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Editorial

Get on your bike:

What a treasure we have with the Falls of Dochart. Not only have spectators been entertained and enthralled by trial motor bikes going through their paces jumping from rock to rock in controlled manoeuvres but we had a visit from the "Round Six Scottish Bike Trial" event on the 26th August. The competition was a great success and Danny MacAskill of Youtube fame participating with the club for the first time. If you haven't watched him just put his name into a Google search and be entertained even if you are not a cyclist. Bike trialling is not a game for the foolhardy and has categories from novice up to expert. Will Killin become an annual venue for the Scottish Biketrial Club?

It may have been a poor summer for the tourist trade but there seem to be no end of challenges for visitors to Killin. The Bob MacGregor Memorial 2 Day Trial, the Cystic Fibrosis Trust (cycle) Event - Callander to Killin, the Killin Highland Games and the Hill Race, the Killin 10K, the Great Kindrochit Quadrathlon. Some make up their own challenges, Lands End to John O Groats or Tough Mudders which is "probably the toughest event on the planet". Congratulations to all who took part. Still to come is the Meall nan Tarmachan Hill Race on Saturday 13th October.

If you are game for a challenge or two think about joining one of the local sports clubs, there are plenty of competitions there and if you have any energy left try your hand at volunteering. That is probably the most popular game in town.

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Front cover

Danny MacAskill, well known street trial rider from Dunvegan, Skye competing at the Scottish Biketrial Club Round 6 event. For details see <http://www.biketrialuk.co.uk/ScottishBiketrialClub.htm>

A Runaway Success

A record field of 135 runners contested the second Tay Fitness Killin 10K on Saturday 27th August along with 45 runners in the 1Km Fun Run. The race was won by Mark Norris of Dundee Road Runners in a new course record (36m27s), Stephen Rawlinson was 2nd and the fastest local male (37m06s) and Chris Ryan was 3rd and the 1st junior male winner (37m12s). The woman's race was won by Rachel Edwards(45m45s), Karen Brown was 2nd (45m52s) and Kirsty Burnett 3rd (46m01s). Iona Frickleton retained her fastest local female title (48m05s) and 1st Under 18 female was Hazel Donaldson (54m36s). The fun run was also a great success with several local youngsters getting involved and some running with their parents or grandparents. The winners were Emma Lawton and Elliot Veitch. Morna Webster was our only wheelchair participant and wheeled herself around the course in 1hr 35min, a

great inspiration to everyone watching, she also raised over £700! Frazer Macfarlane of Horizon Ecology very generously donated a cheque for £1000 and several other people each raised over £100, a huge thank you to them and to all those who raised sponsorship money. The money will be split between several local charities and good causes.

Many thanks to the event sponsors – Sarah Heward from the Real Food Café in Tyndrum – and to John Morris and Iona Frickleton who helped with organising the race. But the day would not have been such a success without the many local volunteers and the Killin MRT who provided medical cover and radio communications throughout the event.

Congratulations to everyone who took part. It was great to see more local people getting involved and hopefully this trend will continue next year. Thank you also to all those who came to watch, once again I have had lots of positive feedback from the runners and all mentioned how wonderful the atmosphere was and how friendly, supportive and welcoming the spectators were. Here's to next year!

Pete Waugh

Killin 10K Event Organiser



Junior competitors



Mark Norris



Rachel Edwards



Morna Webster



The tea (Killin Youth Group) and soup (Cancer Club) ladies clapping the fun runners into the park

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The Old Mill

The three month project in the Old Mill is coming to an end. This was set up to form the background to the business plan that will shortly be submitted to Stirling Council to see if they will agree to sell the Old Mill to the community for a notional sum.

The project involves running a thrift shop on the ground floor. In addition local information is given to visitors to enable them to make the best use of their time while staying in the area.

This includes information about what visitors can see and do along with details about local tourist providers and businesses.

The first floor is set up as a gallery for local arts and crafts with a display of photographs, art work, knitting, needlework, pottery and jewellery for sale. We hope this exposure will encourage visitors to contact local artists and businesses during their stay.

Some educational activities take place in the building, such as felting, photography and life drawing. They are very successful and provide



additional income.

We would like to thank all those who are supporting us with donations to the thrift shop and giving their valuable time to staff the shop, organise, clean, tidy and generally manage the area. 84 hours a week of volunteer time are used to keep the shop open every week backed up by many more hours that are not so easily identified in background planning and organisation. We have all made new contacts and friends through volunteering and enjoyed the interactions with visitors. The profit, after expenses, will help with the development of the Mill once

the Mill is transferred to the community. It is possible that the community will be able to continue to use the Old Mill following the three month project. Negotiations are still underway with Stirling Council.

Project Officer

An application has been made to fund a part-time project officer to help manage the Old Mill project, the Sports and Social Club developments and the Breadalbane Park drainage project. LEADER have agreed to fund 50% and further funding is currently being sought.

Breadalbane Park Drainage

Connan Design Associates, Landscape Architects, are still investigating the Park drainage and we hope to have more information in a few weeks.

Killin and District Sports and Leisure Club

The lease between Stirling Council and the Sports and Leisure Club is due to end on the 31st March 2013.

Discussions are underway between the club committee and Stirling Council as to how this process is to be managed.

Public Toilets in Killin

Stirling Council have declared their intention to close the public toilets in Killin as they have done in other areas. They are still seeking "Comfort Partners", that is local businesses, to take over the role. We are all aware

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that tourism is the major business in Killin and that many buses, service and tourist, rely on the local facilities. Many business, Council and National Park officials, visitors, and disabled or elderly people, some of whom travel for over an hour to reach Killin, rely on access to a toilet on arrival. The loss of public toilets is likely to affect tourism and business. A meeting between representatives of the community, Stirling Council and Martin Earl (Stirling Councillor) will be held near the end of October. If you have constructive views on the subject or if closure of the Public toilets is likely to affect you or your business look out for the date of the meeting which will be advertised in all the usual places. This is an important issue not least in terms of health and safety. Would you visit a remote place if you knew basic facilities were not available?

Willie Angus
KAT Chairman

Old Mill Project

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Following a very successful Life Drawing class at the Old Mill we are now looking for more models to pose. We are looking for both male and female models 18+ of all shapes and ages to help us with a wider diversity of subjects. We had an excellent model for our first day, who will be returning for our second class on Sunday 30th September 2012, but it would be great to be able to change between three or four models from time to time. Sessions are non-tutored and run for 4 to 6 hours and models are paid £15.00 per hour, including regular rest breaks. We may invite tutors in the future and the class length on those days may be for up to 6 hours. If you are interested, please contact me on 820690 or fraser753@btinternet.com and we can have a chat.

Don Fraser



Naughty dog! You know the Killin News lady's a friend!

Killin News Deliveries


We occasionally get complaints about 'late' delivery of Killin News and would like to point out gently that all work on the paper is done by volunteers. Despite weather conditions - and other hazards - every effort is made to get the paper out as soon as possible but deliverers are not always free to drop everything as soon as the paper arrives and cannot always get someone else to deliver in their absence. Remember not all local papers are both free and delivered to the door!



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Tom Weir with Cheque for £2,012

On 15th September an army of music fans descended on Killin. The occasion was an all-day music extravaganza in aid of The Beatson Oncology Unit and Friends of the Beatson in Glasgow.

All the Bands and Acoustic acts were from the Balloch and Dumbarton area and gave their time for free to support this worthy cause. They are friends of my son Tommy who is a member of one of

the bands that played on the day. We decided to do this for The Beatson as I myself have recently received treatment and wanted to thank them for their excellent care. I would also like to thank my friends from the village who helped out on the day, the hundreds of fans who had a great day, the local Police who handled the day fantastically and the local businesses in the village and surrounding area who donated

raffle prizes. Also special thanks to Frazer McFarlane of Horizon Ecology in Callander who boosted the amount with a fantastic donation of £2012. To date the total amount raised is £6,464. Roll on 2013?

Tom Weir

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Windows 8 Launch

The launch of Microsoft's new operating system, Windows 8, is

(as we go to print) scheduled for October 26th. A new look and feel, aimed at touch screen use, named "Metro" is Windows 8 new user interface. Existing software, designed to be used by mouse and keyboard, will need to be changed to work with Metro. It is expected that many applications will not have been upgraded in-time for the launch of Windows 8, but these existing applications should still run in "desktop" mode outside the Metro environment.

If past experience is anything to go by, there are likely to be many teething problems in the initial version of Windows 8 and I expect that Microsoft will release a "Service Pack" within a few months of the launch to correct any faults found in the new operating system.

New Computers Infected with Viruses

An investigation by the leading software company, Microsoft, has identified that criminals have infiltrated the supply chain and installed viruses on some brand new computers before they even go on sale.

Evidence suggests that one in five

computers or flash drives bought from a specific supply chain in China have viruses installed. These viruses can either capture private information for illegal purposes, including identity fraud, or they send

out enormous amounts of spam emails which are intended to clog up parts of the internet to prevent some internet services from running.

Microsoft have identified whereabouts on the internet these viruses comes from and they will be taking steps to stop this latest attack.

The nature of this attack is worrying, as all Microsoft appear to be able to do is fight the attack once it has been let loose into society and not prevent its release in the first place – thus the chances of this sort of thing occurring again must be high.

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Mervyn's Weather and More

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And more ..

Travelling eastwards along the north shore of Loch Tay from the junction with the road which runs over the hills to Bridge of Balgie in Glen Lyon, there is a considerable area between the road and shore of Loch Tay which was at one time divided into many crofts and small farms. Due to amalgamation the names of these are mostly now forgotten though some remain, applied to large units. Kiltyrie Cull, the corner or angle of drying, tioraidh (probably corn or hay). Carwhin, a unit divided into many smaller plots, one of which is Carie, said by some to signify a mossy place. Tombreck (Tom Breac) the speckled or brindled knoll, where now The Big Shed stands. Craggantoll – the rocks of the holes (cup markings). Cragganester (Creagan Eas Dobhar) – rocks of the waterfall – there is a cataract here, visible from South Loch Tayside near Ardeonaig. Balnahanaid – church town or kirkton. Balnasuim – the township of The Souming or permitted stocking rate for a croft or farm. This farm was worked for many years by David and Muriel MacNicoll.

Mervyn K. Browne
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Squirrels....



**Baby squirrels captured by
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...and Squirrel Antics

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other and wondered what John was on about. John pointed, and coming running towards them was a red squirrel. When it reached them it proceeded to run up Ian's leg. It then realised that it wasn't a tree and took off heading south. I am presuming that it was a young one looking for new

territory, but to attempt to go from one glen to another via the tops is quite remarkable. I would be interested to hear what the experts make of this and see what Tim might put in his next Frost Report!

Emma Paterson
Auchlyne



Strathfillan Community Council

Congratulations were given to Isla Craig for being short-listed in the Britvic competition for local retailers on 'Transforming your Patch' (She donated her winnings of £200 to the CiA project) and Alan Smailes for winning Volunteer of the Year from Paths for All.

Community Partnership

The CC welcomed the news that the LLTNP (Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park) Community Partnership (CP) has commissioned a study to investigate opportunities to build on the success of its Apprentice Support Project, looking at three new sectors, including tourism and hospitality, land-based work and local food production. They want to develop proposals to support businesses and skills development for young people within the National Park, creating opportunities for businesses to grow and for young people from National Park communities to live and work in the area in the future.

Crianlarich By-Pass

There was an exhibition on the proposed Crianlarich By-Pass on Thursday 13th September in Crianlarich village hall. A new planning application was submitted. The documents are available for viewing at National; Park Offices until 19th October and also at Crianlarich Post Office and on Transport Scotland's website at www.transportscotland.gov.uk

Housing

Moirra attended several meetings on and made responses to the following consultations:

- * the Scottish Government's Affordable Rented Housing Policy
- * the Scottish Government's consultation on 'The Future of the Right to Buy in Scotland'
- * Stirling Council's Review of Allocation Policy Consultation
- * Stirling Council's Local Housing Strategy and the Scottish Government's consultation on the Scottish Housing Regulator.

Crianlarich into Action

The Crianlarich into Action (CiA) group have been very busy over the summer to produce a paths network plan and are meeting with their

consultants and the NP Planners for a pre-planning site visit to discuss the application for change of use. A funding application needs to be submitted within the next 3 weeks. The application has been sent in for funding for the 10 year lease of Lower Station Yard from Stirling Council.

The Strathfillan Community Development Trust

The Strathfillan Community Development Trust and Stirling Council have signed agreements with the National Park, which is taking over control to eradicate Japanese Knotweed on land that is owned by both organisations.

Scotcentral Credit Union (CU)

Gordon Stewart, Vice Chair of Scotcentral Credit Union (CU) attended the BCCF meeting on 6th September. At present the Scotcentral CU is re-branding and will be moving to new premises in the SC One-Stop-Shop in Port Street Stirling in January 2013. RSHA is keen to offer this as a service and would be willing to pay the one-off membership fees for their tenants as the use of the CU to pay in benefits

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would ensure payment of rents. It was agreed that January would be a good time to start promotion in Local Newsletters but in the meantime BCCF could start giving general information on CU to get people thinking about the concept.

Suzanne was asked if the Scotcentral CU was still thinking about a tie-in with the Post Office; the answer is no, they would like to set up local collection points and train up volunteers to man them probably half a day a week. It should also be noted that a lot can now be done on-line.

Tyndrum Café Sci (2012/13)

Café Sci (Café Scientifique) originated some years ago in France with the aim of enabling local communities to enjoy learning about science in a friendly and informal atmosphere. Asking questions and sharing ideas and experiences is an important feature of a Café Sci meeting.

Strathfillan Community Development Trust has hosted a branch of Café Sci in Tyndrum Village Hall since 2005. Four meetings have been arranged for the next session.

Each meeting will be held on a Wednesday evening from 7pm to 9pm and light refreshments will be provided. Admission is free. SCDT asks that those intending to come to a meeting should contact the Trust Office (tel. 01838 400 545 or email strathfillancdt@btconnect.com) beforehand to help with catering. There is no charge for refreshments, but a donation towards costs will be welcomed on the night.

Wednesday 17th October

"Uncovering the secret life of the sparrowhawk"

Sarah Watts (BSc) Ecological Science graduate Sarah Watts recently undertook a study of sparrowhawk nesting behaviour for the University of Edinburgh, RSPB and the Lothian and Borders Raptor Study Group. Despite being one of Britain's commonest raptors, sparrowhawks are seldom glimpsed for more than a few seconds at a time. The talk will provide an introduction to this enigmatic species by discussing sparrowhawk ecology, behaviour and breeding biology, as well as its sometimes controversial relationship with songbirds. Current research into the sparrowhawk's recent colonisation of urban areas and its behaviour at the nest will also be explored.

Wednesday 21st November

"Tales from the old Rhodesian bush"
Brain Hughes will describe his experience of living and working in the bush on Reserves, including the inevitable 'exciting' encounters 'at the sharp end' with wild animals. The talk includes the big five species, stars of the African fauna.

Wednesday 20th February

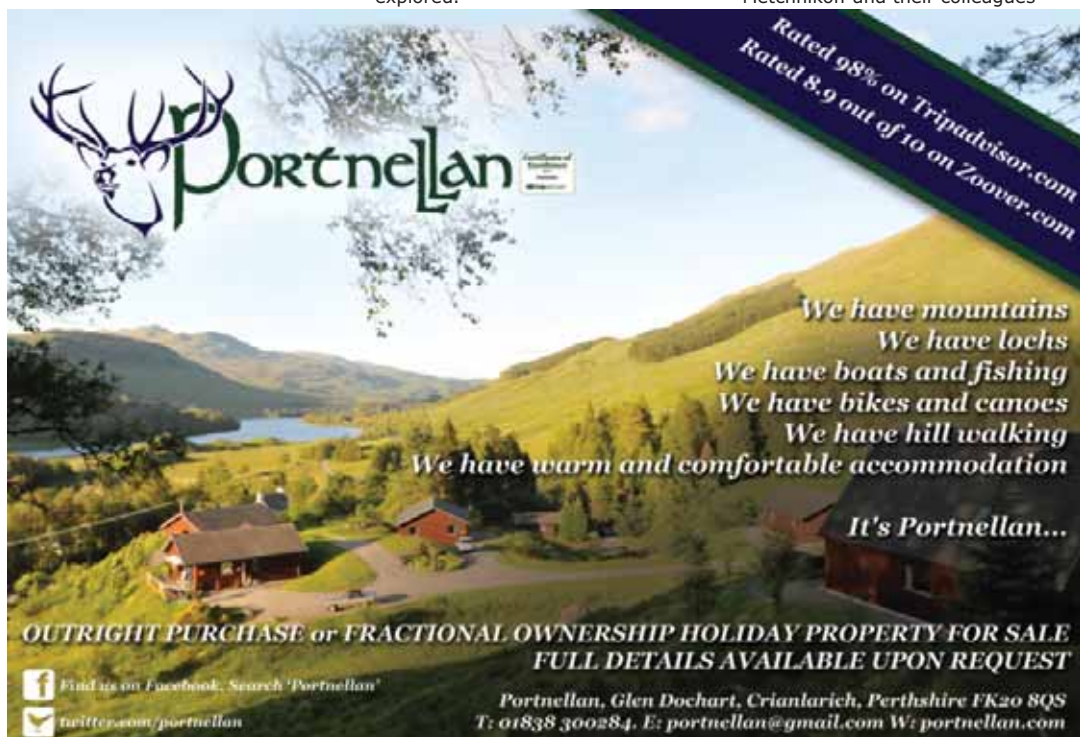
"Tea planting in India"

Chris Sclater will describe his life as a tea planter in India, including the manufacture of tea, the types of tea, and touch on some possible health issues.

Wednesday 20th March

"The experimental basis for understanding infection"

Professor David Crompton (FRSE, parasitologist and formerly of Cambridge, Glasgow and Cornell Universities, and WHO expert) Until the middle of the 19th century most educated people in Europe - including physicians - held bizarre ideas about the causes of the diseases that afflicted the population. We now no longer suffer as people did then thanks to vaccines, antibiotics and medicines developed once infection was understood. Jenner, Semmelweis, Pasteur, Koch, Metchnikoff and their colleagues



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destroyed the prevailing "mumbo jumbo" of the 19th century. Through daring experimental work they discovered the pathogenic organisms responsible for causing infectious disease and paved the way for the health care we enjoy today.



Strathfillan Community Development Trust

Christmas Fair

The working group have begun planning the Christmas Fair to be held on Saturday 1st December in Tyndrum Village Hall. There will be a variety of stalls offering high quality arts and crafts goods, delicious produce, soft furnishings, jewellery and more besides. Why not buy some truly unique Christmas gifts for someone special this year and bag a bargain too?

Weather permitting we will have outdoor covered stalls, a Christmas choir complimented by mulled wine and mince pies.

To book a stall, please get in touch with me soon.

Award Winner!

I'm delighted to report that all the hard volunteer work of one of our local residents has been recognised. Alan Smailes of Crianlarich has been awarded "Volunteer of the Year" by "Paths for All". Over the years Alan has been involved in a variety of volunteer work in Strathfillan; he was a director of the SCDT Board with particular interest in the local environment, one result being the huge splash of colour provided by the flower tubs throughout the local area and this year the help yourself veg

boxes made their debut in Crianlarich. He is a Community Councillor and is part of the Crianlarich into Action group working to develop new, interesting heritage walks in and around the village. Alan will be presented with his award at the Paths for All conference to be held in the Glasgow Concert Hall later this month. Well deserved recognition! Well done Alan!

Killin Thrift Shop

If you haven't been to the Old Mill Thrift Shop yet, you're missing out! Have a pre-Christmas clear out and donate your goodies to this excellent cause. A little effort from everyone will make a huge difference in the fight to secure the future of the Old Mill.

I saw a donated quilt cover transformed into the most elegant roman blind and cushion covers! Drop in and see what you can find!

CIa (Crianlarich into Action)

The working group are now in the last straight of this part of the project. Working with Munro Landscape Ltd based near Tyndrum, we have now, despite some setbacks, finalised plans for the new heritage path network for Crianlarich. There is some serious form filling to be done now to help make our case to the Big Lottery Fund to enable the work to be done and then we just have to patiently wait until February 2013 for the answer!

Joyce Russell

Development Officer

strathfillancdt@btconnect.com

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Although my hours are flexible, I am normally in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Or contact me at home 01838 300 220

Tyndrum Fire Station

The station held their annual fundraiser on Saturday 1st September at the Green Welly car park raising a total of £350 for Tyndrum children's Christmas party fund and £200 to the fire fighters charity. The crew at Tyndrum fire station would like to thank the Green Welly for their support and everyone for their generous contributions.

Alan Brodie

Strathfillan Lunch Club

The club will have its first lunch on Friday October 26th at 12.30pm in Crianlarich village hall. If you or your partner are over 60 and live in Strathfillan or Bridge of Orchy you are cordially invited to come along. Please contact

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Safari Supper Cancelled

Elizabeth and Marion regret that due to insufficient hosts, the Safari Supper on 3rd November has been cancelled.

They hope to have this event in February or March 2013 and the funds will still go towards the restoration of the McLaren Hall house.

There is no report on the Killin Community Council Meeting

on 11th September as yet again no Minutes were available to Killin News

This and That



At last we have a phonebox door but what a pity the rest of the box wasn't repainted to match it.



Global warming seems to be bringing bigger spiders so do we have to learn to live with beasties like this in our houses? What variety is this one - which the Lang family found indoors - and does it make giant webs?

If you have forgotten to send in your form for entry in the local Telephone Book, it's not too late to hand it in at the Library or the Killin News Office.

MacGregor's Market

Six months after it was originally hoped to open MacGregor's Market, the old shops remain sadly empty and decaying and everyone concerned is losing out. The George Hogg Trust is getting no rent, the would-be tenants cannot move in and the appearance of the village is blighted. Why? Because essential repairs need to be carried out. Surely someone somewhere must be able to do the work?

Killin Calendars are on sale at The Studio in three different sizes. Proceeds to the **Hogmanay Fireworks Fund** Help make New Year come in with bang!

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The Guild

What is The Guild?

This year is the 125th anniversary of The Guild – so what exactly is it? With around 30,000 members throughout Scotland from Shetland to the Borders (plus a few in Europe) The Guild is one of our country's largest voluntary charitable organisations. In 1896 a Guild bazaar raised £1,000 to build a hospital in The Punjab. Building on this type of early work the project partnership was launched in 1997 where six specific aid projects are supported by the Guild over a three year period. Since its inception this has raised over £3.5 million for badly needed help both at home and abroad. Our new cycle started this

August and projects range from 'Comfort Rwanda', Mary's Meals in Liberia and Scottish women from depressed areas learning from Indian women, to art therapy and housing action at home.

Locally we have chosen to support 'Out of Africa into Malta'. This current problem occurs when families try to escape the war and terror of North Africa. Many thousands drown on the way (yes, thousands) but many of the survivors land on the comparatively small island of Malta. Here they have to live in overflowing detention centres in appalling conditions. The project will consist of The Guild working with Red Cross Malta and St. Andrew's Church of

Scotland in Valetta to set up a proper camp, community shop and workshops so that the migrants can pull themselves out of this trap.

If you think that this is worthwhile and interesting then come along to our Guild meetings where you will be made very welcome and enjoy an interesting session followed by free tea and biscuits and good blether. All meetings are in the Community rooms, usually at 2pm though we are meeting at The Falls of Dochart for a Christmas 'do' in December.

Our next meetings are:

18th October – Fair Trade

15th November – Dorothy Kinloch

For more information or to request transport ring **Linda Frost** on 820512

Killin Heritage Society

Meetings start at 7.30p.m. and are held in the Lesser McLaren Hall unless indicated otherwise. New members and visitors are always welcome to the monthly meetings. The Society needs new members more than ever to help ensure that it can continue the work of recording the history of the Killin area and maintaining its own small, but important, collection of archives.

Thursday 18th October "An Rìol Shielings" – Anne Macdonald

Thursday 15th November "The Old Railway and Steamer Services of Breadalbane" – Bernard Byrom

Thursday 13th December "Fauna Scotica – a life with animals" – Polly Pullar
(Note – this meeting will be at NTS, Lynedoch, Main Street)

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Tough Mudder



On 14th July, John McRae and Monty Ogilvie participated in Tough Mudder Scotland, a 12 mile assault course designed by British Special Forces, at Drumlanrig Castle, Dumfriesshire. Many thanks to all who sponsored them and helped raise £336 for Help for Heroes.

Marion Mcrae



Strathyre Gun Club Presentation to Falls of Dochart Home

A cheque for £1,280 was handed over to Jim Cushley by Eric McAllister, shown here with one of the delighted residents, Elma Wilson.



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Frost Report

Home and Away

There is a new website about deer and deer management which was designed by Stewart Stevenson, then minister for the environment and climate change. It is designed to help children to learn about deer and deer management. The interactive deer zone is composed of games and activities and encourages further work alongside deer managers and chefs to gain the full story from hill to plate. It is the first wildlife resource specifically designed for The Curriculum for Excellence and can be found at www.education.scottish-venison.info. It is good to be in there with a 'first' but I do wonder if any influence was put on the matter after a certain young Frost at High School was elected to talk to the minister about the value of rural studies in the curriculum?

I often get snippets of local squirrel news and something which a local lady told me lately may be of use to others. She feeds and loves watching the squirrels in her garden but was a little perturbed when they began to look a bit mangy and off colour. Having in mind that they often dug up and chewed the bulbs in her garden (sorry for the negative publicity furry guys) she put out cloves of garlic. It seems to have done the trick as the squirrels' fur has much improved. But just beware if one gets too close that it doesn't breathe on you.

In wildlife management it is often difficult to decide what is important and there don't seem always to be equal rights in the sight of many organisations. When a webcam recording of a buzzard taking an

osprey chick in Aberdeenshire was put to the R.S.P.B. as a reason to lift protection on the 20,000 breeding pairs of buzzards in Scotland, there was no reply. Apparently, though birds are supposed to be equal, some are more equal than others.



The first muntjac in the borders have been reported and S.N.H. have recommended a 'shoot on sight' policy. This must be because they are an introduced species since the Tay beavers have been left in peace, as indigenous. S.N.H. have, however, conceded that the beavers may have to be controlled in future as in other countries due to the damage caused.

Our wily foxy friends seem to think that they are more important than other species – and therefore able to travel free. One evening last month a cub strolled onto a Circle line tube

in London and sat on one of the seats. It got off at the next stop but there is no record of it having a ticket- even though it was probably eligible for half fare. Not so amusing was another recent incident in

London when a fox was found in a baby's bedroom having caused £1000 worth of damage by chewing toys etc. The baby was not in the room so was O.K. but his feeding regime may have suffered a bit as one of the items chewed was a breast pump.

I thought you might like to see the newest 'adopted' member of our family. He is a giant mountain gorilla called Rukara who lives with his family about 12,000 feet up in the Bwindi rainforest in Uganda. We recently spent the most amazing and unforgettable time with them. They are rather bigger than foxes, much furrer and unbelievably placid and friendly. This is an experience to be recommended to anyone – preferably when a little younger than us – then you won't be called 'Old Silverback' by the airport guards!

Tim Frost

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Following a successful launch, the enrolment day of the new U3A group on 31st August exceeded all expectations. A long queue of potential new members formed at the door of St Andrews Hall in Callander and by the end of the afternoon 125 people had signed up for the twenty different courses on offer. Postal enrolment has brought the total to 136 so far and the courses have begun. Some of the most popular groups are now too large for their venues and the course leaders are repeating the courses a day or so later. Everyone has contributed to making the start of our exciting new venture run as smoothly as possible and now the committee is busy organising the promised general meetings, the first of which will take place on Tuesday 20th November at 2pm in 'Callander

Youth Project' Bridgend, Callander
Speaker: Paul Prescott Title: 'The Mary Queen of Scots Way'
This is a meeting for members only and will give us all an opportunity to get to know those on different courses from our own. Refreshments will be provided.
The second issue of our newsletter is out now and has been sent to members either by post or e-mail. Anyone wanting to join us or find out more about Callander & West Perthshire U3A we now have a website where you will find details of the courses on offer now and for next year together with contact numbers of committee members. You are welcome to get in touch with any of us.
<http://u3asites.org.uk/callander-and-wp>

Marguerite Kobs
Secretary

Alien Invader



This invasive plant is present in several sites in Killin and the surrounding area. Once established Japanese Knotweed takes years to eradicate using commercial strength Round Up. The site by Moirlanich and other areas have been sprayed and the programme will continue until it is clear. If you see this plant please report it to the National Park ranger Graeme Auty who is responsible for ridding the area of this pesky nuisance.
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Loch Tay pupils plant woodland at Ben Lawers



Pupils from schools around Loch Tay helped to plant a brand new hazel wood at one of the National Trust for Scotland's most important countryside properties in Perthshire last week.

Kenmore and Killin Primary pupils joined expert staff from conservation charity the National Trust for Scotland to plant a new native broadleaf wood at Balnasuim Wood on the slopes below Ben Lawers National Nature Reserve on the site of an old conifer plantation.

Sponsored by travel firm Rabbie's, 40 pupils and staff from the two schools planted trees over the two days. A further 28 pupils from Edinburgh's Leith Primary also travelled to Ben Lawers to help with the project. The project is the latest push in decades of work undertaken by the

Trust to re-establish important native species in the area – the charity is pioneering the restoration of high altitude willow scrub, endangered in

Scotland. Once established, the wood, which will be mainly hazel, will be coppiced by the Scottish Crannog Centre for use in its weaving and education activities. As part of the project, the pupils also visited the centre to learn more about its work and try out hazel weaving.

Ben Lawers is widely known for its outstanding range and diversity of arctic-alpine species and vegetation types. It is important for the very large number of nationally rare or scarce montane plant species that it supports, including vascular plants, lichens, and bryophytes. It also has an outstanding diversity of invertebrates with many nationally rare or notable species.

Wild Scotland Appeal

Ben Lawers National Nature Reserve will benefit from a new fundraising drive by the National Trust for Scotland.

The conservation charity has launched its Wild Scotland appeal to raise funds for the work it does all over Scotland to look after wildlife, plantlife, forests and coastlines. Supporters can make their donation at www.nts.org.uk/wildscotland.

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For more information about the Trust's work to care for Scotland's countryside and to make a donation, visit www.nts.org.uk/wildscotland. Contact

Sarah Cuthbert-Kerr

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Wallpaper at Moirilanich Longhouse

A unique conservation project is underway at the National Trust for Scotland's Moirilanich Longhouse. The modest, corrugated iron roofed cruck framed cottage was built in the early 19th century and was home to the Robertson family until 1968. It gives an unrivalled insight into country living in Scotland in the 19th and early 20th Century with its intact period interiors, including the many, many layers of wallpaper which have been added to the walls over the years. These layers start with newspapers from the end of the 19th century, followed by layer upon layer of patterned paper – whether these were purchased locally or passed down from a local big house, we do not know. Over the years the weight of paper and leaks from the roof have detached areas from the walls, but following last year's repairs to the corrugated iron, Helen Creasy and Anna Trist from The Scottish Conservation Studio have been to Moirilanich to repair some of the damage.

The major task to be tackled was to put back up the layers of paper that formed the ceiling of the box bed in the small bedroom off the kitchen. The layers of papers were attached at one end and partially on the back



A CHU - CHU by CHIS

There are a number of prints for sale showing the inside of a 1927 steam engine King George V. The poster is 60cm x 42cm and is for sale at £ 2.50

All money collected will go to the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home in aid of the roof repairs

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wall, but the majority was resting down onto the bed. The layers were too heavy to be pasted back up to the rough uneven boards of the bed's ceiling so the plan was to attach it back up to the boards using thin steel wire and Perspex rods and after much puzzling and manoeuvring the desired result was achieved successfully.

Staining on the left side of the hanging lum had occurred from water leaking through the roof and in the ceiling two large dark swellings where debris had fallen. There was also unsightly damage to the ceiling of the right side of the chimney.

After the distorted paper coverings and the debris behind them were removed, the area was repapered, firstly with some layers of fresh newspaper and then with



During treatment: passing the securing wire through the paper and ceiling boards

smooth white papers. The dark staining on the chimney breast was reduced using a steamer and soft cloths to wipe away the stains. In the 'best room' the planks in the

ceiling had been moving, causing the whitewashed paper to tear and lift. Paper was pasted back as far as possible and larger splits and gaps in the ceiling were covered with strips of white paper. Overall, the interior of the building is much improved and next season we aim to reveal more of the back bedroom to our visitors.

The wallpaper work is the latest in a series of conservation projects to take place at the property. Last year, the iron roof was repaired and work to the building's walls also took place earlier this year.



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Last autumn a team from the Glasgow Paranormal Investigators followed up tales of ghostly sightings at Moirlanich Longhouse by spending a night there with a range of equipment to detect unusual activity. Turing their vigil they reported hearing the sound of walking in the hall, a white light and a hand appearing at the back window, as if someone were walking down the back of the house and a dragging noise in the byre.

Psychic members of the group felt the presence of a young boy and his father, an old man and a name

sounding like Lackie, but they also reported sensing a number of possible violent incidents: a daughter, who died giving birth, being buried around the back of the house; a man being threatened with a pitchfork; a hanging and a person

being beaten close to death.

Any ghostly tales from Moirlanich will be gratefully received at the NTS office, Lynedoch.

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Autumn Schedule Walks take place on Wednesday morning, meeting at 10.20am

October

10 th	McLaren Hall Car Park	Moirliannoch Longhouse
17th	Capercaillie Restaurant	River Dochart/Old Railway
24th	McLaren Hall Car Park (Minibus)	Tarmachan Track
31st	McLaren Hall Car Park (Car share)	Glen Ogle.NCR 7

November

7th	Golf Club	Golf Club Walk
14th	Capercaillie	Craignavie Road
28th	Capercaillie	Kinnell Standing Stones

December

5 th	Capercaillie	River Dochart/Old Railway
12th	Capercaillie (Minibus)	Kiinghouse Railway Walk and Christmas lunch

To find out more, call, **Don and Alicja Fraser** 820690 or **Jane Watts** 820141 or see posters around the village. Walks are led by trained volunteers. No need to book - simply turn up and join in ... everyone's welcome!

For more information you can also contact the Project Coordinator, Cathy Scott on 01389 727748 or 01877 330055 Or email cathy.scott@lochlomond-trossachs.org



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Domestic Section

Hanging Baskets

- 1 Mr. & Mrs. MacGregor
Tigh Breagna, Craignavie Road
- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Smith
Muileann Sabh, Main Street
- 3 Mrs. & Mrs. Twigg
Craigdarroch, Main Street

Tubs/Containers

- 1 Mrs McKinnon
Kilmallie, Manse Road
- 2 Mr & Mrs MacGregor
Tigh Breagh, Craignavie Road
- 3 Mr & Mrs Smith
Muileann Sabh, Main Street

Window Boxes

- 1 Mr & Mrs Twigg
Craigdarroch, Main Street
- 2 Mr & Mrs Hunter, 6 Dochart Road
- 3 Mrs & Mrs Elston, 4b Ballechroisk

Overall Display in Containers

- 1 Mr & Mrs Smith
Muileann Sabh, Main Street
- 2 Mr & Mrs Elston, 4b Ballechroisk
- 3 Mrs McKinnon
Kilmallie, Manse Road

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Burnbank, Main Street
- 2 Mr & Mrs Sword, 2 Pier Road
- 3 Mr & Mrs Hunter, 6 Dochart Road



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Killin Agricultural Show

Champion of Champions

Colin Kennedy Trophy - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken

Blackface Sheep

Champion - Bowser Trophy - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Reserve Champion - Stroyan Trophy - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Female Group of 3 - R Young Trophy - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Woolled Sheep - Ramsay Trophy - P. Reilly, Tullochmhor
Pair of Ewe Lambs - Mid Lix Trophy - F.N. Ronald, Keilator
Best Ram - Inverlochlarig Cup - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Female BF Breed - Immeroin Trophy - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Ram Lamb - Tullochcan Cup - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Pair Wedder Lambs - Ben Lawers Cup - K. Taylor & Sons, Dall
Pair Ram Lambs - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Pair Gimmers - Glenbeich Cup - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Male group of 3 - Gilbert Campbell Trophy - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Lamb - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Sheep (opp sex to Champion) - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Exhibitor with most points - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Stocksman showing best animal - Bayer Sheild - Alistair McKenzie
Shepherds Class - New Memorial Trophy - F.N. Ronald, Keilator
Best Natural Ewe - Braes of Ardeonaig Cup - Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken
Best Aged Tup - The Ram's Horn Trophy - Colin Little, Glenample

Sheep other than Blackface

Champion Cross Sheep - Bovain Cup - P. McDiarmid & co., Shenlarich
Reserve Champion Cross Sheep - N. Aitchison, Bovain
Best Pair Prime Lambs - P. McDiarmid & co., Shenlarich
Pair Lambs out of a BF Ewe - N & E Campbell, Succoth
Pair Lambs out of a cross ewe - P. McDiarmid & co., Shenlarich

Wool Section

Champion - J&W Greig Ltd Cup - R. Webster, Meggernie Estate
Reserve Champion - R. Webster, Meggernie Estate
Blackface - Mattress - Donna MacKenzie, Tullochcan
Blackface - Fine - R. Webster, Meggernie Estate

Horticultural and Home Crafts

Handcraft Cup - Jinny Dowling
Photography Cup - Photography Quaiach - Mayumi Paterson
Homecraft Cup - JW Christie Esq. Cup - Jenny Huntley
Baking Cup - The Bunty MacGregor Cup - Bunty MacGregor
Produce Cup - Mairi Stewart Trophy - Margaret Taylor
Vegetable Cup - Hamish MacGregor Cup - Sue Manning
Flower Cup - The McNicol Cup - Bunty MacGregor
Floral Art Cup - The Christie Jug - Jenny Huntley
Girls Cup - Bea Warwick
Boys Cup - Luke Hibbert
WRI Salver - Ardeonaig WRI

Other Show Competitions

Bonnie Baby Competition - Stuart McDiarmid
Fancy Dress Competition - 1st Nursery, 2nd Drama Club, 3rd Brownies
Dog Show
Working Collie - 1st Bilbo (Louise Rolfe) 2nd Meg (Hamish McDiarmid)
 3rd Glen (Jill Leith)

Gun Dog - 1st Thistle (Dawn Russell)
 2nd Ellie (Andrew Higginson)
 3rd Brogan (Chaz Kemp)

Pets - 1st Lexie (Christine Frances)
 2nd Tinker (Louise Rolfe)
 3rd Mia (Antonia Dowling)

Vintage Tractors

Restored -	1st	Donald Masaskill
	2nd	Hamish Aitchison
	3rd	Malcolm Campbell
Un-restored	1st	Kenny Dewar
	2nd	Messrs Hancock
	3rd	Stewart Christie

The 2012 Killin Show was a resounding success from the livestock entries to the quality in every section of the Produce, Horticultural, Baking and Handicrafts in the McLaren Hall. Around 1,000 visitors came through the gates and along with a dedicated membership from across a wide section of the area, resulted in making the day very worthwhile.

It was disappointing to have to cancel the cattle section due to the wet and soft ground and limiting any further damage. The support from local organisations with stalls was amazing and from comments received is helping to boost the attraction of the event. The entertainment in the arena was a mix of fancy dress, vintage tractors and tunes from the Comrie Pipe Band. Add to that Bonny Babies, the Dog Show sections, the Go-Karts (more needed for next year), the terrier race, the triple challenge, and the multi-age-and-number tug of war and there was something for everyone.

The Show is an opportunity for the local community to meet and catch up with the craik. Some visitors are also regulars and it was great to get questions from overseas folk on a variety of subjects and praise from the USA for the event being compact and friendly. The awards were justified - well done to the winners. Thanks to Hamish for steering the organising committee through the year and a special word of praise to Lynsey and Gillian for all their hard work in the secretary's tent and to Jimmy for dealing with the cash.

Alex Stewart

Julie Baird Pilates

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We have identified and approached people in the area who are active in Scouting at the moment and a few who have been involved as Leaders in Scouting in the past and several of these have agreed to get involved and

help out in the new group, but we need more Leaders if we are to open up all three sections of the Scout group. If you are interested in becoming a Leader, please come along to the meeting and talk to us. The Scout Association takes the vetting of its Leaders seriously and all have to agree to become members of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups.

Leaders are not the only adults the Scout Group needs. It also needs parental help so, if you are willing to help the new group in the future as a helper, occasional helper, chairperson or treasurer or a parental committee member, then please come along to one of the meetings.

Our talent spotters have their eyes open and could be calling on YOU. Together we can make an exciting

Scouting programme available to young people in this area. We will of course need a meeting place, all suggestions welcome.

If you are interested but cannot make the meeting please contact:
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2. Andy Cousins (Killin) 70
3. Kevin Mackie (Glencruitten) 74

Handicap: The Melia Quaich

1. Dickie Lewis (Killin) 64
2. John Plunkett (Glencruitten) 65
3. Roger Sharp (Killin) 67

Longest Drive

Category 1 (9th only):

Andrew Diggory (Taynuilt)

Category 2 (7th only):

Graham Harrison (Culcraeff)

Nearest the Pin

Category 1 (8th & 17th):

R Foster (Crieff)

Category 2 (5th & 14th):

Roger Sharp (Killin)

All in 2 (6th only):

Martin McIntyre (Crieff)

The Wee Claret Jug:

(Best Local Overall): Dickie Lewis 64

Magic 2's

William Gerry (Killin)

John Plunkett (Glencruitten)

Donald McGregor (St Fillans)

Angus MacGillivray (Dalmally)

CSS : 68

Eric Lindsay has set the course record for the new course layout with a 66 which is par for the course. The previous record set by George Smith will remain as course record for the old course.

Overall Scratch: Pat Simpson (Lundin Ladies) 79

Overall Handicap: Wilma Frew (Glencruitten) 69

Silver Division:

1. Wilma Frew (Glencruitten) 69
2. Merope Dunlop (Old Ranfurly) 74 BIH
3. Lynn MacDonald (Strathtay) 74

Bronze Division:

1. Sheila Cowie (Uphall) 71
2. June Sutherland (Dalmally) 73
3. Helen Lang (Pitlochry) 74 BIH

Longest Drive - Silver: Pat

Simpson (Lundin Ladies)

Longest Drive - Bronze : Gill Wylie

(Merchants of Edinburgh)

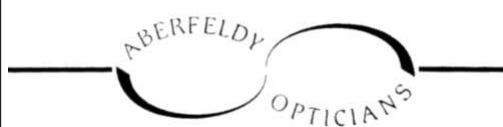
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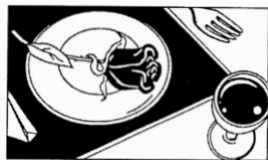
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McLaren High School

Top Team 2012/13

Third for joining us with their fiddles and Miss Lorna Hardie, Music Teacher, for playing the keyboard. It was a really enjoyable evening.

Yvonne King

Accordion and group organiser



After a very rigorous (and difficult!) selection process I am delighted to be able to announce that the Top Team and House Teams for 2012/13 will be as follows:

Head Boy Cameron Gibson

Deputy Head Boys

Harvey Anderson and Angus Leishman

Head Girl Ishbel Taylor

Deputy Head Girls

Kirsty Gordon-McWhirter and Dawn Primrose

Musical Event



On 21st July a small group from McLaren High School attended the Clan MacLaren Society's 50th Anniversary Dinner at the Four Seasons Hotel in St Fillans to entertain the guests with some traditional Scottish music. The 75 guests came not only from Scotland but from the rest of the UK, Germany and as far away as the USA and Australia to celebrate this important Clan event. The Clan enjoyed the traditional music and the Chairman, Hamish McLaren, thanked us for playing our selection of tunes.

I would like to thank McLaren High pupils James Cameron and Lauren



Class 2 News

Co-ordinates

In Class 2 this term we have been learning about co-ordinates and words to do with movement and direction during our Numeracy time. We played a game outside with Mr Lunan where we had to rescue Sam! We had to describe our movements using north, south, east and west finding a safe path to Sam. We also had to write directions from the back of the playground to the gate.

Seona Hay and Caitlyn Campbell

Human Body

In our Science topic, The Human Body, I have been learning about the lungs and the heart. We also have learnt about blood running through your body and lots of other fun stuff. We are making humans with paper by drawing round somebody and it was fun. We learnt being born can take an hour or two or a whole day, maybe it might even take another day!

Caitlin Grant

Vikings

In Class 2 this term we are learning about the Vikings and how they were bad and good. we have been learning hat clothing they wore like animal skin and other things. We have also found out that they did good things and bad things because they stole things but they also did some good things. We have nine big questions that we want to learn about the



Vikings. Look at our window to find out what they are. Anna, Seona, Caitlyn and I have been making our own Viking in school to help us think about what they wore. We put them on our window so look out there is a Viking watching YOU. **Becca Noble**

Summer Concert

In June, Killin & Crianlarich Primary Schools joined together to produce a Summer Concert. There was a fantastic atmosphere at this event and we raised an amazing £514.12 and this has been donated to the Bryony Semple Malawi Education Fund.

Duke of Edinburgh Fundraising Ceilidh

The McLaren Duke of Edinburgh Group is holding a Fundraising Ceilidh in McLaren High School on Friday 5th October, 7pm-11pm. Tickets are priced £7 each or £25 for a family ticket and are available from Jacquie Fingland, telephone 07798 747886 or pupils can see Cameron Gibson in the school. Come along for an enjoyable evening - live ceilidh music, buffet, bar and raffle!

Former Pupils Lunch

The Annual Former Pupils' Reunion took place on Saturday 8th September and was attended by Former Pupils from throughout the UK and as far afield as New Zealand and Australia. If you are a former pupil of McLaren High School and would like information on Former Pupil events please contact:

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Buddy Bench

At the end of last term we presented a buddy bench to Scott and Lisa Semple in memory of Bryony and this will be placed in the playground as part of a memorial garden.

Sponsored Walk

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Sponsored Walk we are very pleased to announce that we raised an amazing £855.70.

Crannog Centre

On 4th September Class 3 visited the Crannog Centre to learn more about its work and try out hazel weaving and many other activities. This activity was kindly sponsored by travel firm Rabbie's.



Pupils Put Down Roots - See page 18



P1 Intake Andrew, Stacey, Sean, Lexi, Stewart

Mr Christopher McLarty - Long Service Award

Christopher has completed 25 years service at Killin Primary School. Christopher has received vouchers from Stirling Council in recognition of his dedication and long service.

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Progress On Birks Cinema



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The amazing cooling labyrinth is in place inside the cinema - a whole series of pipes laid in concrete under the auditorium, accessing the well of 'coolth' under the building, so that on fine summer days when we need the auditorium to be a little cooler, we can draw cool air from deep below the floor. And now that the pipes are buried in concrete they will never be seen again! The foundations for the

internal walls are in place and we are beginning to see the shape of what is to come. It is very, very exciting. During August the roof began to be replaced - and this required scaffolding around the entire building, which unfortunately means that the Chapel St bus stop has needed to be temporarily moved for a few weeks. Our apologies for any inconvenience caused by this. Recruitment of a General Manager of The Birks cinema is underway and a new Trading Board, The Birks Cinema Ltd., is in place with Charlotte Flowers as chair.

At the first full Board meeting, the room was full of amazing local expertise, enthusiasm and experience.

Bogus Callers

A new scheme has been introduced by Stirling Council Social Services and Central Scotland Police Community Safety Department to help people who may be at risk of bogus callers stay safe in their homes.

The Telecare Bogus Caller Scheme supports vulnerable people who may be distressed or threatened by an unwelcome intruder. An electronic community alarm unit is installed in the home, connected to Stirling Council's 24-hour contact centre. If someone calls at the front door and manages to talk their way in, perhaps with the intention to steal, the resident can send an automatic, silent message for assistance to the contact centre at the touch of a button.

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Popular Activities at The Big Shed have continued over the summer months and landscaping has finally begun in front of the building. Please come down and pay us a visit to see how things are progressing. Weekly yoga (Friday am) and Tai Chi (Thursday am) are open to everyone and The Killin Youth Group will be having some taster sessions in the near future.

The Cluny Gardens Talk in August was very informative and popular and The Big Shed made a donation towards the upkeep of the local garden and food for the red squirrels. September was a busy month beginning with Tober and Sue's wedding with 200 guests many of whom commented on the beautiful view and facilities.

Perthshire Open Studios visited The Big Shed for the first time with Georgia Crook displaying her stunning willow work in the upstairs studio. Her art work has proved so popular that she has been persuaded to keep everything on display so please come down and see and buy for yourselves.

The Maxwell String Quartet was here in September to rehearse for three days in the fantastic hall with

amazing acoustics in the peaceful setting. They will return in spring 2013 to take part in our classical concert series.

A weekend 'An Introduction to Permaculture' Course was held in mid September by James Chapman where indoor and outdoor sessions proved very informative. Everyone went away enthusiastic and inspired to try out new ideas of garden design and to think about changes they can make in their lives.

The Big Shed is becoming a popular and affordable venue for meetings for local community council meetings, SNP branch meetings, transport meetings and local councillor surgeries.

Future Events:

Yoga Day

Sunday 7th October 10am-4pm
Clare Stephen who has been practicing and teaching Yoga for many years. Cost £30 including soup and sandwich lunch.

Curry Night and AGM Saturday

20th October 7.30pm with a bar and music.
£10 adult £5 primary school age children.

Classical Concert

Saturday 27th October 7.30pm

The Scottish Clarinet Quartet performing a themed programme 'Around the World in Eighty Minutes' which explores the versatility of the clarinet in a truly global range of musical styles. Tickets £10 to include wine.

Classical concert Cello and Guitar Duo

Thursday 29th November

7.30pm, Robert Irvine and Allan Neave

Tickets £10 to include wine

Buddhist Yoga Day: Saturday 10th November 10am-4pm

This workshop teaches how to train the mind to be 'present-aware and awake' through yoga under the guidance of Buddhist yoga teacher Sadhita. £35 per person for the day, including a vegetarian lunch.

Talks@The Big Shed Thursday 15th November 7.30pm

A wildlife talk by the famous local artist Keith Brockie who give a presentation on his new book about the Isle of Mae. Tickets £8 including wine.

Craft Fair

Saturday 24th November 11am-3pm

Come along to buy your Christmas gifts. Free entry, home baking, local crafts.

Tickets for any of these events can be obtained from Jane Watts
07766566935

The Big Shed has its own blog which can be found at thebigshed.blogspot.com
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Obituary



Johnnie Mudd
1922 - 2012

Johnnie came from a mixed heritage and could claim some Scottish blood as well as Swedish. She remained very proud of her Nova Scotian background and was troubled this year as to whether or not she should renew her Canadian passport. She was the youngest of five siblings born to Ernest and Susan Johnson - hence the nickname Johnnie. After High school in Westville she trained as a nurse in Halifax. Johnnie always had a deep religious commitment and pursued her career through the United Church of Canada. Her first posting was to Cold Lake, Northern Alberta where she cared for a local population of Inuit and First Nations people - what we used to call Eskimos and Red Indians. Added to the nursing duties was growing vegetables and pickling them for the long hard winter to accompany fish or moose.

After three years she enlisted in the overseas missions and after studying theology and Hindi, was sent to Ratlam in India. After a three week voyage she arrived in Bombay - quite an adventure for a girl from Westville, Nova Scotia. She worked with Canadian and Indian Doctors in the operating theatre, trained local nurses and provided care in isolated villages. She also ran a children's home and had thirty children who all contracted measles at the same time. It was in India that Johnnie met Stanley, who was working

about 40 miles away as an Engineer. One Sunday in every month the mission held an English service which was well attended by the engineers and the friendship between Stan and Johnnie blossomed. Eventually Stan took the plunge and proposed to Johnnie under a moonlit sky at the Taj Mahal. She had nursed in India for five years. Married life started in Bolton with Johnnie working part time in Accident and Emergency at the Royal Infirmary. Some three years later their daughter, Beverley Anne, was born bringing great joy to their new household. The family life continued in Portishead and Johnnie became a school nurse and laterally ran the recovery unit in a local hospital.

As retirement loomed and always up for a challenge, Johnnie and Stanley moved to Killin to be near their daughter and young grandchildren, Sarah and Struan. There was about two foot of snow when they arrived in December - I guess Johnnie thought she was back home in a Canadian winter! They launched into the Bed and Breakfast trade making lots of friends who returned year after year, eventually closing the doors when she and Stanley were both in their eighties. Even in later years their life revolved around the church and the social groups in Killin. The final chapter in Johnnie's life also gave her challenges and a chance to make new friends amongst the carers from ILS team, especially Karen, Jackie, Frank, Liz and Jane, (lots of giggling could be heard from upstairs), Jan, from Crossroads who took Johnnie out or chatted with her at home and the local medical and nursing staff, Cilla, Evelyn and Susan and Bruce the hairdresser who always brought a smile to her face. Everybody who came played such an enormous role in Johnnies final chapter.

Johnnie had a passion for life and a concern for mankind. and she filled every day of her ninety years.

Beverly Reid

Think About It

As the apostle Paul looked back on his ministry, he saw that it had been rewarding but not easy. Measured by the world's yardstick of success, his life seemed almost insignificant. He said at that time "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (2 Timothy 4:7). Paul wrote this second letter to Timothy while incarcerated in a cold, damp dungeon awaiting execution. In a matter of weeks, the apostle would stand before Nero, the half-insane emperor of Rome, and his life would end. But Paul knew that after his death he would receive the crown of life from the King of kings. And we know now that the influence of his life changed the course of history itself. And ancient historian would have written volumes about the splendour of Nero and his court and probably never even mentioned Paul. Yet today we name our dogs Nero and our sons Paul. I guess what we live for is pretty important after all. It's a good question, what are you living for?

Ladd Fagerson

Book Review

Sleepyhead by Mark Billingham

This book was one of the titles that we received from World Book Night. It is the first book in the 'Tom Thorne' series and in 2011 was made into a Sky drama series, 'Thorne', starring David Morrissey. Mark Billingham has a successful career as a stand up comedian and yet contrasts this with his dark and gripping crime fiction. Several young women have been found dead and Detective Inspector Tom Thorne is on the hunt for a murderer. We also meet Alison Willets, a survivor who has suffered an induced stroke and has been left with Locked-In Syndrome; she can see and hear everything going on around her and yet is unable to move or communicate. We soon learn that the killer had made a mistake - with the other girls. Alison's state was intentional. "He doesn't want you alive. He doesn't want you dead. He wants you somewhere in between." 'Sleepyhead' provides several different narratives allowing the reader to get to know the characters really well - from the obsessive and hardworking mind of Thorne to the sad and humorous words of Alison. 'Sleepyhead' is fast paced, well written, descriptive, emotional and disturbing. It provides great characters and a detailed story. All the group thought that this was a great read - it made for a lively discussion on an enjoyable evening of wine and nibbles!!

Catriona Ridgwell
Sequel Book Club

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Letters

Caravanning

I was surprised that Killin News thought it prudent to publish a letter which could make some caravanners think twice about coming to Killin - especially in this economic climate when tourism should be encouraged. The letter in the August edition was from a disgruntled group who have a biased point of view towards the Caravan Club and their nationwide policy of reducing seasonal pitches on club sites. My family have been coming to Maragowan for over twenty years and have found all the wardens to be amiable and obliging, the toilet block warm and clean and the site neat and tidy. It is, after all, a caravan site and not a five star hotel. We have many happy memories of our visits to this breathtakingly beautiful part of Scotland and the friendly locals are the icing on the cake. We look forward to many more years at Maragowan.

Irene Devoy

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for their kindness, cards and flowers following the death of my dog Roy. I really appreciated the kind thoughts from everyone.

Grace McKechnie

Eileen Foster

Bill Foster and family wish to thank most sincerely all relatives, friends and neighbours for all their support and cards received during their sad loss. Special thanks to Alison Duthie for the lovely service, and to doctors and staff at Killin Medical Centre, also doctors and nursing staff at F.V.R.H for all the their loving care and attention, and to all who paid their last respects at the Crematorium. Special thanks to all who donated money to the Killin Retirement Home, as £660 was raised.

On the Mend

I would like to thank everyone for all the kindness shown to me following my fall at the Golf Course several weeks ago, particularly Kay and the paramedic on the night.

Thank you, too, for the lovely flowers, cards, telephone calls and good wishes. All the lovely baking and meals-on-wheels were very much appreciated.

My arm is making good, if somewhat slow, progress. I won't be golfing again this season - however I shall return! Thank you all again.

Cathie Reid

Old Graveyard

Having read recently that there was a ceremony held in Kenmore church to celebrate the restoration of a gravestone erected by The Maharajah Juleep Singh to his infant son who died at a day old, some of my family decided to visit the old graveyard in Killin. We were looking for another stone erected by The Maharajah in memory of his secretary John Cawood, who died at Auchlyne during the time that Juleep Singh was tenant there. The Maharajah was one of many tenants to rent Auchlyne before my Great-great-grandfather took on the lease in 1888.

Having not visited the graveyard for some years, I was unsure as to how to reach it and we ended up going to the east of the hotel and getting in through a slap in the wall. We spent quite a while wandering around reading many of the stones and we found John Cawood's gravestone. We then left through the gates on which there is a sign erected by Stirling Council asking visitors to keep to the footpaths and saying that restoration work was ongoing. You could have fooled me!! The grass was knee high, there are trees growing hard up against some of the stones and many are covered in grass and moss. (and I got stung by a wasp - twice!!)

It is very sad to see the graveyard in such disrepair, when it could be a lovely peaceful place for people to visit.

Emma Paterson



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The Brownies would very much like to thank Euan, Pete & Kirsty for their extremely generous donation to our funds from the money they raised on their West Highland Way walk.

We would also like to thank Transerv and Stitt Bros for donating the paint so we could dress up as 'Smarties' for the Killin Show parade. We hope we brightened up your day! We appreciate all your help.

All 1st Killin Brownies



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SIMBA Fundraising

We would like to say a massive thank you to all people in Killin who donated to our charity through my grandpa, John Boyd (local postie). The Charity weekend was a great success and we have managed to raise over £3,000 with more still to come in. Thanks to you all we have helped this amazing charity which supports those who are affected by the loss of a baby. We never imagined that we would be able to reach such a large amount! Thank you.

Stacy Boyd and Jamie Nicol



On June 8th Rachel Jane Harrison married John-Paul Lawson Heatherington in St Cuthbert's Church Shotley Bridge. Rachel is the youngest granddaughter of Len and Chrissie Fenton of Monemore.



Jennifer Beaumont daughter of Mark and Susan married Nick Brooke in the Chapel of St Andrews University on 2nd September 2012

Ron Aliner



Scott Hunter and Ruth MacLean married on 1st September in Killin



John Gregor Anderson born 15th August weighing 9lb 4oz to Jamie & Stuart Anderson, Fingal Road. Little brother for Struan. Picture by Touch of Frost Photography



Baby Katie Joanne Taylor Campbell, born 17th May with her sisters Grace and Isobel daughters of Neil and Eilidh

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Colin Woods graduated from Glasgow University with BAcc Hons in Accountancy with Finance.

Submitted by Elizabeth Woods - a very proud mum.



Alison Woods graduated from Glasgow Caledonian University with BA Hons in Social Sciences with Psychology.



Sarah Watts graduated from the University of Edinburgh with a 1st class honours degree in Ecological Science. She also won the prize for the most distinguished graduate in Ecological Science and the prize for the best honours dissertation, which was a project on the nesting behaviour of sparrowhawks. She has been working as a volunteer ecologist for the National Trust for Scotland at Ben Lawers this summer.



Garreth Tigwell (Yellow hood) graduated from Dundee University with a 2:1 in Psychology **Steven Tigwell** (Red hood) graduated from University of the West of Scotland with a 1st class honours in music Technology. Congratulations from all the family, Godparents and friends - we are very proud of you both!



On 16th July **Victoria Kate Harrison** graduated with a BA (Hons) in "Learning in Families, schools and Beyond". Vicky is the eldest granddaughter of Len and Chrissie Fenton.

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Kathleen McRae graduated from The University of Glasgow MA (Soc.Sci.) Geography with Honours

Local Planning Applications

National Park

Week commencing 16 July

Proposal: Alterations to existing outbuilding to accommodate installation of bio-mass boiler and flue (retrospective)
 Location: Falls Of Dochart Inn Gray Street Killin
 Applicant: Applecrest Inns
 Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
 Decision: Approve

Week commencing 6 August

Proposal: Erection of 2 dwellinghouses
 Location: Land Adjacent To Station House Station Road Crianlarich
 Applicant: Mr Peter Bradford
 Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
 Decision: Pending Consideration

Week commencing 3 September

Proposal: Removal of chimney (Retrospective)
 Location: Glangarry House Main Street Killin
 Applicant: Mr Kenneth Horne
 Application Type: Householder Planning Permission
 Decision: Pending Consideration

Perth & Kinross Council

16 Jul 2012

Proposal: Erection of a dwellinghouse
 Location: Ardtalnaig Lodge Ardtalnaig Aberfeldy
 Applicant: Dr Philip Simpson
 Application Type: planning permission local
 Decision: Pending Consideration

14 Aug 2012

Proposal: Extension to boathouse
 Location: The Croft Fearnan Aberfeldy
 Applicant: Mr And Mrs Douthwaite
 Application Type: planning permission local
 Decision: Pending Consideration

21 Aug 2012

Proposal: Installation of gates and security camera poles
 Location: Lower Kiltyrie Killin
 Applicant: Mrs R Anderson
 Application Type: planning permission local
 Decision: Pending Consideration

Stirling Council

Nothing to Report

Mobile Libraries

Tyndrum/Crianlarich

Fortnightly Fridays

Oct 12, 26

Nov 9, 23

Tyndrum

Station Road 10.50 – 11.10

Clifton 11.15 – 11.40

Mansefield 11.45 – 12.00

Crianlarich

Willow Square

12.05 – 12.35

Police Station & School

1.40 – 2.30

Benmore 2.35 – 2.55

Suie Lodge 3.05 – 3.25

Glen Lochay/Ardeonaig

Fortnightly Mondays

Oct 8, 22

Nov 5, 19

Glenlochay 10.50 – 12.30

Ardeonaig 2.00 – 2.45

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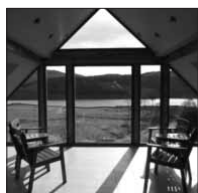
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KYG continued its activities over the summer months, managing, amongst other activities, to enjoy watersports at Firlush, Segway riding at Crieff Hydro, a trip to John Muir's birthplace in Dunbar, bowling and a much-enjoyed camping trip up Glen Lochay. The monitoring of the local bat population continues with evening walks and more camping planned to progress this project. Our funding from LEADER came to an end after 18 months of very valuable support but we are continuing with fundraising efforts to keep KYG running. A successful Jubilee car

wash with many generous donations was held in June. Many thanks to everyone who helped, donated or allowed their cars to be washed. Remember if you go to High School then you are welcome to come along to KYG. Tuesday evenings usually at 7.30 at the Sports Pavilion but check with me if this is your first visit as we sometimes meet at different times and places according to the planned activity.

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Lochtayside Hill Races October 13 th/14th

After a successful summer of sporting events in Killin, including the Highland Games hill race and the Killin 10K, there is no need to hang up your running shoes yet. In its third year the Lochtayside Hill running weekend is just around the corner.

The event was started to encourage hill running locally, to get visitors to Killin and to raise funds for Cancer Research. It's nice after three years to be achieving those aims.

The races are organised with the local hill running club, Lochtayside, the Killin Outdoor Centre and great support from the Real Food Café's Sarah and Alan who are stalwarts in supporting local sporting events. The first race is Meall Nan Tarmachan - at 9.7 km and just over 700m a great route - a mixture of path, cross country and Landrover track. Times take from 48minutes to 2 hours. Afterwards the local Cancer Committee are providing lunch, which was a great highlight last year. If you still have dancing legs there is a Ceilidh in the MacLaren Hall in the evening. (See page 14) Sunday is the shorter run on Sron a Clachain which would be a good introduction

to those new to hill running or lacking in the navigational skills required for Saturdays race. There are refreshments on Sunday also. Last year we had over a hundred runners over the weekend, a great Ceilidh and raised £1000 for Cancer Research. You can sign up on the day for each race. Ask at the Outdoor Shop for more information

and come and have a go, or join Lochtayside running club. Thanks to the local land owners and especially the NTS, who have been very supportive, and to all the marshals and helpers.

Trevor Shaw

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Her mother came from The Isle of Lewis and Catriona spent many holidays at her Granny's croft and vividly remembers the 'clickety-clack' of the looms and the distinctive smell of Harris Tweed. She has always had a passion for textiles so started evening upholstery classes while she was still working - apparently hitting chairs with a hammer is a great way of relieving work stress!

When she moved to this area she started teaching and has been running upholstery classes in the Callander and Killin areas for 10 years. This year's classes have just started in Lochearnhead Village Hall. She has also made and sold Harris Tweed cushions and other items at the Balquidder Christmas market.

Her business has grown steadily and she has recently taken on The Tryst at Balquidder as workspace for manufacture and retail of a range of her products. The shop also showcases other local artists' work - hand-made silver jewellery, photography, paintings and wooden bowls.

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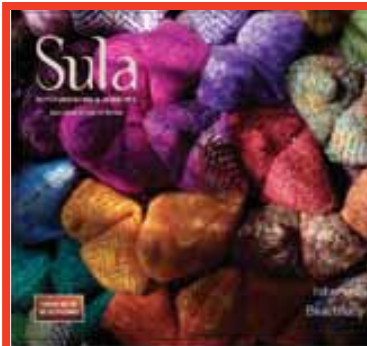
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Police Report

Killin Search & Rescue Dog

On 25th August local Killin policeman, Andy Fleming and his black Labrador Retriever, Dugald, successfully passed an assessment at Balloch Country Park to become a Search and Rescue Dog Team. The assessment was organised by members of SARDA (Southern Scotland) - Search and Rescue Dog Association - who train and assess dog teams. The successful dog teams are then placed onto the 24 hour call out list and respond to requests from Police and Mountain Rescue Teams throughout Scotland to search for missing people. Andy and Dugald had barely made it home after a full days assessment, when the team's first call out was received, to assist in the search for the elderly farmer in the Carron Valley near Stirling. The team responded that night and worked into the early hours of the morning and on several successive days afterwards, to help search for the man. Working alongside many other search teams from the 3 Mountain Rescue Teams - Ochils, Lomond and Killin, the weather conditions had deteriorated significantly, as forests, open moorland, fields were extensively covered. Unfortunately the elderly man has not been found and police enquiries are continuing.

Drugs dog at work in Killin

On 11th August a Central Scotland Police Dog Handler paired up with local officers to carry out Operation Ironworks Patrols in the Killin section. During the shift the officers included patrols at a variety of wild camp sites in Glen Lochay and South Loch Tay near Killin. Happily many of the visitors and people camping were law abiding and no issues were found on this occasion. Other locations were also visited, within the National Park, where the drugs dog was put to work. Positive indications from the dog suggesting recent use of illicit drugs led to a number of campers being warned on Loch Lubnaig. These Operation Ironworks Patrols are carried out regularly over the Summer months to dissuade anti social behaviour and vandalism at our lochs and rivers.

Constables Andy Fleming and Iona Frickleton, as locally based officers, look after the rural communities in and around the Killin area.
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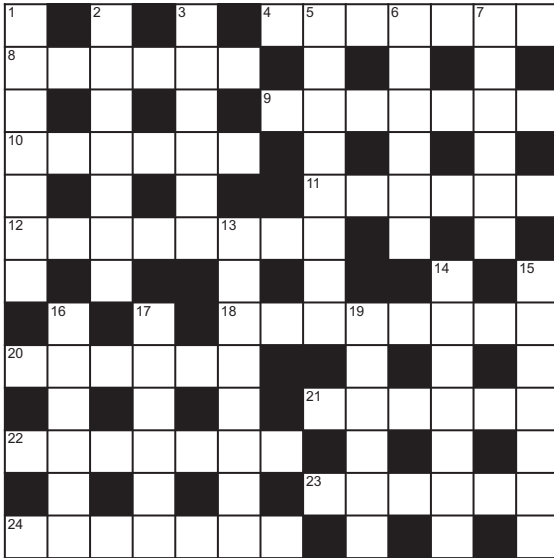
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Crossword by Scorpio



Across

4. Shorten a crossing (8)
8. Reverses upset sun rut (1-5)
9. A mythic castle or a pantomime? It's a lottery! (7)
10. Enlighten during school year (6)
11. Ignite or arouse an electronic reading device (6)
12. Unstable vehicle built for one (8)
18. Continental oddly in camera (8)
- 20 & 21. African bush meal for travelling diners? (6,6)
22. Earth vs strange crop (7)
23. Further Education confused this with an obsession (6)
24. Shallow part of river ran back lines (7)

Down

1. Inquisitive dog with promissory notes (7)
2. Carnival or amusement park (7)
3. Physical power or vigour (6)
5. Shiner or tinted lens? (5,3)
6. One tended toward strange ale tin (1,5)
7. Depart with view to search the internet (6)
13. A cash win produces a power tool (8)
14. Habitual doubter awkwardly cites police constable (7)
15. Lawless state in Iranian arc hybrid (7)
16. Exclude girl we hear for tropical fruit (6)
17. Sculptor in streetcar version (6)
19. Soured badly and awakened (6)

Solution 129

Across 1. Turns 7. Plaudits 8. North 10. Sure as fate
12. Noticing 14. Trot 16. Mums 17. Princess 20. Killin Show
23. Night 24. Upgrades 25. Adder

Down 1. Tin can 2. Nets 3. Clue 4. Guise 5. Disagrees
6. Assent 9. Hutch 11. Etymology 13. Nor 15. Union
16. Make up 18. Sister 19. Lilac 21. Sees 22. Wind

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More help is on the way for carers thanks to a new resource pack which contains information which will assist GP's to identify carers and direct them to practical and financial information and support. It also provides details about the importance of referring carers to services such as social services and their local carers centre.

Since GP practices are usually the first place that carers have contact with, they are perfectly placed to recognise when someone is about to become a carer and provide emotional and practical help.. Copies of the resource pack will be distributed to GP practices across Forth Valley from early September 2012

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Badminton

Mondays
 McLaren Hall

Badminton

Mondays
 Crianlarich Hall
 starting November

Bowls

Mondays
 Lesser Hall

Brownies

Mondays
 Lesser

Crianlarich Youth Group

Thursdays, Crianlarich Hall
 6.30 - 9.30pm

Choir

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Craft Group (Tyndrum)

Tuesdays
 Tyndrum Village Hall
 10.30am-1.30pm

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Internet Cafe

Thursdays
 Killin Library
 11am-4pm

Softplay Club

Tuesdays
 Sports Pavilion
 12.30 - 2.30pm

Tai Chi

Thursdays
 Big Shed
 10.30am

Tai Chi

Wednesday
 Tyndrum Hall
 9.30am

Tiddlers & Toddlers

1st and 3rd Thursday
 Community Rooms
 10am - 12 noon

Youth Group (Killin)

Tuesdays 7.30pm
 Sports and Social Club

Yoga

Fridays
 Big Shed
 10.30-noon

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