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## Editorial

One would think that after over sixteen years of involvement with the Killin News we would have met all the major challenges to the production of this paper. The total failure of the hard disk on the first day of working on this issue destroyed all emails and electronic copy on the computer. After a suitable interval, for panic, angst, tears (and that was from WA) and searching for material on our personal computers, we contacted everyone we thought might have sent copy to us to re-send it. That helped build up our email address book and formed the basis of this issue. Thank you all for you help and patience. The whirr of hard drives in the village that day may have meant that others took note of our misfortune. In our new computer system we are engaging the services of "Nellie", the remote hard drive that never forgets as another security blanket.

The Killin Show, a village activity with a long history and centrepoint to the village, was cancelled because of Foot and Mouth in England. While preparing the paper new cases are still appearing and now Blue Tongue, an exotic insect spread by midges, has appeared in UK. Farming is a risky business. All the more important that we support farmers in their diversification and exploration of new ventures, one of the themes of the Rural Sustainability Day (page 35) The dangers on our roads are familiar to all who live in this area, marked as they are by unofficial memorials to those whose lives have been lost but the danger of things falling off vehicles is not one often reported. The one reported here (page 31) had a lucky conclusion. We would be pleased to report similar events if you have enough nerve remaining to take a photograph...

Out of hours cover is not covered in this issue. In discussion Bruce Crawford MSP has listened to local concerns and John MacPherson has been in communication with the Scottish Ambulance Service (page 14).

Complaints to the Community Council about noise in the early hours and broken glass raised the issue of underage drinking. An article on Ebony, (page 15) an unfortunate labrador who was rushed to the vet having cut a main artery, demonstrates the risk of broken glass in the Breadalbane Park where people walk and children play. Do we have appropriate facilities and activities to engage our energetic teenagers as they grow through that difficult stage? Should we have a ban on youngsters drinking outside as in Callander? Your constructive comments please to the Community Council and to the about-to-be-initiated Killin Development Trust. We have since learned that Doune has suffered an increase in underage drinking since the Callander ban

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## APOLOGY

If anything is missing from this issue, we apologise. Our computer packed up just after the deadline and we lost all our copy, emails and email addresses. We have recovered as much as we can but can't be sure that we have included everything. Please send again anything you think will still be relevant for our next issue

## Young Volunteer



Siobhan Riddell won an award from the Stirling Community Newspaper Forum, sponsored by The Stirling Youth Partnership, for her work as a volunteer delivering the Killin News

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# Up To One Hundred

## The beginning

The Killin News began in 1991 when friends and family of Sinclair Aitken and Allan Walker got sick of them talking about how they could surely produce something better than a local paper they had seen somewhere else and challenged them to do so or shut up about it. So they got together a committee of ten and produced the first copy (see centre pages) and the paper went from strength to strength. Articles in those days were initially handwritten then typed and photographs had to be developed and printed before everything was pasted on pages with the advertisements and taken to Pauline Roberts at Stirling Resource Centre who arranged it for printing.

## The team

Since the paper began thirty people, twenty one of whom are still in the village, have been on the committee of ten to twelve people. The longest

and Judy Forster has been responsible for getting in the advertising for all 100 issues. How she manages it we are not quite sure but it is her work which keeps it going. She has raised nearly 4,400 advertisements from 334 advertisers with the most in one issue being 75. Businesses have come and gone or changed hands but many advertisers have been steady supporters throughout the years and 8 of the 10 original names or businesses still regularly appear. Undoubtedly Dani Grant has contributed the most ads for various businesses, but the most constant names appearing are Maureen Gauld, Charles Grant and Eric McAllister, all in over 80 issues, Loch Tay Pottery in 91 and, most consistent of all, Lix Toll Garage in 96 out of 100.

## The content

Old issues give a record of Killin which, who knows, may be of interest to future historians. There are the annual events - the Show, the Highland Games, the Pantomime, the Opening of the Fishing, the once popular Folk Festival - and whatever happened to the 'Annual Killin Raft Race'? Lives and deaths, unexpected occurrences



Members of the Committee with The first issue

serving members are Angus Inglis and Judy Forster, who have been there since the start. Sinclair Aitken was succeeded as Editor at Issue 44 by Linda Fitzgerald and, since Issue 77, the paper has been run by an Editorial Team led by Willie Angus, with various members specialising in distribution, selling advertising, making up advertisements, photography - and computer rescue! An army of volunteers have been involved in delivering the paper over the years.

## The advertisers

As it is not a business, Killin News depends on advertising for funding

like floods, landslides, earthquakes and foot and mouth disease all feature and matters of local concern all naturally appear. Jobs for young people, litter, the state of the roads, bus services, a possible resource centre - all frequently recur. Controversy? Well, perhaps not enough of it - but that is up to the readers. Although the paper now is much bigger and uses computers, e.mail and digital photography, Killin News still relies on readers to send in contributions and raise issues. Whatever changes the next 100 issues bring, that will undoubtedly remain the same.

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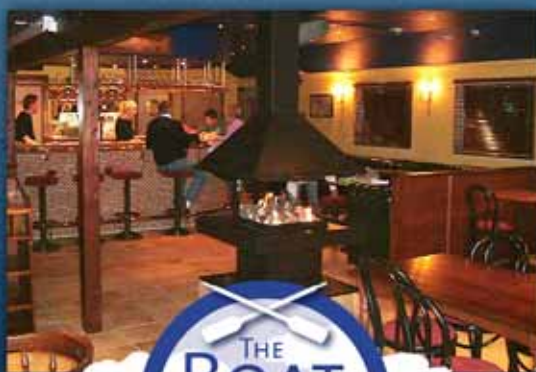


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## Carry On Winning



Congratulations to Herbie McLean, who won the rather dubious honour of being the oldest competitor at the Killin Games this year (sponsored by Later Life Training based in Crianlarich). As a young "over 60" Herbie came 9th in the Hill Race and in a time that most of us youngsters could not hope to achieve! Herbie is not unusual; in fact men and women over the age of 60 commonly take part in all sorts of competitive events, from local games to the Veteran Olympics. Research has shown that a fit, older person often has better strength, stamina and flexibility than a sedentary youngster. There is, however, a more serious issue raised by this sponsorship – illnesses and conditions that are associated with sedentary behaviour and obesity are on the rise in Scotland and physical activity levels in our population continue to drop. For example, falls and fractures in older adults are far more common in people who spend less than 4 hours a day on their feet. Prevention strategies to reduce future falls and fractures should concentrate on increasing physical activity and exercise (particularly balance and strength exercises) in those who do not have the physical fitness to prevent a trip from becoming a fall. Herbie should be commended for providing a great role model to encourage other older adults to remain fit and active.

**Dr. Dawn Skelton**

## Clanscape – Our Point of View

Liz and Kay met up at the Bee Keeper's stall at Clanscape and engrossed themselves in the visit. They would have started with the archery, but with set session times didn't fancy the wait. They both marvelled at Fergie's model railway of Killin station – Kay tried to see if any of those waiting on the platform were people she knew! It was great looking at all the old photos that Fergie had collected – well worth another display in the future.

A stall that attracted Liz was soap-making – she now only uses hand made soap as she feels it is kinder to her skin. There were several different types and Liz went for one which was traditionally made with ash and looked like a slice of dumpling and another lime soap, which smelled divine. Kay decided that she would buy the same – good minds think alike. On the same stall several children were busy twiddling sticks in plastic cups, so they asked if they could have a go – well why not act your shoe size for a change! Into the cup went the soap base – called lye – into that went a few drops of natural oil and a sprinkle of salt – then came the stick twiddling. Kay was impatient and wanted it to turn immediately, but Liz was more patient and her once runny lye became a thick jelly like substance. The type of lye used meant that the soap made was a liquid soap that could be diluted with warm water and put into a pump dispenser. So off they went with their plastic cups in plastic bags. Next stop was pot making. They were given a ball of clay and told they could make a pinch pot or a coil pot – they both opted for the latter. From the start Kay's fingernails proved a problem! She again lacked patience and several times the half-finished pot reverted back to its original lump of clay. Liz was more patient and produced a small pot complete with her name and date on the base. The finished pot was put



on the table to be collected later – and yes it was collected! They then saw how to make candles from reeds and lard – but did not have a go! They went into the yurt and marvelled at how warm and snug it was considering there was a great big hole in the top but declined the traditional ale and instead queued for a burger and fruit drink – delicious. After the obligatory stop at the rescue dogs stand for Kay – she just can't resist animals of any kind – came the Aloe Vera stall where they tried Aloe Vera toothpaste and hand creams and discussed the medicinal qualities of the Aloe Vera plant. Then on to watching wicker dollies being made and a chance to make their own oatcakes – but they resisted the temptation. They watched fires being started using sticks and wood and wood being turned by a contraption made of string, wood and a chisel. Then suddenly a few drops of rain fell, followed by several more, so they left with their purchases, liquid soap, Liz's pot and lots of memories of a great fun day. Look out next year, Kay thinks she saw them demonstrating how to build a yurt, and she is sure her talents lie in the construction business rather than the arts and crafts.

**Liz Stevens & Kay Riddell**

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# Mervyn's Weather



With the exit of August we are now into Autumn. Summer 2007 has been saved from utter disgrace by the long awaited weather improvement during the latter half of August. The high pressure system, which it has been suggested was encouraged by the antics of Hurricane "Dean", has, it would appear, become established and brought to an end the sequence of depressions which plagued these islands since early May. Even then this "High" seems so far to have been lacking in resistance to weather fronts which, albeit weak, have been invading the north and west causing more "Spoil Sport" conditions rather than heavy rain bands. Those of us who still indulge in haymaking as well as silaging have managed to "steal" some high quality fodder although at times the precipitation has loomed dangerously close! Indeed there have been

occasions when viewing from Ardtalnaig, Killin and points westward have been blotted out by a grey curtain of rain, while we here have managed to continue aiding this drying process and complete the baling. Autumn tints began to appear as early as late July and the beginning of August. Horse Chestnut, Sycamore, Beech, Rowan and Birch all show signs of colouring, although heather flowering has been and is magnificent. Each year it seems that a selection of flowers/shrubs excel in bloom. Outstanding this year has been Meadow Sweet /Queen of the Meadow. Great swathes of sweet smelling white flowers are to be seen in damp places everywhere. Montbretia and purple loose strife, so common on roadsides in Argyll and on the west coast, are most prolific. Swifts, slightly down in numbers on 2006, once again departed at

least a week earlier than usual. Swallows, in goodly numbers, normally remain 'til around 22nd September, Housemartins a bit longer, while the Cuckoos, sadly diminished in numbers, had gone, as in 2006, fully a fortnight prematurely. Many other passerines and summer visitors found the conditions intolerable and like bank holiday makers went elsewhere! During the early 1940s aeroplanes began to be seen regularly. Some of the older generation would blame this fact for the severe winters of the early war years 1940-42. Although possibly far-fetched, they may not have been so far out in their deliberations when nowadays the proliferation of aircraft is said to be contributing to Global warming!

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class,  
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Letters were sent out, the response was  
great,  
July 28th was to be the chosen date.

Those who were 50 met together  
At 7 o'clock for a drink and a blether.

Family and friends joined later that night  
To have everyone together was such a delight.

Thanks to the folks who travelled many miles,  
Friends were reunited, there were lots of  
smiles.

The ceilidh band played, they were just great,  
Their music kept us dancing until VERY late.

The 50th party gave us all so much pleasure,  
It'll be a night to remember, one we can  
treasure.

**Patricia Rew (Parkhouse)**



# The Big Five-O



## The Reunion was attended by:

Maureen Campbell  
 Norah Fulton (Keracher)  
 Charles Grant  
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## Strathfillan - "By The Way"

### Strathfillan Community Development Trust

#### Woodland News

The test pit digs carried out by Scottish Water Solutions through Tyndrum Woodland have now been completed. The SCDT working group is in discussions with SWS to broker the best outcome for the community.

The intrepid National Park volunteers along with Gavin Skipper (NP Ranger) are paying us another visit on Saturday 6th October to help the community with local projects. If you fancy a bracing day out in fresh air and good company, please get in touch.

#### Community Futures Action Planning

The Strathfillan Steering Group would like to thank the local residents who came along to the Community Workshop on 8th September in Crianlarich village hall. What we lacked in numbers on the day was countered by the high quality of the contributions

made by those who attended. It was lovely to welcome some of our new residents and I'm pleased to report that our lucky draw winners were all new to the area. Our residents were asked to prioritise projects and actions to be carried out identified through the previous questionnaires and interviews.

The main themes identified were;

- \* Transport and Access to services
- \* Roads and Traffic
- \* Business and Economy
- \* Environment and Paths
- \* Housing and Recreation

All the information gathered through this process will go into our new Action Plan, a copy of which will go to each household. Many thanks to Elma and Mary for again providing a lovely lunch.

#### Woodland Craft Fair and Car Boot Sale

It was with some trepidation that we decided to go ahead with the Woodland event, given the truly horrendous weather forecast for that week. I don't know about the sun shining on the righteous, but it did shine on us that day! A big thank you to everyone who contributed to make the day a

success; the Trust working group, the Ben More for the marquee, those who helped put it up and take it down – no mean feat, the car booters, all our craftspeople and everyone who donated in any way. Last but not least thanks to SNH and Stirling Council for their support.

#### Art Exhibition

Unfortunately, due to a lack of entries, the exhibition has been postponed for the moment. Time for a re-think. Please give me a call if you have any ideas.

#### Café Sci

This autumn sees the welcome return of Café Sci to the Tyndrum village hall. The series of talks kicks off with "Fascinating Fleas" on Wednesday 17th October with David Mardon BSc MSc. Other topics covered this session include: "Active aging" introduced by a new member of our community, Dawn Skelton BSc PhD on Wed. 21st November, "What drives scientists to do science?" with John Lackie MA PhD on Wednesday 20th February and "Cononish gold project" with Chris



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Aye well ... maybe you just can't keep a good thing down ...



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GDE MEIZ (very  
impressive!) on  
Wednesday 19th  
March.



As always the Café opens at 7pm  
with refreshments and an  
opportunity to meet the speaker. I  
hope we'll see many of you over  
the winter. Please call the office  
for more information.

There is only one contact name on  
this news bulletin as Gwyneth  
Scott has left the Trust's employ.  
Many thanks go to Gwyneth for  
her help, hard work and support.  
The office is awfully quiet!!

**Happy 100th edition to the  
Killin News!** Congratulations to all  
the team who work on this great  
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justly proud of your achievements.

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**Joyce Russell**  
(Development Officer)

Last autumn we had a truly  
remarkable evening in Killin which  
commemorated a major milestone in  
the history of Killin Breadalbane  
Angling Club - the club's 125th  
anniversary. It was a great night for  
the village - a warm and welcoming  
venue; a quality three-course  
dinner; a highly efficient bar service;  
a top-grade ceilidh band and - most  
important of all - a full house of  
people just raring for a great night  
out and who kept the floor full from  
the first to the last tune! Didn't we  
all have an absolute ball? - Just  
about as close as you can get to a  
James McFadden goal in Paris!

Arguably 2007 is 'just another year'  
for the club and we could let it go at  
that, but we're looking to have  
another go at a great village night  
out and have lined up the same  
people as last year. So it's time to  
get on the suits, the kilts and the  
fancy frocks (and that's just the  
Committee members - we'll take it  
as a given that the rest of you  
already know how to turn out  
decently dressed!).

The key details  
When: Saturday 17th November  
2007 (6:30pm)  
Where: McLaren Hall, Killin  
Music: Fergie Mac Donald Ceilidh  
Band  
The Event: Formal dress dinner for  
175-200 guests, followed by a  
ceilidh dance open to those who  
simply wish to come along for a bit  
of exercise and a few drams  
The Cost: Full Dinner & Dance £25;  
Dance Only (Pre-booked) £7.50;  
Dance Only (Door charge) £10.00  
The Programme - roughly:  
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Pre-dinner welcome/drinks  
7:00-9:15 Formal dinner  
9:15-9:30 Presentation of KBAC  
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9:30-01:00am Ceilidh dance  
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# Killin's Community Future

## Development Trust

This should be established within the next couple of months, with members of the Community Council and other interested individuals becoming the first Directors. This new body will have the ability to raise funds, buy property and employ people all for the benefit of the Killin and Ardeonaig area. Every member of the community over the age of 12 will be encouraged to join the Trust and help it become an organisation that truly represents local people. The Trust will work with the Community Council and other local groups to try and make this an even better place to live. Once the Trust is up and running membership application forms will be available to everyone.

## Community Action Plan

**Scenic Village:** The Community Council are in discussion with Stirling Council about the various issues.

Through the Area Community Planning process money is now available for improvements on the Ardeonaig Road.

**Jobs and Housing:** Rural Stirling Housing Association is piloting a way of involving local people right from the start of the process in the development of the Ballechroisk site. The houses will help to meet the continued local needs.

**Business:** Stirling Enterprise met

with local people to give information on what support there is for business in this area.

**Tourism:** The Breadalbane area tourism group is working as an organisation to promote and market the whole area.

## Improving and Developing Facilities and Services:

A Breadalbane Arts Week is planned for April 2008 with an exhibition of local visual arts to be held in the McLaren Hall. Workshops may also be held. This is a small start to what is hoped may become an annual event celebrating all the artistic talent in the area.

**The Resource Centre:** This project is being discussed again, with a hope of a more positive outcome this time around.

## Improving Access to Health Services:

The Community Council, with support from John MacPherson, is continuing to hold discussions with the various arms of the Health Service.

**Sustainable Killin:** EAK continue to encourage us all to be more aware of environmental issues with their event in September – possibly the first of a regular farmers' market – litter picking and work with Tombreck to develop a local food chain. There is still a long way to go, but with the new Killin Development Trust in place, the co-ordination of progressing the actions will be easier.

If any of the work that is going on is of interest to you or you have some fresh ideas, please get in touch, either just to have your say or to get involved.

**Suzanne Player**

Rural Development Worker

Stirling Council

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## Sourcing Green Goods

However much you would like to use 'green' goods, it is not always easy to find out what is available and where. A new local enterprise based near Thornhill has launched a website to enable people to find environmentally friendly products and energy saving goods of all sorts. It also has environmental news, educational resources, tips and advice and comprehensive information on everything they sell. Items are delivered direct to the door within 2 working days of an order but, in order to reduce the environmental impact of multiple deliveries, there is also a Community Delivery Service, allowing people to get together to place orders which will be individually packed for each person but delivered together to one address. This new type of service is provided by Richard and Sue Waite from Stirling, who plan to donate 12% of their profits to sustainable development charities.

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## Rural Broadband the Reach Project

A Scottish Executive project is underway to help the rural community to be able to access the internet via broadband. Work has begun making broadband available to the 1% of premises in Scotland that cannot access a fast internet connection. A budget of £3.5M has been allocated to seek other solutions as it has now been established that this need cannot be met by BT landline solutions. The final solution to our broadband access problem may result in several different technologies being used, including satellite connections for remote farms and shared solutions for local communities. This is good news but I do not expect there to be a solution until the middle of next year at the earliest. Local businesses wanting more details about this project might

consider contacting Brian Kane (brian.kane@scotnet.co.uk) the local ICT Advisor in Scottish Enterprise Forth Valley. It might well be worthwhile contacting Brian anyway, just so he can judge for himself how many local businesses there are without broadband.

## Windows Media Centre

Later versions of Windows XP and current versions of Windows VISTA incorporate Windows Media Centre – which is a suite of applications that allow you to manage your TV/Videos and music. If your computer also has a TV Tuner, then it can be used to record TV programmes at the touch of a button. The functionality provided allows you to record and pause current programmes, as well as set advance recordings. These recordings can then be watched at some time in the future, or even written to DVD for posterity.

This can also be combined with a

wireless video server, connected directly to your TV set so that the recordings can be replayed on your TV rather than the computer screen, thus taking advantage of large screen, plasma, LCD or HDTV equipment.

For me, one of the key features is that I can access my desktop from any internet connected computer and set the machine to record programmes that I previously forgot to record. The system also provides features to manage music and videos.

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# Killin Community Council September

## **Zebra Crossing**

The cost of replacing the crossing with a pelican crossing would be approximately £20,000.

## **Art Event**

The McLaren Hall has been booked for an Arts event in April 2008

## **National Park Area Network**

At the November meeting of the Trossachs and Breadalbane areas ASBOs will be discussed as disruptive behaviour is an issue in both areas.

## **Development Trust**

The papers needed to register the trust will be signed at the next meeting.

## **Litter**

Village officers are being replaced by mobile teams for street cleaning. The council have been asked for extra bins in areas that attract large amounts of litter.

## **Roads**

The Ardeonaig Road may now be considered for some upgrading with a new found budget of £30,000. Roads Department reminded the CC that £200,000 has been spent on Killin roads over that last 2 years. A decision is awaited about the footpaths on Craignavie Road.

## **Ambulance Service**

It was felt that progress was being made. The role of the RRU and the difficulties arising from the inability of the vehicle to transport patients to hospital had been discussed. John MacPherson had suggested to Grant Gordon (Scottish Ambulance Service) that the RRU should be replaced by a 2 man ambulance with a

paramedic. The added burden of the Killin ambulance having to cover Highland Perthshire when the Pitlochry ambulance is out of the area (due to the closure of the Aberfeldy Ambulance Station) has also been raised.

The lack of experience of rural ambulance personnel not seeing a high volume of cases could be dealt with by rural staff swapping with Stirling staff say one week in six.

A list of drugs carried by the ambulance crew and the paramedic, requested some months ago has finally been sent to the subcommittee of the CC. This is being scrutinised by Willie Angus and deficiencies noted.

## **Flooding of Main Street houses**

Simon Bain, Assistant Deputy Director of Stirling Housing, is dealing with this issue. Hit squads from the council can be called to clear drains and fallen trees.

## **Trees/Shrubs by Dochart bridge**

The clearing of the vegetation by the bridge has improved the visibility for the motorist and is a vast improvement.

## **Planning**

Riverside House: permission has now been refused by the NP

Ardeonaig Hotel: permission applied for extra bedrooms on other side of road No objection by CC if locals have no objections.

Bus turning circle: The plans do not now include a new toilet block but the existing block will be renovated.

Stitt's Yard:- extension to office, no objections

## **Scottish Youth Hostel Association**

This is closing in February 2008 as the amount of money needed to upgrade it current standards makes it uneconomic. The association will concentrate its resources in other hostels in the area such as Crianlarich and Pitlochry.

## **Recycle-a-Bike**

This organisation takes unwanted bikes for refurbishment and does checks to ensure they are safe for children to ride. They also run cycle proficiency tests which have not been organised here for a few years. Alan Hewitt will look into reinstating them.

## **Hogmanay Fireworks**

Charlie Grant will again organise these.

## **Broken Glass**

Streetscape should respond to a request to clean up broken glass on the street. Broken glass is a problem everywhere in Killin – youngsters come into Killin and join local teenagers to drink Buckfast, leaving bottles and glass littering the place. Buckfast is not sold here or in Callander so it is coming from further afield. Drinking sessions going on until 3-4am have been reported but, when the police arrive, the groups quickly disperse and re-assemble once the police have gone. Police should be called despite this as logged calls will highlight the problem. A dog had sustained serious injury from broken glass in the park. To contact Streetscape phone 0845 277 7000 and ask for Streetscape.

## **Killin Sign**

The village name at the Lochay entrance to the village has been missing for some time. Tony Finch to request a replacement.

## **Give Way Lines**

The white lines at the Station Road junction have been wrongly placed giving right of way to the traffic coming from the council yard. It was felt that this was probably better and could be left as it is with the sign changed.

**Next meeting** 13th November 7.30pm at Killin Primary School.



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# Watch Out - Glass About

In the wake of complaints to the Community Council about the behaviour of youths in the village and broken glass littering the streets, Shari Osler told us about what happened to her dog. Broken glass has cost her dear, over £300 since last October. She and her daughter walk Ebony, a soft and friendly black labrador, around the village. Last November Ebony cut her paw on broken glass while walking round the head of the loch and had to be carried home and driven to the vet as an emergency to stop the bleeding. The vet's bill came to £150.

In February, when out together for a walk, Ebony and another family dog were both badly injured by broken glass and had to be rushed to the vet. Two large bills and lots of inconvenience and heartache ensued.

On the most recent occasion, Shari was walking with her daughter and Ebony in the Park, a safe place one might assume, when yet again Ebony was badly lacerated by glass in the long grass beside the new path. This time, as before, a main artery was lacerated leaving Ebony bleeding heavily and unable to walk.



Kerryleigh and Ebony

She lost so much blood that she fitted on the way to the vet and had to have emergency surgery. Still unable to walk Ebony spends her time in bed being comforted by her real owner, Kerryleigh. Shari is devastated and disgusted that there is so much broken glass lying around. An injury like this could have happened to a child, or anyone playing in the park. Remembering her own childhood and adolescence, yes, children were boisterous, noisy and had a lot of fun but not at the expense of other people and property. She feels there was more respect for people then. When she told her friends about the injuries, others reported similar experiences with their dogs. She feels it is important to report incidents where people discard or break bottles and

glasses around the park and elsewhere to the police to discourage this unsocial behaviour. Broken glass lying around the paths and roads cannot be good for the image of Killin. We invite others with similar experiences to share them with us and to support the Community Council in its stand. Callander's crackdown on under-age drinking and antisocial

behaviour resulted in the confiscation of over 100 litres of alcohol in 2004. Offenders were warned and reported to their parents. It was felt that there was a connection between underage drinking and anti-social behaviour. Callander now has a ban in place on the under 18s drinking in public places accompanied by a fine of £100 (Crime and Punishment 1997 (Scotland) Act). The Stirling Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) Resolution Team can be contacted on 01786 443441. The telephone number for Central Scotland Police is 01786 456000. Streetscape, who clear glass, needles and syringes from public areas, may be contacted through the Stirling Council exchange telephone 0845 277 7000.

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## Internet Learning Cafés

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### **Lochearnhead Village Hall**

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The Learning Assistant is there during every session to help with any problems you may have and all this for £1 per hour.

We want to encourage more people to use the café sessions to access learning. You can enrol in courses at any further education college and we can help you. Everyone can apply for funding to help pay for certificated courses and other courses are free.

We are particularly excited by access to Training For Tomorrow through Reid Kerr College in Paisley, which may be just what you need to help you decide if you want to study a particular course or to learn more

about a topic of interest. Training for Tomorrow is a distance learning package that you can access from any computer with broadband.

If you are a business, we may be able to help either source or provide the training you need locally where at all possible.

If you are interested in this project or want to support it, the Breadalbane Lifelong Learning Trust, which is the 'parent' organisation, would like to invite local people to become members. A larger membership base, will help more people to know about the work we are doing and give them an opportunity to help develop the BVLC project and perhaps other lifelong learning projects in the future.

Membership forms are available at the Internet Learning Cafés or from **Julie Rhys** 01567 820851 or **Heather Hamilton** 01567 830220. Membership costs £2 per year and will include a free session at one of the Internet Learning Cafés.

Please contact Julie or Heather if you would like help with any ideas or needs you have for learning or training.

## Killin Skip under threat

Use it properly or lose it! That's the message from SEPA when it comes to the skip and composting area in the Station Car Park. It appears that commercial organisations are using the site and dumping material over the boundary when the site is officially closed. The gate of the composting area has been damaged by heavy branches and trees and items of a commercial nature have been found thrown into the skip compound. Residents report that they have seen vehicles and trailers heading that way and wondered what they were doing. If you see suspicious activity, please note the time and date, take down car numbers and descriptions of the people involved. The Community Council needs this information to identify who is abusing the facility and ensure that the skip and composting site are allowed to remain in the village. CCTV supported by firm policies in the event of identification might be useful tools to dissuade people from engaging in this illegal activity.

**Charlie Grant**

Killin Community Councillor

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# Killin Heritage Society

## Ard na Gaul



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There will be a guided walk around the ruined township of Ard na Gall (Glen Dochart) on Sunday October 14th at 1.30pm. We will walk over the site looking at our survey findings. You will see how farm buildings and structures were laid out and some of their uses. We will also look at some of the history of the site.

Meet on the Auchlyne road one and a half kilometers past the last house - an easy walk from the village. Members and non members welcome.

**Trevor Shaw**

### House Names, Place Names, Hill Names?

Saturday November 3rd 11am in the Church Rooms (adjoining the church) Killin Heritage Society and Killin Gaelic Society are holding a drop in session so villagers can find out more about places and buildings that around us in the part of Highland Perthshire where we live. We hope locals with greater knowledge of the area will come along as well and tell us of names that are little used now or nearly forgotten. We can then record them before they are lost. It's not just Gaelic names - how many know of the Bishop's Walk? Or where is Taigh na Duin and what is it now? Drop in and tell us some more.

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Willie & Gina Angus and Fergie Meek

### Wednesday 12th December

Stirling - the Archaeology  
of the City"  
Lorna Main, Archaeology Officer,  
Stirling Council

### Friday 1st February

Natural Lore - a cultural look  
at the wildlife of Breadalbane  
Callum McNeill-Ritchie,  
LL&TNP Ranger

### Friday 7th March

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# 5000 Year Old Rock Art at Ben Lawers

Archaeologists working at Ben Lawers have uncovered traces of rock art that could date into the Neolithic period, 5000 years ago.

A recent survey recorded a large number of previously unknown cup-and-ring marked rocks. The team led by Professor Richard Bradley of Reading University have been excavating small trenches around bedrock outcrops looking for artefactual

evidence that might be contemporary with the carving and use of the rock art sites. Already quantities of flaked and worked quartz have been recovered and more surprisingly, they discovered two flakes of Arran pitchstone, which is a volcanic glass only found on the Isle of Arran so must have been brought to Ben Lawers. Cup-and-ring marked rock art can be found across Atlantic Europe from Portugal to Orkney. The circles and cups were pecked out of the rock some time between 3000-1500 BC, during the Late Neolithic and into the Early Bronze Age. It is likely that these symbols had

different meanings depending on their context much like the Christian cross. Some are used in ceremonial



monuments, others are on public display in open landscapes like Ben Lawers, while some are included in individual burial cists. What is important is trying to move beyond simply studying the individual motifs to finding evidence for the people who made, used and understood these sites and this discovery of artefacts around these rock art sites is a major step forward in the understanding of Scotland's prehistoric past.

**Derek Alexander**  
National Trust for Scotland  
Archaeologist Western Region

## Think About It Chess Master

An intriguing painting is on display in the Louvre in Paris. It portrays Faust (the legendary German magician who bartered away his soul to the devil) sitting across from Satan at a chessboard. Satan is gloating over what appears to be the checkmate of Faust's king. The magician's expression is that of a defeated man.

According to an often told story, a famous chess master visited the gallery one day and studied the painting with great care. All at once he startled everyone around him by loudly exclaiming, "It's a lie! It's a lie! The king and the knight have another move".

Many of us have experienced situations that appeared hopeless. We saw no way out, but we prayed and God opened a way. He made that "impossible" move. We can trust Him. He can never be checkmated.

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# Ducks Away



After several postponements the duck race in aid of the Highland Games finally took place, although duck rescue was made difficult by the still high water levels. The winning ducks belonged to:

**1st** Sheena Sutherland

**2nd** G. Christie

**3rd** Kevin and Linda Fitzgerald

**The best name**, the Dochart Dasher, was suggested by Clem McEwan.



## Flu Clinics

People over 65 and under 65s who normally have a flu jab or are in an "at risk" group are invited to come to Flu Clinics held in Killin and Crianlarich. Those who normally pay for a prescription will be charged the same amount for the flu injection

**The Killin Clinic** will be in the McLaren Village Hall on Friday 19th October at 10.00am with a Coffee Morning for Cancer Research UK

**The Crianlarich Clinic** will be in the Crianlarich Village Hall on Friday 26th October at 10.00am with a Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Support

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## Outings

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winter and saw how much they meant to old and young. "Children get so excited to receive these gifts," she says. "Older people are deeply moved that someone cares enough to send them a present."

You can help send even more this year. Killin produced 64 boxes in 2004, 65 boxes in 2005 and 49 in 2006. Bring joy to someone in need this Christmas by filling a shoebox with things we all take for granted and leave it in the Killin Library by Monday 5th November! Help us to make this a bumper year for those in need. Before filling your box collect a leaflet from Killin Library or check online for details at [www.blythswood.org](http://www.blythswood.org) for instructions about what to include.

Above Killin Brownies at a 1920s(?) picnic with Countess Breadalbane and Lord Glenorchy Below Killin Sunday School Outing 2007

Now



Killin Sunday School celebrated the end of the year with a trip to the Abernethy Trust. Thanks to Sue Wyllie and all at Abernethy Trust who made this such a fun Sunday

### Christmas Party Night

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# Killin News

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## Another ruin for the village?



### THE OLD MILL PROJECT

Killin Old Mill - Action at Last!

The news, at last, is good! St. Fillan may now rest in peace - the famous "Healing Stones" will again have a safe and dry resting place.

Work is now starting to save the Old Mill by the Falls. Money has at last been found to make it at least windproof and watertight - at a cost of £60,000 even if we can't persuade the various funding bodies to provide more, at least we'll have a historic building which can be refurbished to provide the rudiments of a heritage centre and tourist information point.

Remember the heady days of 1989? A firm of Edinburgh designers came up with an imaginative scheme to turn the Old Mill into a heritage and tourist show-piece - audio-visual presentations, heritage museum, exterior walkways by the Falls. The estimated cost was a mere £350,000 in the Spring of 1989; by Spring 1990 it was £450,000! Perhaps the most surprised man at this escalation of plans and costs was villager Stan Mudd who first put up the idea, in fairly modest terms.

But things were rolling. A committee was formed who, along with District Council staff, set about looking for funding. We were at this stage already financially committed. Interested villagers raised, from loans and donations, £11,000 towards the purchase of the building - the District Council having put up the larger part. The Council also made promises of £100,000, if other monies could be raised, hopefully from such as the Gannochy Trust, the Scottish Tourist Board and the Scottish Development Agency (SDA).

But things became difficult. Public money was hard to get. In short, the various funding bodies couldn't get their act together - and the SDA was in the throes of being disbanded. The committee sought the help of M.P's, Scottish Office Ministers and others, but the project ground to a halt.

No work, absolutely none, was to be started. Meanwhile the building crumbled!

And then, praise be, at the last moment the new Forth Valley Enterprise Board (successor to the SDA) has come up with enough to make a start - at least to save the building.

There is now real expectation that we will after all have that village heritage centre by the Falls, albeit considerably reduced from the original grandiose plan.

We shall keep you informed.

## TROUT FARM FOR ARDEONAIG

A planning application has recently been made to Stirling District Council for the development of a fish farm offshore at Dal Farm near Ardeonaig. It is intended to have - at least to begin with - two fish cages and certain on-shore buildings. The developers, Ben Vorlich Fish Farms, intend to buy part of a field from Dal Farm. The development will create full-time work for four or five people. While it is admitted that there is initially a pollution risk, they hope to minimise this by carefully monitoring the fish diet and by good management.

There are already indications that many people and societies in the Killin area will try to stop this development. Apart from the pollution risks, and the danger to native brown trout stocks from the escaping predatory rainbows, such fish cages have in other areas, notably Loch Earn and Loch Awe, led to crowds of anglers and poachers littering the countryside and causing a general nuisance.



Following last year's successful sponsored clean-up, we are planning another one in Killin on Saturday 27th April. Adults and children will work together to clear areas around Killin.

The project is registered with the National Spring Clean, a nationwide campaign organised by The Tidy Britain Group and promoted in Scotland by Keep Scotland Beautiful.

Children may seek sponsorship for the hours they work, to aid PTA funds. Money raised last year helped the school to buy an additional computer.

All additional volunteers will be welcome - you do not need to be a pupil, parent or teacher. Please meet at school at 10.30 am with outdoor clothing, wellies etc. and safety gloves, if you have them.

## COMMENT

Welcome to this first issue of the KILLIN NEWS. We hope you enjoy it and feel that it fills a need in this community.

Our production team are all amateurs with no previous experience of Journalism; the only thing we have going for us is enthusiasm. But with help from Stirling District Council's Resource Centre we aim to turn out a paper every two months.

We have no political axe to grind. We are not a campaigning group. Our principal purpose is to keep you, the people of Killin and district, well informed.

We shall of course express our opinion, particularly in this column, to promote debate and provide a forum for your views on any matter of importance to the village and the surrounding area. So please write, there will be space for your letters.

## THIS IS YOUR PAPER

Ultimately, we should like you to think of the Killin News as **your paper**; so please don't hesitate to tell us how we can make it better, what you would like to see in it, even what's wrong with it for starters. The names of the Production Team are on the back page - most of you know most of us. And while we welcome criticism, we really want your support to make the Killin News a regular and useful part of our community.

We also want to help you publicise what you're doing, so if you're running a jumble sale, or a coffee morning, or holding a meeting, or organising a skateboard charity race round Loch Tay - tell us about it.

Finally, if you feel like making a donation - we'll be happy to accept it. It does cost money to produce a paper - even a modest one like this - and although we hope our generous advertisers will help to defray the costs - your financial support would be appreciated.

## KILLIN SURGERY

As from 1st March 1991, we have been operating an "appointments only" system in the surgery, to reduce the waiting time for our patients. With consultations increasing, patients sometimes had to wait for over an hour. The new system appears to be working well, although emergencies or consultations which take longer than expected can mean that patients aren't seen on time but we are monitoring the system. Everyone should get an appointment within 24 hours of a request and urgent cases can be fitted in.

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## COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The next meeting of the Killin and Crianlarich Community Council will be held in Crianlarich School at 7.30 pm on 9th May.

Your Community Council also covers Ardeonaig and Tyndrum. It meets every 6 weeks and all its meetings are open to the public.

The Council exists to express to the Local Authorities for the area (and to public authorities), the views of the community it represents on matters for which those authorities are responsible.

Therefore, if you have complaints or suggestions to make, you should either attend a meeting or have the matter brought up by one of your elected Community Councillors.

The Council has recently arranged for the bottle bank, located at the municipal car park and presently, along with the Region and the District, is initiating improvements to the parking in Killin. It recently arranged for the public meeting at Tyndrum to discuss the proposed goldmine at Cononish. It arranges and pays for the Christmas lights on the Christmas tree in Killin. It looks after Breadalbane Park and is now having new bench seats built for it.

If you've got a complaint or a suggestion for the village, button-hole one of your local councillors - or better still go to one of the meetings.

Your Councillors are Peter Henderson (Chairman); Mrs P. Christie (Vice Chairman); S. Aitken (Treasurer); W. Stitt, J. Taylor, W. Anderson, I. McGregor, Dr. M. McColl, Mrs. M. Rodger, Mrs. E. Coffield, Mrs. M. Clement, Mrs. F. Kennedy. (Those underlined represent Killin and Ardeonaig).

We welcome suggestions or comments, so if there's anything you feel strongly about or would like to see done differently, please let us know.

Dr. David Syme Dr. David Blaney

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## WHAT KIND OF HOUSES FOR THE OLD MART?

The old mart still looks much like a derelict bomb site. Those who venture round behind the main road towards the "famous" sewage works will no doubt have seen it. And still no signs of building work.

It's widely accepted that it is an ideal site for house building, but what kind of houses and how many? Do we want more of the relatively cheap "kit built" houses that some people feel are out of keeping with the village - or something more fitting? At least one planning application has been turned down by Stirling District Council. It proposed up to 12 small three bedroomed houses in the mart ground but was considered to be too high a density for the site and unsuited to the character of a highland village. Presumably the builders, who are not from this area, have gone away to think again.

## Words of Wisdom from the Minister

Maybe our District Council has been listening to the words of wisdom of Lord James Douglas-Hamilton, the environment minister at the Scottish Office. He has announced a major Scottish Office initiative to provide planning authorities with guidance to curb unacceptable rural development. Environmentalists and planning pressure groups have protested bitterly in recent years over the rapid spread of "kit built" houses in the Scottish Highlands, often installed with little regard to their surrounding countryside and indigenous architecture.

The Minister also expressed particular concern over the practice of allowing villages to develop along main approach roads. Well, we've already got a bit of that sort of thing at the east end of Killin!

But let's hope the mart fares better in the next round of planning decisions. In some ways it's not an ideal site - not much in the way of views, and altogether too near the sewage works. Some of you will know of the foul smell that emanates from it in certain weather conditions, and of the petition sent by villagers to the District Council to do something about it. Rumour has it that they "improved" the smell with a "perfume" of some kind.

We hope, however, that when they do build on the site, the builders and planners will have a thought to create something that suits the character of the village.

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### MAJOR FILM AWARD FOR KILLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

This year seven children from Killin Primary School were presented with the International Cinematographers Award - Young Film Maker of the Year, last won by a school in Cape Town. Four of the children and their teacher, Mrs. Inglis, attended an award ceremony in London to receive their shield now on display in the School. The production of the film was initiated by Leslie MacKenzie of West Highland Animation sponsored by Central Region.

The five minute film is based on a local legend in which Finn falls in love with a beautiful girl but finds he has a rival. His opponent challenges him to leap across Loch Dochart but as Finn jumps back again (backwards) his enemy chops his head off. The remainder of the story is an exciting chase by Finn's men to exact revenge.

The background and figures of the film were made by the children in Killin and the words were provided by the Gaelic-speaking group of children at the MacLaren High School. The production of the film involved a lot of hard work as it included making a background of scenery - mountains, lochs, rivers, waterfalls and the like - and figures for each character. Finn is a dramatic red-headed individual and his opponent has a shock of black hair and a luxuriant moustache whilst the lady in question is a stunning blonde! Every single movement of each character then had to be shot separately before being run together as a film.

Congratulations must go to all the children involved and to their teacher, Mrs. Inglis. The choice of a local legend also has much to commend it.

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May we wish the new newspaper every success.

## A VIEW FROM THE HILLS

BY RACHEL HUNTER

### HILL SHEEP

The in-bye or park lambing is usually drawing to a close when hill lambing starts in the last week of April. Lambing is intensive for three weeks then gradually tails off over another three weeks or so.

The park sheep have usually been pregnancy scanned and fed concentrates according to their needs. A ewe carrying twins will require more nutrition than one carrying a single lamb.

Some hill sheep are given supplementary feeding but the majority of hill ewes survive the winter unaided and rear the lamb they have been carrying since early winter.

Although the Blackface sheep is indigenous to the midlands of England, it is interesting to see how the breed has been manipulated to suit human needs. A hundred years ago they were short legged and long woolled. Meat was not widely eaten in those days; in fact the butchers' trade did not exist in Scotland until early this century.



Prize-Winners:  
Now the Blackface breed has changed

Wool was another story. There were no man-made fibres in those days so wool was valuable. Prices were better then than now. In 1920 good Blackface wool was worth 50/- per lb. (112p per kg.). In 1991 the market value will probably be about 56p per kg.

Long wool and short legs are not an asset in a snowstorm, so by breed selection a shorter fleeced, longer legged sheep evolved.

Where will the much maligned sheep go from here? The hill ewe is an efficient and cheap converter of low quality grazing into high quality meat. Alternatives such as forestry and tourist developments require high investment, do not use the ground efficiently, and contribute little towards the perpetuation of rural communities.

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## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

### Brownies

On Saturday 16th March, Killin Brownies did a sponsored walk from Monemore Car Park to Dalrivaig Farm, approximately 4 miles. So far the response has been very good - about £147 has been received to date.

We have about 18 Brownies at the moment. Any girl between the age of 7 and 10 is welcome to join us.

Mrs Annie McNee, Brownie Guider.

### Guides

The 1st Killin Lone Patrol came into being the second week in February and by February 22nd the girls and their Young Leader entertained the Brownies, parents and friends to a Thinking Day party - no small achievement! The girls meet together weekly with an adult in attendance. They are working towards a Cook's Badge as a Patrol. They are kept in touch with Guiding in the area by Mrs. Leslie in Dunblane.

Mrs G. Farquharson

### Curtains for Killin

Once again Killin Drama Club trod the boards to produce its annual extravaganza. Besides entertaining its public there was a sting in the tail this year. Everyone was asked to dig deep in their pockets to support the "New Stage Curtains" campaign. Replacements will cost over £2,000. "Dodger" has gallantly volunteered to cycle to Oban, \* so sponsors please be ready to support YOUR hall on April 28th.

\* (despatched by yet another blow from his mum's weighty handbag?)

### Killin Gun Club

Killin Gun Club, which was reformed in 1984, uses the Stance at Luib as their shooting ground, given for their use by Mrs J. Bowser. The Club has become popular in the area, with about 50 members made up of Juniors and Adults (including a few ladies). The first shoot of the club year was held on Sunday 24th March - in aid of charity. £106 was raised for cancer relief.

We hold six shoots per year for club members and visitors. There are also two Open Shoots - one Sporting and the other Down the Line. Next Shoot 5th May. Information from George Coyne, Auchlyne, (Secretary).

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## LETTERS

Sir,

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you on the launch of your newspaper for Killin and the surrounding area. I'm sure that it will be informative and entertaining and will be a useful forum for local views. Producing such a publication takes a great deal of time and effort but will be well worthwhile and much appreciated by the community. I wish you all every success in the future.

Yours etc.  
Penny Scott

Stirling District Council

## KILLIN SPORTS AND LEISURE CLUB

For some time a group of local people along with Stirling District Council's Community Services Department, have been discussing the upgrading of the sports facilities in Killin. The plans included building a Sports Pavilion with changing rooms, showers, toilets, club-room, kitchen etc., and a kiosk for the putting green and tennis courts. The tennis courts are to have an all weather playing surface with floodlighting, and the football pitch will be properly drained.

All this is projected to cost about £175,000 and depends on grant aid from the Football Trust, Gannochy Trust and the Scottish Tourist Board plus a loan from Stirling District Council to be repaid over 21 years.

To date the Steering Group in conjunction with Stirling District Council can now confirm that £35,000 has been promised from the Gannochy Trust and £30,000 from the Football Trust. We wait to hear from the Scottish Tourist Board who originally stated that assistance would depend on the other organisations promising funds.

The venture will need local support and to date around £900 has been raised in local fundraising events. Donations have also been promised from other local organisations.

Work on the Sports Complex is due to commence in early summer and is presently out to Tender.

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## GOLDEN PROSPECTS FOR TYNDRUM!

The Cononish area looks set to become a gold mining centre despite environmental objections.

Stirling District Council will decide on May 8th whether to grant planning permission for the £11 million project in the shadow of Ben Lui.

But the people of nearby Tyndrum made it clear at a public meeting that they want the gold mine to go ahead. It would provide a valuable alternative to tourism for the local economy.

Fynegold Exploration plans to mine 500 tonnes a day from a seam at Cononish Farm.

The Company - a subsidiary of Irish-based Ennex International - says the mine will provide 100 jobs over an eight-year life.

But its geologists are still hunting the continuation of the gold seam - broken by a geological fault - which they must find to make the mine viable.

And the mining start date remains uncertain. Gold prices have slumped, threatening the overall viability of the project.

## CHURCH NEWS

Some of us were privileged to join with 580 young people at a "Youth Praise Night" in Glasgow on 23rd March. The Church is involved in the Billy Graham Mission Scotland 1991: and there will be a **coffee morning** in the Lesser McLaren Hall on Saturday 27th April, 10.00 am - 12 noon. Come along and hear more about it.

Mrs G. Farquharson and Mrs M Bedwell: Church of Scotland, Killin.

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# Morenish Ospreys

This was a good year for a pair of ospreys here. The usual Scots pine had suffered in the winter storms, its landward upper branches appearing stripped bare, with holes to the sky through the old nest, not repaired or used since 2005. At least plenty of debris branches had been thrown onto the beach by high water levels – a veritable builders yard for prospecting ospreys looking to refurbish a nursery on high. Although Canada geese got into the site area first – remember last year they might have scared off any ospreys – they departed. But no ospreys, and mid-April already! Most other summer migrants were late too. Then a sighting by Tony and Belinda from Morenish Cottage on 23rd April raised hopes. The 24th April confirmed matters – a familiar osprey call had me scouring the tree-tops, and there was a pair following the usual mating routine. There were no ring markings to recognise them by, and no other tell-tale features – probably a pairing new to this site looking strong and fit from their journey, and settling well during the next days.

I reckon she laid about 6th May. She fought off an attack by two crows on 14th May – that was a very tense half hour of watching until the male returned with a half-eaten fish and saw them off. The first visible sign of hatching was 15th June and on 20th I saw a tiny head striving from within the nest, and on 24th June there were two tiny heads. Hatching here was about 2 to 3 weeks later than previous years – would they be able to fly, feed themselves, catch their own fish and migrate to Africa before winter? Poor summer weather might bring disaster at any time from wet and windy conditions causing hypothermia, but the parents always seemed vigorous and capable. Then, 56 days from hatching, both fledglings could fly competently. 9th August was typical thereafter; "9.15am, a noisy speedboat with water skier sped directly beneath the nest site. The adult male flew up with a wriggling fish as undercarriage in aerodynamic mode and proceeded to a dead pine to eat voraciously, head end first, as per the book, eventually slowing his ravenous tearings and gulplings. As often, he squirted a white jetstream

rearwards, and appeared to break wind. He looked up, thinking perhaps he should feed a hungry youngster, still dependent, with the rest of the fish. He returned to the nest, whereupon a fledgling appeared from the sky and took over the uneaten half on the nest." Thereafter various ospreys were spotted in the area, both youngsters and parent birds, right into the first week of September, a month from fledging at the Morenish site. Human disturbances at the eyrie site appear to have been no worse than other years – noisy boats and their occupants that get on all our nerves, inquisitive lochside walkers who mean no harm but get too close, and ignorant boaters who may be quiet but seem insistent on getting close when by staying 100m away with binoculars they will see much more, that is, if the boat is steady enough. We must now hope they will all migrate successfully. I wonder if this year's parents might have been the first offspring from this eyrie which Pat Sandeman and I came upon in 2003. They just might have been.

**John Allen**



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A recent study by Stirling Council has shown that recycling rates are improving. However, there is still a significant amount of material being placed in the grey bin that can be recycled. Paper is one such example.

In Stirling around 70% of paper is being recycled and, although this is an improvement, it still means that around 30% of paper is not being recycled and is instead going to landfill.

When biodegradable materials, like paper, are sent to landfill, they breakdown and produce gases such as methane and carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). This is damaging to the environment because methane from landfill sites is a major contributor to climate change.

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**REUSING** paper reduces the need to produce new paper. Here are a few tips:

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- \* Donate unwanted books and posters to charity shops or try online exchanges and auctions
- \* Use products made from recycled paper and cardboard such as recycled toilet rolls and recycled paper

For more information please contact Stirling Council on 0845 277 7000 or visit [www.stirling.gov.uk](http://www.stirling.gov.uk).

## Composting at Lower Polmaise

Stirling Council has agreed to invest £300,000 to extend the existing composting facilities at Lower Polmaise.

The Council has been awarded £580,379 as an insurance settlement for the fire in August 2005 at the site's Waste Transfer Station. £80,379 will cover the cost of the initial repairs to the Transfer Station and £200,000 will be ring-fenced for future inspections, testing, routine maintenance and related works to the Transfer Station. The remaining £300,000 will be used to extend the site's composting facilities which are expected to be in use from April 2008.

Due to the high volume of 'green' waste being collected by the Council, the composting site is now operating at above capacity and producing high-quality compost. This extended capacity will help the Council meet its targets for reducing waste and increasing recycling. Stirling Council already has one of the highest waste recycling rates in Scotland, at 40%, and earlier this year became the first unitary local authority in the UK to be awarded the PAS100 certificate for the highest possible standard of compost.

**Nicholas Mayes** 01786 443363

## New National Park Appointments

LL & T National Park Authority welcomes 10 appointments to its board, each running for 10 years. Cllrs Fergus Wood and David Goss (Stirling Council), Craig McLaughlin (West Dunbartonshire), Ron Simon (Argyll and Bute) and Bob Ellis (Perth and Kinross), Cllrs Colin O'Brien and Tony Ffinch (Stirling Council), Denis Agnew (West Dunbartonshire) and Billie Petrie and Bruce Marshall (Argyll and Bute) all return to the board. The Park Authority also announced the appointment of Bill Morton as interim Chief Executive for a period of seven months. Throughout the 90s he was Chief Executive of Scottish Enterprise Forth Valley where his leadership led to a long list of investments that still play a huge role in the life of the National Park, including the Tyndrum Tourist Information Centre, Breadalbane Folklore Centre in Killin, Callander's Rob Roy Centre and the Discovery Centre and Riverside car park in Aberfoyle. Bill is delighted to be returning to this part of the world.

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raised awareness of litter issues throughout the National Park. Members include representatives from Forestry Commission Scotland, the National Park Authority, local communities and Stirling Council. Fiona Kennedy, Chair of the Community Partnership Litter Group said, " Since the Community Partnership launched the litter campaign last year we feel we have made a small difference to the litter problem. However, there is still a long way to go and with the help of agencies and local communities involved in the campaign we hope to have a litter free Park where everyone can enjoy the environment."

The group has recruited local litter champions, two in Killin, who help identify problem litter spots and distribute bags and posters within their local community. The National Park and the community partnership would like to encourage more litter champions to volunteer. If you are interested, please contact **Marion McCahon**, Sustainable Development Officer on 01389 722003

Copies of the leaflet are available from <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org> Email: [info@lochlomond-trossachs.org](mailto:info@lochlomond-trossachs.org)

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The Floodline service can be contacted on 0845 988 1188 or by logging on to the SEPA website at <http://www.sepa.org.uk/flooding>. Being prepared in advance can help reduce the damage and distress that flooding can cause. For example, if you're unsure if your home or business may be at risk from flooding, then the SEPA online flood map at [www.sepa.org.uk](http://www.sepa.org.uk) can provide you with an indication of the risk of flooding in your area. Although we cannot totally prevent flooding there are some small actions that we can all do to reduce the impact. Preparing a family flood

## Heart of Scotland Herb Society



As the season changes we move on to our next session of events with foods, lotions, potions and gardening ideas on the agenda. We will also be featuring several specific herbs and trees: Basil, Sweet Joe Pye, Rosemary, Chives, Calendula, Hawthorn, Willow, and Dandelion. Should these or any of our topics be of interest to you, please join us for another year of using and learning about herbs while having some fun along the way.

**17 October:** "Food for Thought" by Alex Cruikshank, at The Scottish Farm Shop, Camserney 7pm

**22 November:** Annual General Meeting, American Indian Theme, at Aberfeldy Lesser Hall 7pm

**5 December:** Christmas Luncheon, at Kinnaird Country House Hotel (advanced booking) 12 noon

**16 January:** Cookery Demonstration by Carlotta Fraser, at Aberfeldy Lesser Hall 10 am

**20 February:** "Creams & Calendula" by Jacqui Hazzard, at Aberfeldy Lesser Hall, 10am

**19 March:** Homeopathy by Cheryl Spencer, at Aberfeldy Lesser Hall 7pm

**16 April:** Acupuncture & Herbs by Tim Lawrence, at Aberfeldy Lesser Hall 7pm

**21 May:** Summer Outing to be arranged

**18 June:** Garden Party & Making Tussie Mussies at Achnacloch Balhomas, by Dull 7pm

All regular meetings are open to the general public. Should anyone require further details of events or information about the society please contact either

**Patty Hope** 01567 820408 or  
**Judy Forster** 01567 820 298

kit may seem strange, but in the unfortunate situation of being flooded, having a torch, first aid kit, medicines, important contact numbers and insurance details in one place will be essential. It's important to know where to turn off the electricity, gas and water and check whether your insurance policy covers you for flood damage.

Knowing where water may enter your home or business, for example through doors or air vents, is also important.

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**Michelle Stone**

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## The End of an Era at Lix Toll



Jim and Frances Cushley bought Lix Toll Garage and House way back in 1975 (you know - when flairs were in fashion first time round) and now after 32 years they have sold Lix Toll and retired.

Their two daughters, Linda and Elizabeth, both attended Killin Primary School. Linda was just over a year old when they moved to Lix Toll and Elizabeth was born there. Both are now married and Jim & Frances have three grandchildren.

When asked what he would miss most, Jim replied instantly, "The craic - Lix Toll is the centre of the 'Biz' in the area and already I am missing the craic with folks. We will also really miss the staff some of whom have been with us since the start". Billy and Ian Noble worked at 'The Toll' before Jim took over and John Hunter joined them in their first year. After 32 years of working together we have become like family. Some of the staff have even been re-cycled, 'Pigeon' and Jamie worked at 'The Toll', left, and then came back again.

What will Jim miss least? "The legislation, bureaucracy and the demise of common sense in industry". It is Jim's intention to continue being actively involved in village life, he currently sits on the Committee for the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home. "I need to stay involved there so I can save myself a bed!" said Jim.

Once Jim & Frances have settled in to their new house at Mid Lix, it is their intention to take up some of Killin's leisure activities. Jim thought they might join the Curling Club (although he's not sure if he can drink enough to join!). Frances is more concerned about Jim's 'sweeping' capabilities as he has never held a brush!

We wish Jim & Frances a long and happy retirement.

**Linda Fitzgerald**  
(former Editor of Killin News)

## Voice from the Past

Having been invited to do a piece for the 100th issue of the Killin News (many congratulations!) I thought to pick a subject that has almost completely eluded it - namely rail travel.

Killin does have almost everything one could wish for in such a small village - we even recently opened a ladies' and gents' hair salon, thus avoiding trips to Callander or Stirling. And look how well we're provided for in other areas - police station, fire station, umpteen joiners, plumbers, builders, painters, doctors and nurses - I could go on. We were slow to get a bus service but we've got one now - I think - though some older folk are never sure what days it comes, where it picks you up and when.

Our big problem, however, is access to rail travel - hence the massive use of private cars in all directions, all guzzling petrol and fouling the atmosphere. But we did have a railway in the past and it's actually still there. It's that dog walkers' path from the village to the head of the loch. I'm starting a rumour that we may be getting it "re-opened" - with nice carriages to take us to join the main line at Crianlarich. I say "a rumour" but maybe with the heavy support of this paper, it may actually happen! There would then be less use of worn out cars - and instead we could have comfortable journeys (maybe even first class with lunch or dinner!) to Crianlarich, Tyndrum and beyond to Oban and the West

Highlands - and with fewer damaging carbon emissions which of course the government is keen on for the future safety of our planet.

What are we waiting for? The track is still there. Let this newspaper champion the cause of rail travel and the redevelopment of the old line from the head of the loch through the "Station Car Park" in the village and on to the rest of the world.

Sorry about the dogs but we will find another area for them!

**Sinclair Aitken**  
(Founding Editor of Killin News)



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## Junior Prize-giving 2007

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2nd Cameron Shearer  
3rd Josh Norris

### Category 4

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2nd Alby Palmer  
3rd Skye Farmer

**Eclectic Winner** James Ronald

**Knockout Winner (Junior**

**Trophy)** Alasdair Craig

### Category 3

1st David MacAskill  
2nd Jonathon Devlin  
3rd Adam Kyle

**Eclectic Winner** Jonathon Devlin

**Knockout winner (Anniversary**

**Trophy)** David MacAskill

### Category 2/1

1st Donald MacAskill  
2nd John McRae  
3rd Laura Aitken

**Eclectic Winner** Donald MacAskill

**Best Beginner** Emma Aitken

**Most Improved Golfer**

Skye Farmer

**Junior Club Champion (Dochart**

**Trophy)** Donald MacAskill

Thanks to all the volunteer coaches and helpers throughout the year – without them we could not accept so many juniors. Thanks also to Allan McHenry and his helpers for keeping the clubgolf course and practice area maintained throughout the year and to Colin, Stephanie and staff for the catering in the clubhouse.

Another junior golf season has come to an end, and I am so proud of all the juniors in how they have improved since last season.

We ran a junior flag competition in July, and Skye Farmer has been drawn to go and meet Nick Faldo – last year Emma Aitken was drawn but was unable to go down to Celtic Manor. We hope to see some pictures of Skye with Nick and hopefully get a wee report. Due to

the success of our flag competition, Active Stirling and clubgolf are holding an inaugural flag competition at the University of Stirling on Sunday 28 th October between 9am and 5pm. This is aimed at children in P5 – S2 who have completed at least year 1 of the Stage 1 coaching programme. If you want an entry form please contact Liz Stevens or download one from [www.killingolfclub.co.uk](http://www.killingolfclub.co.uk). I would also like to thank all the parents for their gift to me at the prize-giving – it was very much appreciated and I have already put it to good use.

LS

## Killin Senior Ladies Open 19th September 2007

### Overall Scratch:

Wilma Frew (Oban) 80

### Scratch – Silver Division:

Wilma Frew (Oban) 80

### Bronze Division:

Norma Thornton (Callander) 93

### Handicap – Silver Division

Jean Smith (Cathcart Castle) 70

Helen Telford (Pitlochry) 73 BIH

M Dunlop (Old Ranfurly) 73

### Bronze Division

Ann Tweedie (Callander) 69 BIH

Maureen Gauld (Killin) 69

Jacqueline Crossan (Dalziel Park) 70

### Veteran's Handicap:

Ann Tweedie (Callander)

### Longest Drive – Silver Division:

M Dunlop (Old Ranfurly)

### Bronze Division:

Sheena Chisholm (Killin)

### Nearest the Pin:

Susan Bowker (Helensburgh)

### Sweep

### Silver Division:

Norma Thornton (Callander)

### Bronze Division:

Maureen Arnott (Comrie)

### Magic 2's

M Dunlop (Old Ranfurly)

## Active Kids at an Active School

Active School Co-ordinators for The McLaren Cluster of Schools have a very full programme of events organised at Killin Primary School over the course of the session which includes sports coaches coming into school to give the children tasters of different sports. Primary 6 and 7 have had two sessions of rugby coaching and also went to McLaren High School to take part in a rugby festival. Pupils in Primary 4 and 5 are getting two sessions of athletics coaching.

The aim is to encourage children to be active outwith school too. Some children have joined sports clubs such as Run, Jump and Throw or Football and Rugby Clubs. After-school clubs such as Hobbies Club and Top Play are run and the aim is to continue to support after school clubs and work with staff and parents to organise clubs like this sometime this year.

As part of Eco-Schools Activity children will be encouraged to play active games in the playground, and the purchase of new equipment for playground use is planned this term.

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## New Start New Art



When we started visiting this area in 1990, the hospitality shown to us convinced us that this was where we wanted to live. In 2001 we took the opportunity to relocate from the south of England and run the snack bar at the top of Glen Ogle. We quickly learned that the snack bar was not just a place to grab a roll and a hot drink but a meeting place for friends and during our time as "custodians" we made many friends among those who regarded themselves as regulars. The support shown and the friendships made during our time at the snack bar have been incredible. After Sheila became unwell in the spring, we decided that the time had come to let someone else take over

and we did not have to look too far as the new owners, Richard and Jan, were right on our doorstep. We wish them every success in their new challenge.

We have now opened a new door in the centre of Killin in the shape of an art and craft gallery called "THE STUDIO". Once again the help and support shown to us has been overwhelming. The list of people we would like to thank is enormous; but special thanks must be given to Pam and Lawrie Hopkins from Earnknowe, Dougie and Liz from News First, Chris and Alice from the Wee Mindin, Andy Ward and Liz, and the fabulous artist Daniel Campbell from Glasgow, who not only allowed us to exhibit his paintings but also introduced us to many other artists throughout the country. We have had help and support from Oban to Falkirk to Anstruther without which we could not be have opened, so to all we give our heartfelt thanks. The response to our new venture from the people of Killin, Lochearnhead and the surrounding communities has been fantastic and has allowed us to exhibit work by local painters and craftsmen as well as nationally acclaimed artists and jewellers. Please come and visit us and be assured of a warm welcome.

**Ron and Sheila Allner**

## New Cat Stop?



Leo makes himself comfortable with new friends in The Studio window. Ron and Sheila can consider themselves welcomed.

## What an escape



On 9th August holiday maker Karl Davey from Ipswich was following a timber lorry over Glen Ogle when one of its metal stanchions fell off, bounced on the road and like a giant spear pierced the bonnet of his car, skewering it to the road. Incredibly no-one was hurt.

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# Letters

## On the one hand ...

My wife and I are regular visitors to Killin and now bring our grandchildren. Your lovely village is always welcoming and the locals very friendly. However one thing is almost putting us off coming, the amount of dog fouling in the village is really terrible. We constantly have to watch out for it as we like to stroll around the village especially in the evenings. I urge local residents to report those who do not clean up after their dogs to your council before all of us regular visitors decide to go elsewhere. Do not let them spoil your wonderful village.

## The Jack family

## ... and on the other

During our annual 'expedition' north, we were suddenly attacked with a strong dose of good old fashioned hospitality in the village of Killin. On a visit to the Breadalbane Mill to see the interactive story of St Fillan, we noticed a gentleman dressed in a period highland costume standing on the raised walkway by the old mill wheel and were told that he was giving talks on life in the highlands in the 17th century so we decided to go along and listen. Even the children stood completely transfixed by his tales of highlanders struggling to survive in those bleak days - a brilliant hour long discourse that really brought history alive.

We discovered he had a huge knowledge of the local area and he said he would take us on a tour of the historical sites in the area. Each stop was accompanied by a local legend or historical tale. He took us to places that we just wouldn't have found on our own and then our host insisted that we return with him to his house for a wee dram of friendship. Proof indeed that hospitality is not dead and gone but survives in places like Killin and in people like Scotty Wilson.

**Mark, Harriet, Molly,  
Fern, Jason and Barry**

*(A longer version of this letter  
appears on the Killin website forum)*

## Jim and Frances Cushley Retiral

Both Frances and I wish to thank most sincerely the customers, suppliers and all those who sent best wishes on our retiral from Lix Toll Garage. Our 32 years as custodians of "The Toll" was a great adventure with very few dull moments. We had the privilege of having many very loyal customers and friends who made our adventure an enjoyable one. Huge gratitude must be given to our staff, some of whom had been with us throughout our full 32 years ownership. Lix Toll was the model of teamwork with every member of staff an important player. Very many thanks to you all.

Lix Toll is now under the ownership of Mr Rik Sangha. The staff have all been retained and I am sure will continue to give our customers the best of service.

Meantime Frances and I are moving just up the road to Mid Lix. The start of another adventure! Maybe now we will have time "after the flitting" to enjoy Killin.

**Jim Cushley**

## Quern Fundraising Concert

We raised £1,200 as a result of the concert on 25th August. The Committee would like to thank everyone who worked so hard and contributed to the evening in any way. Support from the community is so welcome as we try to make progress with funding for a new bus. Many thanks also to the Wilburn Trust who have generously donated £2,000 towards our new bus fund. Such a substantial voluntary donation is really encouraging and greatly appreciated.

**Kathryn Storey**

## Thank You

We would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for the kind expressions of sympathy, all cards, letters and lovely flowers, on our recent sad loss. Also we would like to thank Clair for all her help and support.

**Alan & Jacqui Thomson**

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## Falls of Dochart Retirement Home

### 50s Bash (see page 9)

Oh what a grand party that was! I would like to thank the organisers and helpers who put in time and effort to make it such a success. It was such fun meeting my school class and remembering the ups and downs of school days. Seeing Brian Taylor brought back happy memories of canoeing etc.

**Norah Kerracher**

### Floral Tribute

We would like to pass on the many favourable comments made to us over the season regarding the beautiful and colourful tubs of plants on display around the village. Also the gardens, particularly those on the Main Street. It adds to the visitor experience and gives pleasure to many. Keep up the good work.

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It is now almost five years since the Home was taken over by the Killin Care Trust, and it is widely agreed that it has proved an asset to the community. During these five years the Home has continued to provide professional 24 hour care for all its residents in what is a friendly, warm and safe environment. Staffing is provided by a team of sixteen full and part time employees, led by a manager and three senior carers. Inspections at the Home take place from time to time, often unannounced, to ensure that the Home is operated to the standards required by the various regulatory bodies and have resulted in the Home receiving good reports from the authorities concerned. Staff are regularly given professional courses to ensure that they are up to date with all the increasing regulations and updates now required. These courses are many, including Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQ), moving and handling, fire safety, health and safety etc. etc. most of which are mandatory and have to be funded by the Home, which of course puts a burden on the overall budget.

An 'open day' was held at the Home in July and, despite the inclement weather, a most enjoyable day was had by residents, relatives, friends and members of the community who called in. Opportunities for residents to go out from time to time are

provided and for this purpose the local community bus is a vital means of transport, with its drivers providing a first class service. The Board of Directors, although having formally acknowledged all the donations both large and small received for the Home from both near and far, take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to all who have made donations, many of them anonymous and some of them at a time of sadness in their own families. This generosity has assisted in meeting the substantial cost involved in the recent updating of the fire alarm system, together with the redecoration of public areas plus the ongoing decoration of rooms. It also enables the garden to be kept tidy and provide periodic outings and other comforts for the residents.

Also appreciated is the attention given by local tradesmen when their services are required. Plans for a Ceilidh to mark the fifth anniversary of the local ownership of the Home are at an early stage, but if possible it will take place this winter and we would be pleased to see a good turnout as proceeds will go towards the upkeep etc of the Home. So keep a look out for notices.

**John A MacPherson**  
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# Nursery News

During the summer holidays the children enjoyed trips to Finn's meadow, Elizabeth's beach, Kenmore Park and Dobbies Garden Centre. (Thanks to all the people who provided us with such lovely venues ).

The nursery is very busy this term with most sessions full to capacity. Sandra Campbell Taylor is working in Killin on a full time basis. Lisa Semple is covering Clare Grant's maternity leave as bus escort and Sue Wyllie is a sessional worker. We would like to welcome all of them to the team. The nursery had a very successful fund raising coffee morning combined with a 60/40 sale on Saturday 25th August. The £420 raised will go towards our fund to buy a slide/climbing frame for our outdoor area in Killin. The total currently sits at £1,750 and, with the fun day at the Bridge of Lochay Hotel, we hope to reach our target of £2,250. We are going to repeat our very successful Bingo evening on Friday 19th October and we hope to hold this in the Bridge of Lochay again. Posters will be displayed nearer the time. Uniforms with the nursery logo are available for sale. We are using local supplier Lilac Stitches (Maggie Hibbert) for the uniforms again this year. Crianlarich Parents' group held a successful car boot sale and donated £350 to the nursery. This money will be used to purchase two child-sized camcorders and new toys for the under threes in Crianlarich.

The children in Crianlarich have started an Enterprise Group following the success of the group in Killin Nursery. They have already sold some of the produce from their vegetable garden. Becky Park, full time Early Childhood Educator in Killin Nursery, was married on Saturday 8th September in Callander. Congratulations to both Becky and Myles.

We have parents groups in Killin and Crianlarich nurseries. These groups help with fund raising for both nurseries and are also a nice way to get to know other parents. New

members are always appreciated. Finally the staff would like to say good luck to all the children who left us last year to go to school and welcome to all the new children.

The Killin Early Years Group have organised for a photographer to come to Killin Nursery on Saturday 27th October from 10am to 12noon. Please come along if you would like to have a photo taken of your children/family.

## Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries

### Artemis Highland 100 Cycle Challenge

On Saturday 28th July, a hundred and two adventure cyclists set off on one of the most scenic cycle routes in Scotland.

With the Breadalbane fields as their final destination, riders started at Kenmore and 75% of participants tackled the Gold route of 110km (69 miles). They headed towards Schiehallion and then down to and round Loch Rannoch before turning south on to the ancient drovers road in Glen Lyon, an exciting off road section of the course with a challenging drop down to Innerwick. From there they cycled along Glen Lochay and finally to Killin.

At the finish in Killin riders were given a special welcome with massage therapists, a hog roast feast, pipe band and a great atmosphere as local families came along to join the fun at the Artemis Greek Olympic games. Despite tired bodies, participants stayed on for a prize giving, ceilidh and fireworks display which was thoroughly enjoyed by all, including the party goers from the school reunion party in the McLaren Hall.

Apart from the personal challenge and enjoyment, participants raised money for the charities TUSK, Cyrenians, Rainer and CHICKS.

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# Rural Sustainability

Supported by the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park, Lomond & Rural Stirling Leader + Programme, Ian & Sian Hitchins of the Killin Hotel and local stallholders, EAK (Environmental Action Killin) held a very successful event in the McLaren Hall that explored how Killin could best utilise resources available in the area. Why not find and buy local produce, save on time and car use? Some local producers presented their wares in the form of a Farmers Market. Some stands presented local meat, others vegetables, herbs, fruit wines, beer, soaps and detergents. Local fast food and freshly made crisps were available outside the front door. Fairtrade products, advice on creative waste, renewable energy, waste awareness and alternative building techniques

were all part of the show. A solar powered van that used photovoltaic cells to power electrical items stood as a demonstration in the forecourt. The activities showed how we in rural areas can support local traders and producers and reduce our dependence on, and time wasted travelling to, city stores. Meat off the local hills and glens, vegetables from local farms, produced by people we know and trust must surely be better and more satisfying than the anonymous meat on superstore shelves. This trend is more than a passing phase and is re-inforced by media reports of short-cuts in hygiene, poor deals for producers, imports of items already available locally, wastage of items, such as potatoes that do not conform to rigorous shape standards

and the need for intensive farming to achieve the high-volume low cost demanded by the big chains. Concern for foreign producers who survive on inordinately low wages runs in parallel with this local initiative encouraging Fairtrade. Fairness is the underlying motivation asked of us, to be fair to producers, fair to local business and fair to our environment. Katie MacLeod and Dolan Betney hope to develop a local network of providers. Telephone 829064 for details. The organisers thank all who contributed to the success of the day. (Photos page 36)

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## Killin Care Trust

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## Rural Sustainability



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# Killin Primary School

(See also next page)

The new year begins with some new faces at Killin Primary School. (see next page)

Mr A. Lunan is the new Principal Teacher and this year is teaching Primary 6 and 7. Miss G. Luti has joined us this term to teach Primary 1/2/3.

As usual, we have a very busy term planned and in fact we have a busy year ahead.

This term we are learning about People from the Past. Primary 6 and 7 are studying the "Jacobites" and in Primary 4 and 5 there's lots going on about the Vikings. If you go to the Primary 1/2/3 classroom, you can visit the Museum and find out about what life was like for the Ancient Egyptians.

The children in Primary 4/5 were so enthusiastic about Viking Invasions that they worked very hard to produce 22 fantastic poems.

## Parents as Partners

From August 2007 School Boards in Scotland cease to exist but parents will be encouraged to play an active role in their child's education and every parent or carer of a schoolchild is a member of the Parent Forum. At Killin Primary

there is a new Parent Council. The parent volunteers on this group are: Donald Third, Dee Melia, Suzanne Player, Pat Hayes, and Julie Rhys with Mr Lunan as Staff Representative. The P.T.A. continues to exist as a group who raise funds and assist with social events. The P.T.A. committee for 2007/2008 is Sammy Hibbert, Norma Lang, Jane Foster, Fiona Petrie, Catriona Ridgwell, Jo Menzies, Mhairi Riddell and the Staff Representative is Miss Connelly.

## The Vikings are coming

I see a long ship approaching as fast as a jet,

I see people packing food to escape the horrid people.

I hear people screaming, animals going mad and my heart is pumping faster.

I smell sweat and blood and fear and terror approaching fast.

I taste blood and horror and sweat from my forehead.

I think I am going to faint with fear. I think I shall ask to join them in their adventures.

By **Anna Holden P5**

I see boats and swords and shields but then I see Vikings with muddy boots and long beards.

I feel a strong sad sea wind, the sea water splashing on my feet.

I hear a splash of the muddy boots of the Vikings in the water and the screams of death.

I smell bad breath from under the long beards and the rotten animal skins wrapped around them.

I thought of death, sadness and loss even if I escape they will be back.

By **Douglas Petrie P5**

I see the Viking long ship getting closer to us as the villagers run away.

I hear the splatter of the waves and the wind whistling as I stand there.

I feel my mum's hand pulling me as they get closer.

I smell the blood of their last victims on their swords.

I think I should run for my life.

I think I should keep out of their way.

I think I am going to die.

By **Georgia Third P4**



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# Killin Primary School



Museum



2007 Primary 1 intake



Viking Longboats



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## New to Killin Primary School



Miss G. Luti  
Primary 1/2/3



Mr A. Lunan  
Principal Teacher  
and Primary 6/7



Killin Primary School's stand at the sustainability event. The potatoes from the school garden were small and perfectly formed part of this year's harvest.

# Killin Floral Association



## Sunflower Competition Tallest

- 1 Tegan Dowling (left)
- 2 Ellie Thomson
- 3 Luke Hibbert

## Largest Open Bloom

- 1 Ellie Thomson (above)
- 2 Peter Hayes
- 3 Sophie Thomson

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# Local Planning Applications

## National Park

### Week 29 ending 23 July

**Proposal:** Change of use, extension and alterations to shop to form flat  
Location: Former Butchers' Shop, Main Street, Killin  
Applicant: Mrs Goodwin & Mrs Ormiston,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision: Approve with Conditions

### Week 30 ending 30 July

**Proposal:** Alteration to windows of enclosure, including the installation of new window bars and re-building/pointing of stonework  
Location: Clan Macnab Burial Place, Main Street, Killin  
Applicant: The Macnab Memorial Trust,  
Application Type: Listed Building Consent  
**Proposal:** Extension to dwellinghouse  
Location: Glengarry House, Crianlarich  
Applicant: Ms Cattanach,  
Application Type: Household Alteration/Extension

### Week 31 ending 6 August

**Proposal:** Use of chalet as letting accommodation  
Location: The Lodge, Crianlarich  
Applicant: Catherine Orr & June Cassidy,  
Application Type: Certificate of Lawfulness

### Week 32 ending 13 August

**Proposal:** Extension to opening period from 15 March until 1 November to 15 March until 3 January  
Location: Maragowan Caravan Park, Killin  
Applicant: The Caravan Club,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision: Permitted Development  
**Proposal:** Increase in height of existing mast from 15 metres to 18 metres, installation of two dishes, relocation of two dishes and three antenna and siting of meter cabinet and associated equipment  
Location: Land South Of Inverardran, Crianlarich  
Applicant: Orange Personal Communications  
Application Type: Telecommunications Development  
Decision: Approve with Conditions

### Week 33 ending 20 August

**Proposal:** Extension to existing offices  
Location: Builders Yard, Station Road, Killin  
Applicant: Stitt Brothers,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision:  
**Proposal:** Erection of two chalets to be used as staff accommodation.  
Location: Acharn Farm, Killin  
Applicant: Mr And Mrs R.A. Thornquist,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision: Approve with Conditions  
**Proposal:** Extension to existing

workshops including enclosure of existing compressor  
Location: A B Services, Main Street, Killin  
Applicant: A B Services,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision: Approve with Conditions  
**Proposal:** Change of use of open space to form garden ground  
Location: 8 Willow Square, Crianlarich  
Applicant: Mary MacLeod,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision: Refuse

### Week 34 ending 27 August

**Proposal:** Erection of dwellinghouse  
Location: Land Adjacent To Riverview, Main Street, Killin  
Applicant: Mr And Mrs MacKenzie,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
Decision: Refuse  
**Proposal:** Extension to dwellinghouse  
Location: Glengarry House, Crianlarich  
Applicant: Ms Cattanach,  
Application Type: Household Alteration/Extension  
Decision: Approve with Conditions

### Week 35 ending 3 September

**Proposal:** Upgrading of existing waste water treatment works including new submerged aerated filter (SAF) plant, sludge holding tank and control kiosk  
Location: Sewage Works, Crianlarich  
Applicant: Scottish Water,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent

### Week 36 ending 10 September

**Proposal:** Change of use of part of depot to bus turning facility and car park  
Location: Council Depot, Station Road, Killin  
Applicant: Stirling Council,  
Application Type: Detailed Consent  
**Proposal:** Extension to dwellinghouse  
Location: Glenbruar House, Crianlarich FK20 8RN  
Applicant: Mr G Bryce,  
Application Type: Household Alteration/Extension  
Decision: Approve with Conditions  
**Proposal:** Use of chalet as holiday letting accommodation  
Location: The Lodge, Crianlarich FK20 8RU  
Applicant: Catherine Orr & June Cassidy,  
Application Type: Certificate of Lawfulness  
Decision: Approve with Conditions

### Week 37 ending 19 September

**Proposal:** Erection of detached dwellinghouse  
Location: Lochleven Cottage, Main Street, Killin  
Applicant: Mrs Margaret Cornfield,  
Application: Detailed Consent  
**Proposal:** Erection of seven dwellinghouses and redevelopment of existing lodge to form one dwellinghouse (Plots 3 to 10)  
Location: Stronvar Chalets,

Stroneslaney Road, Lochearnhead  
Applicant Walker Group,  
Application Type: Reserved Matters  
Expected Decision Level COMM  
**Proposal:** Erection of garage  
Location Craigbuie, Main Street, Killin  
Applicant Vic Hughes  
Application Type: Household Alteration/Extension  
Expected Decision Level DEL

## Perth & Kinross Council

### Week ending 28 July

**Proposal:** Formation of a glassed-in porch under existing roof and utilising existing structure at Lodge Corrieben  
Location: Lochtay Highland Lodges  
Applicant: Mr John J Elliot  
Application Type: Full Application  
Decision: Approve the application

### Week ending 4 August to 15 September

None

## Stirling Council

### Week 29 ending 25 July

None

### Week 30 ending 1 August

**Proposal:** Installation of transmission dish at Killin  
Location: Transmitting Station Killin  
Applicant: SSE Telecom per National Grid Wireless Transmitting Station Salsburgh  
Shotts Lanarkshire  
Decision: To advise the applicant in writing that the development proposed constitutes 'Permitted Development' under the provisions of Class 67 of the Town and Country Planning (General permitted Development)(Scotland) Order 2007.

### Week 31 ending 8th August

None

### Week 32 ending 15th August

**Proposal:** Extension to dwelling house  
Location: Higher Batournie Killin  
Applicant: Edinmore Group  
Application Type: Household Alteration/Extension  
Decision: Approve with Conditions

### Weeks 33, 34, 35 ending 22 August 29 August and 5 September

None

### Week 36 ending 12 September

**Proposal:** Erection of 2 letting bedrooms  
Location Ardeonaig Hotel  
Applicant: Ardeonaig Hotel Ltd  
Application Type: Detailing consent  
Decision: Approve with conditions



# CONGRATULATIONS



Jay Allen and Franny Morrison at their wedding in the McLaren Hall on 15th September

The wedding of Hamish McDiarmid and Amy Draper from Lawers Farm. They were married on Wednesday 8th of August at Fortingall Parish Church. The reception was at Fortingall Hotel.



My brother, John Stuart from Birnam, being presented with medals from the Malaya Government in recognition of his services during his National Service. All the family are so proud of him and wish him well as he has been very ill lately. Jessie MacLeod



Sarah Murphy graduated from Heriot-Watt University (Edinburgh) with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry with Honours (2:1)



John and his wife Margaret

## Across the Globe



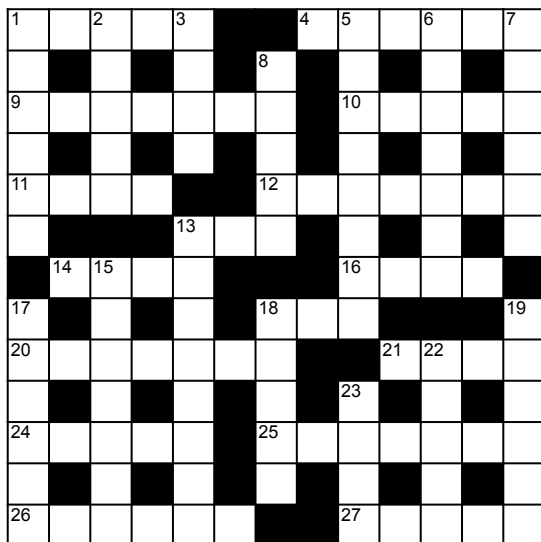
Beatrice and Alistair McDonald from Tyndrum on holiday in Australia with William McDonald and his Australian wife Michelle. Kuranda is near Cairns (35km) in Queensland. William says a big 'hi' to all his old friends from school (McLaren High class of '88).



childhood home of Mary Hunter, Shona Honeyman's mum, who died earlier this year.

Seonag Hay, Ashleigh Hunter, Chloe Buchannan, Rebecca Buchannan, front Cara and Thomas Honeyman on South Uist beside the

# Crossword By Scorpio



## Across

- 1 and 13 Prune Sam, shaken he's a special friend (5,3)  
 4 Set cap awry for a better outlook (6)  
 9 Coming back to life (7)  
 10 Italian food can be found in pampas also (5)  
 11 Teas are served disguised as food (4)  
 12 Place for disposal of burnt remains (3,4)  
 13 see 1 across  
 14 Vaulted part of church (4)  
 16 Removing 50 from firearm make it widespread (4)  
 18 She has entered the Suez canal (3)  
 20 Veer to a state of self indulgence (7)  
 21 Care for a piece of land (4)  
 24 500 lead the tail end but are miserable about it (5)  
 25 Vagrant with the Parisian will walk roughly through (7)  
 26 Observe (6)  
 27 Inspection of business accounts (5)

## Solution to 99

**Across** 1 brush 4 cornet 9 tadpole 10 erica 11 earl 12 feather  
 13 ant 14 blur 16 ecru 18 pad 20 mindful 21 chin 24 rotor  
 25 admires 26 ever so 17 knead  
**Down** 1 bother 2 under 3 hood 5 operated 6 neither 7 tea urn  
 8 delft 13 art forms 15 lunette 17 emerge 18 plead 19 unused  
 22 horse 23 amok

## Down

- 1 Rock fragments on nitrogen give shelter (6)  
 2 Fulcrum (5)  
 3 Incoherent manner of talk (4)  
 5 Precious corundum (8)  
 6 Remove gently (4,3)  
 7 Used for serving hot brew (3,3)  
 8 Free from extraneous or foreign material (5)  
 13 Like a shooting star (8)

- 15 Quietly object to a pleasant offering (7)  
 17 French version of a black pudding (6)  
 18 Announce this has a strange taste (5)  
 19 Concerning Easter - or simply be more amenable (6)  
 22 Thought to be a loving little marksman (5)  
 23 Informal, repetitive mother (4)

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# What's on in Killin and District

## October

- 4 WRI Lesser Hall 7.30pm  
 6 Local Projects Day Crianlarich organised by the National Park (see SCDT article page 10) contact Joyce Russell  
 12 Heritage Meeting 8pm Lesser Hall  
 13 Faces of the Past Workshop Crannog Centre 12-4pm Booking essential Tel 01887 830583  
 14 Bracken Festival Crannog Centre Entry free if you bring a sackful of bracken 11am-4pm  
 14 Guided Walk Ard Na Gaul 1.30pm - see page 17  
 17 Café Sci 'Fascinating Fleas' Tyndrum Village Hall 7pm  
 19 Flu Clinic & Coffee Morning McLaren Hall 10am  
 19 Bingo evening at Bridge of Lochay Hotel 1pm - 4pm in aid of Nursery Funds  
 24 WRI area group meeting McLaren Hall 7.30pm  
 26 Flu Clinic & Coffee Morning Crianlarich Village Hall 10am  
 27 Country and Western Night McLaren Hall  
 31 Spooks & Sacrifice Celtic Samhain Festival Crannog 6pm-8pm booking essential Tel 01887 830583

**Art Class**  
 Tuesdays  
 Church Hall  
 4pm - 6pm

**Badminton**  
 Mondays  
 McLaren Hall 7pm

**Brownies**  
 Mondays  
 Church Hall  
 3.30 - 5pm

**BVLIC Internet Cafe**  
 Thursdays  
 Lesser Hall  
 10am - 4pm

## November

- 1 WRI Open meeting "Low Flying aircraft" Lesser Hall 7.30pm  
 2 Heritage Meeting 8pm Lesser Hall  
 3 'House Names, Place Names, Hill Names' Church Rooms 11am - see page 17  
 4 Weaving with Wood Crannog Centre 11am - 3pm  
 Creativity with hazel and willow. Tel 01887 830583  
 9 WRI Whist Drive McLaren Hall evening  
 10 Mountain Rescue Dinner Dance  
 11 Brooms and Baskets Workshop Crannog 10am - 4pm booking essential Tel 01887 830583  
 13 Killin Community Council meeting Killin School 7.30pm  
 17 Angling Club Dinner Dance McLaren Hall 6.30pm  
 18 Annual Wild Harvest Food & Drink Fair Crannog Centre 11am-3pm  
 20 Guild Craft Group Christmas Sale and Coffee morning "Littlecroft"  
 21 Café Sci 'What drives Scientists to Science' Tyndrum Village Hall 7pm  
 24 Coffee morning Lesser Hall in aid of Cancer Research UK 10am  
 24 Drama Club Trivia Night McLaren Hall  
 25 The Wind in the Willows Workshop Crannog Centre 10am - 4pm booking essential Tel 01887 830583

**Carpet Bowls**  
 Mondays  
 Lesser Hall 7pm

**Fire Cadets**  
 Mondays  
 Fire Station  
 6.45pm

**Guides**  
 Wednesdays  
 Church Hall  
 7.30 - 9pm

**Highland Dancing**  
 Tuesdays  
 Crianlarich Hall  
 3 classes 4.30 - 7.30  
 Tel Aileen 01301 704283

**Quilter's Group**  
 Wednesdays  
 starting 10th Oct  
 Church Hall 2pm

**Tuesday Club**  
 Church Hall 2pm  
 starting 9th Oct

**Upholstery Class**  
 Mondays  
 McLaren Hall  
 10.30am 1.30pm  
 contact  
 Catriona MacGeoch  
 01877 384259

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