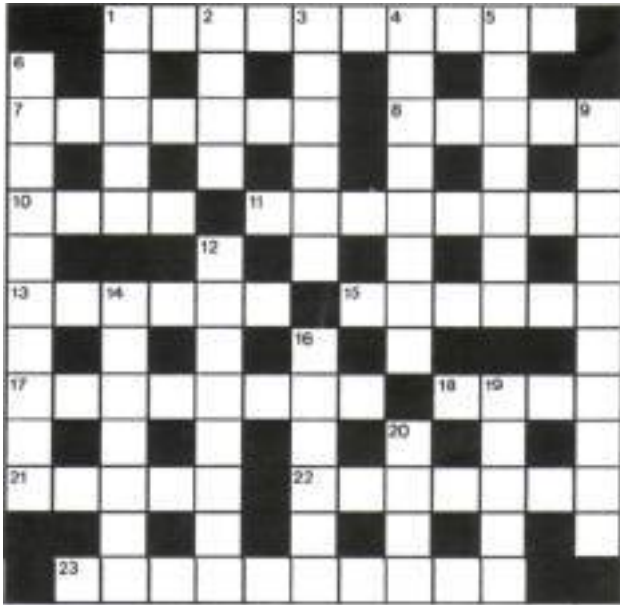
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Down: 1. Train 2. Over 3. Greets 4. Threaded 5. Untapped 6. Stonehenge 9. Radar traps 12. Reinfect 14. Unavail 16. Assert 19. Crews 20. Used

1. *Of the country under our feet!* (10)
7. *Providing tlc* (7)
8. *One does so in chess or dance* (5)
10. *Some of it in every piece of cutlery - well some!* (4)
11. *At home take drink round in this instrument* (8)
13. *In all these set ups, hot result is easy* (6)
15. *It's a plan.*
17. *Get in with a spell* (8)
18. *Flightless fruit* (4)
21. *Place for rest* (2, 3)
22. *Get on track* (7)
23. *Money gets round a spoiled belief to see who goes first* (10)

1. *It's in a prone position, when cooling* (5)
2. *Polish, or roast with it* (4)
3. *A groove in masonry* (6)
4. *Five lines for this place!* (8)
5. *"Once more into the breach ..."* (7)
6. *Eleven is one!* (10)
9. *There aren't many vacant just now* (10)
12. *Italian convulsion has to do with l'amour* (8)
14. *Can ease the stomach or start a colony* (7)
16. *Spoken or written, too much too long* (6)
19. *Part of it in a new way is quite silly.*
20. *First under the hammer to knock out* (4)

Forthcoming Events

More Thank You's

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| May | 27-29 | British National Ski Race Championship - Locheamhead Water Sports Centre |
| | 27 | Killin Golf Club - Mixed Open Competition |
| June | 3 | Killin Golf Club - Ladies Open Competition |
| | 4 | Ceilidh and Barn Dance - Suie Lodge Hotel 3.00 pm-7.00 pm |
| | 10 | Killin Golf Club - Open Stabelford (and every Saturday) |
| | 11 | Sheep Clipping and Dog Trials - Glen Lyon |
| | 16 | Sheep Shearing Competition - Inneshevan Farm, Glendochart 6.00 pm |
| | 24 | Triathlon - Locheamhead |
| July | 12 | Scottish Country Dancing - McLaren Hall 8.00 pm (and every Wednesday) |
| | 19 | Killin Bowling Club - Bric-a-Brac Sale |
| | 22 | Locheamhead Highland Games |
| | 22 | Fiddlers Concert - McLaren Hall, Killin |
| | 23 | Killin Gun Club - Challenge Cup |
| | 23 | Alloa Bowmar Pipe Band - Killin 1.00 pm |
| | 26 | Church Coffee Morning |
| | 28 | Highland Queen Dance - McLaren Hall, Killin |

Phyllis Aitken would like to thank everybody who sent cards and good wishes to her while she was in hospital for a hip replacement operation.

She is now making steady progress and hopes to see everybody soon.

Ian McGregor would like to thank everyone who sent cards, gifts and good wishes on his recent retirement, especially to the local bobbies who put up with him for 30 years in the specials, to the good folk of Ardeonaig for a superb social evening on his behalf and the kind people who contributed to the Village fund to mark his 45 years' service to the community.

Alec Chisholm: "May I, through 'Killin News', say a very sincere thank you to everyone who sent cards and good wishes for my recovery, also to those who visited me while in PRI; it was very much appreciated. I am home now and improving.

My very special thanks to Jan, Sandy

and Hilda for transporting Isa to PRI so many times."

Kate Winton and her "Catering Bus" - Kate would like to let everyone know who signed the petition and those who wrote letters to Stirling District Council, that the District Council have awarded her site-planning permission for her "Catering Bus". She would also like to express her appreciation to all the above for helping her stay on the road.

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