



## The Price of Gold



In our July 1991 issue we made a note of a proposed gold mine near Tyndrum. Since that date we are now at the end of 5 years of exploration work.

Our photograph shows Cononish Farm and the scenic mountain background where the mine will be located. The mining company, a subsidiary of Ennex International pic, now estimates that the mine will produce 500 tonnes of ore per day which will yield by processing on site, over 30,000 ounces of gold per year, 20% of which will be in bars of gold with silver, the remainder being of a high grade concentrate. The mine will provide around 90 permanent jobs, a large proportion being local people.

So there you have it! At a public meeting held in Tyndrum on 28 September, attended by about 30 local people, there was unanimous support for the development. As the Secretary of the Strathfillan Community Council, J Riley, put it "Everyone here is very much in favour of the mine, it would be excellent for the local economy", an economy which at present is overdependent on tourism.

**District Council Planning Permission** Stirling District's Planning and Development Committee, on the casting vote of its Chairwoman **Catherine Organ**, has agreed in principle to the development. She said that in planning terms the issue was "finely balanced" and has set a first year bond of £800,000 to

pay for restoration of the site; the bond will be increased in subsequent years. The matter, however, has now been passed to the Secretary of State since the development is departure from the Regional Structure Plan. Councillor Organ said "*there is a considerable way to go before a final decision is given*".

### Risk to the Environment

It appears that the mining company are intending to adopt procedures and chemical processes which have satisfied the firm of consultants commissioned by the Council, to assess the mines environmental impact. "*But*" said Councillor Organ, "*there are no cast iron guarantees*".

### Visual Impact

Objections to the *visual* impact of the mine buildings, beside Cononish Glen in the shadow of Ben Lui, have been lodged by Scottish Natural Heritage, the RSPB, Tay District Salmon Fisheries Board and the Scottish Wildlife Trust. But perhaps that and the small risk to the environment is an acceptable price to pay in return for the economic benefits to Tyndrum and district. But the "*price of gold*" may also delay the development until that price climbs higher on the commodities market! The mining company won't act until *the price is right!*

## Killin Village Enhancement Initiative:

### State of Play

The firm of consultants was commissioned to provide a plan "to improve the performance of the local economy of Killin by way of a 5 year development programme focusing on physical improvement to the village environment, visitor facilities and the economic improvement of local businesses". The firm **Tourism and Rural Initiatives Consultancy Ltd** has now produced a draft report after fairly widespread consultation with local organisations, businesses and individual people.

### Realistic Solutions

At this stage it would be unfair to publicise in detail what is after all, a draft report about which many comments and criticisms will be made before the final report is submitted. The Killin News however, is able to say that the report, even at this stage, is the most encouraging plan for the village we have seen! *It is realistic* and offers possible solutions to many of the problems which have featured in our pages over the past two years, including the old chestnut of *coach and parking* and an attractive plan for the entrance area to Breadalbane Park! It will also highlight the need to improve the provision made for tourists and their treatment when in the village and emphasises the need to develop a trade or business association. But we are jumping the gun! Watch this space for a detailed account of the *final report* which will of course be presented to and discussed by a public meeting in the village.

## COMMENT

### The Tyndrum Gold Mine

We can understand Tyndrum's willingness to accept the gold mine. The probable boost to the local economy is attractive (jobs, housing, etc) and clearly the mining company are doing their best to minimise (or even exclude) any risks to the environment. But to get planning permission on the casting vole of the Chairwoman, suggests that there are those who find the development very worrying and as Councillor Organ says, referring to the claimed environmentally safe mining procedures, THERE ARE NO CAST IRON GUARANTEES!

As we write, the final decision rests with the Secretary of State and our guess is that he will approve. After all, a GOLD MINE sounds like a really attractive proposition! We sincerely hope that it turns out that way!

### EDITORS NOTE

As well as wishing all our readers the very best for the Festive season, may we remind you that COPY FOR THE NEXT ISSUE is required BEFORE CHRISTMAS! We know you'll be busy with other 'matters', but please get your letters, notices, advertisements, to us by the end of December at the very latest.

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In response to this, the local NFU and Tayside Police have set up a North Loch Tay Farm Watch initially covering the area Bridge

of Lochay Hotel to Fearnan. A Farm Watch is very similar to a Neighbourhood Watch, except that the properties tend to be more remote from each other, but both encourage good neighbourliness and techniques of observation and self help. In all they are intended to help the Police reduce crime.

The photograph above shows Atholl Taylor of Duallin Farm, co-ordinator of the North Loch Tay Scheme beside one of the warning signs. The Tayside Police would like to know if there is enough interest to set up a similar South Loch Tay scheme. Although part of such a scheme would be in the area of Central Scotland Police, this need not prevent its formation. Anyone so interested should contact initially Constable John Watson, Divisional Police HQ, Barrack Street, Perth. Telephone 0738 211 extension 2257.



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## Killin Community Council

A meeting of the Council was held on 14 October in the McLaren Hall, chaired by Dr E M McColl. In attendance were Constable I Donaldson and Regional Councillor Susan Duke; there were two members of the public present.

**Tenants' Association** - In view of the lack of interest shown in response to posters and a note in the Killin News, it was decided to proceed no further with the formation of a Tenants' Association in Killin.

**School Barrier** - Central Region Roads Department notified the Council that no further measures were necessary. Constable Donaldson offered to discuss the matter with Sgt Ralph of Accident Prevention Unit, Central Scotland Police.

**Parking at Monemore** - Work not yet started on proposed development of new junction at Craignavie Road and coach dropping off area. Council to write for information about delay.

**McLaren Hall** - Letter to be written to Community Development Officer, SDC to speed up renovation work.

**Hospital Car Service** - Council still unhappy, even confused, about the Scottish Ambulance Services' reply to

their letter asking for information. Agreed to seek MP Mr Forsyth's help (see article elsewhere in this issue of Killin News).

**Finance** - The Treasurer indicated that the Council's funds were reasonably healthy and suggested that local 'good causes' might have some financial help. It was agreed to give £30 to help the children's fireworks party and £50 to contribute to the Christmas Party for Playgroup and Mothers and Toddlers. Other groups might wish to approach the Council for financial help.

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## Strathfillan Community Council

**Village Enhancement** - Forth Valley Enterprise have decided to spend £208,000 on enhancement of the two villages along the lines recommended by an independent consultant. Local tradesmen will be able to quote for the work which will be controlled by a Committee made up of representatives from Community Council, Tourist Association and appropriate Public Body Officials, including Sieve Rodrick of Rural Stirling Economic Partnership.

**Management of Loch Lomond and Trossachs** - The Council unanimously

agreed to support the agency on the basis that its planning authority should be limited and Tyndrum and Crianlarich should both be included.

**Houses - Manse Field, Tyndrum** - Project to commence November 1993 expected completion July 1994. Allocations to be made before completion. All allocation problems must be discussed by the individuals concerned with the professional staff of the Housing Association at Doune.

**Tenants' Association** - A public meeting is being arranged to consider the possibility of a Tenants' Association.

**Gold Mine** - At a public meeting on 28 September 1993, after extensive debate, every vote proffered was in favour of the development - there was none against.

**Playing Field** - Despite all our efforts we failed to stop the sale of the Railway Yard at Crianlarich. However, we are hoping to get help to obtain a playing field in the not too distant future, particularly for use by the School.

**District Councillor's Surgery** - Ian Martin has asked to publicise the fact that his surgery is held prior to each Community Council meeting. His next surgery will therefore be at 7.00 pm in Tyndrum Village Hall on Wednesday 1 December 1993.

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The stained glass was reset in new lead with a new steel framed support which should last well into the next century.

The cost of the restoration is in the region of £6,500. The Society of Friends of Killin and Ardeonaig Parish Church have pledged £3,000 and there have been some much appreciated donations but there is a shortfall of £2,000. We would appeal to the people of Killin and district on behalf of what is a monument to those of all denominations who died in two world wars.

Donations may be given to Paddy MacKinnon, the Treasurer, or handed in or posted to the Bank of Scotland, Main Street, Killin. Cheques should be made payable to the Memorial Window Restoration Fund.

*A Walker*

## Friends of Killin and Ardeonaig Parish Church Festival

The Annual Festival of the above Society will take place on 4 December in Killin Church Hall at 6.30 pm. The speaker will be Christian Shaw, stained glass artist of Edinburgh, who will speak about stained glass and the restoration of the Memorial Window.

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Tom's co-driver is Graham Morton of Holmfirth, Huddersfield, who called the route. The event was held over two days, 28 and 29 October, covering mountain and desert conditions all on gravel or sand. The temperature, reaching 38 degrees centigrade in the heat of the day, added another difficulty to competing teams.

The event was won by the Toyota GT4 of Michel Saleh of the UAE. Tom would like to thank the Oman Auto Club and all sponsors, especially Zubair Motors and Shell Middle East.

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Time was until April of this year that we had a **locally organised** Hospital Car Service. This service was voluntary and had the advantage of being able to match car and patient on an immediate basis. Since April however, the Ambulance Service of which the Hospital Car Service was a support, has been recognised. The Car Service still exists but is organised from Motherwell and the patient service has deteriorated. There is also a Patient Transport Service using ambulances based in Stirling. There have been instances of patients arriving very early or too late for appointments and the ambulance has to travel to Killin and back twice, a round trip of 160 miles. This system is not satisfactory:- (a) the staff do not necessarily know the area and (b) patients do not find the ambulances comfortable.

Because of the change, the local Ambulance with trained crew has, from time to time, been used as non essential transport, depriving the area of local accident and emergency cover. We have lost the personal touch that matched local needs to a local resource.

## Workspace in Killin


We are interested to hear from any business or individual who is looking for workspace in Killin.

The Rural Stirling Economic Partnership is trying to assess the potential demand for small factory and office units. Inevitably, if any workspace is to be developed in the rural area, it will be where demand is strongest. It is also worth noting that new businesses could move into the area if suitable premises are available.

The type of workspace that is being considered for the rural area generally is of units of 300 to 1,000 sq ft.

At this stage there are no definite plans to construct any workspace in Killin, but if there is a demand for them, plans would be developed as quickly as possible, dependent on being able to secure the necessary resources. Please contact Steve Rodrick, Rural Stirling Economic Partnership, c/o Development and Planning Department, Central Regional Council, Viewforth, Stirling, FK8 2ET, Tel (0786) 442472.

*Jenny Lambert*



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## Children's Fireworks and Bonfire Party



The Annual bonfire/fireworks display was held this year down near the river at the Killin Hotel. The weather was kind and a good crowd (including many adults!) attended. Everyone appeared to have a thoroughly good time. In spite of some people's fears, the riverside trees were undamaged. Many thanks to all those who contributed to the evening.

*Ian Donaldson*

## Annual Sheepdog Trials

Killin and District Agricultural Society held their 11th Annual Sheepdog Trials at Finlarig on Sunday 5 September 1993.

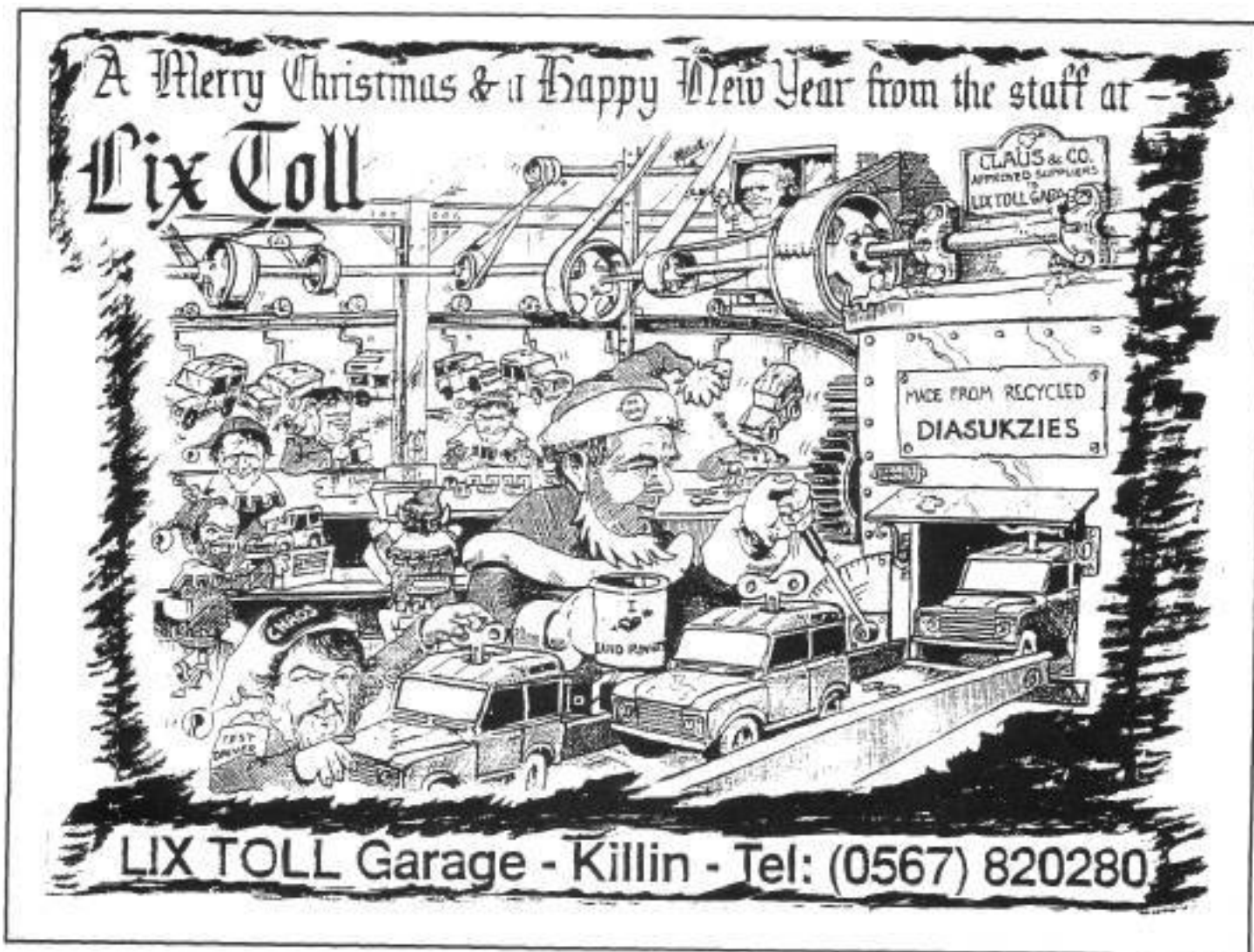
The weather was fine and a good turnout of 15 handlers and 23 dogs running on a course with a 350 yard outrun, made an enjoyable afternoon for competitors and spectators.

Mrs Sants kindly provided the field and sheep. Davie Baynes and Dougie Livingstone, along with other local shepherds, did a grand job presenting the sheep at the outlet pen. The Judge, Peter Martin from Loch Katrine, made the following placings:-

**1st** - Alec Buist with Bet - 87 pts; **2nd** - Alec Buist with Roy - 76 pts; **3rd** - Alan McLean with Coon - 74 pts; **4th** - Gordon Stewart with Meg - 68 pts; **5th** - Tom Baillie with Don - 66 pts.

Prizes outwith the first five placings - **Best Drive** - Tom Baillie with Gyp; **Best Pen** - Peter Kelly with Shep; **Best Shed** - Peter Kelly with Shep; **Best Handler and dog not having run at open trial** - Dougie Livingstone with Queenie.

*Dick Steven*



## The Breadalbane Evictions 1834-1862

It was during the reign of the Second Marquis of Breadalbane "Johnie My Lord" that trouble started on the estate. The Laird was often in London or abroad and left the management to his factor, John F Wylie, who followed the example of the Sutherland Estates by introducing sheep farming into Breadalbane. He ordered the evictions of crofters in Glen Quaich in the east, Morenish, Carwhin and Carie on north Loch Tayside and Cloichran on south Loch Tayside. It was a sad state of affairs. The following poem appeared in the magazine "PUNCH".

### In Braid Albyn

From Kenmore to Benmore  
The land is a' the Marquis's  
The mossy howes  
The heathery knowes  
And ilka bonny park is his

The bearded goats  
The toozie stoats  
And a' the braxy carcasses  
Ilk crofter's rent  
Ilk tinker's tent  
And ilka collie's bark is his

The muircock's crow  
The piper's blaw  
The gillie's hard day's wark is his  
From Kenmore to Benmore  
The world is a' the Marquis's  
The ruined hame  
The burning shame  
The Factor's dirty work is his

But near more near  
God's voice we hear  
The dawn as well the mirk is his  
The men that toil  
Should own the soil  
A note as clear the lark is his

The castle ha' sae big and braw  
Will no be aye the Marquis's

There was some doubt as to who wrote the poem until Archie McKeracher found the original by Kennedy, an evicted crofter on north Loch Tayside.

*James Anderson*

## War Memorial - Clean Up

Readers will recall James Anderson's article (Issue No 5 November 1991) "Lest we Forget" giving the history of the memorial at the west end of the village and the link with the memorial in Pretoria, South Africa. Over the years, trees and shrubs had run riot. After an approach from the Community Council, Stirling District Council has cut away the undergrowth and reconstituted the rock garden, putting in new shrubs and plants. The Community Council congratulates Stirling District for the action. The memorial statue can now be seen to advantage.

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## New Parish Priest for R C Church

At the invitation of Moira and Jim Reilly, the local Catholic Community gave a send off to Father Neil Gallagher who has been Parish Priest for the last seven years. A popular man who impressed with his humanity and friendly piety, Father Neil has moved to Kirriemuir and Forfar.

Father Neil is succeeded by Father Jim McCruden who is a native of St Andrews graduated there and after Conversion, graduated at the Beda College in Rome, prior to Ordination in 1988.

We regret to announce that James Anderson died on 11 th November aged 91 years.



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## Oh No! Not Another Grey Drey!

Red Squirrels are native to Britain but now only survive in a few scattered areas in England, with strongholds in the north and in Scotland. They are now legally protected.



Red Squirrel numbers have always fluctuated, widely affected by habitat loss, availability of food and disease. During the last century, the trend has been one of rapid decline and at the same time a continuing increase in grey squirrel numbers. These are not natives of Britain and were brought

here from America about 100 years ago. They have spread rapidly since then. In areas where red squirrel numbers have naturally dropped, greys have moved in. They are now spreading well into Scotland potentially threatening some of the red squirrels last refuges and have been seen along the lochside. If this invasion is not halted, our native squirrel may become extinct in Britain.

Providing red squirrels with an adequate and varied food supply will help. In the short term this can involve putting out food for them and special feeding hoppers have been developed which can only be used by red squirrels. In the longer term it will mean sympathetic woodland management and removal of the grey settlers. Such measures need co-ordinated action and so Squirrel Management Groups are being set up in Scotland, including one in this area to try to slow the spread of the grey squirrel. These groups need to know how widespread red and grey squirrels

are. So if you see either kind, note down where and when you saw it and let me know. Every sighting is useful and prompt reporting of the arrival of grey squirrels in an area could help to save red squirrels in Scotland.

*Helen Cole, Tel 820248*

### **Biggest Salmon of the Year: Famous Grouse Prize**

At a brief ceremony in the Clachaig Hotel, Dougal McGregor, on behalf of Stefan Schuman who caught the fish, accepted the 'Famous Grouse' Prize for the biggest salmon of the season, namely a gallon of whisky! Unfortunately Stefan was not able to be present because of business commitments in Germany; he would have enjoyed celebrating the catch of the splendid 30Vi pound fish. The presentation was made by John Mallinson on behalf of the Whisky Company.

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## NEWSFLASH - 15 AUGUST 1936

Loch Tayside men climb Ben Lawers  
twice a day for four consecutive days



John McDonald of Croftintygan Farm and Adam Clark of Killin undertook this feat in order to build the Trig Point on top of Lawers. Sand, cement, gravel and tools were carried on the backs of two Highland ponies but the men walked. The Trig or Triangulation point was necessary for the new ordnance survey of that time. The road to the mountain was heavy going without the metalled surface of today.

At a time when Trig points are outmoded and Ordnance Survey are looking for people to adopt them, it is worth remembering the two stalwarts and the hill ponies of fifty odd years ago.

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## Comrie Drama

Muffled explosions and strange noises can be heard at the Comrie and District Amateur Dramatic Society where rehearsals are in full swing for the Autumn production of **LARGER THAN LIFE**, a 3-act comedy directed by Gordon Ross and written by Roger E Lambert of Killin.

With three productions a year - Autumn, Spring and one during the Comrie Fortnight, there is always a play either in the planning or rehearsal stage and the Society is glad to have an enthusiastic and growing membership. Two new younger members Mandy Fitzsimmons and Joshua Milhaven are making their debut in **LARGER THAN LIFE** and the Society is always delighted to welcome new members.

**LARGER THAN LIFE** will be performed at the Comrie Public Hall on 25, 26 and 27 November at 7.30 pm doors open at 7.00 pm. Tickets £2.00 (children £1.00) available at the door or contact Gordon Hibbert at Killin Golf Club (820312).

Jenny Robb (0764) 670377

## Letters



Firbush Field Centre  
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Dear Sir

Your correspondent "A M Stewart" claims that guests at Firbush have carried out a "dangerous and irresponsible act ... endangering other persons", presumably "the many responsible Loch users". Did they plant mines or stretch barbed wire across the river? No. They apparently were spotted playing with a piece of driftwood and failed to return it to shore. Well, Mr Stewart, if you spot any of our guests committing such a "heinous crime" again, please report it to the member of staff in charge at the time. I am sure we can deal with it straight away.

I am much more concerned by the activities of the so called "fishermen" (and it is almost entirely a male phenomenon) that do so much damage and leave so much filth and rubbish around the Lochside. Particularly bad are the groups camping and caravanning

at the former Forestry Commission Picnic Site adjacent to Firbush and at the mouth of the Brechlach burn. The Trespass Act (Scotland) 1865 makes such camping illegal, but the local police are reluctant to move people without a specific request from the landowner. I have not yet managed to track down the owner(s) who are clearly not local.

Could the District Council not take over such sites as parking/picnic sites and look after them? It is sad that people coming to enjoy the beauty and peace of the area should find the place looking like a rubbish tip.

Les Berrow, Warden

Pearl Cottage  
Killin

Dear Editor

May I again express thanks to the people of Killin for their generous contributions to the Royal Blind School, Edinburgh. This year's collection raised £251.00.

My thanks also to all those who took part in the collection.

E Martin, Convener



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# CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

## Killin Gun Club

Killin Gun Club held their Open 50 DTL Shoot on Sunday 5 September 1993. Sponsors for this shoot were the Bank of Scotland, Killin. Many thanks to the Bank for their Sponsorship. Shoot results as follows:-

**Trap A** - 1. H Slee 74; 2. E McAllister 73; 3rd Equal P Chalmers and D McRobbie 72; 5th Equal R Baynes and D McAllister 71; 7th Equal J Mitchell, W R Martin and I MacDonald 69.; **Trap B** - 1. H Slee 75; 2nd Equal H Campbell and E McAllister 74; 4. F Dempster 72; 5th Equal P Chalmers, A MacCorquodale, D McRobbie and P Cramb 71; **High Gun** - H Slee 149; **High Gun Club** - E McAllister 147; **Bolting Fox** - E McAllister; **Continuation** - P Chalmers; **Team Shoot** - 1. R Cairns and Co 138; 2. Strathyre 125.

The Club Shoot was held on Sunday 3 October. 31 Guns turned out on a dull but dry day. Results are as follows:-

**DTL Class 4** - 1. E McAllister 70; 2. B Cassidy 64; 3. G Mitchell 63; 4. H Campbell 61; 5. I Menzies 60; **Class 13** - 1. J Sinclair 68; 2. Jas Sinclair 65; 3. J Miller 60; 4. D Stewart 58; **Class C** - 1. A Donaldson 53; 2. B Donaldson 49; 3rd Equal T Frost and S Argo 46; **Sporting Class 4** - 1. E McAllister 60; 2. J Sinclair 60; 3. G Mitchell 50; 4. D Deans 58; **Class B** - 1. Jas Sinclair 52; 2. J Miller 51; 3. G Coyne 46; **Class C** - 1. J Gledhill 48; 2. T Devlin 48; 3. D Little 39; 4. S Argo 38; **High Gun** - E McAllister 130; **Veteran Trophy** - J Miller 51; **Double Rise Cup** - 1. G Ross; 2. D Robertson; 3. H Campbell; 4. Jas Sinclair; 5. E McAllister

*G D Coyne, Secretary  
Killin Gun Club*

## Golf Club Prizewinners 1993 The Champions



George Smith and Iris Donaldson

### Prizewinners 1993

**GENTS - Club Champion - G S Smith; Dr Wilson Trophy - T L Taylor; Medal Trophy - I Donaldson; Fred France Trophy - J Chisholm; Arrochar Trophy - A Muller; Captain's Putter - A MacGregor; George Smith Trophy - T L Taylor; Ferguson Doubles Trophy - F King/R Finlay; J S McLean Trophy - I Ramsay/G Ramsay; Jack Noble Trophy - I Donaldson; Grouse Trophy - G Aitken/D McRobbie. LADIES - Club Champion - I Donaldson; D McKay Cup - D Murray; Chrissie France Cup - L Wilkie; May Wilson Memorial Trophy - J Henderson/R Hunter; Silver Medal - J Chisholm; Bronze Medal - J Henderson; SLGA Brooch - J Henderson; MacMillan Cancer Relief Group - J Henderson; Red Cross Eclectic Shield - C Fenton; Eclectic (Handicap) - A Weaver; Captain's Prize - L Wilkie; Flag Competitions - J Chisholm. SENIORS - John Hall Trophy - C Dickson; Eclectic Trophy - G Gordon; Senior Trophy - G Gordon; Super Senior Trophy - A Mercer; Medal Play-off Trophy - G Gordon.**

### Junior Results

Congratulations to our prizewinners for the 1993 season. **Club Champion - W Chisholm; Category 1** - 1. R Lewis; 2. W Chisholm; 3. R Waugh. **Category 2** - 1. D Riddell; 2. F Ramsay. **Category 3** - 1. D McCallum; 2. R Waugh; 3. G Gillies. **Category 4** - 1. C McKenzie; 2. N Christie; 3. L Webb and J Marno. **Sponsored Competition Winners Daily Telegraph** - R Lewis. **Age Group Championships** - S Lewis; R Lewis. **DHL Junior Golf Classic** - W Chisholm. **Most Improved Golfer** - R Lewis.

### Junior Champion



William Chisholm

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## Women's Rural Institute

President Mrs Sheena Chisholm welcomed members to the opening meeting in the Lesser McLaren Hall.

Mrs Hockley from Stirling, ably assisted by her husband, gave a most interesting talk on the designing, working and stretching of Tapestry.

The vote of thanks was given by Mrs P Christie.

Entertainment was a most amusing sketch by Mrs H Gledhill and Mrs L Lambert. Hostesses were Mrs B McLean and Mrs P Christie.

### Competition Results

**Lentil Soup** - 1. Mrs B McGregor; 2. Mrs S Ferguson; 3. Mrs W Davidson

**Flowers in a Wine Glass** - 1. Mrs B McGregor; 2. Mrs B McLean; 3. Mrs S Ferguson

## Mothers and Toddlers

A Christmas Food Hamper will be raffled in December to raise funds for the Mother and Toddlers' Group.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE OPEN DAY

The Community Resource Centre in Stirling which offers services to community groups throughout the district is having an Open Day on Thursday 9th December 1993.

This is a chance for you to meet the staff and view the services on offer. All groups are welcome from 10.00am til 4.00pm.

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## Killin

### Carpet Bowling Club

Carpet Bowling has started for the Winter. Anyone interested should come along to the Lesser McLaren Hall on Monday evening at 7.30 pm. Membership fee is £8.00. Nightly dues £0.50. All children free.

### Country Dancing

The Country Dance Club meets each Wednesday at 8.00 pm in the Lesser McLaren hall. New and former members are assured of a warm welcome and a lively evening. Please come along and join the fun.

### Badminton Club

The Badminton Club meets each Monday in the McLaren hall at 7.30 pm. Anyone interested should come along or contact Kay Riddell on 820291. Membership is £10.00 per annum. Visitors £1.00 per evening.

### Killin Branch: Cancer Research Campaign

A Christmas Coffee Morning in aid of funds will be held in the McLaren Hall on Saturday 11 December 1993. Christmas and Baking Stalls, Raffle etc. Please come along and support this worthy cause.

### 1st Killin Brownie Pack

The Brownies wish to thank everyone who baked and supported their Coffee Morning on 30 October. £155.00 was raised for Pack Funds.

## Community Bus

The coffee morning held in October realised the worthwhile sum of £315. Raffle Ticket sales for the prize of the beautiful quilt made and donated by the Ladies of Killin Quilters Club raised a further £320. The quilt was won by John Wise.

Many thanks to all who gave of their time and talent to make the morning such a success.

Finally, the Committee would like to thank Mrs Ann Sants for her help in obtaining a further £300 from the Wilburn Trust towards the upkeep of the bus.

### Carpet Bowling Club's Grand Christmas Dance

**25 December 1993**

**The McLaren Hall**

**9.30 pm till late**

**Admission £2.50**  
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**Tickets at the Door**

### Evening Class

The evening class in Drawing and Painting has now resumed and meets in the School on Tuesdays 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm. Further information from Rachel Hunter on Tel 820493.

## Dall Lodge Hotel, Killin

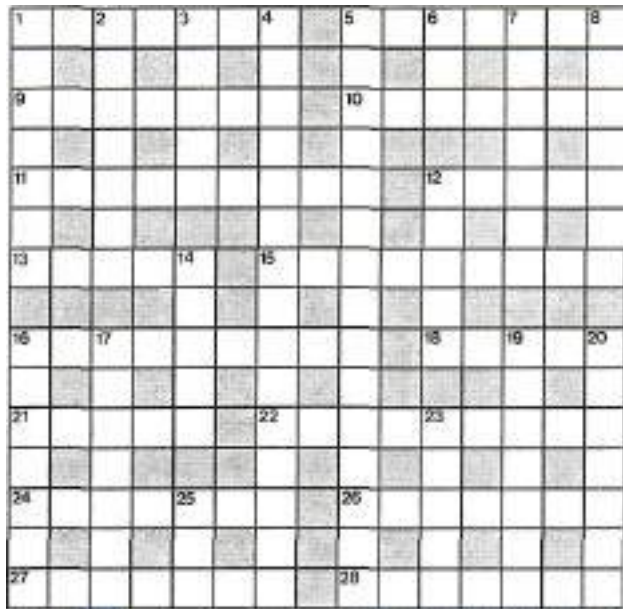
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# Christmas PRIZE Crossword by Crustacean



## ACROSS

1. Confirming a knighthood or a soundtrack! (7)
5. Less than tasteful (7)
9. A very strong cocktail! With vodka? (7)
10. Tin site? For a very, very small amount (7)
11. The older the better with such neckwear (6, 3)
12. Back seriously (5)
13. It overflows and lights a fire! (5)
15. The middle of the tremor! (9)
16. Reverse a four wheel drive vehicle? (9)
18. Wordly extreme? (5)
21. In the USA gentlemen have a custom (5)
22. Fence it if you want to be good at it!
24. Someone's feline helper? (4,3)
26. The present month! (7)
27. A bit of middle, for breakfast (7)

28. In time men deduced and corrected (7)

## DOWN

1. Clears the screen! (7)
2. Wherein the symbols hoist a dance company (7)
3. A brief prelude (5)
4. Reveal a secret or sell the bird cheap! (4, 3, 4, 4)
5. Not even a second to spare! (2, 3, 4, 2, 4)
6. In its iniquity you'll find immorality! (3)
7. Not absent at Xmas time! (7)
8. Make your camp in the river and find relaxation of stress! (7)
12. In this he epitomises certain animals (5)
14. In all it resembles a pint, or more! (5)
16. The beginning of the ball with light weights rebounds (7)
17. A tramp and a drink on it (7)
19. The French eastern district is sheltered! (7)
20. Edward ends the list and went round (7)
23. Not a tea bag, but tea in a bag for this group! (5)
25. Pulse (3)

The Sender of the first solution opened will win £25, generously provided by the Bank of Scotland, Killin. Solutions should be sent to Killin News Prize Crossword, 2 Glebe Cottages, Killin FK21 8TN and should arrive no later than Tuesday 21st December.

## THANK YOU

Aileen Smith wishes to thank the members of the Tuesday Club, Killin WRI and the many friends and neighbours for all their help and good wishes.

### Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for their kind wishes, gifts and cards while I was in hospital.

Margaret Fenna

### Thanks

John, Janet and Jeffrey Lewis would like to thank everyone for their custom over the past four years and wish Mr and Mrs Rough all the best in their new venture. We also thank May and Sandy for their friendship and help.

### Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for their kindness and good wishes during my stay in hospital following my recent accident.

David Graham

## Solution to Last Crossword

### Across:

1. Hard Labour, 8. Legally, 9. Alibi, 10. Used, 11. Lank, 12. Nil, 14. Hassle, 15. Byelaw, 18. Har, 20. Earl, 21. Anti, 23. Ridge, 24. Car Wash, 25. Exasperate

### Down:

1. Highers, 2. Role, 3. Layman, 4. Black eye, 5. Union, 6. Ploughshare, 7. Pillow fight, 13. Clueless, 16. Lineage, 17. Creche, 19. Radix, 22. Irma

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## Church News: Christmas Period

**Killin Parish Club** - Usual service on Sundays at 11.00 am. Service at Ardeonaig on second Sunday in the month. **Watch Night Service** - 11.15 pm Christmas Eve. All welcome.

**St Fillan's Episcopal Church** - Saturday 25 December: Holy Communion 9.30 am. Sunday 26 December: Holy Communion Officiant: The Rev Dr C E Fryer.

**Roman Catholic Church** - A Vigil Christmas Mass will be celebrated at 8.00 pm on Christmas Eve in Suie Lodge at the invitation of Moira and Jim Reilly for Catholics between Killin, Crianlarich, Lochearnhead and Loch Tayside. There will be no Mass on Christmas Day.