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Post Bus Breaking News

It's official, the Killin Post Bus is to be withdrawn even though, as we were led to believe, it was making a profit in this area. Ardeonaig will no longer have a public service and Kingshouse Travel will connect Killin with Callander.

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Enigma?



We have not heard if the Finlarig sale has been completed. Finlarig means different things to different people. What does Finlarig mean to you?

Finlarig Castle and its history is important to Killin and its people. It is not just a derelict ruin. As the seat of the Breadalbanes it predates Taymouth Castle and is a piece of local history often missed by visitors who

come to Killin. Many brought up in Killin will have their own interpretations and impressions from visits in childhood and adolescence.

Public access to Finlarig Castle must be of concern to the local landowner in view of its unstable state and current attitudes to litigation. Public responsibility is part of the equation and this is properly informed by the signage. We are very lucky to have had a landowner who supports public access and has looked after it so well. Placing it firmly on the 'tourist map' would involve making it safe with the support of the new owner.

The site is redolent with its historical connections and presents a far more vivid and interesting picture than many tourist attractions in other areas. The tales of the hanging tree and the beheading pit help to imbue the cold damp still atmosphere with the almost palpable presence of the former inhabitants. The graves of the 'last Breadalbanes' sit lonely amid the yews, close to the ancient holly tree, making connection to Sir Duncan Campbell, the second laird of

Editorial

We have been preoccupied by The Emergency Medical Services in these columns for far too long and must move on. The message so far is that there are five autonomous services, the Scottish Ambulance Service, the Out-of-hours centres, Casualty, NHS24, and the Health Board, that try to work as a single system accessed through NHS24. We frequently hear of problems that seem to relate to difficulties in communication and understanding. Why, when the introduction of re-cycling was so well informed by leaflets, open meetings and demonstrations, have we virtually no guidance on how patients should use the new emergency services? Neither does attending meetings with the Health Board provide the necessary information. When do we call 999 in an emergency? Should this be for life-threatening problems, conditions that could become a threat to life, acute pain (diagnosed or undiagnosed by the patient), loss of vision, loss of speech, distress and anxiety?

Do patients out-of-hours need to go to casualty in Stirling for everything even when the paramedic in the Rapid Response Vehicle is trained to treat minor injuries, diagnose meningitis, arrest bleeding, pass catheters, stitch minor wounds and remove foreign bodies from eyes? How are we supposed to be referred to this service? Not through NHS24 it would appear. Few in NHS24 know where Killin or Tyndrum is and very little about the services the Forth Valley Health Board have designed for the area. We are not the only ones who do not understand the system.

How can we help to improve the service from our experiences? Who is responsible for the system?

To whom do we complain when things go wrong?

We have asked the Forth Valley Health Board to provide comprehensive guidance on the service for all of us so that its intricacies can be understood and it can be used effectively, either by distributing a leaflet or at least providing information in an article for the Killin News.

The minutes of the meetings with the FVHB discussing these issues are now available in the Killin Library.

We have just heard, prior to going to press, from FVHB that we will have an article for the next Issue, informing us in detail about the system, that will address our concerns.

WA

Glenorchy who took over the castle at Finlarig from Sir John Drummond in 1503 and a successor in 1583 also Sir Duncan Campbell, who built the present castle on the site. The marriage festivities at Finlarig of James Menzies to a daughter of Sir Robert Campbell present a haunting picture. This was broken up by the passage of the Keppoch Macdonalds returning home over the slopes of Sron a Clachan. The Campbells rushed up the hill still flushed by the festivities and entered into a fierce and bloody conflict with their old enemies. 18 Campbells lost their lives that day along with the chief of the Macdonalds and McLan of Glencoe. Campbell blood contributed to the naming of the burn Allt Fuileach, the 'bloody burn' that flows into the Lochay near Pier Road.

You can still see the Holly tree of which it was reported "There is a holly tree of great size beside the castle, believed to be several hundred years old." *The Lairds and Lands of Loch Tayside by John Christie 1892*

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Air Ambulance

Killin residents in Fingal Road were startled by the sudden arrival of the Air Ambulance as it skimmed over the roof tops of Rhona Gillies and Jessie McLeod's houses before landing on the grass triangle area at the front. The helicopter had been called to uplift a local resident who was suddenly taken ill. The casualty was uplifted to hospital

and has since recovered and returned home. However Rhona and Jessie are still hoovering grass from their front rooms, a combination of open front windows, newly cut grass, and rotor downdraught! So if the Air Ambulance is about to land in your front garden, remember to close your windows!

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We are grateful to the Playgroup for generously donating the residue of their funds to us. Further fundraising will take place to help subsidise events.

Our first planned event will be a joint venture with the PTA at Halloween, so watch out for posters.

KEYAG is just evolving and can be shaped by your ideas, so please discuss them with any of the committee, Judith Munro, Kate Allen, Jane Foster, Georgia Crook, Lisa Semple, Susan Fraser, Jane Rosendale or myself.

Helen Cole



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Winner Top Floor Flat,
Dreadnought Place

Highly commended 12 Ballechroisk
3 Dochart Road

Garden with summer colour

Winner 3 Pier Road

Highly commended 6 Dochart Road
Rowanbank, Dochart Road

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One visitor to Killin this summer was Mrs Betty Keeling, from near Derby, whose father and mother were both in service with the Marquis of Breadalbane in the early 1900's.

Two sisters, Lilly and Katy McVee, worked for the Breadalbane family at their London home and came to Auchmore each year when the family moved north for the summer and the shooting season. Harry Banton (b 1891) came to the Auchmore Estate from Derby in 1910/11, to work as a gardener and love blossomed. He married Lilly and then they moved back to Derby at some point during the First World War.

After the war, the Bantons returned many times to Killin for holidays, staying with either the Stitt family or the Miss Stewarts who all lived in Gray Street. Harry and Lilly

would most likely have first become acquainted with the Stewart sisters during their time at Auchmore, as their father, Peter Stewart, was a gardener on the Auchmore, Kinnell and Taymouth Estates for 50 years. Betty has many fond memories of her childhood holidays in Killin but one in particular that stands out is a visit she made with her father to the Proctor brothers at Moirlanich when she was about eight years old. She clearly remembers a hanging lum and is sure the floor was just bare earth, so was delighted to discover that the house was open during her stay and she was able to visit it once again.



Falls of Dochart 1938. Betty Keeling with her parents, Lilly and Harry Banton and Katie, Maggie and Chrissy Stewart

The photographs opposite were also submitted by Betty Keeling

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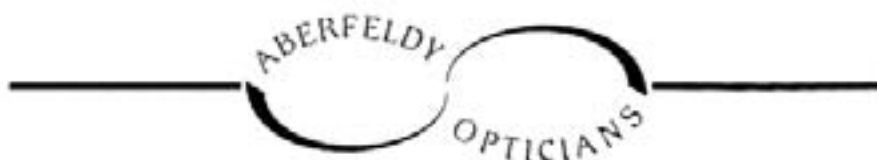
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There has been a very significant drop in theft this year. I would like to credit my hard working officers for some of this success, but it would not have been possible without the vigilance of communities and their willingness to report their suspicions.

As we approach the darker nights, when the clocks change, particular vigilance should be maintained in late afternoons and early evenings. National research has shown that 60% of break-ins to houses occur during the hours of darkness and there is a rise in such crime during the darker months between October and January.

In considering how best to protect your house, wait until it is dark and look at it from the outside, as if through the eyes of the thief. Doing so, you will spot the dark areas where extra lighting might prevent crime, you might also notice ladders or other tools that could be used by the opportunistic thief. You may even decide that the security on doors, windows or garden sheds needs to be improved, or how easy it would be to retrieve door or car keys through letter-boxes or dog/cat flaps.

Timed lights and radios on talk channels are a recognised deterrent as is the

presence of a dog. An alarm system linked to a central monitoring

station has undoubted value, though the installation and maintenance costs need to be considered.

Your local Community Constable will provide free advice on security and the carrying out some of the recommendations may result in a reduction in house insurance. Neighbours and communities acting together will reduce crime. Watching out for each other, especially where you have vulnerable neighbours, will undoubtedly deter criminals and increase the likelihood of them being caught. This is particularly the case where criminals opportunistically calling at doors, exploit the vulnerability of the elderly. If you have concerns that someone is acting suspiciously please report them to the police as quickly as possible.

Chief Inspector Kevin Findlater
Dunblane Sub Area Commander



Tenancy Ballot Looming

In the spring of 2006, a ballot of tenants will be held to ask them to consider a transfer of landlord from Stirling Council to a new not-for-profit landlord called Housing Stirling. That ballot will be the culmination of a campaign by Stirling Council to convince its tenants that this is the right direction for them to take to safeguard their present housing conditions.

Over 18 months or so, information has been passed to tenants detailing the proposed changes and advising them that, if they take the step of transferring their homes to the new landlord, they will be protecting their tenancy and their standard of housing. If the ballot were to say “no” to transfer then, say the Council, “rents would have to rise significantly and services would need to be cut”. Look out for the Official Notice of intention to Ballot coming out in the next few months, which will be the first legal notice that the Council intend to transfer the housing stock to a new landlord.

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Broadband update

At the time of writing, BT has again slipped the date when broadband will arrive in Killin. Currently the "Ready for Service" date is set to be 4th November. I have spoken with a Senior Manager within BT, who informs me that this should be a worse case scenario and

it is hoped that we get broadband well before the end of October. As soon as broadband arrives, I will update my home page, and post a message on the gossip board at www.killin.info

Virus Protection

I have been hearing a lot about people getting infected with computer viruses, even when they have up to date anti-virus software. So I thought it might be an idea for me to remind/inform you of how anti-virus software works.

There is a team of anti-virus programmers who regularly check to see if there are any new viruses out on the internet. As soon as a new virus is identified this team will then prepare new anti-virus software that will cure computers that have been infected. This process takes some time and it is very likely that many

people will succumb to a new virus before their anti-virus software is updated.

So even if you religiously keep your anti-virus software up to date, you are still prone to infection. Viruses can be caught in several ways, the two most common are by reading infected emails and browsing an infected website. Viruses cause all sorts of damage to your system. Some are fairly mild, just sending out masses of emails, others actually capture your passwords and send them back to the person who created the virus and some even damage the data on your computer to such an extent that you can never retrieve it. The only way to maximise your protection against new viruses is by regularly updating your anti-virus software.

If you believe a virus has damaged your system, I recommend you seek expert advice.



Mark Lincoln

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Arts and Crafts supporting Cancer Research UK

The Inaugural Fearnan Arts and Crafts Fair held in the McLean Hall Fearnan 4th -7th August had an enjoyable festival atmosphere. Hundreds of local people and tourists visited the Fair during the four days. Over 200 paintings and photographs were for sale. Items of sculpture, stained glass, wood, jewellery, pottery as well as hand made cards, soap and herbal teas filled the craft stalls. Rachael Loudon and Sarah Kelly provided a stunning display of traditional and modern patchwork. Demonstrations of Creative Embroidery, pottery, stained glass, spinning, painting and photography were well supported and received. The Fair was organised by Fearnan Art Club and the Yew Tree Art Group and was supported by the Killin Art Class. It was funded by a Lottery Grant from Awards for All. The proceeds of £800 were donated to Cancer Research UK. Special thanks to all those who contributed to the show and helped to run it over the four days.

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12 and Under 14 Years

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Boys 13 to 17 Years

Llys Trumpler, Switzerland

Girls 13 to 17 Years

Haley Steward, England

KILLIN**MEDICAL PRACTICE****Flu Clinic 2005**

As the leaves start to drop from the trees, the Primary care team's thoughts turn to Flu Jags!

Immunisation against flu can provide good protection and is offered to everyone over 65 and to younger people with ongoing illnesses, such as asthma, who could benefit. There is a high uptake of flu vaccines in this area, probably because we try to make the process fun!

With the indispensable help of the WRI, we are running another Coffee Morning and immunisation session in the

MacLaren Hall, Killin on Friday 14th October from 10.00 till 12.00

The jag is free but coffee and cake costs £1.00 with all proceeds going to charity. We do hope you'll come along. (If you can't get to the hall, you are welcome to make a surgery appointment. We will make arrangements to visit those who can't travel.) If you would like more information about the immunisation, please feel free to contact us on 820213

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RECYCLING

More on recycling...

In response to the article in the last issue of Killin News, here's the latest recycling news from Stirling Council.

Recycling in Crianlarich

Somewhat reluctantly, Waste Services at Stirling Council have decided to remove the glass and textile recycling banks from Crianlarich. The Community Council had reported that the banks were considered to be an eyesore at their current location along the A85, and that the noise of breaking glass was disturbing nearby residents. Attempts to find an alternative location were unsuccessful. Furthermore, the impression was that most residents used their blue recycling boxes rather than the glass and textile banks. We ask all Crianlarich residents to continue to dispose of textiles (also pairs of shoes, belts and bags) and all colours of glass, as well as cans and paper, in your blue box. If you require an extra box, please phone 0845 277 7000.

Furniture reuse

A plan for furniture reuse is also in the pipeline in Stirling Council. Bulky items, such as furniture and white goods, collected

through special uplifts and at Lower Polmaise, will hopefully be distributed amongst people who move into a house after having been homeless.

Community Composting in Killin

Stirling Council promotes both Home Composting and Community Composting, to save transport emissions and costs for green waste. To order a home composter (from £3,- only) please phone 0845 70756. Alternatively, consider taking garden waste to the Killin Community Compost Site (in the Car Park) rather than putting it in the brown bin. Please DO remove plastic bags when taking garden waste to the Community Compost Site and DO take it there when the site is open rather than throwing it over the fence when it is closed! The opening times are 11am – 3pm each Saturday. Please note that fruit and vegetable waste can be composted at home, but is not allowed in either the brown bin or the Community Compost Site due to legislation.

Karin Helwig

Community Waste Planning Officer
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Returned your form yet?

The annual Voter Registration Form was posted to every address in September. You need to return the form promptly to:

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Choose whether you wish to vote by post or not in future elections

Let the ERO know whether the property is vacant, a second home etc.

Make sure that no reminders are printed and posted (it's part of your council tax that pays for the costs)

Telephone numbers and e.mail addresses are requested on the form as this has proven to be of benefit to electors when the ERO has had to contact them quickly to clarify any changes in entitlement or notify them of elections.

Postal voting forms and registration forms are available in local libraries as well as from the website.

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Fortnightly Mondays

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Nov 14 and 28

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Ardeonaig 2.00 – 2.45

Farming Matters

Sheep farmers are kept busy all year long. They have just finished a particularly hectic spell of gathering, clipping, dipping, dosing and looking for wintering for their hogs, and now they are reaping the rewards of shows and sales. This year the local shows have had good weather and good attendances. Disappointingly the prices at sales are down on last year. I am semi-retired so watch all this activity from a distance but it was not always so. I farmed all my life at the isolated farm of Cononish at the foot of Ben Lui and have seen many changes over more than sixty years.

One of my earliest tasks, when I was eleven years old, was to walk 300 hogs from a float in Tyndrum three miles over the hill to Cononish - before there was a road. At that time all our sheep went to Stirling Market by train and had to be taken to Tyndrum Lower station. In December 1961 there was so much snow that we had to use a herd of cows to lead the way and make a path for the sheep. Weather has always had a big impact on life at Cononish and I remember in that same year a flood washed away all seven bridges on the farm road.

Gatherings were always big occasions with up to seven farms working together and there was great camaraderie. It was a busy time too for farmers' and shepherds' wives who had to feed upwards of 20 men at a sitting. All the sheep were clipped by hand until the early 70s but as farms were taken over by forestry and less men were available, machine shearing took over. New farm sheds were a boon if the weather was wet.

Foxes are the main predators of young lambs and most farms had a man with terriers trained to flush vixens out of their dens at cubbing time and shoot them. Nowadays most foxes are shot by lamping at night although terriers are still used in some places.

Many years ago the wool cheque was one of the mainstays of a hill sheep farmer, but sadly it costs more now to shear a sheep than its fleece is worth. Environmentally friendly products do not always pay. I would like to wish fellow hill farmers better trade for sheep and cattle in the coming year.

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Strathfillan Community Development Trust

World Youth Congress

We had a very busy and hectic three days with 12

young delegates from as far afield as Azerbaijan, Ghana, Australia and Dundee who travelled daily from their base at Stirling University to work very hard helping the Trust with practical outdoor jobs such as strimming, moving an old bench and erecting a new storage shed. The visit was a great success for all involved.

Tyndrum Woodlands

The Trust has been interviewing for a Woodland Officer to help with the care and maintenance of the Trust's woodlands in Crianlarich and Tyndrum.

Tyndrum Kickaround

The proposed opening date had to be postponed much to the disappointment of the newly formed 5 a-side teams. However the final work on the paths and fence is about to begin so the opening will be announced soon. The area now has a community BBQ, so many thanks to the volunteers for their help. A big well done and thank you goes to the young people of Tyndrum for their hard work



Delegates of the World Youth Congress

and imaginative fund raising of £160 for the Kickaround fund.

Tyndrum Village Hall

The Trust has had its office in the hall for some time and this has now been redecorated throughout. Our grateful thanks to all the volunteers especially Jim and Jean Kinnell of Tyndrum, without whose scaffolding the ceiling would have remained unpainted!

We have taken delivery of a beautiful bespoke oak bench dedicated to the memory of Derek Wilkie, one of the founding members of the Trust. A small dedication celebration is planned for Derek's family and friends. Matching the

bench we have also installed a picnic table with disabled access.

The hall has applied for a wedding licence and our first nuptials are scheduled for the end of October.

BVLC (Internet Cafe)

The Internet Café continues on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10am-4pm. Increased numbers of visitors to the Cafe have come through the West Highland Way website – a service much appreciated by the many walkers. BVLC are holding evening classes in Digital

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Wed. 16th November: Why are so many women short of iron? (David Crompton OBE MA ScD FRSE)

Wed. 15th February 2006: Who lives in Strathfillan besides the people? (John Holland BSc PhD)

Wed. 22nd March 2006: What is cancer? (Irvine Delamore MB ChB PhD FRCP FRCPATH, consultant from Manchester Royal Infirmary)

How can you resist such diverse and interesting subjects?

For further information ring Joyce or Gwyneth on 01838 400 545

As the relatively new Development Officer, I would like to thank everyone for their help over the past couple of months, in particular Sue Wyllie and Gwyneth Scott for making the steep learning curve a little less daunting.

Joyce Russell
Development Officer

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Thank You

Thanks to all for their continued generous support throughout our various fundraising events to aid in the development of Crianlarich Nursery front garden.

These events included:

Bingo with prizes donated by local businesses, Isla Craig was the lucky winner of the DVD Combi! A good night was had by all and a total of £302.78 was raised.

Bonus Ball Running every month, numbers are available & can be changed monthly, on a first come/first serve basis. Please contact Bindi (01838 300 334) if you would like to participate.

Burns Night The parents who attended donated the proceeds to our fund.

Nicky & Brian of The Ben More Lodge raised £143 from a collection bottle on their bar. We enjoyed an end of term trip to Blair Drummond Safari Park. This was part funded by sales from the Webb Ivory catalogue. Xmas edition now available! Feel free to ask for a look from Nicky on Tel. 01838 300 358.

The first changes are soon to start in the garden, watch this space!

Without your continual support the first phase of the development would not have been possible.

Tabletop Sale

On Saturday 10th September Elma Scott held a tabletop sale and tombola in Crianlarich Hall for MacMillan Cancer Research. The amount raised was £380.

Thank you to all who contributed in any way.

Strathfillan S.W.R.I.

Meeting at Crianlarich village hall on Tues 11th Oct 7.30pm "The Pampered Chef" visitors and members most welcome. Join us for a great night and learn new ideas and see "A Kitchen Store" with everything you need for a kitchen that can come to your door.

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Killin Community Council 13th September

FAI

The Fatal Accident Inquiry requested by the Community Council has been refused.

Road Matters

Main Street in Killin is due to be re-surfaced in October when new yellow lines will be put in place.

The Lochay Bridge will be closed from 23rd October for extensive repairs. The recommended route is via Comrie BEAR have put on a non-skid surface south of Lix Toll and will look at blind spots on Glen Ogle.

A Rapid Response Unit en route to Killin was not allowed through Glen Ogle, due to a road closure, and had to make a detour via Crieff. The Health Board is backing the Council in querying the length of time roads are closed following accidents.

Planning

No objections were raised to an application from Auchlyne Farm for the erection of a new shed.

Housing

Owen McKee is Chair of the new Stirling Housing Association, which is in consultation with Stirling Council regarding Housing Stock Transfer. Anyone wishing more information about this should contact Mr McKee.

Ambulance & Health Service Update

Traffic had been held up for half an hour on 13th September following an accident on Glen Ogle when both the Ambulance and Paramedics were in Callander.

Meetings with the Health Service are still ongoing. Ayr and Arran are trying to get a local doctor to be on call during the night.

No full response to our petition has yet been received from the Scottish Ambulance Service. This will be further pursued by our MSP and the Chairman. A visitor in Tyndrum had complained of telephoning the Killin Surgery at 4.35 pm on a weekday and getting a recorded message to contact NHS24 - who said that NHS24 doctors do not start until 6 pm. Why was there no doctor on duty at that time? There is a new brochure out from the Surgery but it is not clear whether all the doctors are working from Monday to Friday. It was felt that the community as a whole were losing confidence in the GP's.

At a meeting with Health Officials and others, David MacPherson, Forth Valley Health Board, had expressed concern that there is a perception in the community that local GPs are available only between 9am and 5.30pm Monday

to Friday and he agreed to clarify the situation. Andrew Wemyss, Ambulance Manager, apologised for a recent incident when an Ambulance could not be alerted due to it being in the wrong place, although in the Stirling Observer an article stated that the Ambulance could not be alerted due to exceptionally high demand on the 999 service. It was reported that response times had improved recently, none being longer than 30 minutes. At two recent accidents the Ambulance had arrived with only one crew member and had to wait until a second Ambulance arrived from Crieff. There had been a lot of unanswered questions about GP's at the meeting as no GP's were present.

Refuse Bins

Complaints were made about refuse bins being collected only fortnightly especially in hot weather and not being returned to where they were picked up or left on the wrong side of the road or blocking driveways. Cllr. Ffinch suggested a letter be sent from the Community Council to Stirling Council.

Car Park

Ownership of the ground opposite Stitt's yard would be established with the view to making it a car park and bus roundabout at estimated costs of £10,000 to clear the site and around £70,000 to £100,000 to build. This would tidy up the area and encourage tourists to use the bottom end of the village.

New Trust

It was agreed that setting up of a Killin & Ardeonaig Trust be considered, in order to take projects forward more easily.

20mph Speed Limit

The Police had objected to the proposed length of a 20 mph limit. The new limit from the Bank of Scotland to Craigbuie was unanimously agreed together with 20mph flashing lights at school crossing times.

National Park Community Partnership

KCC Treasurer, Fiona Kennedy, and Allan Clarke, Balquhider CC, are the new Community representatives for the Breadalbane area. Meetings are being held monthly to look at the Infra structure in the National Park. High on the agenda are Car Parks, Cemetery Car Park, Toilets and Signage to Killin.

Next meeting

Tuesday 8th November 2005 at 7.30 pm in Killin Primary School.




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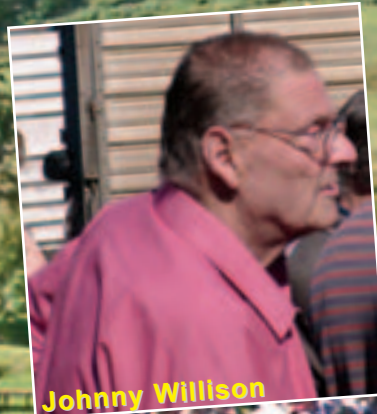
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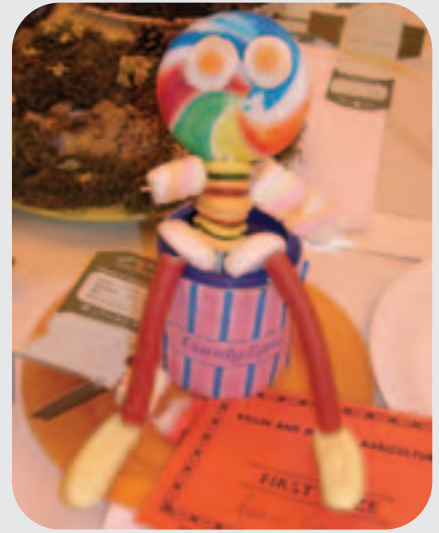
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A & J Anderson, Tullochcan
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Spring born calves

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Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Heifer by Limousin Bull
A & J. Anderson, Tullochcan
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Blackface Sheep Section

Champion
Miss L. Wright, Glen Falloch
Reserve Champion
Miss L. Wright, Glen Falloch

Miss L. Wright won the following classes
Best sheep (opposite sex to Champion)
Pair of ram lambs
Pair of gimmers
Female group of three
Best ram lamb
Stocksman showing best animal
Best female of blackfaced breed (any age)

Messrs McLarty, Glentarken, won the following classes
Pair of ewe lambs
Male group of three
Best ram bred by exhibitor

Best natural ewe and lamb/s
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Best woolled sheep
Mr. F Ronald, Keilator
Shepherds Class
John Ferguson, Glentarken
Best sheep - shepherd's class
J. Ferguson, Glentarken
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Gimmer
Ram Lamb

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Ewan Wilson, Carrie

Cross Sheep Section

Champion
Donna MacKenzie, Tullochcan
Reserve Champion and
Best Pair of Prime Lambs
P McDiarmid & Co. Shenlarich
Pair cross lambs out of Blackface ewe
G Urquhart, Bovain
Pair of cross lambs
P. McDiarmid & Co. Shenlarich
Cross ewe
Donna MacKwenzie, Tullochcan
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Champion
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Finlay McAskill, Tullich
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Until the end of June the late spring and early summer of 2005 might be said to have followed a similar pattern. During May and June, while occasional short-lived fair spells produced odd gloriously sunny days, the accent over this period was on dull, cool, windy and at times wet, conditions.

A spin-off from these somewhat unseasonable temperatures seems to have been the curtailment of the activities of the Heather beetle, which caused so much havoc in 2004. The recovery of Calluna (Ling heather) should now become established, albeit somewhat slow.

With the advent of July weather-wise, things took a turn for the better and for the past two months we have enjoyed a reasonably settled spell. A salient point however has been the persistence of cloud cover, even during the strongest anti-cyclonic periods two or three days with minimal cloud cover were followed by recurrences of what is known as "Anti-cyclonic gloom" more reminiscent of autumn or winter, possibly inferring generally high atmospheric humidity. In this context the prevalence over the past

decade of mild, wet, winters and several equally unsettled and humid summers has encouraged much growth of herbage. Perthshire, ever more bosky than the drier east, Buchan or The Borders, has now conditions approaching the lushness of Dorset or Devon. The scourge of bracken often quoted as statistically increasing in acreage, annually, by 5% must surely now be achieving an even higher spread.

Some conservationists advocate the removal of all livestock from hill grazings in order to counteract the overgrazing resultant from the fiscal encouragement during recent decades via EU subsidies to overstock. However the absence of grazing animals can be detrimental to the wellbeing of the sward by encouragement of more thrusting and virulent vegetation subduing the eminently palatable and desirable species, resulting eventually in the blanket scrub so beloved of "Nature Regressionists". Another concept of the "no management" theory is the suitability of such an environment for ticks. These can be controlled by dipping or "spot-oning" sheep or cattle but deer, hens, voles etc, unless some method can be devised to break the life cycle of the insect, remain as its hosts.

Mervyn K. Browne
Ardtalnaig

Ancient trees found in Loch Tay

During archaeological studies of the bed of the loch the Crannog Team identified timbers protruding from the loch bed at about one to two meters depth. This was at first considered to be related to the crannogs that were under investigation. Surprisingly they followed along the shore for an unexpected distance. Following further investigation Nick Dixon and Barry Andrian found them to be oaks of between 4,000 and 5,000 years old and the material, which included a hazelnut and moss, at their bases is evidence of it being the floor of an ancient woodland. The softer bark and outer layers of the trees that were exposed and standing up above the surface of the floor of the loch have worn down exposing the hard central core. Below the surface the ancient bark is still identifiable. This indicates that 5,000 years ago the surface of Loch Tay must have been at least 3 meters below the present level and it is likely that the change took place in a relatively short time. Feeling free to speculate, this makes us wonder what happened at the Kenmore end of the loch to dam back the waters. We know we are close to a tectonic fault - remember last year's earthquake.

Mervyn Brown told us of a report of a mini Tsunami in the loch in 1784. The Glenogle landslide is still fresh in our memories. Could some pre-historic cataclysmic event have been responsible for blocking off the end of Loch Tay and raising the water to its present level?

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Killin House History

A database of houses and farms to which all are invited to contribute. It has details from the 1881 census, from various historical publications, information from the Ben Lawers Historic Landscape Project and oral history and will include everything that can be found of relevance.

If you have anything you feel is relevant to either of these studies please contact

Willie Angus 01567 820238

Discovering a Highland Landscape

The papers read at this conference in Perth summarised the results of the work undertaken by the Ben Lawers Historic Landscape Project and associated projects during the 2005 season. A remarkable picture has been built up of the historical, pre-historical, cultural and topographical features of the Loch Tay area right up to present times and probably makes our area the most studied and researched in Scotland.

Dr John Atkinson of Glasgow University, Dr Derek Alexander National Trust for Scotland, and Professor John Hunter

from Birmingham University made presentations from the archaeological point of view. Dr John Harrison from Stirling University used his work on the Breadalbane Papers and other records to help us visualise the people in the landscape. Dr Gary West from the School of Scottish Studies who is conducting studies into local oral history explained his methods. Camilla Priede is conducting a PhD study into what people value in the landscape and Dr Nick Dixon excited us with his recent lochside findings of 6,000 year old trees

underwater (see opposite). Eileen Tisdale demonstrated how pollen studies could provide a time-line through the soil and gave evidence that the area below the hill has been permanent grassland for at least 1000 years. Lastly Debbie Jackson enthralled us with the ways in which she uses the information as a teaching resource.

The meeting was summed up and concluded by Dr Robin Turner.

WA

Ardeonaig & Ardtalnaig Community Outing to Glen Lochay

On Saturday 10th September the group met at the top of Glen Lochay and continued through the gate in 4 x 4s past Badour and Batavaime. Having viewed the Herring stone and the Bard's stone the group had a picnic and walked back via the high road.

Margaret Taylor



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Dancing Wins Gold

I have been dancing since I was in P1 and this year I decided to try the competition circuit.

I had to take a Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing beginners passport to each venue and it has 6 boxes to get a stamp. You only get 1 stamp at each competition if you get placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd. When the card is full you have to apply for the novice card. When that is full you qualify to dance at Intermediate level for a year and then you can dance at premier level.

This summer I danced at 8 Highland games and was placed at 6 of them, the other 2 games I had 4th places.

At Taynuilt I won the Dhurinish Challenge cup as I had the most points in my section with a gold for the Sword, and silvers for the Fling, Seann Triubhas, Hullachan, Lilt and Flora.

It has been really good fun and I have met girls from Canada and have exchanged addresses.

I now have my novice card to complete.



Millie Tigwell aged 10



Gee Whizz Kid

Killin is again in contention for motor cycle accolades. Robert Lafferty has added to his collection of trophies this year. Now 8 years of age he has clocked up two successes in his third year of competition. In the 2 day Mull Trial at Pennyghael he achieved a third. But it was at the Fintry Trial, a two day National Trial, that he achieved his most remarkable success by coming first having lost only one point. That means that his foot touched the ground on only one occasion during the 18 sections of the trial. His nearest rival lost 32 points. Well done Robert. Bobby Lafferty, Robert's dad, would be very happy to help anyone who would like to take up or improve their skills in the sport.

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Childrens Day of Fishing Fun at Kinnell



Children on Sunday 28th August fishing with the kind permission of the Dowling family. All who took part in this event caught a fish making it a great day out. Thanks to the Killin Co-op and the girls at Costcutters for their contributions and to those who helped on the day.

Opportunity for Voluntary Groups

CVS Stirling's new project, Building Voluntary Organisations Capacity, is underway and all local voluntary and community groups are invited to apply to take part in the year long project. It offers voluntary organisations the chance to enhance their organisational capacity by

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Jill Higgins
(Green Bowler)



For Killin

Stirling Council roads department will soon be installing a new speed limit on the Main Street. During the times when children are travelling to and from school, there will be a limit of 20 mph between Lynedoch and the Post Office. Drivers will be warned by a sign and flashing yellow lights.

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The Draft National Park Plan

Consultation has now ended. The task now is to analyse the various responses and where appropriate amend the plan. In the process of drafting the plan care was taken to involve as many people as possible, ensuring that those agencies which have a role in delivering the plan were regularly consulted and had a preview of the proposed draft prior to the formal consultation period. As a result the early indications are that no major adjustments will be required. What will be required is a review to ensure that the tasks which the Park Plan highlights are prioritised so that they become reality and not just a wish list. This will be tackled over the next few months and then the Plan and its supporting report will be sent to the Scottish Executive for Ministerial approval. It is hoped that the formalities will all have been completed to bring the Plan into operation by early summer 2006.

Whilst on Plans I would like to bring to your attention the fact that although the National Park Authority is the Planning Authority for the area, it is not the Licensing Authority. That duty remains in the hands of the local authority and covers such things as alcohol sales, street traders and Zoos. There was considerable press coverage of an application by the operators of Drumkinnon Tower in Balloch to West Dumbarton Council for a zoo licence to enable them to display otters. Some commentators felt that this was not the type of thing the Park Authority should be involved in. In considering the application the Council consulted the National Park Authority. In reply the Park Authority has made it plain it opposes the scheme. The decision is however in the hands of the Licensing Authority. The proposals to open an administrative office in the Rob Roy Centre Callander are still on track but the re-organisation of Visit Scotland and the local Tourist Offices poses a timescale problem. We are hopeful that we can get the builders in during 2006 with completion early the following year.

If you have any queries about the National Park please contact

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Programme

- Oct 19 Kinesiology, Herbs and supplements**
by Trish Waite Aberfeldy Town Hall 7pm
- Nov 16 AGM and social** Aberfeldy Town Hall 7pm
- Dec 7 Christmas lunch**
at Kinnaird House Hotel Kinaird 12 noon
- Jan 18 The art of papermaking**
by Judi Campbell, Grantully Hall 10am
- Feb 15 Herbal cookery demonstration**
by Chris Tamblin of the Green Park Hotel Aberfeldy Town Hall
- Mar 15 Beauty demonstration**
by Sarah and Lynn Dark of Zest Health and Beauty Aberfeldy Town Hall 7pm
- April 19 Herbed-wine Cuisine**
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Nathan Stewart Ireland, born 6th June, to Paul Ireland and Shannon Gillies who would like to thank everyone for all their cards and gifts



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Junior Golf

The juniors have had a great season this year. We had 14 juniors, 9 of whom were girls which is very encouraging, doing the clubgolf Level-1 with Audrey Weaver and John Guild. Elsewhere we had several promotions during the season with Adam Mitchell going into Category 1, Andrew Anderson, Calum McLarty, John McRae and Iain Patrick going into Category 2, Calum Wyllie, Harry McRobbie and Josh Henderson going into Category 3 and Adele Melia, Alasdair Craig, Antonia Dowling, Callum Clement, Catherine Allan, Finn Rhys, Hazel Wyllie, Jennifer Patrick, Megan Rhys, Mhairi Carson, Michael Crow and Skye Farmer going into Category 4. As coaches, we have seen a great improvement in everyone's golf whether they won or not on a Friday - each person's personal improvement over the season is something to be very proud of. A big thank you has to go to all the helpers this year, the stewards and the greens staff - without them the junior nights would not be able to happen. We have had a lot of help from members and parents throughout the year, but we can always do with more people walking round with the juniors helping them to learn rules and etiquette. If you can help next season please let me know. Congratulations to John Guild and Audrey Weaver for becoming fully



Junior Prize Winners

qualified level-1 coaches. I am sure that all those who had lessons from them this year are very grateful for the time spent with them.

Junior nights will start again in May 2006. Any junior between 8 and 18 is welcome to come along. We provide coaching and have clubs available on loan - all you have to bring is yourself, suitable clothing (waterproofs if wet!) a pencil and your weekly subs. If you are new to golf we will give you a couple of weeks to try it before you have to join the golf club - so what have you got to lose?

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Junior Prize Winners 2005

Beginners

1st Callum Clement

2nd Hazel Wyllie

3rd Catherine Allan

Clubgolf Level-1

Adele Melia

Antonia Dowling

Catherine Allan

Harvey Anderson

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Ishbel Taylor
Katie Holden
Skye Farmer

Category 4

1st Craig MacDonald

2nd Josh Henderson

3rd David MacAskill

Eclectic Winner Craig MacDonald

Knockout Winner Craig MacDonald

Category 3

1st Jordan Farquharson

2nd William Patrick

3rd Laura Aitken

Eclectic Winner Katie Holliday

Knockout Winner Garreth Tigwell

Category 2

1st Calum McLarty

2nd Michael Farquharson

3rd John McRae

Eclectic Winner Michael Farquharson

Category 1

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Bronze Division

- 1st. Cathie Reid (Killin) 67
- 2nd. June Sutherland (Dalmally) 67
- 3rd. Ruth Dick (Vale of Leven) 69

Veteran's Handicap prize

Ann Tweedie (Callander) 71

Scratch Prizes

Silver Division

Margaret McRae (Pitlochry) 78

Bronze Division

Norma Thornton (Callander) 92

Longest Drive

Silver Division

Carol Church (Oban)

Bronze Division

Nancy Hart (Comrie)

Nearest the pin at the 5th

Ann Garden (Pitlochry)

Magic 2's

Ann Trail (Helensburgh)

Annie McInnes (Oban)

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Scratch

1. R.A. Clark (Erskine) 68 BIH
2. E Lindsay (Blairgowrie) 68
3. D Campbell (Taymouth) 73

Handicap

1. A Heron (Killin) 60
2. D McRobbie (Killin) 61
3. J Elliot (Langholm) 62 BIH

Longest Drive

Category 1 (9th & 18th) Philip Murphy (Glencruitten)

Category 2 (6th & 15th) Neil Hay (Hartley Whitney)

Nearest the Pin

Category 1 (8th & 17th) Ian Pearston (Cochrane Castle)

Category 2 (5th & 14th) John Strang (Killin)

Magic 2's

R A Clark (Erskine)
E Lindsay (Blairgowrie)
I Pearston (Cochrane Castle) (2)
P Murphy (Snr) (Glencruitten)
P Melia (Killin)
L Brown (Killin)
D Fraser (Glencruitten)
J Elliot (Langholm)
T Fernie (Killin)
R McDonald (Killin)
G Smith (Killin)
C Forsythe (Killin)
CSS 65

Killin

Community Groups Forum

It is some time since the Community Council hosted the Killin Community Groups Forum. A date has now been set for **1st Nov in the Lesser McLaren Hall at 7.00 pm** to which representatives from all local groups are invited to come along and give an update on their own activities and hear what other groups have been involved in. This is also a chance to find out if there is any assistance available for your own group's activities or development plans, so please come along. Everyone welcome Refreshments will be provided.

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Week 28 ending 11 July

Ref LT/2005/0080/DET/S

Erection of dwelling house and attached garage

Location Glen Airlie, Main Street, Killin
Decision approved with conditions

LT/2005/0143/HAE/S

Formation of raised decking area

Location Fiarach Tyndrum

Approved with conditions

LT/2005/0166/DET/S

Change of use of area of scrubland to form kickabout area and erection of 4m high fence along western boundary.

Location adj to playground Mansefield, Tyndrum.

Approved with conditions

LT/2005/0208/HAE/S

Erection of 2 No extensions to detached dwelling house

Location Windrush, Manse Road, Killin.
Approved with conditions

Week 29 ending 18th July None

Week 30 ending 25 July

LT/2005/0246/DET/S

Change of use dwelling house (in part) and adjacent vacant land to operation of taxi business

Location Dunvegan House and land to the north side of Station House, 1 Station Road, Crianlarich.

Approved with conditions.

LT/2005/0248/DET/S

Restoration of fire damaged self-catering accommodation to form one unit.

Location The Steading, Wester Lix, Killin.

Week 31 ending 1 August

LT/2005/0256/HAE/S

Erection of conservatory and porch.

Location Carmyle Cottage, Crianlarich

LT/2005/0265/HAE/S

Erection of conservatory

Location Tigh-Na-Lenyk 5 Wester Lix

Week 32 ending 8 August

LT/2005/0199/DET/S

Change of use of land for the siting of mobile snack bar.

Location Loch Lubhair layby, Crianlarich.

Approved with conditions.

Week 33 ending 15 August

LT/2005/0159/DET/S

Change of use of a dwelling house to a Guest House (retrospective) and alterations and change of use of garage/workshop to self

contained owners accommodation.

Location Dalkell, Tyndrum.

Approved with conditions.

LT/2005/0167/OUT/S

Erection of 3 dwelling houses

Location Mansefield, Manse Road, Killin.

Approved with conditions.

LT/2005/0189/GET/S

Renewal of planning consent for the change of use of car parking for the siting of hot food snack bar.

Location McLaren Hall Car Park, Main Street, Killin.

Approved with conditions.

Week 34 ending 22 August

LT/2005/0247/TCD/S

Permanent retention of telecommunications base station comprising 17.5m high mast and associated equipment (Existing temporary consent Ref: LT/2004/0300/TCT/S)

Location Glenfalloch Farm, Crianlarich.

LT/2005/0293/NAG/S

Erection of agricultural building

Location Auchlyne Home Farm, Killin

Week 35 ending 29 August None

Week 36 ending 4 September

LT/2005/0306/DET/S

Temporary siting static residential caravan for a period of 3 years

Location Benmore Lodge Hotel, Crianlarich.

Week s 37 and 38 None



**Laura Willison
and Steve Kluzniak
married on May 26th at
Tobermory Registry Office
Mull. Laura's parents are
Jan and Johnny Willison**

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has taken over this post
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WEDDING BELLES



Alex Workman and Christina Walsh from Lancing in West Sussex married in the FitzGerald's cottage overlooking the Falls of Dochart on 7th June



Rhona Henderson married Robert Maxwell in Crianlarich Church on 27th August



Photograph by Total Images

David Cunningham and Kelly Twigg married on 10th September at the McLaren Hall. Kelly is the daughter of Roger & Diana



Photograph by Total Images

**Gareth MacGregor and Zoe Chall married on the 6th August at Killin Parish Church
Gareth is the son of Alistair and Heather MacGregor**



Theresa and Jamie Elliot, married on 13th August in Crianlarich Church, seen here at the waterfall behind Benmore Farm House



Virginia Crompton of Tyndrum and Bill Law were married at St Conan's Kirk Lochawe on 6th August

OBITUARY

Margaret (Peggy) Gray



Our family announces with deep sadness the passing of our Mum, Mother-in-law, Granny and Great-Granny, Mrs. Margaret (Peggy) Gray, in her lovely home, 3 Stewart Road, Killin, on April 26th. 2005 in her 94th year.

Granny (as she was affectionately known by almost everyone who knew her), moved back to Killin from Luib when Papa (the late George M Gray, who died 2nd April 1979) retired, creating yet another beautiful garden, (her roses were spectacular) for all to enjoy, tending to it with unending loving care. Loving care is what she excelled in; showering it on every member of her family, her friends, neighbours and acquaintances, making no exceptions and treating us all equal, remembering everyone's birthday and any other special event that warranted celebration.

A subscriber and faithful reader of The Killin News, she never failed to mail copies to us all whenever a new one was issued, making sure we were kept up to date with the local news.

We thank Dr. DeLaat and Eileen McReavy for all the professional and personal care they gave to Granny.

Family has a special bond,
It's love that forms a tie,
And even in the darkest hours,
That love will never die.
It's what we draw our strengths on,
In darkness and despair,
Our comfort in the worst of times,
Because it's always there.
And when a loved one's taken,
Although we have to part,
We keep them in a special place,
That's deep, within our heart.
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The Gray Family

Thank You

Angus MacKechnie

I would like to thank Dr. Syme and the Paramedic for their prompt attention after the death of Angus and also Diana for quick response to my call. Many thanks to neighbours and friends for all their kindness, for cards, letters, flowers and home-baking received. It was all very much appreciated.

Thanks to the Rev. J. Scott for a lovely service and to all who attended. Thanks also to Andrew Anderson & Son for all their help and guidance after Angus's death.

Thanks to the Bridge of Lochay for excellent catering and to Duncan MacKinnon, who played a fitting tribute on the bagpipes, which was much appreciated.

A collection for the Falls of Dochart Home amounted to £705.

Grace MacKechnie

Birthday

Jack would like to thank his family and friends for coming to his 6th birthday party and for all the wonderful presents. Big thank you to Auntie Linzi who blew up all the balloons.

Jack Forsyth

Myra's Mini Cabs

Myra and Ken (Myra's Mini Cabs) are ceasing operating from the end of September 2005. Due to the loss of the Glen Dochart School Run contract, we feel it is no longer viable to continue our private hire service. A big thank you to all our customers who supported us in the last two years.

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Letters

Dewar Name

I bought the new book "A Guide in Hand – Killin to Glencoe". The book is well worth a read for either young or old and got more and more interesting as I read about the Relics of St. Fillan and how he gave his five possessions to men called 'deoradh' which later became 'doire' then the surname Dewar – of the Quigrich. On my father's side, down the generations through to my son, has been the middle name Dewar and my grandfather always thought our relatives were from this area – so you can imagine my delight when I read this.

I also have in my garden a cupmarked boulder, which measures 9.5 inches across and 5 inches deep.

I would be extremely grateful for more information about the name Dewar in this area and about the stone.

Wendy Forsyth

Innishewan Cottage, Luib

Books on History in the News

"Of the Name Dewar" has recently been published and will be available in Killin shortly. Note also that "In Famed Breadalbane" that is highly recommended as a resource for this area has been reprinted and will be available locally.

"In Famed Breadalbane" By William Gillies

This book is in process of being reprinted and should be available mid October

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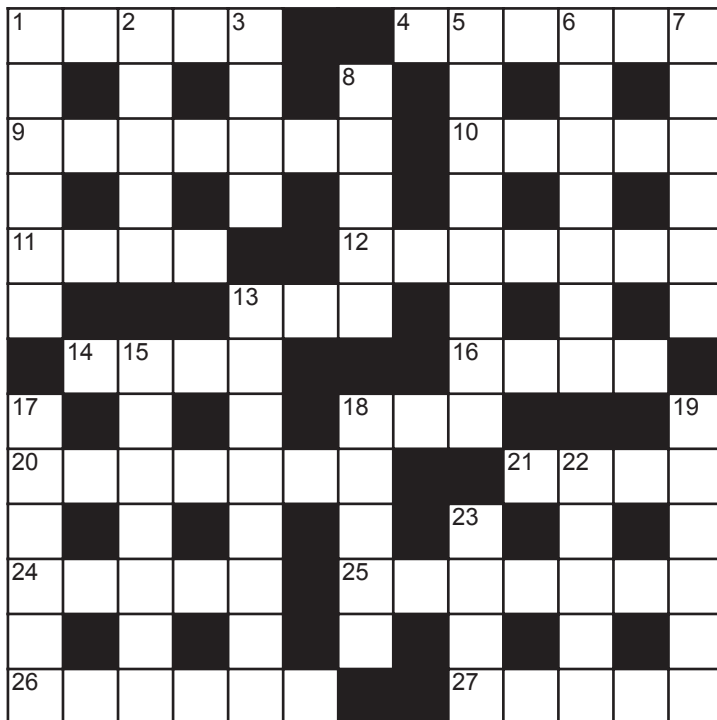
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Crossword by Scorpio



Across

1. It is over to you to encompass what is public (5)
4. Dishevel what is in spectrum please (6)
9. Give a curious present to a snake (7)
10. Throw a point to gain hereditary class status (5)
11. First Lady joined nationalist to find flat (4)
12. To be large and floral an E must be dropped (7)
13. Buzzing sewing group (3)
14. Irish holy man could create a disturbance (4)
16. Where a special apple tree grew (4)
18. Useless palindrome (3)
20. A P.R. item oddley kept by zoo (7)
21. Very young chickens (4)
24. Raid nothing for a sound producer (5)
25. A kind of biscuit
26. Present day taps adjust easily to new conditions (6)
27. In summer it is possible to find a good point (5)

Down

1. Reluctant bivalve jewel producer (6)
2. Uncanny (5)
3. The north get together soon (4)
5. Uncle Rud needs to be unravelled
6. and 15. down An oriental journey by E. M. Forster (7,2,5)
7. Makes corrections or improvements literally (6)
8. Gates confused platform (5)
13. A kerb out of order for a quick getaway (8)
15. See 6 down
17. S.A. trap confused a ancient Greek city (6)
18. Code coyle hid a lure (5)
19. Sounds as if an agreement is masquerading as a perfume (6)
22. White of egg (5)
23. Initially sent the extra manpower needed to stop the flow (4)

Solution to Issue 87

Across 1 birth 7 detritus 8 thine 10 garden wall 12 superior 14 chat 16 mere 17 retainer 20 dispersion 2 keeps 24 feel good 25 union

Down 1 bathos 2 tang 3 send 4 brink 5 strap hang 6 a split 9 eagre 11 oppressed 13 one 15 kapok 16 mid off 18 reason 19 sedge 21 shop 22 neon



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Local Community Development Fund 2005-6

Stirling Council's Local Community Development Fund or the LCDF has £300,000 of capital funding available for projects in the area.

The LCDF funds projects up to £15,000 or £20,000 for exceptional projects. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that the project will meet the local community's needs or concerns.

Any constituted community group or voluntary sector organisation working for the benefit of people in the Stirling Council area can apply. Applications usually take 10 weeks from deadline to decision. The last deadline for this year will be around Christmas time - the date will be posted on the internet, advertised through the Voluntary Sector E Bulletin or you can ring nearer the time.

Application forms are available from the Funding Unit on 01786 - 443413 or by emailing fundingunit@stirling.gov.uk We also have a Community Grants scheme for amounts under £1000, which makes decisions once a month. All projects that can demonstrate community benefit will be considered but remember you need to apply at least 6 weeks in advance and we don't make retrospective awards!

Possible Community Development Trust for Killin & Ardeonaig

Following Killin's participation in the Community Futures Programme which resulted in the Killin Local Action Plan, it was felt that there was no need for a community development trust for the village as there were already so many active groups in the area.

Since that time, local people have been affected by the purchase of what was thought to be community land by an individual with no local connections. This has prompted thought that if there was a CDT in Killin it would be in a position to snap into action if opportunities arose eg for registration of interest in pieces of land or the purchase of land or property for community benefit.

The Community Council has asked local people to consider this proposal and come back to the next meeting with any thoughts or questions on the subject.

In the meantime if you would like to discuss this further please contact:

Suzanne Player

Rural Development Worker

820154

players@stirling.gov.uk

What's On in Killin and District

October

- 8 Whist Drive Church Hall 7.30pm
 14 Flu jab coffee morning McLaren Hall
 14 Heritage Meeting "The Dark Side of Edinburgh" Lesser Hall 8pm
 18 Herb Society Meet Aberfeldy Town Hall 7pm
 22 Country and Western evening McLaren Hall 8pm
 23 Gun Club Meet 1pm

Art class
 Sports Pavilion
 Tuesdays
 4pm - 6pm

Upholstery
 McLaren Hall
 Mondays
 10am - 1pm

November

- 1 Killin Community Groups Forum Meeting Lesser Hall 7pm
 3 WRI meeting Lesser Hall 7.30pm
 4 Heritage Meeting "Scottish Place Names" Lesser Hall 8pm
 8 Community Council Meet Killin Primary School 7.30pm
 11 Green Lyndedoch 3.30pm
 11 Whist Drive Lesser Hall evening
 13 Gun Club Meet 11am
 16 Herb Society AGM and Social Aberfeldy Town Hall 7pm
 19 Games night organised by the Drama Club McLaren Hall
 26 Coffee morning in aid of Cancer Research UK Lesser Hall
 29 Tourist Association event McLaren Hall all day

**European Computer
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Brownies
 Mondays
 Church Hall
 Contact Julie re times
 01567 - 820851

Bowls
 Lesser Hall
 Mondays
 evenings

Keep Fit
 McLaren Hall
 Tuesdays
 7pm - 9pm

Badminton
 McLaren Hall
 Mondays
 evenings

Highland Dancing

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 Tuesdays
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 contact Aileen Tel 01301 - 704283

Guides

Church Hall
 Wednesdays
 7.30pm - 9pm

Introduction to Digital Photography

Tyndrum Village Hall Thursdays
 5 weeks from 6th Oct
 6pm - 8pm

Introduction to MS Office (Wp & SS)

Killin Nurse's Clinic Thursdays
 8 weeks from 6 Oct 7pm - 9pm

Internet Cafe & Open Learning

Tyndrum Village Hall £1 per 30min
 Tues, Fri, Sat, 10am - 4pm

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Which bin which week?

Week beginning

Oct 10 brown
 Oct 17 grey/green
 Oct 24 brown
 Oct 31 grey/green
 Nov 7 brown
 Nov 14 grey/green
 Nov 21 brown
 Nov 28 grey/green

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