



KILLIN NEWS

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Wolfstone Rocks the McLaren Hall



2nd Killin Traditional Music & Dance Festival

It's clear now, if there ever was any doubt, that The Killin Traditional Music and Dance Festival is here to stay. It has become an annual fixture in the folk music world. This second one in Killin was in nearly everybody's view even better than last year.

Over the weekend some 4 - 5,000 people were in Killin, roughly 1,000 of them in the Breadalbane Park campsite {and again little or no trouble). Shops, hotels, guesthouses and restaurants all did well; indeed a lot of money was spent in the village. But, while the village economy got a brief boost, it must be remembered that such a Festival is an expensive event to put on, and without sponsorship would leave the Killin Festival Committee deeply in debt; in fact sponsorship is essential. John Mallinson and his band of helpers were glad this year to have good sponsorship from Scottish Brewers, C J Lang Caterers, but mainly from Forth Valley Enterprise

who came up with £5,000 to make the whole thing successful

It should be remembered that the purpose of events of this kind is to bring people to Killin and put the place on the map so that there maybe in the long-term a clear improvement in the economy of the village. But apart from all that, let it be said that the Festival brought much enjoyment, friendliness and by any standard great music. The McLaren Hall was full, that is over 400 people for all three of the evening concerts. It's significant too that a very large part of the audiences on these nights were village people - of all ages. Danny Kyle, the Festival Director, commented on how much support the local people gave to almost all the events in the programme. It seems the villagers in the main gave the Festival their approval, and if some found the place too busy and noisy, well, it's only one weekend in the year.

Forthcoming Events

July 28 to August 4 -The Clan Gregor International Gathering. Talks, Tours, Entertainment. Open to all. July 31 Killin Highland Games, Breadalbane Park 2 pm July 31 Scottish Country Dancing, McLaren Hall, Killin - 8pm & every Wed. July 31 Marquee Ceilidh, Breadalbane Park. August 4 Alloa Bowmar Pipe Band, Killin 1 pm August 5/6/7. - Nearly New Sale, McLaren Hall, Killin. August 7/8/9/10 - Art & Craft Exhibition, McLaren Hall, Killin. August 9 - Killin Heritage Walk McLaren Hall Car-park, Killin. 6 pm August 10 - Open Stableford Competition. Killin Golf Club & every Saturday until 13 October. August 11 Open 50 Sporting. Killin Gun Club August 16 Marquee Dance Breadalbane Park, Killin. August 17 Agricultural Show Breadalbane Park, Killin. August 23 - Killin Heritage Walk McLaren Hall Car-park, Killin 6 pm. August 25 - Alloa Bowmar Pipe Band Killin 1 pm. September 1 Alloa Bowmar Pipe Band Killin 1 pm. September 1 Open 50 D.T.L., Killin Gun Club September 8 Sheep Dog Trials. Acharn.

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Killin Medical Practice - Times Change.....

As most of you will be aware, there have recently been a number of changes to the medical practice in Killin. There are more to come! It might be an idea to explain what has happened and what is round the corner.

With funding from Forth Valley Health Board we have employed Eileen McCarron to help run the dispensary. The number of drugs dispensed has increased over the years and the extra pair of hands is most welcome.

We have taken on responsibility for managing a budget which covers "community" services. The main effect of this is that any savings made will be used locally to improve services. A great deal of administration is involved and Michelle Manzie, from Lochearnhead, is now working half-time to help.

We have been approved as a Training Practice. This means that we will have a fully qualified doctor attached to the practice, usually for a year. They need to gain experience in general practice before they can set up as GPs in their own right. Dr Angus Cameron joins us in August. I'm sure you will all make him welcome during his time here.

As the population of the area has increased, there is more to do, and we expect that Dr Elaine Turner will increase her hours to full time.

All of these changes will be to the benefit of the practice and the area. I have heard the argument that Dr MacColl managed to look after the area with only one receptionist whereas we will shortly have four doctors and five reception staff! I have also heard that the doctors can't be busy because when you attend the surgery there are only one or two other patients waiting.

I can speak from experience, having done the twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, kind of work. It can be done, but only to the detriment of any family or social life. In fact, we are busier than ever. We saw 600 visitors last year, which is the equivalent of a surgery a week. There are more patients needing monitoring of their drug therapy, for example some 16 patients on anticoagulants, the equivalent of a surgery each month. The hotels in Tyndrum are now open from March to November with over 400 guests and staff between them.

The appearance of quiet is because, if the appointment system is working well, there should only be a few patients waiting at any time. I now feel intensely guilty if I am running 20 minutes late, whereas in the old days it was not uncommon for patients to have to wait for an hour to be seen.

We still guarantee to see urgent problems the same day and provide appointments within 24 hours. We do almost all our own on-call so that you see a "kent face" in the middle of the night. We deal with most minor, and some major, accidents. We are continually striving to improve the way we provide care, for example we will soon be giving "clot-busting" drugs to heart attack victims, at home, to minimise the delay in receiving treatment.

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The present arrangement also allows country doctors like us to have some influence outside our own patch. David Blaney is active in teaching young doctors at Dundee University and in setting standards for the examination for the Royal College Of General Practitioners. Elaine Turner is on a national committee looking at the care of patients with asthma and how this can be made more rational as well as developing guidelines for medical care with Forth Valley Health Board. I help to provide medical input to mountain rescue and to ways of improving mountain safety, both nationally and internationally.

By employing more staff we are also bringing money into the area, which helps the local economy.

All in all, I feel we are being successful in combining the needs of doctors, staff and patients. But, we are not complacent, and if you feel there is an area we are falling short in, or not addressing, then we would wish to hear about it.

David Syme.

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MacLaren Community Leisure Centre

Building works have now commenced on the new community leisure centre at Callander. Michael Forsyth M.P. together with Alex Belwood aged 12 from the MacLaren High School, outright winner of the logo competition, performed a sod cutting ceremony on Friday 31st May on the site of the new leisure centre. The ceremony was attended by invited guests, pupils and teachers of the High School, and representatives of various funding bodies.

Logo Design Winners

This competition produced 2 winning entries. Alex Belwood's design will be used on all official correspondence, letterheads etc. The second winning entry from John Chown aged 10 from Callander Primary School will be used on leisure centre merchandising in the future.

Alan Reid, the chairman of the leisure centre board said 'Today's ceremony marks the beginning of the building phase of the project following years of hard work and commitment by a great number of people and supporting organisations, and I wish to express my thanks on behalf of the board and future users for their efforts'

Councillor Gillie Thompson, chairman of the Community Committee of Stirling Council, thanked all those who had contributed for their efforts and vision, Gillie Thompson went on to say 'These facilities will be of enormous importance to the High School and feeder primaries, and will provide the much needed

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The winning design by Alex Belwood, aged 12, from McLaren High School which will be used as the official leisure centre logo.

facilities for the community and tourists and visitors'.

The leisure centre, due to open in the autumn of 1997, will include: Swimming pool, sports hall, indoor bowling hall, fitness suite, climbing wall, squash courts, sauna/solarium/spa bath, cafeteria, floodlit all weather surface for tennis, 5 aside, basketball etc.

Project funding

Initial funding for this project came from the Regional Council supported by the District Council, and the Rural Economic Partnerships, together with Forth Valley Enterprise. Since 1st April, 1996, the new Stirling Council is the main funding body. There are a number of other very important funding bodies, most of which were represented at the sod cutting ceremony.

Lottery funding through the Scottish Sports Council, Forth Valley Enterprise, European objective 5B, and important continuing fund raising from the schools in the catchment area, and from the communities who will be able to use these facilities.



A design by Stewart John Chown, aged 10 from Callander Primary which will be used on T-shirts and badges.



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Killin Community Council

The Council met in the McLaren Hall on 13th June, 1996. Dr Mairi McColl was in the chair. Stirling Councillor, Kenneth Campbell was present. One member of the public also attended.

Council noted that work on the *new children's play area* had been delayed; it has since then been started.

Management of Loch Lomond and Trossachs Area

This matter is still under discussion. Mr J Gauld agreed to attend a meeting at the Dreadnought Hotel, Callander, on 24th June to hear of further development.

Entrance to Breadalbane Park

In view of the frequent random parking of cars in the entrance area, the Council took the matter up with Stirling Council. Apparently it had been agreed with the property owners in this area, *Killin Crafts, the Laundrette and Shutters Restaurant,* to accommodate a limited amount of parking. A sign to this effect would shortly be erected.

Rubbish Skip

Stirling Council wrote to say that resources would not stretch to the provision of a permanent/regular skip in Killin. Councillor Kenneth Campbell agreed to look into the question of rubbish on the south side of Loch Tay. The Council will also be asked to undertake repairs to road verges in the Cloichran area.

Dochart Bridge

Councillor Kenneth Campbell agreed to look into the matter of cutting trees to aid visibility. He also agreed to take up the matter of the urgent repairs to the bridge. Constable Donaldson had approached the



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Chairman about instituting a trial period of traffic lights on the bridge. The Council felt that lights would cause even more chaos since there would be a build up of traffic at peak periods. However, lights would no doubt be in use when the bridge was being repaired, and would provide some evidence of the efficacy of the suggestion.

Community Council Election.

The chairman asked that people be encouraged to stand for election. The Council had received a letter from Helen Munro, informing us that the Community Council Administration Grant would this year be reduced to £350. She also drew attention to the Community Council Project Grant Scheme. It was agreed that an application should be made for a grant to assist in the purchase of a new Community Bus. Mr J. Gauld agreed to handle this.

Strathfillan Community Council

Strathfillan Regeneration Strategy

Almost a year ago, the Corron Trust held a seminar in Crianlarich bringing together local people, organisations and government agencies to highlight iissues, needs and aspirations important to people living and working in Strathfillan.

A report resulted, highlighting many areas of opportunity. Due to lots of hard work, over £35,000 has been put together to research and pursue these opportunities. The funding partners (largest first) are The Corron Trust (in the name of us, the Strathfillan community) European Union 'Leader 2' programme, Forth Valley Enterprise, Scottish Homes and Stirling Council.

The Clachaig Hotel

Falls of Dochart, Killin, Perthshire Telephone: Killin (01567) 820270 This is a great opportunity for the people of Strathfillan to actively shape the economic and social future of our community. We look forward to the programme starting in the autumn.

Forestry Behind Crianlarich

Chris Ryder of Forest Enterprise gave a fascinating presentation to our June meeting about their plans for the harvesting and replanting of Inverardran Forest on Cruach Ardrain. This area took only three years to plant in the 1960's when huge areas of same age, same species trees was the norm. Now however, they plan to harvest and replant small blocks over the next twenty years. Although Forest Enterprise still has to make money they give serious consideration to the look of new plantings, the mix of trees, the use of open spaces and footpaths, cycleways etc. Chris Ryder is keen to have input from locals on anything in the forest they feel should be specifically incorporated into the replanting plan (e.g. special plant or animal communities, shielings, pathways, viewpoints etc.)

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th August in Tyndrum Village Hall at 7.30 pm.



De-Centralise & Fraternise

Following advice/direction from St. Andrew's house asking the new all purpose Councils to go forth and de-centralise, Stirling Council set up 48 meetings with the public. "What for?", I hear you cry well, current thinking is that our local government is too remote, does not listen, responds by a bit of buck passing and shuttling decisions up and down the line.

Stirling Council wants to find out what services the public need or wish locally what part folk want in decision making how can services be improved etc.

Back to Killin and the Public meeting (one of the 48) held in the McLaren Hall on the 8th of May. Head of Council, Corrie McChord, senior officials, including Keith Yates the Chief Executive Officer and Ken Campbell our Local Councillor who chaired the meeting were in attendance. After explanation of the reasons behind the meeting, the public were asked to join in discussion. The following points amongst others were made by the public:-

- 1. Community Forums (these are public meetings for folk to meet officials and Councillors direct) might be seen as yet another layer or bureaucracy, there were too many working parties in existence.
- 2. Hope expressed that Stirling Council would be more efficient than its predecessors.
- 3. Concern was expressed about the need for Stirling Council Staff to grasp the service requirements of village communities. The closure of the library was cited when the librarian was on holiday for a week. Ken Campbell was able to assure the meeting that this would not happen again.
- 4. It was suggested that a PC be made available in the library, this would aid the library to become an information point for access to all Council services. Software packages on benefits could be included. There would be implications for training a key operator on how to access the system.
- 5. Quarterly provision of a rubbish skip was totally inadequate to meet the communities needs. Other long term complaints about unauthorised dumping were raised.

- 6. Information was requested about the long delay in repairing the Dochart Bridge.
- 7. Litter and its attendant problems was a matter of concern.

A number of other issues were raised. The greatest response and interest was shown to a suggestion by Corrie McChord that it might be possible for a suitably deputised Council Officer to visit Killin weekly to receive and respond to the communities complaints, access information on behalf of residents and work with and on behalf of the community to make Council services accessible.

All told, the meeting was informative and cordial. Killin as usual was not overly represented - about twenty people altogether.

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Art & Craft Exhibition "Country Pursuits Of Strathard"

The Exhibition includes art and craft made by people living in Strathard, e.g., painting, photography, pottery, needle work (tapestry, knitting, embroidery, crotchet etc.), glass engraving, wood carving, leather work, fishing flies, spinning, weaving and anything else that may be of interest. It will be held in the Memorial Hall, Trossachs Road, Aberfoyle.

> Saturday 28 September 11 am until 6 pm

Sunday 29 September 10 am until 5 pm

There will be a competition for local children under the age of 16. The prize winners presentation will take place at 12 noon on Saturday. For further information contact: Ann Anderson - 01877 382276.



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Annual **Ploughing Match**

This year the Ploughing Match was held on 19th May on Boreland Estate by kind permission of Judge Stroyan. 12 Competitors took part - an increase on last year - and the overall winner was Charlie Methven from Balquhidder, seen in the photograph with his tractor.



Next Issue

Copy, articles and advertisements for the next issue are required by 31st August at the latest, before that date if possible. It will be distributed towards the end of September. Letters to the editor, articles, all are welcomed. Any events taking place in October/November can be advertised in the next issue.





Killin School Sports

After having to postpone the school sports because of bad weather, they were eventually held on Wednesday 12th June. The weather was kind and there was a good turnout of parents and friends to cheer on the competitors.

After some keen and hard fought races, the result was that Lochay House were the winners.

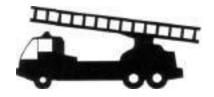
Our photograph shows some of the competitors waiting to take part.

Tyndrum Fire Station's Fund Raiser

Photograph : L to R. Colin MacLellan, Jim Atkinson, lain Wilkie, Allan Brodie.

The crew of Tyndrum Fire Station held their annual fund-raiser on Monday 27 May in the Clifton Coffee House Car-park. It was a warm day and tourists and locals alike came and went giving their support and money to the Fire Services National Benevolent Fund. Four of the crew were in attendance from 1000 hrs to 1700 hrs with the Tyndrum appliance. Some of the more mature visitors showed an interest in the hydraulic ram/cutting gear, while the children were more interested in dressing up in fire tunics and using the hose and reel. Fireman Sam balloons were also in great demand.

The education unit staffed by Davie Robertson from Stirling Station came up and showed the public the advantage of smoke alarms, fire doors etc. with the added help of video footage. With the collection boxes and donations they managed to raise a grand total of £540. The crew would like to thank the Clifton Coffee House for the use of their carpark and to the public for giving so generously.





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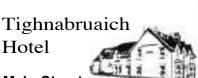
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Opening of Moirlanich Longhouse

Following a long conservation repair project, the National Trust for Scotland on 28th June officially opened Moirlanich Cottage, but in fact the building is a rare survivor of a traditional Scottish longhouse - a dwelling and byre combined. It is therefore more correctly now known as Moirlanich Longhouse.

After some words of explanation of the nature of the building and the conservation repair work, we went inside where Alison, the grand-daughter of Sheriff Prain of Perthshire, marked the '*rebirth*' of

Moirlanich by lighting a fire in the kitchen grate. (see photograph)

The purchase of the property and much of the repair work was made possible by a generous donation from the family of the late Sheriff Prain, in his memory.

The Longhouse, and a small exhibition in the adjacent shed, will be open to the public on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons between 2pm and 4pm, and will be staffed by a team of volunteers from the Killin Heritage Society.

Comment

Editorial comment more often than not tends to be critical. On this occasion however, it's good to have something nice to say about our local government. We should, we think, say *Thank You* 'to Stirling Council for reversing its decision to reduce the Library hours. So the Library will continue with the same hours of opening and will not be closed when the Librarian is on annual leave. We're not sure how this came about, but we do know that letters were sent to the Council, and maybe, just maybe, the views expressed by the *'Killin News'* had some effect.

But certainly it looks as if our new Council is living up to its promises, and listening to and consulting the people. The article on page 5 certainly makes the point about the Council's wish to decentralise decision making as much as possible : altogether a refreshing approach to local government.



Killin Highland Games

This years games are taking place on 31 July, and are to be attended by members of the Clan Gregor Society, who are holding the Society's Centenary Gathering on the day. There are events hosted by the Clan Members throughout the games week so look out for further information posters.

The games day starts early with children's races in the morning, and the piping competitions will also get under way. The parade will be from the Dochart Bridge at lunch time, and the Clan Members will be joining the procession. The World Strong Men will again thrill us with their feats of strength, and the dancing competitors will be out in force.

Peter Anderson shall be in attendance and tips from this expert angler will be of value to those who practice the sport. The Atholl Pipe Band will lead the procession and entertain during the day. Entries are required for a local Tug Of War competition so get pub and club teams together and let Fiona Stewart the games secretary know.

There is also an Open Hill Race during the afternoon and there are many stalls and a fun fair to enjoy. On Friday 26 July, the Highland Queen Dance takes place in the McLaren Hall with music provided by Neil Maceachearn and his band. The Highland Queen and her Attendant will be chosen during the evening and the prize of \pounds 150 and \pounds 100 is on offer. There is also the Games Dance and Ceilidh in the marquee on the Wednesday evening.

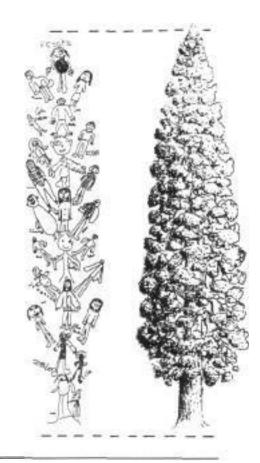
Brigadier Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor Bart will be our Games Chieftain, and the whole event will be hosted by Charles Grant the Games Chairman. So get ready to welcome the visitors to our Games, many of whom are from overseas, and make their stay memorable.



In May the Green Team visited Queen Victoria's tree at Kinnell by kind permission of Group Captain Dowling and Mr Duncan. This giant sequoia towers above the other trees around it and was reputedly planted by Queen Victoria in 1892.

The Green Team were set the challenge of trying to measure the height of the tree, by estimating how many of them would have to stand on each other's shoulders to reach the top. It turned out that it would take almost 31 of them, making the tree over 120 feet tall! They also tried to work out the age of the tree by measuring the girth of the trunk by joining hands around it. Their answers were very close to the age suggested by the plaque beneath the tree.

Green Team meetings will be continuing as usual during the school holidays with lots of varied topics planned.



Local Cops Raise Over £1,000



P.C. Ramsay, Crianlarich - PC. Donaldson ("Dago"), Killin - P.C. Murray, Killin & P.C. Gibbon, Lochearnhead - recently took part in a fund-raising event for the nationwide McMillan Nurses Appeal, Cancer Relief Fund. The Killin News witnessed the start of this historic event as the finely tuned athletes set off.

Dave Murray and Tom Gibbon cycled the 18 miles from Tyndrum to Lix Toll. Ian Ramsay with Connie and Holly - his two golden retrievers, and McMillan Representative Angela Wares walked from Lix Toll to Kingshouse and Ian Donaldson ran the last leg from Kingshouse to Ardchullarie at Loch Lubnaig. The total distance was approximately 32 miles.

Ian whilst running through Strathyre was lured by the promise of a photograph and somewhat overheated, was doused by Stitt Foot Soldiers working on the new shop in the middle of the village.

Fiona Stewart

A Tradition Of "Freedom To Roam"? Yes - But With Responsibility

The heading to Mike Mackey's article tells only half the story. The first principle of the Access Concordat states - "Freedom Of Access Exercised With Responsibility And Subject To Reasonable Constraints For Management And Conservation Purposes."

The signatories to the Concordat, all of whom were represented on the Access Forum were the Association Of Deer Management Groups (ADMG), the Convention Of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA), the Mountaineering Council OfScotland(MCS), the National Farmers' Union For Scotland (NFUS), the Ramblers' Association Scotland (RAS), the Scottish Countryside Activities Council (SCAS), the Scottish Landowners' Federation (SLF), Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH), the Scottish Sports Association (SSA) and the Scottish Sports Council (SSC). Therefore, the consultation and representation were very much wider, with equal emphasis on 'Users' and 'Providers' (ADMG, NFUS, SLF) than he suggests. Furthermore, it was Paul van Vlissingen who initiated the "Letterewe Accord" which, I understood, is so much admired by the Ramblers' Association ...

The proposal to set up the Access Forum was first mooted by SLF in 1991 and, in late 1993, ADMG approached Magnus Magnusson (Chairman SNH) who endorsed it and agreed to act as Chairman. Once formed, the Forum produced no less than nine drafts of an Access Concordat for discussion by the constituent bodies. This lengthy negotiation demonstrates not only the complexity and sensitivity of the issue, but also - and very significantly the commitment of all sides to reach an agreement which ADMG and SLF are recommending strongly to all their members. The Concordat was launched in January 1996 by the Earl Of Lindsay, Minister For Agriculture, Environment and Fisheries at the Scottish Office. The Forum has now designed standard notices and leaflets to advise everyone concerned as to the situation during the height of the deer stalking season. These will also have space to include local information so that visitors may act responsibly, by adhering to the advice given, so that both they may

enjoy their recreation and that the essential task of managing the wild deer herd is not compromised.

A possible problem may be that the Financing bodies (COSLA and SNH) are unable to give any guarantee that funding will be available. The Providers cannot be expected to meet it alone and there is a clear case for other signatories to the Concordat to contribute.

In an emphatic demonstration of commitment to the Concordat, the West Rannoch Deer Management Group, in conjunction with MCS and NHS, issetting up a pilot answerphone hotline system covering the area between the rivers Dochart and Lochay which will carry information, up-dated daily, as to where stalking is - or is not - taking place on each of the estates involved. It will indicate. when possible, preferred routes for those seeking access.

If this project is successful - and it will depend not only on the estates providing the information, but, more importantly, on the Users using it - it is hoped that the system will be extended throughout the deer range. (The telephone number will be Killin 01567 820886 from the end of July). However, like the Concordat itself, its success depends on the goodwill and forbearance of all concerned. The last thing any right minded person, whether landowner or hill walker wants is confrontation. Freedom has its price. That price is Responsibility.

> D S Bowser, Auchlyne Vice-Chairman, Association Of Deer Management Groups

McLaren Hall

The Management Committee met on Tuesday 18th June to evaluate the results of the recent survey.

Seventeen letters were received from villagers. Fifteen were very strongly in favour of traders coming to the Hall. One against but in favour of hiring the car-park to traders. The letters in favour included three from traders in the village and all letters expressed the views that traders helped competition, provided a market for people on limited incomes and people without time or transport to travel out of the village.

The underlying factor was the income helped support the Hall for the use of the villagers.

In view of this the committee voted unanimously to continue the present policy of one booking per trader per month, maximum two days trading. The Management committee would like to thank everyone who took the time to reply to the survey.

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The Festival in Pictures

Myths & Legends



Saturday Evening Ceilidh : Hot Toddy

Some Ceilidh!! Introduced as "The Best Ceilidh Band in the world". Hot Toddy gave it laldy! And the villagers and visitors gave as good as they got. We have never seen so many "Strip The Willows" sets in the McLaren Hall at one time. Mind you there was a bit of "overlap" here and there, but still a great many people - some who didn't know what a ceilidh was when they came - had a marvellous and exhilarating time - dancing the night away.

Needless to say there were also ceilidhs on Friday night and Sunday night after the main concerts, and who would dare say which night was the best. Saturday's Kinlochard Ceilidh Band and Sunday night's Last Tram Tae Auchenshoogle, competed with some powerful style. Alongside this it should be noted that those who were on duty did manage to keep the "over-merry" out of the hall. A great time was had by all.

Cowboy Ernie From Idaho

In the garden of Dall Lodge, we watched a real entertainer run through some traditional cowboy songs, with locals and visitors Yip, Yip, Yipping like coyotes. He finished his attractive performance with some amazing cowboy rope tricks. A doggone good afternoon.

Pharaig McNeil and Peter McNab at the Bridge Of Lochay Hotel were described by our reporter as "a wee bonus". Pharaig, a traditional storyteller, dressed in the "Great Kilt" or philamore, held his audience spellbound with his stories, half legend, half history. He spoke of Celtic heroes, where boasting and repetition were part of the Celtic oral tradition. His partner Peter McNab, who had obvious local connections sang and told stories of the Killin district. A very entertaining combination. Pharaig also spoke in Gaelic some stories of Duncan Ban McIntyre, the Great Gaelic poet who lived at one time in Glen Lochay. Pharaig is playing a jaws harp.



Corry Crafts

The Craft Fayre

This was held in the School Hall and had a collection of attractive and unusual craft work on sale. We have chosen, however, to feature the work of Tom and Elizabeth Murphy of Glen Lochay, our only local contributors to the Fayre.

The Campsite, or Breadalbane Park



Perhaps one of the greatest attraction of the Folk Music Festival in Killin is that we have a camp site in the middle of the village - near the Hall and most of the pubs! Although it's fairly basic - one cold tap and 6 toilets, it's in the heart of The Festival. We were also grateful to the Stonehaven contingent who camped there and offered to be unpaid Camp Wardens. They were also anxious to encourage people to come to The Stonehaven Festival later in the year. Many thanks from Killin. We think the Park really helps to make the success of The Killin Festival.

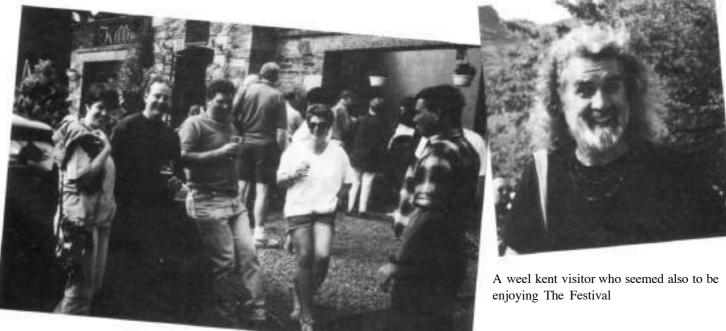
Maire Ni Chathasaigh And Chris Newman

May we say that although many things were really good at the Friday night concert, especially the unaccompanied singing of Kenneth Mitchell and the Irish band Croab Rua, perhaps one of the most outstanding musical experiences was the delightful music provided by Maire Ni Chathasaigh and Chris Newman, on the Irish harp and the "English" guitar. (OK, Chris apologised for coming from Watford!) Their combination in this listeners' view was one of the finest events of The Festival. (We even bought one of their Cds.)



Local Participation

We took this picture to illustrate how well local people were "taken over" by the whole atmosphere of The Festival. Here we see a group of happy locals enjoying the musical environment of The Killin Hotel.





Council Services

In The Killin Area

Stirling Council is now responsible for the provision of all local authority services within this area.

Chrissie Fenton, Ardtun, 17 Monemore, Killin continues as Stirling Council's Area Officer and Registrar. She deals with school lets, applications for clothing and footwear grants and free school meals. A full registration services is also available. These services are by appointment only - telephone 01567 820618.

Technical and Commercial Services has an Area Manager - Hunter Jamieson who is responsible for roads and cleansing in the Killin area. He can be contacted on 01786 442880. The CLARENCE line still operates for roads and street lighting faults on 0800232323, Within Housing and Social Services, the Team Managers for the Killin area are: Housing: Robert Breslin (0345 125710 local call rate, or 01786 432231), Children, Young People & Families: Marc Hendrikson (Callander 01877 331376 or Balfron 01360 440118). Community Care Assessment: Karen Shankland (01786 443665)

The Planning Officer within Environmental Services who looks after the Killin area is Julie Logan and she can be contacted on 01786 442985.

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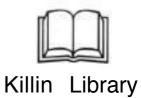
Price list from:

As part of their recent Scottish topic P3 and P4 made two first visits. On Thursday 13 June we went to the Crannog at Kenmore which is still getting built. We were the first group ever to go in it. It was really good because we were able to go right inside it. It was a bit scary but once you got used to it, it was very We learnt a lot more about good. crannogs from the people. They were very helpful and nice and called Barrie, Nick and Alan. They only need to make the roof, some walls and the fireplace and get the animals then it will be all comfy. This is a good place to visit.

> Alexander McPherson, Jennie McCarron & James Stewart

We also went to the horn carvers at Acharn. It was great fun and the man's name is Mr Thompson. He showed us how to make a goose brooch out of horn. In the workshop there are a lot of tools and horn. Mr Thompson has a polisher and a sprayer. There is a good little shop there.

Alison Woods



Find out how to join the Book-club throughout the summer.



Floral Award Scheme

All entries for the competition for hanging baskets, tubs and window boxes should be in now, judging is about to take place. Entry forms can be obtained at the Tourist Information Office.

School Sale Raises Over £500

The school sale held at the end of May raised £572.00. Maureen Inglis, the Headmistress, wishes to express her thanks to all who helped and contributed.



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Mr James Macalister

Mr James Macalister, a recent visitor to Killin, was delighted to be able to gather more information about his illustrious great, great, great grandfather, the Reverend James Stuart. However, he is keen to shed some light on the origins of his great, great grandfather, the Reverend James McLagan (1728 - 1805), who married Catherine, the youngest daughter of the Reverend James Stuart.

Mr. Macalister is particularly interested to know more about James McLagan's father, who was farming at either Logierait or Blair Atholl, or possibly both in the mid 1700's. If anyone has information which they believe would be of interest to Mr Macalister, he can be contact via Mrs G Ford, Invertay House, Killin.



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MAIN STREET, KILLIN

Going up to the Big School



Back Row : Roger Simpson, Kenneth Campbell, Rory Syme. Front Row Mandy Grant, Timothy MacColl.

Our photograph shows the pupils leaving Killin Primary School at the end of this summer session to go on to secondary, either MacLaren High School, Callander, or Breadalbane Academy, Aberfeldy.

Roger Simpson and Kenneth Campbell will be going to Breadalbane Academy. Aberfeldy.

THE VOLUNTEER CENTRE

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Volunteer Centre and its services to your community. The Centre is based in 15 Friars Street, Stirling and its primary aim is to recruit and place volunteers with a variety of organisations throughout Stirling Council.

We can also offer practical support to new groups who may have a role for volunteers - i.e. insurance, child protection, training, benefits and the volunteer etc. I am the Outreach Development Officer and I am hoping to bring the services of the centre out to rural communities. If you would like more information on the Centre and my role, please contact me on 01786 446071. I would be delighted to hear from you.

With best wishes, Vivian Campbell, Outreach Development Officer



Hanging Flower Baskets



Eighteen hanging baskets are now in position and appear to be flourishing. The Killin and District Tourist Association would like to thank all those local people and traders who have agreed to sponsor the baskets. Special thanks go to those who helped with the planting up and to those people who offered their help but who were not called upon this year.

OBITUARIES

Jimmy McLarty

Jimmy McLarty, aged 77, was born in Mull and came to Heather Cottage in Glenogle

as a boy. He worked in the Stewart, Wallace Mill on the Dochart, and then as a

postman for a few years, before leaving for Australia and New Zealand, returning to Scotland for the last seven years of his life. He died in Kirkcare. He was in the Black Watch during the war and had been a keen motorcyclist and six-day trialist. Calum, Jean and family would like to thank everyone who welcomed Jimmy back to his home village.

Mrs Nan MacDonald

Mrs Nan MacDonald who died on 7 May, 1996 was born in 1914. Nan was brought up in Glen Lochay and attended Killin School. During the war years she worked in Perth Waverley Hotel as a cook and made lifelong friends there. After her marriage to Duncan, they lived and worked at Ledcharrie Farm for a number of years before moving to manage Leskine Farm. On retiral to the village, "Granny Mac", as she was known to many, became more frail in stature due to osteoporosis, but her mind remained sharp to the end and the chats about the "old days" in Killin will be sorely missed. Although a very independent lady, she was always grateful for the kindness shown by family, friends and neighbours.

Ella Walker

Ella Walker who died on 30 June aged 92, was born at Easter Duncroisk, Glenlochay. Ella was a well known figure in Killin and was a great supporter of the Church and a keen Guildswoman. As an acknowledged Gaelic scholar, Ella was also keenly interest in local history. She lived in various parts of Perthshire but settled in Killin, where she lived for many years. As a friend and neighbour, she will be much missed by those who knew her. With her passing, a part of Killin's history has also gone.

Letters



Cambusurich, Killin.

Dear Sir,

I would like to thank all at Ardeonaig Outdoor Centre and also Mr Sandeman from Killin, for helping to keep the Ardeonaig roadside tidy. Unfortunately some careless people have recently disgarded quite a lot of unsightly rubbish. Thanks to you all for taking such an interest in the countryside. Your work hasn't gone unnoticed.

Janet Anderson.

Sir,

I will never understand why the minute the Tourist Season gels underway, the Councils (in their wisdom) start roadworks. Recently Killin has been in total chaos with cars, lorries and cars with caravans trying to manouvre through lights, round parked cars and delivery vans. Surely, with all the good weather we had earlier on in the year repairs to the pavements etc., could have been done then.

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Scottish Blackface Shearing Championship



This, the second competition of its kind, was held at Lochearnhead on Sunday 30 June. The main sponsors of the event were Heineger Young Animal Health and Highway Sheering, and Edinchip Estate provided the field. There were over 90 competitors. The results were:

Hand Shears: 1. Ali MacDonald, Bridge Of Orchy 2. Alan Telfer, Stanley 3. Dick Steven, Crianlarich 4. Jimmy Love, Oban **Machine Shears:** Junior: 1. Alan Wright, Logiealmond 2. Mike Simpson, Crieff 3. Mark Simpson, Glenlochay 4. Charlie Methven, Balquhidder (who also won the local cup).

Intermediate: 1. Sandy Rowan, Tayinloan 2. John Lamb, W.Lothian 3. Roger Brown, Cumbria 4. Aileen Steven, Crianlarich **Senior:** 1. Neil MacIntyre, Lanarkshire 2. Justin Bell, New Zealand 3. Andrew Kerr, Melrose 4. Hamish Mitchell, Skye. In the final, 20 sheep were sheared in 16 minutes by Hamish Mitchell.

McLaren High School Prize Giving: Killin & District Successes

Category A. Effort/Achievement Merit Certificates were awarded to : Marissa Mardon, Gregor Gillies, David Riddell, Kirsty Kennedy, Alan Donnelly, Lesley Mitchell, Paul Ramsay, Craig McCreevy, Gillian Ferguson, John Smith, Alison Cairns, Janet Kennedy and Louise Webb. *Attendance/Behaviour Merit* to Cameron Frost.

Special Prizes: David Riddell, War Memorial Prize. Alison Cairns, 2nd Year Individual Sports Cup. Cindy Forster, 5th year Joint Art/Design Prize.

Euan Reilly, 5th year Technical Studies Prize.

Maths Challenge Competition : John Smith, 2nd year Gold Award. Alan Donnelly,

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Local Sheep Clipping Competition

The competition was held on 28 June at the farm of Alex and Jeanette Buchan of Glenfalloch. The results were:

Machine Clipping:

Open: 1. Colin Little, Callander 2. Billy Ronald, Oban 3. Hamish Mitchell, Skye 4. Alan Wright, Logiealmond

Local:

1. Jimmy MacDonald, Ardeonaig 2. Aileen Steven, Crianlarich 3. Mark Simpson, Glenlochay 4. Rab Webster, Glenlyon.

Hand Clipping:

Open: 1. Tom McKellar, Auch 2. Dick Steven, Crianlarich 3. Dan MacLaughlan, Keilator 4. Alex Buchan, Glenfalloch.

Local: 1. Dick Steven 2. Dan MacLaughlan 3. Alex Buchan 4. (Equal) Sandy Taylor, Ardeonaig & Jimmy MacDonald, Ardeonaig.

The Ladies Prize was won by Aileen Steven.

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Thank You

Thank-you

On behalf of all the family I would like to thank everyone for all the lovely cards and letters received following the death of my father Jimmy MacDonald, on April 22nd aged 91. Thanks to the Rev. Dr. Todd for his comforting words, also the doctors, nurses and Jack MacWilliam for all their help and understanding. Special thanks to Kenneth and Margaret Taylor for 'everything' - true friends of the family for many years.

Dad was a happy, contented, bright old man right to the end, a pleasure to care for and I loved him dearly. A letter from a neighbour says it all 'We have never, ever heard a bad word spoken of him - a good way to be remembered' How true and how proud I am to be his daughter. I miss him so much.

Mary MacDonald.

Red Cross thanks Killin

During the annual Red Cross week in May 160 envelopes were distributed to households in Killin. 144 were collected back and delivered to the Red Cross area office in Perth. Subsequently a letter was received from the Red Cross advising that the donations totalled £224.19 for which the Red Cross wish to record their thanks to Killin residents for this generous contribution.

It may be of interest to mention that this organisation continues to provide a wide variety of equipment and services to the various trouble, distressed and disaster areas around the world.

A few examples are - vehicles, clothing, blankets, tents, food, medical supplies and equipment.

A number of Killin residents, ex P.O.W.'s in Italy and Germany will remember how grateful they were for the periodical food and medical parcels delivered by the Red Cross during 1940-1945.

Also, not very well known, the Red Cross provide equipment and services to some severely handicapped people in the U.K. and other countries.

Again, thank you Killin for your contribution which is much appreciated. *S. Davidson*

Thank You

On behalf of my family and myself, I would like to express our sincere thanks for all the kindness and support shown to us during my husband's illness and subsequent death. Many thanks for the lovely cards, letters and flowers, and to all who paid their last respects at the church and graveside, and to the Reverend McNaughton for his comforting service. I would also like to thank the doctors and nurses for the special care and attention they gave to Johnny. He loved Killin and is very sadly missed.

Sincerely, Mary Twigg

£350 was raised for the Killin Nursing Association.

Thank-you

Aileen wishes to extend many thanks to W.R.I, and Tuesday Club members and all kind friends who sent lovely 'Get Well' cards, flowers and gifts during her spell in hospital in April. Many thanks also to the staff at Falls of Dochart Home for their kind care and attention. Aileen Smith, Rothney, Killin.

Thank-you

I would like to thank everyone for all the get-well cards, flower arrangements and bouquets of flowers, pot plants and other gifts I received when I was in hospital and when I came home, also telephone calls to the hospital and at home. I was overwhelmed with everyone's kindness. Grace MacKechnie, Stag Cottage.

Killin Community Bus

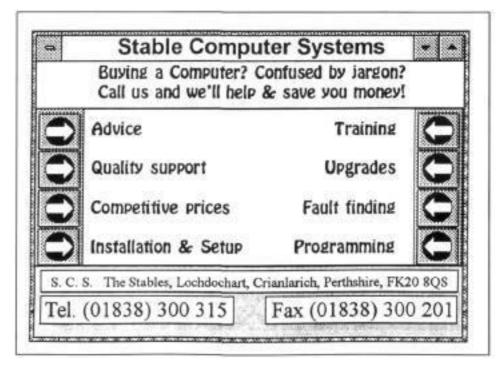
The AGM of the Killin Community Bus took place on Wednesday 22nd May in the Lesser McLaren Hall. The Chairman, J. Gauld, welcomed those present.

During a wide ranging discussion on the running cost etc., it appears that the cost per mile for 1995/96 was 15.4p. It was unanimously agreed to increase the charge to 15p per mile. It was suggested that, as the bus is now five years old, we should ask each club who use it to try to raise funds in conjunction with their Annual Fee of ± 10 . It was agreed that the Committee look into the prospects of a new bus with regard to grants etc.

Mr. Gauld thanked Mrs. Miller who is retiring from her post as Treasurer and welcomed Mrs. Higgins to the vacant position. Special thanks were given to A M C Motors for their care and assistance during the past years.

B E Gordon





Killin Woman's Guild

Killin Breadalbane Angling Club

On 16 June, the Killin Anglers welcomed their friends from The Vale Of Leven Club for their annual outing to Loch Tay. Sixteen members arrived to be met by the Killin 'ghillies' at the moorings. The day was not the best for brown trout fishing, more suited for sun bathing, but the boats departed with the occupants full of hope. By lunch time the relief chefs supervised by the well known Welshman 'Taff, had made a hesitant start to the mid session bar-b-q, and the timely arrival of the professional team of Kevin and the two Stuarts saved the day. The weigh-in resulted in a narrow win for Geordie Brown over his companions, and the top 'ghillie' was our own expert George Hunter. A most enjoyable day was had by all. My personal thanks to all the Killin lads for their help. Remember our return visit to Loch Lomond is on 10 August so watch out for the booking notice.

On the home front, the first cup, The Peter Ross, was won this year by John Scougall, by the narrow margin of one ounce. Trout have been hard to come by so there is still a lot to fish for. The salmon came up with the flood and sport was had by all except the writer. The leader at the time of writing for the most caught is Norman Inglis, and Donald McLarty has recorded the heaviest fish.





On a beautiful evening on Thursday 6 June, 450 ladies from the Stirling Presbyterian Council gathered in the McLaren Hall for their Summer Rally. The hall was beautifully decorated with flowers and banners. The Reverend Dr S Todd Interim Moderator welcomed the company and Mrs J Kerr retiring President introduced Mrs H Landels who chaired the rally. Our new project was launched by Mrs Catherine Leitch. The guest speaker was Miss Dorothy Armstrong, late of Killin who spoke on "Feed The Minds". Mr I Milligan, conducted Callander Church Choir, whose music was much appreciated.

Tea was very efficiently served by the ladies of Killin Woman's Guild and friends, and a very memorable evening was brought to a close.

Mairi Stewart, Convenor, wishes to thank all the members of the Woman's Guild and the many friends who gave so much support, contributing to a splendid evening.

The Craft Group of the Woman's Guild are holding a Coffee Morning in the McLaren Hall on Wednesday 31 July 10 - Noon.

The Nearly New Sale will be held in McLaren Hall on 5, 6 and 7th of August.

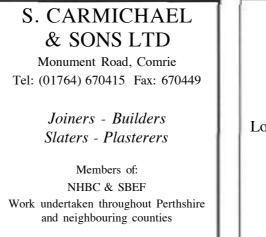


1st Killin Guides



Yes! We have started again. Although on a very small scale. There are only three girls. The girls are working hard toward their promise as well as helping with the Brownies. The Company meets at the same time as Brownies but unfortunately this is not ideal.

To have a successful Company in the village. We firstly need a Guider and secondly we need more girls aged between 10 and 15. Guides cannot continue for long without either. If anyone is interested please contact Annie MacNee or Fiona Mitchell.



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Killin and District Tourist Association

A special meeting was held on 9th May, chaired by Roger Bedwell, to discuss the costs being placed on trade members by the new Argyll, the Isles, Loch Lomond, Stirling and Trossachs Tourist Board. Trade membership subscriptions for those in the old Loch Lomond, Stirling and the Trossachs area have risen by around 40% and the cost of colour advertising in the 1997 Accommodation Brochure has risen, in some cases, by up to 140%.

The Committee decided to invite Mr James Fraser, Chief Executive, and Mr Donald Pow, Marketing Director, to address the meeting. All 80 members of the Association were invited and 14 attended. There was some lively discussion and members were able to express, in no uncertain terms, their discontent with the current situation.

Both Mr Fraser and Mr Pow gave reasoned answers for the increases and members appreciated the fact that there was a need for equality in membership fees between the four former Boards, but felt the increases could have been introduced more gradually. With regard to the massive increases in advertising costs, members were left unsatisfied as to the reasons for this, and expressed their grave concern as to how small businesses were expected to respond. Footnote

As a result of this and similar meetings called throughout the area, the new Board have introduced a cheaper option (£100 + Vat) for advertising accommodation, geared towards smaller businesses.

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Cancer Research Committee



The Local Cancer Research Campaign Committee held a most successful Cheese and Wine Evening in McLaren Hall on Friday 24 May when £650 was raised.

Miss Ann Ward, Area Appeals Organiser presented the Committee with a framed certificate for raising £35.000 over the years. She also presented a 30 years service badge to Mr W Allan, 20 years service badges to Mrs J Forster, Mrs B MacGregor and Mrs M McRobbie, 10 years service badges to Mrs G Farquharson and Mrs J Stroyan and 5 years service badges to Mrs H Mantle, Mrs C Rew and Mrs E Stewart.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Killin and district for supporting us on our many fund-raising activities.

1st Killin Brownies

We have enjoyed another fun packed year. As usual we celebrated this occasion by holding our annual sausage sizzle. This year we would like to thank Sir Peter and Lady Fawcus for allowing us to use their swimming pool and garden. During the year the girls have worked had to gain their badges and also in trying different crafts. Even though the weather was often against us over the winter months.

As numbers have fallen since the start of the summer session, we were unable to do as much outside as we would have liked.

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Hopefully after the holiday you will see the girls in the village doing all sorts of things. We would like to thank everyone for their support and kind donations.

Fiona Mitchell, Assistant Guider.

Attention

Killin Brownies would like to ask the parents of girls who are no longer Brownies, if they could return the uniforms. As parents were not asked to pay for the uniforms, they still belong to the Brownie pack.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Annie MacNee or Fiona Mitchell.

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Killin Golf Club

Mixed Open Competition : Results

Scratch 1. Mr Ramsay & Ms Ramsay (Killin) - 79(b.i.h) 2. Mr Douglas & Mrs Primrose (Dunkeld)-79 3. Mr A Chisholm & Mrs Duncan (Killin) - 81

Handicap 1. Mr&MrsFrame(Killin) -Net 64(Bill Mitchell Salver and Killin Open Cup)

2. Mr & Mrs J Wright (Forest Park) Net 64.5 3.Mr & Mrs J Hobbs(Teignmouth) Net 66

Ladies Open Competition : Results

Silver Scratch: 1. M MacQueen (Kelburn) -75 2. R Johnston (East Herts)-80 3. W Frew(Glencruitten) -81.

Handicap: 1. J Chisholm (Killin) 84-15-70 2. F Ramsay (Killin) 84-13-71
3. M Campbell (Whitehill) 87-15-72 (bih)

Bronze Scratch: 1. L Lauder (Pitlochry)-86 2. A Smith (Killin)-88 3. J Godbold (East Herts.)-91 **Handicap:** 1. A Aitken (Whitemoss) 95-33-62 2. K Liney (Pitlochry) 96-30-66 3. H Forsyth(Callander) 101-33-68

Craigdochart Cup: (Best Scratch Score): M McQueen (Kelburn) - 75



Killin Cup: (Best Handicap Score): A Aitken (Whitemoss) 95-33-62

Bridge of Lochay Salver: (Local Handicap Score) : A Smith (Killin) 88-23-65

Killin Ladies win the Tay Valley Trophy

Killin Team: F Robertson (Captain), J Chisholm, F Ramsay, A Smith, C Fenton, R Cannon.

Best Scratch: F Robertson 76; Best Handicap : E Deboys - net 66 (Aberfeldy)

But there's more!! Killin Ladies win the W.R.I. Golf Competition in the persons of

J Rough and K MacRae. Well done ladies!!

Killin Gun Club

24 guns turned out for our charity shoot held on Sunday 12th May, 1996. Shoot results as follows:

D.T.L. Class (A) 1. E.McAllister - 75. 2. G.Coyne- 71. 3. J. Sinclair - 69.

- 4. G. Ross 68. Class (B) 1. R. Mills 66.
- 2. Jas Sinclair 65. 3 eq. S. Christie
- A. Donaldson 63. Class (C) 1. T. Frost -
- 56. 2. S. Argo 53. 3. B. Staveley 47,
- 4. D. Howson 44. 5. G. Munro 43.

Sporting Class (A) 1. E. McAllister - 75. 2. A.McCorquodale - 73. 3. H. Campbell -

65 4.J.Sinclair-63. Class(B) I.A.Donaldson - 54. 2nd eq. J.McKay & S. Christie -51.

Class (C) 1. B. Donaldson - 51 2. S. Argo - 48. 3. I Downie - 45. 4th eq. D. Howson &

B. Staveley - 42. Sweep - Jas Sinclair.

Continuation - J. Sinclair. High Gun - E. McAllister. Bolting Fox Trophy - E.McAllister.

Many thanks to Annie MacNee and all those who donated prizes for our raffle on the

day. We hope the proceeds from the day go towards helping the Brownie funds.

Killin Gun Club Outing went to Cluny Clays, Kircaldy, on Saturday 8th June. 24 members turned out on a very sunny and windy day. This made the birds difficult. Winners were: 1. G.D. Coyne. 2 eq. J. Sinclair and E.McAllister 4. D. Robertson. 5. A. Donaldson. 6. G. Ross.

G.D.Coyne. (Secretary Killin Gun Club)

Kirk News

I am pleased to be able to report that progress has been made over the last month in respect of concluding the vacancy. The proposed linkage with Balquhidder has successfully gone through almost all the stages. It remains for a service of linkage to be held. This will conclude and confirm the linkage. The service of linkage will be held at Balquhidder on Thursday 29 August at 7 PM. (This is a change from a suggested earlier date in July.)

A linked charge is one in which both parishes remain separate, retain separate Kirk Sessions and manage their own affairs. They are linked in that they share the services of a minister. Clearly this requires an element of agreement over how things will work. In our case both parishes have morning services at the same time and in due course some change will have to be introduced to times of services. In a similar way both parishes have their own manse. In order to determine which manse will be the manse of the linked charge, a panel of arbiters have been appointed. They will consider all the circumstances and make a recommendation which both parishes have agreed will conclude the matter.

Once the linkage has been concluded a single Interim Moderator will oversee both parishes. This will be Rev. Rebecca Leask formerly the minister of Callander St Bride's and currently the Interim Moderator in Balquhidder. The next step will be for a joint vacancy committee to be formed to identify a suitable minister to be called to the linked charge.

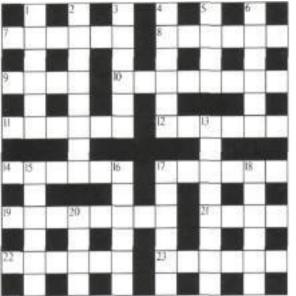
Other things

Despite the vacancy and linkage grinding exceedingly slow, life in the church in Killin and Ardeonaig continues. Dr Todd leads worship and preaches the Word each Sunday morning. Bibles have been presented to the Sunday School; the Woman's Guild have given books to the Sunday School. Monthly services have been held in Morenish Chapel - the next one is 4 August at 3 PM, which will be led by Dr Todd. Together with the many visitors we have at this time of the year all are welcome.

Crossword by Safarian

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Glen Dochart Adult Education Classes

Glen Dochart Adult Education Group have had a quiet summer break but classes will be resuming in the Autumn Term. All courses will take place in the evenings from September to the Christmas holidays in Killin unless otherwise stated.

Computer Course:

We are fortunate to have an arrangement with Clackmannan College who are going to run a beginners and an intermediates computer course. This will be done in modules.

Cookery Course:

This will be an 8 week course finishing with a Christmas night.

First Aid Courses:

These will be run in Killin and Tyndrum.

Details of all courses will be available from the end of July from members of the committee - Please also watch local notice boards in your area for further information. Contact Nos: Killin (01567)820753,820374 and 820472.



- 7. The beginning of sun's orbit under radiant celestial equator. (6)
- 8. Country manner of endless trusty in charge. (6)
- 9. What a smart chap (4)
- 10.1 leave drinks at a cocktail to hold the beer. (8)
- *ll&12Not quite the top team. (6.6)*
- 14. Arid grape is held in the rain. (6)17. Not quite the perfume that fills ten Chanel No. 5 bottles. (6)
- 19. Wee 6 down (hat needs to get on before it can take off. (8)
- 21. Typical simple growth found in Cherbourg and other bays around the world.(4)
- Plundered pirates losing time in their attempt to earnestly desire. (6)
- 23. Abolish including a yearly publication (6)

- 1. You 'll find him between the posts. (6)
- 2. Found valuable before many promissory notes are written. (8)
- 3. Take note of at included description of fiery argument. (6)
- 4. Edging of hoop with iron band. (6)
- 5. The land mass found moving back in China is a large part of it. (4)
- 6. Ornithologically speaking as a matter of course a single increase to the eagle is required. (6)
- 13 Does this beast use a neat help scrambler when making trunk calls? (8)
- 15 Opposed to poetic achievement. (6)
- 16 Type of fixture Daniel persuaded to adopt. (6)
- 17 Resulting from Very pistol as a sign allowing aircraft to manoeuvre. (6)
- 18 Sounds as if breakfast comes in instalments.... (6)
- 20 ...but this similar sounding story comes right at the end. (4)

Solution to Crossword

Across: 1. Got on stage. 7. Roomful. 8. Roams. 10. Even. 11. Infinity. 13. Dunoon.
15. Gallic. 17. Exporter. 18. Idea. 21. Sound. 22. Steamie. 23. Telegraphy.
Down: 1. Goose. 2. Tiff. 3. Nylons. 4. Terminal. 5. Glacial. 6. Friendless.
9. Skyscraper. 12. Porridge. 14. Neptune. 16. Teaser. 19. Dummy. 20. Peep.

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