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Editorial

We have just had the coldest winter for many years and 'Warm in Killin' provided both warmth and the opportunity to renew acquaintance with people maybe unseen since before covid and also to meet new neighbours.

One good thing about the last two years is that it has brought into the village not only new people from Ukraine but also several new families. It seems that more houses are now being bought to be lived in rather than as second homes or holiday lets - maybe because it is now much more possible to work from home so people can comfortably live in a beautiful small village without having to worry about the cost and waste of time of long commutes. New people bring new energy and ideas and we hope they will enjoy becoming part of Killin village life and helping to make it better for us all.

Although In the past two years we have lost shops and hotels we still have the very successful Reuse Shop and the Post Office is a community asset. There are still a lot of people spending their time and talents in Killin on various voluntary projects which benefit the community.

We now look forward to Spring and a renewal of ideas and activities.

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Killin Warm Spaces

The Warm Hub in Killin has been supported by Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise through a Communities Mental Health and Well-being grant to the Killin Community Council. The aim of this initiative is to allow people to make use of a warm, sociable space in this time of hiked heating and other costs. The info about the Warm Hubs, has been distributed widely. It's been put up on the Killin Community Noticeboard page, posters on the physical noticeboards around the village, fliers through every door and left in e.g., the medical practice. Davidson's Pharmacy and in the shops in the village. The Warm Hubs have been available to EVERYONE -ALL WELCOME!

We asked the groups and clubs in the village to play an important role in this initiative. Many responded well! Through involving the many local groups and clubs in the village, we've tried to avoid a small number of people having to volunteer to run all those sessions! A Google calendar was used to communicate and coordinate the different days when different groups would take responsibility for just showing up and being friendly in the Warm Hub. This

Killin Phone Book 2022



The new 2022 Killin & District Phone Book is now available at MacGregors and Killin Library. Cost is £3 way, the responsibility was well spread out.

We've had various numbers attending the Warm Hub - from 17 one day to a couple or so, other days, and an average of around 5-6. There is always room for more!

Quotes from users of the Warm Hub;

"I've been really grateful for the Warm Hub. Some days I just can't get my house warm and being able to go round to the Warm Hub and get hot soup has just been great – I really appreciate"

"This is my first time here and I've thoroughly enjoyed it!"

"Where else would you find 4 single OAPs having a nice bowl of soup together and a good blether?"

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We'd like to thank all those who have helped and supported the Warm Hubs so far;

Shutters Restaurant, the Reconnect team, Community choir, the Community fridge and The Reuse Shop - Killin, KAT, Killin Drama Group, Firbush Centre, MacGregor's Community Hub, Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme The Heritage Society, Youth Group, Killin Parents Partnership, Killin Senior Golfers and Killin Community Council. Thanks too to all the other volunteers involved Eleanor Murray, Sara MacPhee, Isobel Gallagher, Carla Finlay, Janet Thomlin, Linda Kerr and Shutters staff - and others we may not have mentioned here! THANK YOU- you've been fantastic!

We'd like to particularly highlight the spiders web of help that has been involved; the Co-op donates to the Community fridge which has in turn provided vegetables for soup, cakes



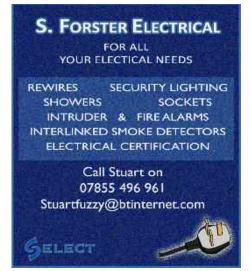
and biscuits for the Warm hubs in the library, the youth group Strike day Warm Hubs and Reconnect in the Community Rooms. The Reuse shop donated toys and books for children attending the Warm Hubs and one community member gave us magazines and papers. We've received donations for scone mix, of cake and soup stock. This circular economy has been amazing – what a cooperative and caring community we live in!

As of 6th January, the Warm Hub moved from Shutters who are giving their staff a well-earned rest in January, to the Sports Pavilion and the library. The Warm Hub in the Sports Pavilion is hosted by Citizens Advice Bureau 10 am – 4pm on Tuesdays. CAB are available for advice and both financial and practical help. Stirling Start-Up group host the Thursday lunchtime sessions (12.30 – 2.30) with soup and sandwiches. They come up from Stirling area and so please do use their services!

Note, we currently have a small number of Warm packs donated by Stirling Start-Up (fleece blanket, hand warmer, hot water bottle and insulated cups). We plan to provide more warm packs to people who would like one – please let CAB (it would be confidential) know if you or a neighbour or friend might be able to use one? CAB's phone number is 07498925157, email -

chris.kinnaird@stirlingcab.casonline.org.uk or alternatively come to the Sports Pavilion 10am – 4pm Tuesdays. CAB will also provide a home visiting advice service for those in Killin who are housebound or those who face challenges in getting out. Again, call 07498925157 to make an appointment.

Jane Calder



Killin Firefighters Fundraising



Lizzie Stevens, on behalf of Killin Drama Club, receives cheque towards the annual Senior Citizens Burns Supper



Doug Stack from Hertfordshire Scouts receiving a cheque to help fund a replacement defibrillator at Lochearnhead scout station

Every year we attend the Killin Show to raise money, and the support from locals and tourists is always fantastic. This year we managed to raise $\pounds 600$ which we decided as a crew to split between

- Senior Citizen's Burns Supper which is organised by Killin Drama Club
- Lochearnhead Scout Station to help with getting a new defibrillator
- Killin War Memorial Committee who will put this towards a new memorial bench
- Killin Hogmanay Lantern Workshop.

We would like to thank the local communities for the continued support throughout the year. **Killin's Firefighters**





Rona Foubister received a cheque on behalf of the war memorial committee, also present were David Osler and Stewart Inglis

Alma Walker & daughter Josi receive a cheque to support the annual Hogmanay Lantern Workshop

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Killin Youth Group

With the run up to Christmas and the fantastic effort and talent our young people displayed at this year's Panto, Youth Group had a relaxed approach to our sessions. We aimed to create a space for being creative, thinking of others and letting off steam! We had a few craft making sessions, making gifts for loved ones which were very creative.

The young people created wonderful tree decorations with the help of Gillian and her crafty talents. Some of the young people voted and decided that they wanted to take part in this year's village advent calendar and so planned, designed and produced a wonderful display of stained glass Christmas baubles. Youth Groups advent window was revealed on the 8th December and was amazing! So proud of you all. We of course finished the year with a Christmas party and danced the night away!

Now the new year is here and our approach at Youth Group is; What's

Next? With this we took the time to create our group agreement, discussing what's important to us, how we like to be treated and how we should treat others. This agreement will be the focus for our work this year and will be something the young people plan to take out into the wider community. These key points from our discussions were most important to them, Respect, Support, Honesty, Kindness, Caring and Sharing and will be the ethos of Killin Youth Group going into the future.

In other big news, we would like to introduce the Killin Youth Forum! 13 young people have joined as a group to direct, design and be the driving force for the future of youth work here in Killin. Look out for more from this group of fabulous young people. They have big ideas and are ready to make some changes. I would like to thank all of them for their time, creativity and enthusiasm, they are going to do great things! Upcoming sessions for this term will be as varied as always and we have lots planned. We will have a baking session, some jar crafts, a murder mystery, scavenger hunts and a games night. Findlay Boath, one of our young people has asked to host a session and is planning on teaching us all things lego! Thank you Findlay, we are looking forward to this session to get some tips.

Youth Group sessions have been run by CYP in partnership with KAT and supported by a group of local volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, no matter how little time you can give or you are interested in finding out more about joining the Youth Forum please get in touch carla@killincdt.co.uk

Carla Finlay Youth and volunteer Coordinator (KAT)

Lodge Breadalbane St. Fillans No.815 Killin

The members of Lodge 815 have been working hard over the festive period raising money to help local good causes, this year we raffled two hampers, With the help of some very generous locals all the contents of the hampers was donated by lodge members and we managed to raise a grand sum of \pounds 504.

We also organised the Ceilidh Dance on the first of January, this was a great success due to the support of the local community and raised more funds for the local area.

The freemasons of Perthshire West held a sponsored walk last summer, the money raised was distributed among the Masonic Lodges in the district, our allocation has been given to The Killin War Memorial Restoration group and the Killin and Crianlarich Nursery Schools.

The funds raised from the two hamper draws will be used to purchase a sound system for the Killin Primary School.

Without the continued support of this great community we would not be able to support local project such as these so a great big thank you to everyone for their support, from the boys at 815.



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Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries

The children in Killin and Crianlarich nurseries have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and have settled back into nursery, ready to continue our learning journey for 2023.

and look forward to being able to attend more face-to-face visits and being involved in the community garden project.

The children in the 0 to 3 room are focusing on



All the children took part in our Nativity and thoroughly enjoyed participating in all the different learning opportunities involved, such

as prop making, learning dance routines and song words, working together as part of a team and learning about the Christmas story. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved who helped us achieve this.

Since our return the children in the 3 to 5 room have been focusing on celebrations and festivals through stories, poems, music and videos. They have been learning about different cultures and

beliefs and engaging in events from the past.

The children are learning the importance of rules and how they everyone who can join us on a Tuesday morning in the Library at 10:30 for our Book Bug Rhyme time session and welcome any new

families that wish to attend.

The children and educators would like to thank Frances Morrison for coming in to teach us some Christmas songs and for making it so much fun by hand crafting some lovely props.

Crianlarich

The children in Crianlarich Nurserv have had a fantastic Christmas and New

Year and are happy to be back. They have returned to nursery and settled back well and are all ready to learn.

They have also been learning about Chinese New Year (GuaNianHao). This New Year is the Year of the



developing motor skills

Rabbit and the children have been learning that the Chinese calendar

goes in a cycle of 12 years. Through in-depth conversations and some research Clare and Caitlin discovered that several members of staff and children are the Year of the Rat. They have also been making Lanterns for the end of the Chinese New Year which finishes with a lantern festival. It is all about reconciliation, peace and foraiveness. We have had one trip already to see the bulbs pushing through the soil at the community garden.

Alexandra Tigwell



benefit us all.

We are also continuing our links with the Falls of Dochart Retirement home



king lanterns



experiences such as, drawing tracks

paper stuck to the underside of the

for their vehicles and drawing on

table. We are very thankful to

Killin Community Council, Killin Sports Hub, and Stirling District Citizens Advice Bureau Ltd have teamed up, thanks to funding from CLLD & the Stirling Council Cost of Living growth Fund, and are delighted to be launching a locally accessible advice & support service for Killin & the surrounding area.

From Tuesday 10th January, The Pavilion, Main Street, Killin, FK21 8TN, (Opposite the Killin hotel) will be open between 10 and 4pm every Tuesday. Please feel free to drop in to this warm space, help yourself to free tea, coffee and biscuits. Make use of our high speed internet. There is a private room for anyone needing space to hold private online consultation or job interview etc.

Stirling Citizens Advice Bureau will be on site throughout this period and available to offer confidential advice on a wide range of issues - social security, energy, employment, housing and a whole range of other subjects. (There is a separate confidential consultation room for this).

If you need help with transport to access this service please let us know and we will do our best to help!

Citizens Advice Bureau in Killin

There will be refreshments.

Please come along and join us, meet the CAB team and find out what we can offer.

From Thursday 12th January, Start up Stirling will be hosting a warm space at the Pavilion, every Thursday between 12 and 2pm offering soup, sandwiches and friendly conversation

Aim

The aim of the Killin Hub is to provide wide ranging CAB advice to disadvantaged and isolated people via outreach surgeries and home visiting, thereby allowing informed, empowered and enabled decision making. The advice available will include help up to and including an appearance at a Social Security tribunal. There are a range of other services and support on offer. CAB in Killin will also provide a home visiting advice service for those housebound by virtue of rural, economic and social isolation, helping to tackle poverty and inequality throughout Killin and its surrounding area.

Craig Anderson, CEO of Stirling CAB said, "We're delighted to be able to support our rural

communities and to support a Killin

based service. It can be very difficult for people to access support services in Stirling due to transport, social or health challenges so the service will be welcomed by many in the rural area who face problems." Killin Hub Services include:

- The provision of a weekly generalist CAB advice service dropin, for the community of Killin, based in the Pavilion 10 – 4 on Tuesdays (no appointment necessary).
- Access to specialist energy advice & related support (e.g. slow cookers/electric blankets)
- Start-up Stirling (Thursdays 12.30 – 2.30) offering soup and food capacity building advice & support.
- The provision of a weekly home visiting CAB advice service across Killin and its surrounding area for housebound.
- Warm Connections will be attending the hub providing free, impartial advice to support people to live in warm, healthy, affordable to run and environmentally sustainable homes, helping people save money and reduce their carbon footprint.
- A local access point for the community for warmth & other support such as online access, digital support & other forms of advice.



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Killin Medical Practice

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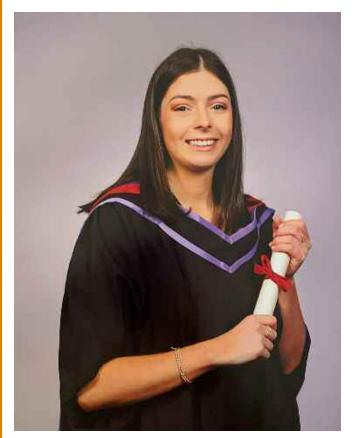


Thank you to everyone that so very kindly gave us gifts and cards for Christmas.

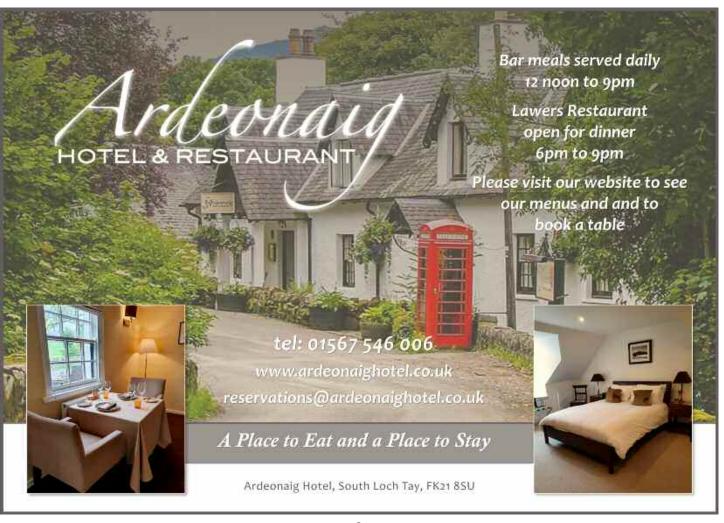
If you have changed address or contact details recently please can you let us know, we have had a few incidents of trying to call patients back and their numbers are either incorrect or no longer in existence. You can change your details by using the form available on our website.

> Ann Massey Practice Manager

Graduation



Emma Aitken graduated from the University of Glasgow on 2nd December 2022, with a Masters in Education



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Killin Community Council

Warm Hubs

Unless you're a fish, or better still - a penguin, it's been a pretty miserable couple of months. Nevertheless, our intrepid band of local volunteers have been out and about, distributing 'warm packs' and hosting 'warm hub' get togethers. These have been very well received, and well attended. Grants and funding awarded to the Community Council are sufficient to enable this provision to continue for several more months and, in the case of the Sports Pavilion, for the rest of the year. These activities are run by volunteers and supported by most of the local clubs, societies and organisations. They are not intended as a "last resort", but as a strong focus for community involvement and general socialising. Many of the clubs and societies participating are keen to recruit new members, so it's a great opportunity to meet up with people of similar interests and explore new horizons. The Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme have verv kindly offered to provide transport to these events to anyone who requires it. Please do make use of these opportunities and activities.

Roads

The weather has also wrought minor devastation on our road network. The combination of periods of heavy rain followed by freezing temperatures will cause fractures and potholes. This will get worse before it gets better, so please drive carefully, particularly on minor roads. Another problem is deer driven off the hill to lower pastures, crossing roads in the dark.

SSEN Projects

The SSEN replacement of overhead pylons with underground cabling is now in its second and final phase. The access roads have been removed and the pylons are due to be removed. The associated project to renew the transformer station in Glen Lochay is due to begin in February with the construction of works facilities and accommodation. There will, no doubt. be some intermittent interruption to road traffic in the glen over the coming year. Updates will be posted in the Killin News and online.

Ukranians

Our Ukrainian guests are gradually being relocated to more sustainable, long-term accommodation. Some have found local sponsors or other accommodation, but others are still waiting for suitable accommodation to become available. Under pressure from the local community, the contract between the Scottish Executive and the Killin Hotel was extended to the end of March, but this is now a looming deadline. Those who have local employment will be sorely missed if they have to relocate elsewhere. To reiterate some of my previous comments on this subject, it is essential that we have a flexible and socially responsive private rental market in the area. Without it, we will all suffer - economically and socially.

Parish Church

The Killin and Ardeonaig Parish Church has submitted a planning proposal for a significant renovation and modernisation of the 'White Church'. There was some discussion at the recent Community Council meeting, as the plans envisage a change to a community place of worship and social congregation. This comes at a time when the 'Tin Church' is reportedly up for sale and churches throughout the land are being turned into bars, restaurants and holiday homes. The Church elders wish to secure a viable Church to service a vital and established Christian community in the area. The Community Council, after some discussion, agreed to support their plans dependent on positive support amongst the local community. You can indicate your approval or dissent by emailing the CC at the address below.

Weather Problems

There were significant problems in December with heavy snowfalls. A lot



of local people were involved in the relief efforts. Although neither the Community Council nor the Resilience Team were involved, thanks are due to those who did turn out. I have heard that Alan Cory-Wright and Robert Grant were the heroes of the day, but there were many others who helped, fire crews, police and others. Our thanks go to all of them.

Meet Your Local Councillor

We have been awarded a grant of £100 to stage a 'meet your local councillors' evening. Shutters Restaurant has generously agreed to host this event. It will be held on Friday 24th February in Shutters between 7.00pm and 9.00pm. We expect a good turnout of your local and national politicians, so if you have issues to raise or just fancy a pleasant night out, then this is the event for you.

Next KCC Meeting

The next Community Council meeting will be on the 7th March at 7.00pm at the Killin Primary School hall. As ever, all members of the community are welcome to attend. Comments, suggestions and complaints can be sent to

communitycouncilkillin@gmail.com

Andy Aitken

Local Councillor Contacts

Councillor Earl on: 01786 233114 earlm@stirling.gov.uk

Councillor Maxwell on: 01786 233101 maxwellg@stirling.gov.uk

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We are also carrying on with our cycling sessions with Crianlarich and Killin Primary Schools, held by Trailcoach. We also hope to offer two Family Sessions over the Easter holidays, which will be open to all. This is your chance to find out a bit more about how to maintain your bike and learn some new skills and tricks - and help boost anyone's confidence. The kids have loved the sessions at the schools, and it would be good to let parents get involved or even high school aged young people. So keep your eyes peeled for information. If you want to find out more keep an eye on our website: https://www.strathfillancdt.org.uk/pr ojects/tyndrum-community-bikeskills-park

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Wild Strathfillan Community Heritage Project

Just before Christmas we held our first Community Heritage Group Meeting in Crianlarich Village Hall. Thank you to everyone who came along and want to get involved. Our next meeting is on February 8th at 7pm in Crianlarich Village Hall, for anyone who would like to attend. Kelly and Dawn Skelton are excited to be delivering a presentation to Killin Heritage Society on January 29th about the Heritage Project, so if you would like to find out what our plans are, then please come along. To find out more about this project please visit the Trust's website:

https://www.strathfillancdt.org.uk/pr ojects/wild-strathfillan-communityheritage-project

If you are interested in getting involved in the Strathfillan Community Heritage Project, then please get in touch by emailing Kelly at the details below.

Strathfillan Community Woodlands

Our Woodland Team undertook First Aid Training with a Forestry Slant before Christmas; we would like to thank John Morris of Killin for providing a fantastic session. Llinos has been working hard and getting lots done, it's been great to see. We recently took part in a 'bio-acoustic survey' with Carbon Rewild, where they are monitoring Scottish woodland biodiversity through sound. It will be interesting to see (or hear) what animals are in Tyndrum Community Woodland. We are also working closely with the Countryside Trust and the National Park through their Wild Strathfillan Project, and supporting Glen Falloch Estate in their River Woods Project; improving riparian habitats. If you would like to

Strathfillan Communit

get involved in the woodlands or find out more, you can drop Llinos an email at llinos@strathfillancdt.org.uk

Strathfillan Seasonal Rangers

We hope to secure funding again this year to employ two seasonal rangers for the summer season. If you or anyone you know might be interested in this role, then please get in touch with Kelly at the details below and you can discuss the opportunities.

Strathfillan Community Garden

It's been a quiet winter at the community garden, but we have managed to get a large new container in place to store equipment for the garden, the woodland ranger and the fishing group. We hope to paint this in a more camouflaged way so it is not so visible. Our outdoor raised beds are being used to grow onions and garlic by some locals. We do still have some raised beds available (free to use) if anyone wants to start their gardening journey or just doesn't have space at home. We have some fuscia cuttings on the go and some other exciting projects coming up. As the weather improves we will have a couple of open days for people to come and meet up, chat all things gardening and sample some food delights! Keep an eye on the SCDT facebook page for updates. https://www.facebook.com/groups/2 495715407394997/

AGM

Thank you to everyone who attended our AGM on November 24th, 2022. We sadly said goodbye to Colin McGeoch, who has been a fantastic asset to the Trust for the past few years. We will all miss him and wish him the best for the future. We would like to thank the Crianlarich Hotel and Crianlarich Stores for providing some lovely



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refreshments, and we would also like to thank Phil Day from Scotgold for a very informative presentation on the Goldmine. The Board Trustees elected are as follows: Dawn Skelton, Theresa Elliot, Vesna Podrzaj, Rena Baillie, Margaretanne Browne, Billy Ronald and David West. We still have two places for co-option on the Trust, so if you would like to join the Trust and get involved in our fantastic projects, then getting in touch with Kelly or speak to one of the Board.

Warm Winter Hub



The Trust have secured some funding to hold Warm Winter Hubs over the next few months. These are free drop-in sessions at Crianlarich Village Hall. They take place every Tuesday from 12.30pm to 2.30pm, through January, February, March and April. There will be various refreshments including soup, sandwiches, tea, coffee and biscuits. So come along to warm up, get a bite to eat and get together. We hope to see you there!

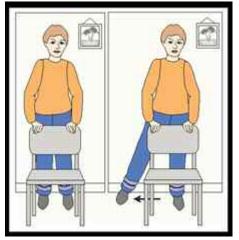
Getting in touch

You can contact the Trust directly by emailing Kelly at

kelly@strathfillancdt.org.uk or phoning 07707044484. Kelly is now in the Trust Office in Crianlarich Village Hall every Thursday, 9am to 5pm if you want to drop by. For updates on projects and activities you can check out our Facebook Page. And for more information on our projects and what we do, have a look at our website:

https://www.strathfillancdt.org.uk/ho me

Keeping strong and balanced at home



Continuing with our theme of exercises you can do in your own home with no equipment, this issue we bring you 'side hip strengthener'. Although if you do have an ankle weight it would make it more effective. Having worked your Quadriceps and Hamstrings in the last few issues of Killin Times, we now work on the muscles in the outer thighs and the hip abductors, which

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Stand tall close to and holding your support (you don't want to feel wobbly for this one)

Lift the leg slowly out to the side keeping the toes pointing forwards Only lift the leg as high as you can without having to tip your upper body to compensate (you have gone too far if you do this!)

Place the weight back over both feet to rest briefly

Aim to lift for a slow count of 3 and lower for a slow count of 5 each time Repeat 2 times, eventually build up to 10 on one leg, then change legs. Have a go and let us know how you get on – give us some feedback at dawn.skelton@laterlifetraining.co.uk or on the SCDT Facebook page.

Crianlarich Village Hall Charity Auction

Crianlarich Village Hall are holding a charity auction in aid of hall funds

Friday 10th March at 6pm Viewing from 5pm Teas, coffees, Rolls and home baking available.

Donations gratefully received at the hall from Tuesday evening onwards. Look forward to seeing you there !

For uplifts please contact : Jim Ronald 07887886333)









Book Reviews

I'm reading 'Humphrey's Pet Show Panic!' by Betty G Birney. It's about a hamster called Humphrey who goes on lots of different adventures. In this book he panics because he is entered in to a pet show and doesn't think he will win it. I would give this book 8 out of 10. **Poppy, P4**

Our class is reading 'Wonder' by RJ Palacio. It's about a boy called August, and his family, who have to overcome lots of challenges. I would give this book 9 out of 10.

Jamie, P7

I'm reading 'Seriously Silly Freddy Frogface' by Laurence Anholt. It's about a very funny frog who tries to cheer up a king and princess. I would give this a 7 out of 10.

Zach, P3

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SWI Christmas Party

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the ladies of the SWI who put on another fantastic Christmas party. We had an afternoon of dancing and party games, followed by a delicious spread. We even had a surprise visitor at the end, who was dressed in red and had a big white beard, who gave us all party bags. We had an amazing time.

QR Code World Cup Treasurer Hunt

Killin Prim

Class 3 were finding out about the different countries that were taking part in the 2022 World Cup. We had a World Cup Treasure Hunt, where we looked for QR codes that were hidden in the playground. We scanned the codes with the iPads to find a list of clues. We then used the clues to find the countries.



Warm Space Christmas Carols

Class 3 were delighted to join the Warm Space group at the church hall. We were able to share some Christmas songs and some of our writing.



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Killin Parent Partnership Update

I'd like to start by saying a huge thank you to everyone who supported and came to The Winter Ball in December. This was a new event for us and there were times we weren't sure it would go ahead, but we did it and everyone had a great time, roll on next year!! Extra special thanks to Grants Laundry, Killin Agricultural Show, MacGregors Community Hub and Eilidh Fleming for their support and a huge thank you to Killin Highland Games for their generous hamper donation, which was won by Tina Campbell on the night. In the end over £300 was raised for the school, so thank you again to all those who made it happen!

I'd also like to say a big thank you to MacGregors Community Hub for their greatly appreciated donation of \pounds 192.60 following their Christmas card delivery service.

All funds raised and donated go towards supporting the school and pupils. In December, the KPP were able to fund the full purchase cost of a new projector system, over £3700, for the school hall and we have again subsidised the Dalguise trip for the P7 children. We are planning more great events this year and look forward to your continued support.

Being part of the Killin Parent Partnership is a great way to support the primary school and be involved in your child's education and we will always welcome new members. If you would like to find out more, please contact the school or me directly. If you would like to be involved in our events but not part of the committee, we would love to hear from you too!

Hayley Kennedy (Chair)



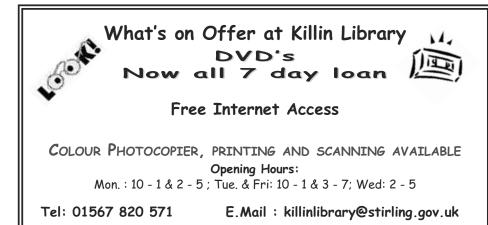
Class 1 - Lighthouses

We have been learning about the history of lighthouses, who build them and why. Then we constructed our own lighthouses at home.



ELF Books

Class 1 wrote a story about an elf who saved Christmas. The elf travelled across the Artic to rescue the Christmas magic.





Fingerprint Workshop

PC Iona and PC Donald came to talk to Class 3 about Finger Printing and how it is used in the Police Force. They showed us some examples and explained that everyone has unique finger prints. We all got to complete our own fingerprint form.



Outdoor Maths

In Class 2 we were learning about how to measure accurately using cm and mm. We did our best standing jumps two times, measured our jumps then calculated the differences between them.





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The Community Fridge has now diverted 5,000kg of food waste, about the size of two white rhinoceros, so thank you to everyone who helps us use up this food waste. Most of it comes from our Co-op, but we have had contributions from people's gardens, the fruit trees in the Breadalbane Park, MacGregor's Community Hub, local hotels and guesthouses and individuals, so it can be quite varied as to what we have on offer. Anything that goes beyond use is composted and all the plastic bags used to transport it are recycled by the Co-op's soft plastics scheme.

We have also shared some items with our Warm Hubs. Sharing is at the core of what we do, so if you are aware of a neighbour who is unable to get to the Reuse Shop themselves, do share some of our items with them.

We are a small team of volunteers and we are always looking for more

The Reuse Shop & RecyKillin Tool Library

volunteers to collect from the Co-op in the mornings – it doesn't have to be at the crack of dawn, as long as we collect before noon. If you are interested, pop into the Reuse Shop for a chat. We can always use more volunteer help in the Reuse Shop too. If you cannot volunteer regularly, perhaps you can help take items beyond reuse to the recycling centre?

At the tool library we have over 160 tools on offer, most donated and refurbished. We would love to start up some repair cafes, helping people





learn how to fix their own items, while having coffee and cake and good chat. If that's something you can help us with, again pop into the Reuse shop for a chat. We have completed almost 300 loans since we opened, saving money for our members and protecting the environment by encouraging everyone to buy less and repair more. The average drill is used for just 13 minutes in its lifetime, so it is well worth borrowing one instead and you will save on storage space. You can see all our catalogue at recykillin.myturn.com or pop into the shop for a chat. The tool library is open 12-1pm on Saturdays and 3-4pm on Mondays.

Eleanor Murray



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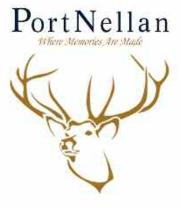








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Countryside Trust – Walk in the Park health walk update!

As Winter clings on, the Countryside Trust's team, Fran Crumley and Fiona McGregor have some top tips to help you keep warm and stay active with some gentle Strength and Balance exercises from the comfort of your home.

At this time of year, as we are more prone to slips and falls, Fran and Fiona suggest a few options to help strengthen your muscles and improve balance starting with a '**Sit to Stand'** 5 simple step chair rise exercise, all which can be done from the comfort of your arm/dining room chair:

Sit on a chair that is not too low. Move forward into the front third of the chair.

Put your feet flat on the floor then slide them back slightly. Lean forward over your knees keeping your head and shoulders high and push up through your heels to a standing position (try not to use your arms, just your legs)

Sit back down and then slowly repeat 5 times, building up to 10. Another exercise for anyone visiting the bathroom located on another

level of the home, suggest making two repetitions of climbing the stairs. Even some gentle housework is good to keep the body active. Don't forget their Strength and Balance sessions are also back every Wednesday 2-3pm at Killin& Ardeonaig Parish Church.

Health Walk – New programme for 2023

Now we are well into 2023, the Killin Walk in the Park group has now resumed with their new year's programme featuring lots of our favourite walks and exploring the local area. Many routes are dementia friendly and suitable for all walking abilities and are free for anyone to join. Plus, with no booking required and under the guidance of our trained volunteer walk leaders you know you are always in safe hands. Depart every Wednesday at 1020am from the McLaren Village Hall Car park (see timetable for more details) we look forward to seeing you there!

Get In Step with Nature If you can't join them for a health walk but can get out into your garden or look through your window, consider taking some time for their 'In Step with Nature' challenge spotting anything and everything festive from fir trees to frosty landscapes. Taking time to stop, stand still and observe the sounds, smells, and sights around us is great for our mental wellbeing. For any enquiries, please get in touch by email to: fiona@trustinthepark.org / fran@trustinthepark.org or visit their website www.trustinthepark.org for more details.





Cycle in the Park Welcome Scheme

Loch Lomond and The Trossachs Countryside Trust are now accepting registrations from businesses in the Park for their new "Cycle in the Park Welcome" scheme, a scheme to benefit business and improve the quality of visitor experience for all cyclists.

With real benefits to businesses from cycling and cyclists,

particularly in an area which is cycling friendly it not only brings significant environmental and health benefits, but economic benefits too. Cycling is known to be worth over £500 million pounds a year to the Scottish economy.

To register your cycle friendly business is free by visiting the Countryside Trust's website. Once registered, your business will receive a free web listing on their website, feature as a business in their Cycle in the Park Welcome publicity campaign and also receive the Business Toolkit booklet.

What's more, the first 30 businesses to register will each receive a "startup pack" through the support of



containing a Peaty's complete bicycle cleaning kit, a basic toolkit and Track Pump along with their Business Toolkit worth around £200.

By registering today you'll be doing your bit to support sustainable and active travel in the National Park. It's a win, win!

THE KILLIN CONNECTION

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Moving Mountains

In 1955, a group of largely Irish emigrant workers broke a world record by tunneling through 170 metres of rock in seven days. The tunnellers, known as the Tunnel Tigers, were the backbone of the Breadalbane Hydro-Electric Scheme, a vast network of power stations, dams, aqueducts and transmission lines that ran from Glen Lyon through Killin to Comrie.

Digging the St Fillans section of the Scheme - an area extending from Lochan Breaclaich to Dalchonzie - two crews of sixteen men worked round the clock in dark, dangerous conditions with little protection and only basic power tools. Today, the two black chasms that emerge from either

end hide a gruelling journey through dust, noise, sweat, grease and hard graft.

It is difficult to imagine now that paraffin lamps and peatfired ovens were still a standard fixture for many Highland homes in 1955. To give context, the same year saw the invention of the first digital computer, microwave oven and wireless TV remote. The post-war era was one of rapidly evolving science and technology, social and economic reform. Living standards were improving thanks to the NHS and nationalised industry; convenience and luxury in the home, essential.

Looking north, the British Government sought to propel the Highlands into the modern age by means of hydroelectric power, using the country's famously dreich weather as the driving force. The North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Scheme was born - brainchild of Tom Johnston, Secretary of State for Scotland, whose vision was to literally give power to the people.

Over thirty years, the Board built some fifty dams and power stations, almost two hundred miles of tunnel, four hundred miles of road and over twenty thousand miles of power line. In short, it was one of the greatest engineering achievements Scotland has ever seen. But Scotland's alone? Not quite.

The cosmopolitan spirit that grew from the Scheme was epitomised by the Tunnel Tigers. Working alongside the Scots were English, Germans, Polish, Lithuanians, Ukrainians, Canadians; ex-servicemen, POWs and DPs (Displaced Persons). The largest proportion of the emigrant workforce were Irish, who like their navvy forefathers, made travelling for jobs a tradition. Tunnel Tigers Are After Your World Tunnelling Record". The teams had beaten it by five feet. To put things perspective, that is more than the height of Blackpool Tower. An impromptu celebration was likel

The Tigers were the muscle of the entire project, an elite group who enjoyed a basic wage of £15 per week, doubled by overtime. Issued with only a cardboard helmet, Wellington boots and oilskins, men worked twelve hour shifts in the tunnels, though whole weekends underground were not uncommon. Dim electric bulbs were strung along the roof, while railway tracks for the bogeys that carried away spoil ran up the floor. Pumps tried to maintain a movement of fresh air through the tunnel, choked with dust and diesel fumes. Tunnel Tigers Are After Your World Tunnelling Record". The teams had beaten it by five feet. To put things in perspective, that is more than the height of Blackpool Tower. An impromptu celebration was likely held in the tunnel itself, when two teams drilling from opposite ends removed the last rock wall between them. With the dust settled, a ribbon was usually hung and ceremonially cut; beer was brought in; and the foremen of the two teams shook hands for the camera. For their momentous efforts, the Tigers were given £60 and a £20 bonus (roughly £2000 today).

Flush with cash and clear of stoor, the tunnellers descended on the local villages for some much needed entertainment. As a central settlement

in Breadalbane, Killin flourished like a mining town in a Gold Rush. Columns of trucks loaded with cement moved day and night through the streets. McLaren Hall had its own cinema, and hosted Friday night dances which brought revellers far and wide.

The World Tunnelling Record stood for another decade when it was surpassed by the Irish crews working on the Cruachan scheme - a

staggering 560 feet in seven days. The record remains unbeaten almost sixty years later, a testament to the resilience and determination of the men who claimed it.

However, such milestones were inevitably paid in lives. In 2019, a memorial to the Tunnel Tigers who died working on projects throughout Britain was unveiled in Donegal. Of the 77 names on the plinth, one stands out: *Seamus Doohan, From Drumnatinny, Died 1958 in Killin, Aged* 24. Was it worth it? For those who came home there is still a feeling of immense pride in what they achieved, despite toil and tragedy. When asked the question, an ex-Tiger replied in one word: "Definetely." An answer no doubt echoed by his comrades.

Michael Gardiner

Thanks Michael

This is the final article in Michael's Killin Connection series, we'd like to thank Michael for all the very interesting and informative articles over the last couple of years.

Editor



Drilling was done by American-made Drifters, heavy machines powered by compressed air. The noise they produced made speech impossible, so communication between workers could only be achieved by hand signals. When drilling was finished, explosives called gelignite were packed into the wall face, a particularly volatile substance prone to "sweating" or leaching out nitroglycerin. After detonation, the Tigers moved back up the tunnel with EIMCOs, small mechanical shovels which cleared away the rubble and debris.

Time was of the essence in such an operation, as teams competed to accomplish record drives. The men of the St Fillans section under Bill McClunie relished the challenge. In February 1955, they broke the British and European tunnelling record of 428 feet in a week. The world record - 552 feet in a week held by American tunnellers at Owens River Gorge, California - seemed quite a long way off. Then, on the 28th October, came the headline from the *Courier*: "Look Out, America! Bill McClunie and His

KILLIN DRAMA CLUB PANTO 2023 PUSS IN BOOTS



Members of Killin Drama Club were proud to present their annual pantomime at Killin's McLaren Hall last week, and this year's production, Puss in Boots by Ben Crocker attracted large supportive audiences with FULL HOUSES on 2 of the three evenings. A cast of almost 40 club members aged from 8 to over 70 performed dances and comedy routines aplenty, with many of the traditional classic ingredients included in a great script. The club takes a pride in its technical skills and once again the skills were put to the test with dozens of lighting and sound cues accompanied by some pyrotechnic effects. Stars of the show? - the junior chorus of course, who provided enormous energy and enthusiasm throughout the show!





Next for the club? Plans are afoot to perform a stage version of the 1935 classic - The 39 Steps remembering that Killin featured in the original Hitchcock film.





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Re-bedding of the Healing Stones at the Old Mill on Christmas Eve

At 5 minutes to midday about seven of us had gathered to perform the Re-bedding of the Healing Stones. We all had our cups of mulled cider or hot chocolate and were about to begin. Then suddenly the doors opened, and in came person after person! More chairs had to be fetched from the first floor, one of the early comers (thank you Vicky!) jumped on serving the drinks to free me up to welcome everyone. I didn't do a headcount, but there were about 30 people squeezed into the groundfloor room of the Mill! I was quite overwhelmed to see so many people turn up.

After I welcomed everyone and told them a little of the lore surrounding the stones, we held a short silence to consider this year's theme of warmth, and giving each other a helping hand. Then the children gathered at the front of the room and we began the ceremony. This year we were lucky to have the wonderful Claire Hewitt, a local storyteller and musician, attend and she set the mood on her harp. Each year we replace the 'river

Each year we replace the 'river wrack' that the stones are bedded on



with a fresh load, which is cut from the banks of the Dochart and dried before the ceremony. For the last couple of years we have also reintroduced washing the stones in water from the river.

On the Killin Past and Present page you can see a post, originally from Tobar an Dualchais – Kist o Riches where William Walker talks about the re-bedding of the Stones. Back then

(1880s-1960s), it was done on the third Tuesday of January, St Fillan's feast day, when a market was traditionally held in Killin and no work was done in the Mill. In Mr Walker's day, there was no ceremony attached to the re-bedding of the Stones and no one, bar the person doing it, attended. However, the process was considered important enough



that doing it was a condition of the Mill lease.

Once the children had changed the bedding and washed the stones Claire told us of St Bride and the Oystercatcher, and her relevance in terms of the line of women in the village, who, according to Gillies of 'In Famed Breadalbane', used to look after and use the stones. She then sang us a beautiful Gaelic Lullaby, accompanied by the harp. We then made our way to the Dochart Bridge and returned last years' wrack to the



river. At the end, there was not a drop of mulled cider or hot chocolate left!

Thanks to all who attended this year, it was lovely to see so many turn up and the feeling in the room was very special. I hope to see you all again next year, along with those who didn't make it this time, though I might need to find more chairs!

Raina Jones



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We are Counting on Them

Writing this in mid-January the weather is chilly indeed. It has brought back the small birds to the feeders and the garden is busy with blue, great and coal tits, nuthatches, greenfinches, dunnocks, house sparrows, goldfinches, wrens, a brambling and siskins. There also seems to be rather a population of robins putting aside their squabbling to share the food and of blackbirds both local (males with yellow beaks) and migratory visitors (males with black beaks). It is good to see as in October we came home from a week away and the place was devoid of birds, and we were worried that avian flu had taken its toll. But obviously they had just been missing us!? Another set of friends that were missing on our return were the squirrels. They always disappear to feed on the local hazelnuts and beechmast at that time and return when the natural harvest is over. Disappointingly they are late returning this year. A friend at Kinnel wonders if it's due to the exceptionally good harvest last Autumn. Maybe they are still feasting in the woods, or they may even have remembered where they have buried some of them. Certainly, we still have flocks of woodpigeons feeding on the mast. Let's hope that this is so and that there is not squirrel pox about. It is thought that there is an outbreak near Lockerbie. Whatever the reason both ourselves and the dog are having withdrawal symptoms.

An unexpected visitor this week was sitting on our hedge at midday, a merlin! We were surprised to see it way from the higher heathland but, on looking it up, found that they sometimes wander to lower pastures in the Winter.

Not so much a wander as a real journey by a goldcrest, Europe's smallest bird which has been recorded flying 400 miles over The North Sea in under 8 hours. Its average speed was 27mph.

Not so much travelling themselves but due for being moved are the beavers in the Balloch end of Loch Lomond. Anglers think that they would be better moved to the Ardlui end. Do they know that there is already a large number at Ardlui which arrived there under their own steam some time ago? They are also responsible for the wire surrounding the tall poplars near Wade's bridge at Aberfeldy after felling one and endangering another. Maybe folk have given up counting the beavers, but help is being asked for by WWF (as in wildlife not wrestling) to study thousands of satellite images over the next 5 years to count

walruses. Not so much searching 'Where's Wally' as 'how many Wallies.' And you can volunteer to study the pictures of the arctic without even getting cold.

A similar use of IT in local deer counts for some time where images from a helicopter can be counted later at home in comfort rather than when hanging out of the helicopter. This has been taken to a new level by a Glasgow based tech company EOLAS where deer are recognised by artificial intelligence and so counted automatically.

The Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust are asking Scottish farmers to take part in the 'Big Farmland Bird Count' on their land between 3rd and 19th February.

Farmers may also be able to help the

environment with their slurry. The Arla dairy company has estimated that the 91 million tons of slurry produced could provide 8 miillion cubic metres of biomethane which could heat 6.4million homes. Some other good news is that a group of volunteers with modified 4x4s are helping people in remote areas of Scotland in bad weather conditions and who are otherwise unreachable (The Community Offroad Transport Action Group (COTAG)). It has been found that the velvet from the growing antlers of reindeer is extremely good in treating burns. Maybe the red deer's would do the same? Maybe research for someone. Have you seen the pictures of Mr. Fox's fantastic relation in a BBC news item on the net? This remarkable urban animal is missing 2 legs, maybe from a car injury, but is getting around, nevertheless. Respect!

Tim Frost



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There is a common misconception that as the days shorten, the weather deteriorates, and visitor numbers decrease over winter there is little to do at Ben Lawers. Although staff do often take the opportunity to catch up on leave, there is plenty going on behind the scenes. The annual management cycle involves maintenance, review and planning, a surprising amount of which takes place in front of a computer. Records are collated, reports prepared, results disseminated and used to inform ongoing management.

A vital job, and one that does involve being out on the hill, is deer culling. Although there is no commercial stalking, numbers are controlled, with annual property targets contributing to those agreed for the whole Breadalbane Deer Management Group area. As Ben Lawers is designated for internationally important plant communities, some of which are adversely affected by overgrazing, it is vital to ensure that deer numbers are managed.

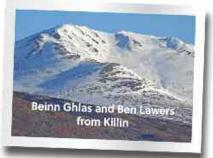
Income from the sale of venison provides a modest income which, along with payments for car parking, contributes to management of the property. One of the less glamourous off-season tasks is projecting the operating budget required for the coming financial year. Ben Lawers' bid is then collated, first regionally and eventually as a component of a Trust-wide calculation, to be put the board of trustees. Unsurprisingly, the current economic situation is putting the squeeze on.





As a charity, the Trust relies on grant aid to assist with delivery of its core objectives. Last year an application to the Scottish Government's Nature Restoration Fund managed by NatureScot to trial cattle grazing on west Beinn Ghlas was successful. The project, which will have additional support from Players of the Postcode Lottery, will see hardy, native cattle introduced to the hill this spring for the first time in probably over 200 years with the objective of benefitting grass and heathland. An exciting modern twist is that the beasts will be fitted with solar powered GPS collars which work in conjunction with virtual electric fencing. A phone-based app is used to define the area to be grazed and the animals taught to respond to an audio warning as they near the invisible boundary. It is anticipated that this will mean that grazing can be targeted without the need for real fences. Planning is well underway, so look out for updates throughout the year, or for the cattle if you visit this summer,

We have a couple of volunteer group visits scheduled over the winter, to help us with tree planting and footpath work, although the snow cover at the time of writing may postpone the first of these. Recruitment of



seasonal staff is timed so that roles can begin at the start of the visitor and field season.



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Local Planning Applications

National Park

07 Oct 2022

Proposal: Retention of 268m of temporary stone access track (approved under 2021/0097/DET) on land west of Acharn Biomass Power Station, and formation of new hardstanding for maintenance work Location: Land To South West Of Craignavie Craignavie Road Killin Applicant: Mr Daniel Thomas Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission Decision: Approve

01 Dec 2022

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension to rear Location: Tigh Na Lagan 42 Manse Road Killin Applicant: Mr John Ross Application Type: Householder Planning Permission Decision: Current

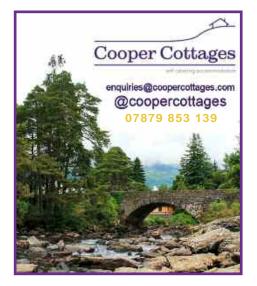
07 Dec 2022

Proposal: Stationing of two mobile homes, installation of new hardstanding, parking area, and access Location: Land At Maragowan Allt Fulieach Killin Stirling FK21 8TN Applicant: Ms Sue Rumball Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission Decision: Current

Perth & Kinross Council

16 Nov 2022

Proposal: Change of use, alterations and extension to steading to form a dwellinghouse and erection of an ancillary accommodation building (in part retrospect) Location: Wester Croftintygan Farm Lawers Applicant: Sheridan Bale Developments Application Type: planning permission local Decision: Awaiting decision



24 Nov 2022

Proposal: Erection of a dwellinghouse and carport, formation of vehicular access and road, landscaping, drainage and associated works Location: Land 500 Metres North East of Cragganester Steading Lawers Applicant: Mr A Nelson Application Type: planning permission local Decision: Approve the application

Stirling Council

28 Oct 2022

Proposal: Battery electricity storage project of 43 MW Location: Land To East Of Killin Switching Station Killin Applicant: Boreland Energy Ltd Application Type: Proposal of Application Notice Decision: Closed

31 Oct 2022

Proposal: Installation of 2 no. new antennae, removal of 2 no. existing antennae Location: Auchessan Radio Site Crianlarich Applicant: EE (UK) Ltd Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission Decision: Current

17 Nov 2022

Proposal: Replacement of existing flat roof with pitched green/sedum roof and addition of small entrance porch Location: Harbour Lights Ardeonaig Applicant: Loch Tay Fishing Club Application Type: Decision: Awaiting decision

17 Nov 2022

Proposal: Change in the use of office space to form bedroom ancillary to main dwelling Location: 6 Clifton Road Tyndrum Crianlarich Applicant: Mrs Rena Baillie Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Michael, Lynn and all the team at the Courie Inn would like to send their support to the Killin

News group

Opening Hours Wednesday - Sunday Open from 3pm Evening meal service from 5pm Telephone 01557 831 000 Decision: Current 28 Nov 2022

Proposal: Formation of a temporary construction compound (for welfare facilities, parking, as well as storage of plant and machinery and material processing) to service adjacent substation development (21/00570/FUL) Location: Land 110M South East Of Lochay Power Station Killin Applicant: Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission Plc Application Type: Full Decision: Awaiting decision

01 Dec 2022

Proposal: Erection of a 20-metre-high lattice tower and ancillary development, including the formation of a new access track Location: Meall Odhar Auchmore Killin Applicant: Cornerstone Application Type: Full Decision: Awaiting decision

05 Dec 2022

Proposal: 2no. Shepherd Huts to provide additional self-catering accommodation Location: Killin Log Cabins The Sheiling Killin Applicant: Mr Andrew Henderson Application Type: Full Decision: Awaiting decision





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Changes in the Church...part 2

I wrote in Issue 176 of the News (August/September 2021) of the vision for the church to be a warm place with adequate toilets and comfortable places to meet. In short a building fit for the 21st century. Critically a building that is true to its history, loyal to its purpose as a church and an asset in the village.

It is easy to like the way things have always been. In the case of the church building the way things have 'always been' haven't always been like that. Much of what we see are recent changes during the lifespan of the building. When the church was built in 1744 it was a simple octagonal shape with the entrance under the bell on the north side. Much of the church as we have known it in recent years is Victorian. The installation of the organ was only in 1932, still within living memory for a few people.

It should be no surprise then that it is once again time to make changes to meet standards and expectations in a world where ideas of community, of relationships, are based on places to mingle, chat, have tea and coffee, to live. Places where access is available to all, toilets are available, it is warm, that can be used

throughout the week rather than just on Sundays. It is hard to disagree with all of this until changes are actually talked about and might actually happen. Then we find the sacred cows that have to be slain.

The church has a planning application with the National Park and if approved will eventually lead to some big changes inside and outside the building. We would like to build a new entrance porch, a much bigger one suited to 'meeting and greeting'. It is difficult to do such a thing to a listed building so our proposals are for something guite different that makes no effort to look the same as the church but through which the church can easily be seen. Inside we are still looking for the best location for the Tiffany window, it might be where the balcony is. The pulpit has already been moved, we would also like to re-home the organ and have permission to do so from the General Trustees who own the building. And toilets. If we are allowed to build the new entrance porch we will be able to build accessible toilets in what is currently the vestibule.

All of this will still take a long time and a lot of fundraising. But the best laid plans take time. In the

meantime when things happen please remember it needs to happen, things can't stay the same and there is something better coming along which will be good now and part of something worthwhile for the next generation.

> **Phil Simpson** Session Clerk





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Russel and Brenda Moffat

For most of us the autumn is a time of longer days, less favourable weather and the prospect of winter not far off. Not for the **Rev Dr Russel Moffat** and his wife **Brenda** for whom the sun lit uplands of retirement were calling. So it was at the end of October 2022 the congregation and many in the parish of Killin and Ardeonaig Church gathered to wish them well as Russel stepped down as minister of the parish and he and Brenda headed away to a well-earned retirement.

Russel became our minister in November 2016. We all knew it would be his last charge before retirement. He had previously served two parishes in Aberdeenshire and one in Edinburgh but was not ready to wind down, rather he was definitely 'called' to service in Killin.

Helpfully for all of us Brenda shared his call and as a team they enriched many of our lives with their friendship, honesty and care.

Russel is one of those people, let alone one of those ministers, who brought a profound intellect, deep understanding and pastoral care to his life and work. He had a way of being in the community and able to say something meaningful about the Christian life to the community. His frankness about his own journey of faith, its ups and



downs, revealed a person who could get alongside us and share his experience and knowledge so that all were encouraged to grow in their faith.

For Russel, it was important that the **way things are done** in church helped the congregation and all of us as individuals to be serious about the Christian life. He and Brenda often referred to the **congregation as family.** It followed that Russel was enthusiastic to help develop and lead

long talked ideas of helping the church building to be more suited to the 21st century. Thus under his leadership the interior of the church has been reorientated and plans are afoot for further developments. It is a testimony to the partnership between Russel, the Kirk Session and the congregation that he said "I haven't been so inspired since I was in my early days as a minister". The outcome is that he delayed his retirement in order to see some of his work in the church and parish consolidated and to encourage the congregation.

I could write more, but we all have our recollections of Russel's time with us, be it the dynamism and compassion of Brenda, the frankness and insights of Russel, his theological understanding and that he could talk about it in a way the rest of us could understand. And he was a man of prayer who often retreated to his 'prayer rock' on Sròn a Chlachain to keep him grounded (or in touch with the divine!)

Russel and Brenda were a breath of fresh air and energy in the parish we wish them health and happiness in their well-earned retirement.

Phil Simpson Session Clerk

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2022 Weather Review for Kirkton and Killin

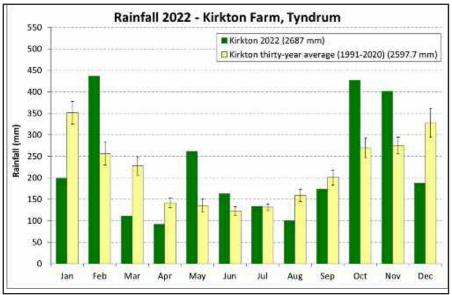
Kirkton Farm (Met Office Automatic Weather Station), near Tyndrum

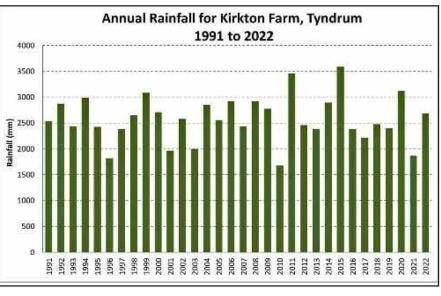
The total rainfall recorded at the Met Office automatic weather station at Kirkton in 2022 was 2687.0 mm (105.8 inches). This was 89.3 mm more than the thirty-year 1991-2020 average (2597.7 mm) and 815.0 mm more than the 2021 rainfall total. The wettest month was February when a total of 436.8 mm (17.2 inches) of rainfall was recorded. Over 1000 mm of rainfall was recorded in the threemonth period September to November (1001.8 mm), which made it the fourth wettest Autumn since recording began in 1991. The driest month was April with 91.8 mm of rainfall (64.7 % of the 30-year average). March was also dry with only 111.2 mm of rainfall (48.9 % of the 30-year average). This was the third driest March since recording began in 1991. The highest rainfall over a calendar week (Monday to Sunday) was 202.2 mm between the 3rd October and the 9th October (week 40). There were four calendar weeks when the total rainfall exceeded 100 mm (weeks 7, 40, 45 and 47). The highest rainfall in a single day (09:00 GMT to 09:00 GMT) was 57.4 mm on the 3rd October. The only other day when more than 50 mm of rainfall was recorded was the 23rd July (51.4 mm). A further 22 days had more than 25 mm of rainfall. The highest rainfall in a single half-day 12-hour period (21:00 GMT to 09:00 GMT) was 44.2 mm on the 19th February (associated with Storm Eunice). The total number of rain days was 272 (74.5%). There was no rainfall recorded over an eleven-day period from the 19th April to the 29th April, and only 1.0 mm of rainfall was recorded over a 14-day period between the 18th and 31st March. Some measurable rainfall was recorded everyday from the 21st January to the 3rd March (42 days). The lowest temperature recorded was on the 13th December when the temperature fell to -11.8°C. This was the coldest temperature recorded since December 2010. Temperatures of below minus 9°C were recorded each night between the 12th and the 16th December. There were two days when the temperature failed to rise above freezing (12th and 13th December; -4.1°C and 0.0°C). An air frost was recorded on a total of 64 days. There were no air frosts recorded in May, June, July or August, which is the first time this has happened since weather recording started in 1991. There were also no air frosts recorded in October (only the second time this has happened since recording began in 1991).

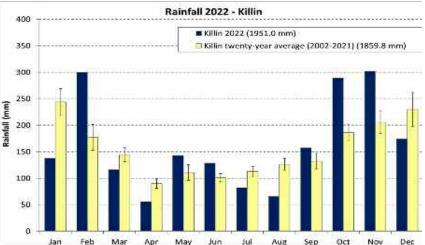
The highest temperature was recorded on the 19th July (28.2°C). July and August were the warmest months with mean temperatures of 14.7°C and 14.6°C respectively; and mean maximum temperatures of 19.1°C and 19.5°C

respectively. The mean monthly temperature was above the 30-year average in all months except December. The mean annual temperature for 2022 was 8.86°C, which was the highest since recording began in 1991. Temperatures of 25°C or above were recorded on five days (two days in July and three days in August), while temperatures above 20°C (but less than 25° C) were recorded on a further 22 days. The 12.9°C recorded on the 1st January made it the warmest New Year's Day since recording began in 1991.

Thanks to the Met Office for supplying the data from the automatic weather station at Kirkton.







Killin Rainfall

The total rainfall recorded in Killin in 2022 was 1951.0 mm (76.81 inches); this was 91.2 mm more than the 2002-2021 twenty-year average (1859.8 mm). April was the driest month with only 56.0 mm of rain, while November was the wettest month with 302.0 mm. During 2022 Killin received 72.6% of the rainfall recorded at Kirkton (i.e. some 736.0 mm less).

John Holland SRUC Hill & Mountain Research Centre, Kirkton & Auchtertyre Farms)

Killin New Year Fireworks and Festive Lights

Ron and I hope that everyone enjoyed the New Year fireworks display to welcome 2023. Midniaht Storm once again put on a marvellous show. The only issue was a last minute failure of the tannov and music system which will not happen again as we will purchase our own equipment. That said the atmosphere on the night was amazing along with the snow. All those we spoke to - locals and visitors alike all said what a magical event. As with all events

support is vital to ensure that it all goes smoothly and so we would like to publicly thank all those who braved the conditions and gave of their time to help out.

As in previous years the fireworks staging platform has to be constructed and dismantled in cold and damp conditions so our thanks go to Anthony Dowling, Andrew and Jinny Anderson, Iain Watson, Richard McPherson and Harry McRobbie. Your efforts are really appreciated. This year our First Aid cover was provided by members of the Killin Mountain Rescue Team who rocked up with their ambulance. Team members Kirstine Inglis, Ted Inglis and Phil Younger provided essential support for which we are very grateful. I am glad to say that their professional help was not required.

Finally, but certainly not least of all,





our thanks must also go to the Marshalls who were ready with buckets to collect donations and stood ready in the event of mishaps. Our stalwarts Kay Riddell and Margaret Galloway were supported by Barry McPhee, Paul White, Mairie Calder, Ben Burns and of course Ron and myself.

Speaking of buckets some £1100 was collected on the night and a further \pounds 447 was donated via our 'Just Giving' site. As ever, everyone was very generous and has made for a good start to raising funds for the next display. Thanks to all who donated.

The festive lights along our Main Street I hope you will agree provided a real Hogmanay feel to the village and will continue to do so for some years to come. Once again we rely on support from locals and so we must thank Bobby Lafferty and colleagues

Scottish Wildlife Trust Pitlochry and Highland Perthshire Branch

The next meeting will be on Monday 13th February at 19.30, at the Breadalbane Campus, Small lecture theatre, Crieff Road, Aberfeldy PH15 2DU.

The speaker will be Rick Worrell. Come and find out more about the ecology and genetics of wild crab apple (Malus sylvestris), which is probably Scotland's least understood and most underappreciated native tree.

Everyone is very welcome, there is no charge. Suggested donations £2 for members, £3 for non-members. For further information, contact Mark Aquilina at markandrosie@btinternet.com for putting up and taking down the festive lights. Ron recently told me that it appears some local residents thought that the Stirlingshire Council had paid for the festive lighting in our village. Please let me put the record straight. With the support of our local Community Council, Ron Allner, Amanda Clark and I raised funds for the lights. The cost of the lights to date has been around

£22,000. Those monies have been donated by local residents, businesses and charities. Stirling Council provided a grant of £1500 which was appreciated. However, the remainder was raised as I have said. The Council did of course give permission for the lights to be fitted and their staff fitted the essential sockets for the lights (and charged us for doing so). The cost of the electricity is being met by the Council. It has been the generosity of local residents, businesses and charities who have made this project a reality.

There are ongoing costs with the festive lights and so when organising events to raise funds for the fireworks some monies will be used for the lights as well. Details of the events will be published later in the year and we hope you will all wish to be involved or able to give generously.

> Mike Beresford Ron Allner



KILLIN HOGMANAY LANTERNS 2022



This was the 15th year of the Hogmanay Fireworks in Killin, and Killin has seen many changes since December 2014 when we made our first Killin Hogmanay Lanterns.

At a KAT meeting Charlie Grant said "there's nothing much for kids to do at New Year". My suggestion was to make willow lanterns and have a walk on Hogmanay (Killin News Issue 144). So Charlie and I sourced funding, materials and booked the McLaren Hall.

It was the year of the Homecoming and our theme was red, white and blue. Our lantern workshop was a huge success and has become a much loved annual community event. Our amazing lantern makers, some have been every year, produce wonderful, individual creations to take on our Ribbon of Light. This free community event continues due to the generosity of our sponsors and folk who give so kindly. *Pete and Iona from Tayfitness *Killin Fire Station *Lodge 815 *Local private donation *Ron Allner for his amazing photography *Lynn Crow who gives treats to the children on our walk *Davy Fettes for storing our lanterns in the Pavilion *Collection Buckets both at the workshop and on our walk.

I can only achieve this event with the help and support of my family. Thank you all. They are demented with my year-round Lantern ideas, chat and purchases. Some KHL comments and quotes

from 2022.....

"A fabulous time as always" "This is an excellent & enjoyable community activity for all the family" "Fantastic workshop, family friendly and lots of fun. Thank you " "This is a really enjoyable experience spent building sharks with my two boys"

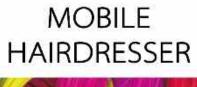
> Alma Walker Killin Hogmanay Lanterns

Once the freezing weather and the coughs and colds are over, we hope to restart the group. We will be welcoming present members back but would like to invite anyone with questions or an interest in local health or care issues. The group is not solely

Patient Participation Group

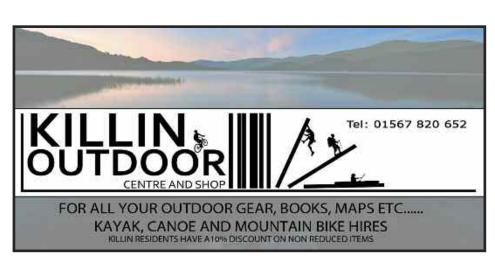
concerned with the surgery but has been instrumental in starting the patient transport scheme, rationalising hospital appointment times for rural patients, local care of the elderly etc. If you are at all interested in local care and health, please look out for information about our first meeting. For any info. In the meantime, please contact me.

Linda Frost 820512





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Crianlarich Primary School



Santa Dash

On the 11th December, Tay Fitness and the Crianlarich parent Partnership organised a Santa Dash around the community woodland. The dash raised nearly £1000 for the school. It was a very fun day and lots of people came along. Thank you to everyone who sponsored us and helped out on the day.





Battle of Bannockburn

While Class One went to Stirling Castle, Class Two went to the Battle of Bannockburn Centre. We got to try on armour and see and hold different weapons. We learned even more about the Battle of Stirling Bridge and asked lots of questions. We had a really fun day.

Erin & Finlay, House Captains





Stirling Castle

On the 13th December, Class One went on a school trip to Stirling Castle. They really enjoyed it even though it was a freezing cold day!



Obitu

Janet Macgregor Macgregor MBE "BUNTY" 29.8.1929 – 29.11.2022

Janet Macgregor Macdonald was born at Croftintygan, Lawers on 29th August 1929 to John and Mima Macdonald and was wee sister to Iain and Muriel. She attended Lawers Primary School then on to McLaren High School in Callander. After leaving school Bunty went to the Domestic Science College in Glasgow, known as the Dough School. While at college Bunty learnt her Baking, Cooking and Sewing skills which she used throughout her life.

Her working life started as a cook's assistant in the boy's hostel in Aberfeldy, then a cook in Perth Royal Infirmary. She also taught cookery at Killin School when it was a Junior Secondary School.

Bunty asked Hamish Macgregor, who had the garage in Killin, if he would teach her how to drive. She passed her driving test but also gained a husband. Bunty and Hamish got married on 3rd June 1959, and they moved into Littlecroft where she stayed for 63 years. They went on to have two daughters; Elizabeth born in 1961 and Sheila in 1965. Life was always busy; family life, working at the garage, doing bed and breakfast in the summer months and getting involved in the community. Bunty embraced village life and she was at the forefront of many clubs and organisations within Killin, throughout her life, including The Church, Women's Guild, WRI, Agricultural Society, Brownies & Guides and Cancer Research. Raising vast sums of money and welcoming new and younger members.



After Hamish's sudden death in October 1986, Bunty had to sell the garage and went on to become Killin's Assistant Registrar. She kept busy with committees and then came granny duties to Alison, Colin, Laura and Emma, whilst also keeping her son in law's Jim and Gordon in order.

In 2001 Bunty received the MBE for services to the Community of Killin from Prince Charles in Buckingham Palace. Receiving the award didn't slow her down, she continued to enjoy being part of the weekly Craft Group, Tuesday Club, Quilters, Bowling Club and Upholstery Class. In her later years, she enjoyed Strength and Balance, Shutters Knit and Natter and the Church's Connect Group and best of all spoiling her great grandchildren James and Hamish. Her final three months were spent in the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home, where she was content and happy and made a big impact on the residents and staff.

Bunty's life was enriched by love for her family and her community it was a full life, well lived.

The family would like to thank all the staff and board of The Falls of Dochart Retirement Home for the love and care shown to mum during her short stay. Thank you also for all the beautiful cards, messages and gifts from family and friends following mum's death and to everyone who attended the funeral in Killin Parish Church and Perth Crematorium and gave so generously to the collection for the Falls of Dochart. £880 was raised. Your support is very much appreciated.

Elizabeth Woods Sheila Aitken



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Myra passed away peacefully at home with her daughter Janice and me at her bedside.

Myra was born and spent her childhood in Leeds. After leaving school she became a seamstress. She later married, travelled extensively and had five children from that marriage. Myra and I met in 1973 in Portsmouth and moved to Edinburgh and married in 1977. She always wanted to move to the country and in 1980 a neighbour found an advert in an Edinburgh newspaper for a house in Killin - that neighbour being the late Margaret McGregor. We moved to Killin in late 1980. Myra loved Killin, her house and garden, especially her garden. The garden was truly her preserve.

She spent some time working at the Killin Hotel before we moved temporarily to the South of England and our Killin house was a holiday let.

She was thrilled to be down there whilst her grandchildren were very



Myra Dunn 24/01/31 - 12/11/22

young, and even being born, and to be able to help out. Myra doted on her children, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. She loved going out and getting dressed up, always glamorous with a splash of Chanel No 5. Myra's family Robin, Janice, Simon, Amanda and Peter took turns to come up to Killin from the deep south of England to look after their mum.

The family and I would like to thank all at the Killin Medical Practice and the paramedics for superb care throughout that difficult time. Also thanks to Ross Anderson and celebrant Susan Chown, and to Duncan McKinnon for piping her across the bridge - that was a moment.

Also thanks to Myra and the team at the Capercaillie for tea and sympathy afterwards.

The family would like to thank everyone in the village for help, support and kindness during a difficult time. It was lovely to see so many friends and family at the funeral and commitment.

We are going to miss that smile and impudent sense of humour. Her propensity for love for her family and those around her was boundless. Willum Dunn

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Executive Group

A public meeting was held on the 24th of January '23 to Save Our Scouts & Cubs. Thanks to those who attended we now have enough helpers willing to become PVG'd assistants. Unfortunately, Cubs still require 1 assistant leader to allow regular meetings to resume.

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2nd Killin & District Beavers

Our Beaver colony had an exciting end to 2022 ticking off the creative part of the my skills badge. We had a festive visit from Killin Drama club - they had great fun getting dressed up and all had an important part to play. Thank you so much to the ladies for giving up their time to come along and share their talents and passion with the kids. We also got a bit sticky and messy but had lots of fun decorating Christmas biscuits on our last night of term. Would vou believe it Santa even came to visit us that evening and we all got a go at ringing his bell (again

thank you Killin drama club!). This coming term we are looking forward to kicking off with some Chinese New Year celebrations as we learn about different cultures. We are also going to be doing the exciting experiments badge this term which as you can imagine has lots of cool fun and messy stuff involved! Beavers aged 6&7, they meet in Killin on alternate Tuesdays from 6-7pm. If you'd like your child to join us please e-mail

killinbeavers@yahoo.co.uk

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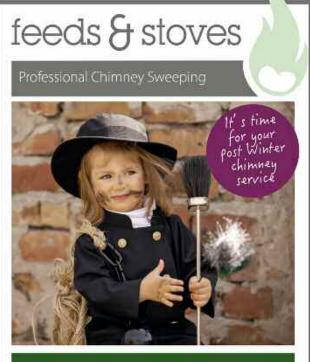
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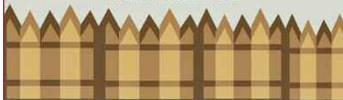
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Scottish Wildlife Trust Callander Branch

The next 2 meetings to held for the SWT Callander branch are :

Thursday 16 February **'RZSS's Role in International Conservation'** by Jess Wise of RZSS, Highland Wildlife Park.

Thursday 16 March

'The Plants and Wildlife of Loch Tay Marshes' by John Holland, Environmental Action Killin Group

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What's On In Killin And District Regular Activities Con

<u>Monday</u>

- Adult Badminton, 7-9pm, McLaren Hall
- Junior Badminton, 6pm, Crianlarich Hall
- Bridge, 7.15-9pm, Killin Hotel, contact Marion 829027
- Indoor Bowls, 7.30pm, Lesser Hall (winter months only)
- Outdoor Green Bowls, 6.30pm, Bowling green (summer only)

<u>Tuesday</u>

- Bee Creative, 10am-12pm, Community Rooms
- U3A Art, 2-4pm, currently being held in Lochearnhead Hall
- Beavers, 6-7pm, Lesser Hall (every other Tuesday)
- Tuesday Club, 2-4pm, Community Rooms
- CAB drop-in session, every 2nd Tuesday: 1pm-3pm, Killin Library

<u>Wednesday</u>

- Walk in the Park, 10.20
- Strength & Balance, 2-3pm, Community Rooms
- U3A French, 2.30-4pm, online
- Highland Hustle, 6.30-7.15pm, zoom
- Youth Club Wednesdays (Fortnightly), P6/7 6-7pm S1-3 7.30-8.30pm [Sign-Ups: alasdair@cyp.org.uk]
- Pilates 6.45pm and 7.45pm, Community Rooms. Booking essential on 07866 018629
- Multi-Sports Session -Wednesdays (Fortnightly), P5-7 5-6pm, S1-3 6-7pm [sign-ups: mckennac@activestirling.org.uk]

<u>Thursday</u>

- Running Club, 6pm, Acharn Forest carpark
- SWI, 7.30pm (1st Thursday of month, Lesser McLaren Hall)

Which bin? Saturdays

11th Feb	18th Feb
25th Feb	4th Mar
11th Mar	18th Mar
25th Mar	1st Apr
8th Apr	15 Apr

Red = no bin collection Grey = grey bin + blue bin Brown = brown bin + blue box Green = brown bin + green bin

<u>Friday</u>

- Pilates, 9am and 10 am, Community Rooms. Booking essential on 07866 018629
- Yoga, 10.15 11.30 McLean Hall, Fearnan.
- Old Mill Talk & Tour event, 11.30-12pm

<u>Saturday</u>

• Football in the Park, 12-17 years, 12-2pm

<u>Sunday</u>

- Football in the Park, 8-11 years, Check for times with Andy.
- Killin Gun Club, 3rd Sun of month March-December. Contact Stuart Ogston 07999 510014 Henry Paterson 01567 820354

Coming Soon !

February

13th Scottish Wildlife Trust Highland and Perthshire Branch p31

16th Scottish Wildlife Trust Callander Branch p38

- 17th Breadalbane Heritage Society -Mar Lodge Estate Regeneration (on zoom) Issue 184
- 24th February Meet your Local Councillor 7pm-9pm Shutters p11
- March
- 7th March Killin Community Council Meeting 7.00pm Primary School p11
- 16 March Scottish Wildlife Trust Callander Branch p38
- 17 Breadalbane Heritage Society Old ways and new roads. Aberfeldy issue 184

Church Services

- Parish Church Regular Services
 1st Sunday of the month -10.00am Sunday worship including
- 10.00am Sunday worship including Sunday School
- 2nd Sunday of the month -10.00am Sunday worship including communion
- 3rd Sunday of the month -10.00am Café Church including Sunday School
- 4th Sunday of the month -10.00am Sunday worship
- 5th Sunday of the month -10.00am Sunday worship
- Episcopal Church
- See www.strathearn-episcopalchurches.co.uk for details
- Roman Catholic Church
- Sunday Mass 3pm 1st Sunday of the month
- Services held in the Tin Church. • Regular Sunday Mass in Callander at 11:30am.

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Crianlarich/Tyndrum Fortnightly Fridays Please see council website for updated dates

Glen Lochay/Ardeonaig Fortnightly Mondays Feb 13th,27th Mar 13th, 27th Glen Lochay 11.45-12.30 Ardeonaig 14.00-14.45

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