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Editorial

The changing face of Killin

Shortly the wraps will come off the new council flats and more houses will be added to Killin. This would indicate that Killin is still growing in the face of the current recession that has closed businesses and reduced local public transport opportunities for those unable to drive.

Information circulating in the village that the Post Office is about to close permanently came like a bolt out of the blue. If that were so it would make Crianlarich our nearest post office and give us a 27 mile round trip to post a parcel. Everyone uses the Post Office and it will make the elderly and disabled even more disadvantaged.

We are informed that the Chemist Shop development is to go ahead. This will have repercussions on the local doctors' surgery and is likely to reduce the number of doctors in the village as prescriptions form an important part of practice income which will be lost when the new chemist shop comes on stream. We all have concerns for our local general practice. It is an institution upon which we all rely. We expect that these and other problems they are facing are temporary and will be resolved soon, meanwhile we give them our full support and good wishes for the future.

As one shop opens it seems that another closes. We are sad to see that Swords is up for sale and can only hope that a new venture takes its place.

Having started with a wholefood café, tourist information and sales of arts and crafts, the Community Interest Company, MacGregor's Market now sells a range of vegetables, dairy and other products. It is good to see a new business bucking the trend.

The Old Mill Thrift Shop has had a good season and has been well used by locals and tourists. Thanks to the LL&T National Park the trees and bushes around the Old Mill have been cleared giving a much better view of the Mill and lades. It has again uncovered two of the arches of the Dochart Bridge allowing more of that Category A listed structure to be seen.

Rural communities can really make changes. The Birks Cinema in Aberfeldy is a shining example but it doesn't stop there. Well done all those Killin fundraisers who regularly raise money for important causes.

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Post Office

Killin was shocked to read the notice see right which appeared on the Post Office door and all sorts rumours began to fly round the village. Why was it closed? Is the closure permanent? The only agreed facts are that Killin needs its Post Office and 'something must be done' to keep it open.

Anne McGuire, our MP, has been told by Post Office officials that it has been closed due to circumstances beyond their control, that this was not a planned event and that they are actively investigating all options available in order to get the branch open again as quickly as possible. To

this end they are in discussion with potential temporary sub-postmasters.

Bruce Crawford, our MSP, has issued a press statement saying he has also been in touch with the Post Office seeking an urgent update on the matter, emphasising the importance of postal services to the large rural served by Killin Post Office. Stirling Councillors Martin Earl and Alycia Hayes are also chasing up developments and are fully behind the need to keep our Post Office open.

Assurances have been given that Killin is of strategic importance to the Post Office Service and it is keen to re-open ours as soon as possible and that the building's ownership would not cause problems'. Martin Earl has consulted the Access Criteria for the Post Office network which says that, in return for its package of funding, the Post Office is committed amongst other things to, "95% of the population of every postcode district being within six miles of their nearest post office outlet".

We hope that by the time Killin News reaches you a solution will have been found and the anxiety and distress caused to everyone by the closure to everyone will be over. If not, we can at least get stamps from News First or the Library.

Pharmacy



It has now been confirmed that, despite the feeling in the village, an appeal against the new pharmacy has failed and Davidsons plan to open on 1st March. The dispensary at the surgery will run down its stocks over the next six months and the two dispensary jobs will go. The Practice would like to thank everyone for the support they received in fighting this innovation but, having lost the appeal, they are now looking forward to establishing a good relationship with the pharmacy which can provide additional medical help to patients.

Surgery

Rumours have also been circulating for some time about changes at the Practice. Killin News has been told that Dr Holden remains off work and that Dr. Syme will be reducing his number of sessions at the practice from November prior to possible full retirement next year. Dr. Watson will be staying with the practice as will Dr Cairns, so we will not be losing a doctor. Fiona Buchanan, Practice Manager for 20 years, has left and will be greatly missed by colleagues and patients alike. A new part-time Practice Manager is being sought.

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David Mardon

The Old Mill

The new manager has been appointed - Frances Morrison (Franny). She started work on 4th September and has been 'finding her feet' since then. The LLTNP organised two clear up days around the Old Mill on 14th August and 12th September. Everyone involved worked hard and the results can be seen. We are always looking for volunteers to help out at the Old Mill, either occasionally or more regularly. You could help in the shop, sort stock or, if you have a skill you would like to share, you could hold a class. Age doesn't matter - anyone from 15yrs to 90yrs - all are welcome. To find out more come to the Old Mill and ask for Franny.



David Mardon

Breadalbane Park Project

The Breadalbane Park Project is moving forward. The consultation was held on the new proposals on 7th September at the 'Vintage Tea Party'. The proposal is very much scaled down from the original 'Masterplan' due to the cost involved. The main priorities that have come out of the consultation are the drainage, hard standing, path network and the additional play equipment. If successful in the next stage of funding, then we should receive £130,000 from the BIG Lottery. The cost of renewing the drainage will be £80,000, which will leave only £50,000 to complete the rest of the proposal. The Breadalbane Park Group is looking at other possible funding sources.

The next stage for the consultants is

to gather all the information and put together the stage 2 application for the BIG Lottery by 4th October.

Theresa Elliot

Funding Report

Breadalbane Park Community Enhancement Project is funded by Community Spaces Scotland, part of the Big Lottery Fund. Killin has been beset by drainage problems in the park with major events cancelled at the last moment. Stirling Council, Killin Community Council and many community volunteers have worked to resolve it over the last five or six years. After spending a great deal of money there has been a small improvement. Now with the aid of the Big Lottery Fund, City Design Cooperative Ltd led by Richard East are producing the final design for submission for the stage two Lottery application which, if successful, will lead to the completion of the project.

The Old Mill is funded by: Investing in Ideas, again from the Big Lottery Fund. This gives us the opportunity to identify what needs to be done to the Old Mill and how much it will cost. Sonya Linskaill, a conservation architect, won the contract for this section of the funding. The next stage is to seek funding from the Big Lottery to complete the repairs and developments that are necessary. Historic Scotland have granted up to £38,703 towards the repair of the building.

The Architectural Heritage Fund will be funding some elements of the professional services.

Other Funders

The Play Park has funding from Stirling Council, the Community Fund, the 10K Run and many local contributors. It awaits completion of the Breadalbane Park drainage and development before changes can take place.



Brown Bins

Theresa's post, as KAT Support Worker, is funded by LEADER, LL&T National Park, Stirling Council and the Architectural Heritage Fund. Franny's post, as Mill Manager, is funded by the Christine Mary Hendrie Trust, the Stafford Trust and the Foyle Foundation. The LL&T National Park are currently funding a feasibility study into the public toilets. The Internet Learning in Killin Library is funded by Stirling Council. The Killin and Ardeonaig Trust acknowledge the grants offered by funders and individuals and would like to thank them unreservedly for their support. Without them we would be unable to take on any of these developments that will be of great advantage to this community, to visitors and to business in general.

Wille Angus



We are in the process of procuring land in Callander to act as a bulking point, which will enable the economic collection of cardboard north of Callander.

We are hopeful that the procurement of the land will be concluded by late autumn (possibly sooner) so that we can commence the rural rollout of brown boxes as planned. The industrial action has added to

the need for the cardboard box rollout and we are acutely aware of this and are pressing to do all we can to accommodate a rollout as soon as possible.

We are looking to put out cardboard collection points in villages to be serviced by an independent truck. These, in the short term, will probably arise as a simple wheeled bin configuration, with "Cardboard" signage, until we can get something more substantial.

Collection Points for cardboard are being set up at rural Recycling Points in the following locations:

Aberfoyle, Balfon, Balmaha, Balquhider, Kingshouse Hotel, Brig O'Turk, Buchlyvie, Drymen, Fintry, Kippen Road, Gartmore, Killin, Old Station Car Park, Kippen, Lochearnhead, Loch Side Car Park and Strathblane. These should be in place in the near future and we'll update you with details as soon as they are available.

Two compost bins per household will be the limit for those who get compost bins.

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Glenoglehead Development

A letter has been received from Anne McGuire MP. Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park are proceeding with the development and have apologised for not informing the Community Council correctly about the plans.

Pharmacy NHS Forth Valley have stated that the appeal has failed.

Potholes No further progress on this. Councillor Hayes will report to Stirling Council.

Village Appearance The flower beds and benches have improved the overall appearance of the village but the bottom car park requires work. The Floral Society have reported that Stirling Council have not been keeping to their side of the agreement made. Councillor Hayes has received a letter outlining work that would be done, but this has not happened.

Street lights A new pole has been installed at the bottom of Manse Road, but not connected. Street lights at Ballechroisk have been on all day.

Puddle at the Wee Bakeshop There has been no progress and Councillor Hayes will pursue the matter.

Breadalbane Forum There has been no progress with Strathfillan. The cut to the bus subsidy was discussed and the possibility of establishing a Credit Union locally with support from Stirling Credit Union.

DRT is being looked at and there is a commitment to maintain this and perhaps even extend it.

BEAR were present and assured everyone that the service they provide will improve on Transerve. BEAR, Stirling Council and the police are in discussion about the recent road closure at Glenogle and signs will now be kept at Callander, rather than Stirling and the contingency plans for the school will be reviewed.

The Broadband Group is ongoing and Balquhadder are pursuing a number of options.

Community Council Elections

Suzanne Player will ensure posters and application packs are available at the library.

Publication of the notice of Election: Wed 2nd Oct & Friday 4th Oct

Nominations to be submitted by :

Friday 25th October (4pm)

Nominations to be withdrawn by:

Friday 25th October (5pm)

Publication of Notice of Poll:

Wed 30th October & Friday 1st

November

Issue of Ballot Papers:

From Monday 4th November

Ballot papers to be returned by: Friday 22nd November (5pm)

Overgrown trees at Stitt's yard

Councillor A. Hayes will pursue this.

Ambulance Depot Bruce Crawford has confirmed that we still have a Rapid Response Unit in Killin.

Traffic Speed on Lyon Road area

Brian Roberts has responded and this will go into next year's budget.

Highland Games It was reported that once parking was filled in the field, there were a number of vehicles driving down towards the surgery causing traffic problems. A traffic warden was on duty and people were stationed in the field to assist but further assistance was required.

Taking Community Planning Forward

is on 5th October from 10am-2.30 pm and will discuss Community Engagement and the Single Outcome Agreement. Fiona Kennedy will attend and anyone else intending to should let her know.

Youth Group The bill for the Community Bus is now settled and the Community Council have offered the group £100 for a future trip.

Planning Proposal to erect a house at Killin Highland Lodges - Charlie Grant received a copy of the proposal but no drawings have been provided. He has requested a copy and was told these were available online. He again asked for a paper copy and has received no further reply and has raised this with Councillor Hayes.

Application to demolish Church Hall

No comments

Waste Collection and Processing

Councillor Hayes visited the site at Polmaise and was very impressed so has sent a letter to each Community Council recommending a site visit.

The brown bin collection will be stopped on 20th September, but no cardboard recycling boxes have arrived in Killin. Stirling Council will provide a two-week extension to try to clear the backlog following industrial action. Free garden compost bins are on offer from Stirling Council. Stirling Council has stated that grey bins can be used until brown boxes arrive.

The opening hours at the Callander Recycling Depot were set in response to a questionnaire and a follow up questionnaire is due soon, which will be circulated widely.

Following the last Industrial Action when brown bins were not collected Stirling Council have said that posters should have been displayed. Councillor Hayes will pass on concerns and discontent raised.

Trees on Glenogle These were to be cut back. This will be passed to Kevin Campbell.

Ardeonig Road Boulders have been placed in the gateway to Harbour Lights, restricting room for passing vehicles. Stirling Councils have provided reflectors but this has restricted space even further. Councillor Hayes to pursue.

Road level The road level is lower following the re-tarring and is causing difficulty for wheelchair users and others. Stirling Council will be informed.

Next meeting Tuesday 12th November at Killin Primary School, 7.30 pm.

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Frost Report

Times they are a-Changin'

We are coming to the end of probably the best summer for a few years with weeks of uninterrupted sunshine. Then, once the rain came, everything threw itself into fast growth and now it is reported that there is a bumper harvest. Certainly the trees are heavy with berries and fruit and the ancient walnut tree at Dall is creaking under the weight of nuts. At the moment the pigeons are gorging themselves on elderberries. It has also recently been the season of grouse with the not very glorious twelfth going by almost unreported. There are vague reports that the numbers have been quite good over much of Scotland and Yorkshire but actual numbers are not yet given, with many estates beginning to shoot later than usual.

But we must remember that grouse management enables practical conservation of rare bird populations at minimal cost to the public and is of keynote survival for our remotest communities. With fewer numbers of keepers on the ground these days, we see fewer hillsides looking like a patchwork of variously shaded tweeds due to the rotational burning of small patches of heather to produce new fresh shoots for grouse to eat amongst other varying lengths of growth for shelter. This produces a haven for many species such as snipe, dunlin, ring ouzel, black and red grouse, merlin, lapwings, golden plover, curlew and meadow pipits. Certainly grouse numbers have dropped from intensely kept Edwardian days when, for instance, Ardkinglass estate by Loch Fyne was leased on an annual rent of £1,285 with a bag limit of 350 brace of grouse and 3 brace of blackcock. At that time a brace was worth between

£1.10 shillings and £1.15 shillings (if you are too young to understand this, ask grandad.) Today you would be very lucky to shoot three brace of grouse there. It would be much easier and cheaper to go to Marks and Spencer's as they have now added this to their food range. The other factor affecting the landscape of our hills is of course bracken. A Somerset based company are into producing biomass fuel from bracken. Apparently the carcinogenic properties of the plant disappear as it dies down in autumn and the resulting ash is high in potash so you can use that as well to keep your tomatoes happy. There is no shortage of good quality bracken this year.

Maybe this will go further with the reduction in trees due to ash die back. There are 500+ sites confirmed with some not that far from Killin. With this and oak sudden death disease and fungal infections in pine, we may yet see a biomass plant near the village using local bracken. Maybe there would be D.E.F.R.A. subsidies available? Doubtless 'the men from the ministry' would need to 'have a look.'

Hopefully it wouldn't be the man who was tagging wild boar in the Sussex /Kent border and managed to trap himself in one of his own live traps till rescued three and a half hours later. The same man was unable to operate on another occasion when he had managed to sabotage his own equipment. During that time two boar had mysteriously found their way into various freezers and their ear tags into a lurcher and a fox. This was only discovered when the ministry man went to the supermarket and parked next to the 4x4 with the lurcher in and received

a clear signal.

Maybe this ministry man should go to one of the schools taking part in a National Farmers' Union centenary grant-aided project to introduce urban children to the countryside. There are nine projects running in Scotland and if he went to the borders he could even try his hand at milking a life sized model cow. He would get a set of waterproofs and wellies which should make any future 'imprisonments' less hard to bear. Our Mr. Fox has found a new tactic. A Mr. Schofield was attacked while on the loo. He got a nasty shock as a fox poked its nose round the bathroom door, bit him (not sure where!) and grabbed the cat. Don't cry - following a tussle the cat was rescued.

Tim Frost

Shoebox Appeal

Shoe Box Appeal 2013

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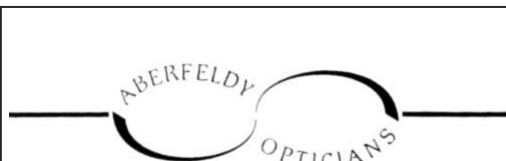
Grass is a requirement of cricketers, footballers, bowlers and gardeners, albeit a commodity which must be maintained short and verdant but for livestock farmers it is a prime necessity. It's abundance or scarcity affects the well-being of livestock and the prosperity of the owners. Even with housed stock, sufficient grass in various forms, hay, silage, haylage etc., must be available. For the hill farmer grass is even more of a priority. Following the miserable summer and autumn of 2012, the quality of grazing had been far from ideal, then in late March and April 2013, following disastrous snowfalls, grazable grass was for some weeks non-existent and worse still coincided with hill lambing.

During May and June conditions improved somewhat, although pressure to reserve some fields for hay or silage resulted in overgrazing other areas. Then in July we experienced "official drought" conditions i.e., at least 17 days without measurable precipitation, which again curtailed available forage. The old adage that "When the rock heads begin to burn, the lamb begins to thrive" probably helped somewhat, and off-set the dearth of grazing.

Now in late August/early September there has been a surge of growth which hopefully will put condition on lambs and calves prior to sale and indeed continues until temperatures fall below 5°C, the threshold for grass growth, and so provide improved conditions for ewes before tupping. All in all then summer 2013 has been the most acceptable since 2006.

Looking back now over the past twenty years or so, say since 1990, those years which produced fairly long spells of "good" Summer weather were, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2003, and 2006 and now 2013. The rest were - well - "also rans"! What the law of averages decrees for future Summers remains to be seen.

Mervyn K. Browne, Artnaig



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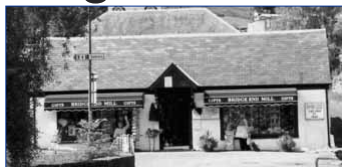
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All Crianlarich School pupils on the climbing frame

Our New Playground

We have a wonderful new playground at Crianlarich Primary School. It has all been made from natural materials. All the pupils were involved in its design. We have a water barrel that collects water from the roof of our school which we can channel through pipes into our massive new sandpit. There are floodgates in the sandpit and we have to work together to transport the water from one end of the playground to the other. We have fantastic big ropes that we can swing on and walk along to practice balancing. We have also been doing tricks on them. We have two big platforms which we have been jumping off and also making dens on using camouflage sheets and blankets. We have also been using them as stages to perform on. We have also been den building using branches, blankets, string and pegs. We have a mini orchard and have lots of planters where we are growing our own vegetables. We all love our new playground and are really excited about developing it even further!

Class One
Crianlarich Primary School



Playground before development

Keyboard

We have sadly said 'goodbye' to our minister, Rev Liz Gibson, who has gone to pastures new on Mull. We wish her, Martin and the boys well in their new life. We have also said 'goodbye' to the keyboard which they used to lend us.

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Primary 1

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Meeting 9th September

Local Services Pilot Scheme: This is progressing more slowly than was hoped. There have been problems arranging contact between the possible local contractors and Stirling Council. It had been hoped that the pilot would start before the end of the current growing season, although this is now looking less likely.

DRT: The sustainability of the current Strathfillan DRT service, provided by 24/7 cars is in doubt, particularly during the winter months. Bruce Crawford MSP and Cllr Martin Earl have both been involved with complex discussions involving Stirling Council and Transport Scotland. The main difficulties for Strathfillan DRT are the number of "dead miles" caused by the large geographic area & low

population density; and the way in which Transport Scotland administers the BSOG Grant. The CC fully supports need for DRT in Strathfillan, and urges SC to reach a solution as soon as possible.

Community Council elections:

These are being held in November. At least 2 existing Councillors are not standing for re-election, so we urgently need to recruit more Community Councillors from across Strathfillan.

Mansefield: John Riley is in discussion with Stirling Council regarding the possibility of a bus shelter in Mansefield for school pupils, and also the ongoing maintenance of the Tyndrum playpark and kick about area.

Pharmacy: We are disappointed that the appeal against the Pharmacy Application was refused. When considering our communities experiences of lobbying successively Larbert hospital, NHS 24 and now this pharmacy, it drives home the fact that this health quango is in no way democratically accountable! Davidsons Pharmacy has made provisional arrangements with the



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Strathfillan by the

local shops so that Strathfillan prescriptions will continue to be regularly delivered to Crianlarich and Tyndrum after the new pharmacy is opened.

Transport: The bypass contract has been awarded to RJ Macleod, and will start on 23rd September for 45 weeks. The site compound will be on Glenfalloch Road, near the existing 30 mph signs. RJ Macleod will put £100 aside for every month they remain "safe and secure" and will donate this money to the community. RJ Macleod will ask Transport Scotland to match the donation.

At the BCCF meeting Alan asked BEAR for better communications from them regarding road works in the area. BEAR have purchased more tractors for snow clearing on footpaths and will hopefully make an arrangement with Stirling Council regarding assisting clearing Council footpaths as well as those on trunk roads. Grit Lorries on the Trunk roads will be bigger than those used in previous years.

Several people have complained about traffic failing to stop at the pedestrian crossing in Crianlarich.

This is possibly partly because the white lines are very worn. Cameron to contact BEAR to request that the white lines are repainted.

CiA: Munro Landscape have been appointed as Consultants for the paths project. The project has been slow in getting started, due to BIG Lottery requirements, but is now underway.

There has been little progress on the LSY lease, which is currently with the Stirling Council legal team, but Joyce will chase it up again. Isla will soon be submitting a change of use planning application for LSY.

Crianlarich toilets refurbishment is making good progress. Recently the exterior has been painted, and exterior stonework repaired. The car park area has been cleared and the vegetation tidied. New informative signage for the building has been ordered along with replacement Gents and Ladies signs.

Fire Service: It is 5 months since Strathfillan CC raised concerns about local Fire Service arrangements. The Crew now have protective kit available in both stations (Crianlarich

and Tyndrum). If neither station is able to raise a crew of at least 4 people, crew members from both stations will travel to the station nearest the incident, using their own vehicles. This combined crew system has not been tested for real yet. Recruitment for both stations is progressing, with one possible candidate for Tyndrum and three possible candidates for Crianlarich.

The Crianlarich Hall Committee

are inviting everybody to join them for a good old fashioned barn dance featuring Killin's own Tarmachan on Saturday 26th October from 8pm in the Crianlarich village hall. Join us for an end of season celebration and a great opportunity to relive the old days of a good old fashioned Strathfillan dance. Suitable for young and old alike, the night will include a BBQ and raffle in aid of hall funds. Look out for the posters for more information or contact Bryan for tickets on 01838 300245

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Baking & Tea Tent. Fortunately the sun shone at the relevant time to allow the official opening of the cottage extension to takeplace. The ribbon-cutting ceremony was performed by Mr Bill Bannerman who is a long standing Honorary member of the Club and was the Treasurer when the Cottage was first leased 50 years ago. Contact Info: -

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Community Council Elections

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Anyone over the age of sixteen can be nominated for the community council elections so long as they are living in the area for which they are standing and on the current Electoral Register.

Alternative proof of residency is required for those under the age of seventeen and not able to be on the Register.

Election nomination forms need to be submitted to Stirling Council's Returning Officer by 4.00pm on Friday, 25th October 2013.

Where more nominations are received than there are places on any community council, ballots will be by postal vote.

Ballot papers will be issued from Monday 4th November 2013 and must be returned to the Council by Friday 22nd November at 5.00pm after which results will be announced.

Nomination forms will be available from the Returning Officer, Stirling Council, Room 53, Old Viewforth, Stirling FK8 2ET, 01786 233099 geddesh@stirling.gov.uk

Shingles Immunisation

A new National Immunisation Programme for people aged 70 to 79 has been introduced.

Shingles (also known as herpes zoster) is caused by the chickenpox virus and tends to occur most often in older people and causes a painful rash on one side of the body.

If you are 70 to 79 on 1st September, you will be contacted by the Practice, inviting you to attend for vaccination in the next few months. **Killin Medical Practice**

Bowel Screening Programme

We would like to encourage and improve the number of people taking part in the 2 yearly national screening programme which invites all men and women between the ages of 50-74 (over 74 yr olds can phone to request a test from the number below) to complete and send in their screening kit. The programme starts at aged 50 as your risk of developing bowel cancer rises from that age. It is important to take part because bowel cancer is Scotland's third most common cancer with often no symptoms in the early stages. If found early there is a more than 90% chance of successful treatment. Home screening prevents 150 deaths from bowel cancer every year but the screening programme only works if people take part in it.

We recently have had at least one local patient whose unknown bowel cancer was detected by the screening process and is doing well. The test screens for blood in your bowel motion (poo). This can also be caused by problems other than cancer but it is important to find out the cause. There is no need to be embarrassed as you do the test yourself in the privacy of your own home and clear instructions come with the screening kit. We know it can be a bit awkward to do but it is important to complete the test.

Also please come and see us in the surgery if you have any of the following symptoms:
Repeated bleeding from your bottom/or blood in your poo
A change in your bowel motion pattern lasting over 6 weeks.
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Looking pale/feeling tired
If you have any concerns or want advice, even about reducing your risk of bowel cancer, you can either make an appointment to see the practice nurse at the surgery or ring in confidence the Bowel screening Service 0800 0121833

Killin Heritage Society

At the present time the Society has no permanent home in which to display its collection of artefacts and make other archival material accessible to the public. However, the Society continues to add to its collection by accepting donations of photographs, documents and smaller items, specific to the Killin area.

A recent donation is a copy of the book "Skisters - The Story of Scottish Skiing" by Myrtle Simpson, in which Killin and Beinn Ghlas feature prominently. This has been gifted to the Society by folks who have fond memories from their time spent in Killin, working on the "Scheme" in the 1950s. Peter Edwards and Gwyn Saunders often laugh about the times they struggled on skis up Beinn Ghlas, usually in appalling weather!

Following a conversation recently in Moiralanich Longhouse, copies of letters and photographs are to be sent to the Society by descendants of a MacNab family which left Killin for Australia in the 1830s. Such items help to build up a picture of life in Killin very different from the present day.

Over the winter, members of the Society intend to complete the transcription of gravestones in the old cemetery and bring up to date transcriptions for the new cemetery. The plan is then to publish these in a booklet which will be available to the many family historians, local and otherwise, whose ancestors are buried in Killin.

The Society begins its 2013/14 programme on Thursday 17th October and welcomes new members and visitors to these talks. Meetings are held in the Lesser McLaren Hall, unless stated otherwise, and begin at 7.30p.m.

Thursday 17th October - "Sanctity on the Hoof: Saints of Breadalbane and Strathtay." Dr. Simon Taylor, University of Glasgow

Thursday 21st November "The Tenement House, Glasgow." Karen Cornfield, Property Manager, NTS

Thursday 19th December "Alpine Plants in the Breadalbane Hills" Dr. John Holland This meeting will be at NTS, Main Street.

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Abernethy Adventure Weeks

Over the summer Abernethy held its popular Adventure Weeks for local young people. Due to high demand in the past, we made two weeks available, with 70 young people attending. This meant that we were able to welcome groups from Callander Youth Group and the Crossing Borders project in Aberfeldy whilst protecting spaces for our regular locals from Ardeonaig, Killin and other Loch Tay villages. The young people (aged 8-14) took part in activities ranging from high adrenaline adventures such as white-water canoeing down the River Tay, gorge walking and the High Ropes course to orienteering, survival skills and archery.

At Abernethy we are committed to making our excellent activities and instructors available to local young people and therefore we raise money to subsidise places on our Adventure Weeks. This year we were very pleased to receive partial funding through a grant from the Hugh Fraser foundation, which led to a



particular focus on 'healthy living' on Adventure Week 1 which included a half day activity in our kitchen, teaching the young people to make healthy snacks. We want to help young people connect with other local opportunities to progress in outdoor activities and we will shortly be sending out information including contact details for local clubs. For more information about

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Smartware

Between 1992 and 1995 I worked in a team who were looking into future technologies, including fridges that reminded you to order supplies, self service bank tills, self service checkouts at supermarkets and wearable technology. Most of these technologies are now commonplace and soon the wearable technology will be available. The leading technology companies, Apple, Google and Samsung to name a few, have all announced plans to release watches that connect to your smartphone.

I expect that these devices will be released in time for Christmas, and will also, I assume, be linked to the launch of specific models of smartphones. Typically these "watches" are connected to the smartphone via Bluetooth and allow you to interact with your phone, whilst it is still in your pocket.

Would you believe that these watches also display the time! If you are looking to buy one of these devices, please discuss your choice with the supplier, to ensure that it is compatible with your phone.

Protecting your information

Nowadays most of us carry our life in our pockets – our mobile phone or tablet has a great deal of personal data, our friends' contact information, details of what we do on a day to day basis and even private financial and medical information.

I believe it is essential that we protect this information in case we lose the device or the data becomes damaged. There is a password or some other security measure on your phone to prevent unauthorised people from using the device. Many phone manufacturers offer security in the form of password, face recognition or even fingerprint scanning.

To protect your data against corruption or phone fault, it is essential that the data is backed up regularly. Every phone has a method of backing up its data – and when backing up, please ensure you backup to an external device and not the SD card inserted

in the phone – for instance if the phone is lost or stolen, then your data and its backup have been lost forever.

Windows XP – Reminder

I must continue to remind you that Windows XP will no longer be supported after April 2014. This might seem such a long time in the future, but it is better to start planning to change your computers well ahead of the April deadline. Please do not leave it until the last minute as you will find problems, and you should start planning the upgrades now.

Mark Lincoln
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We aim to provide foods that are not generally available in other outlets in the village. All our dishes are home-made and, where possible, use local ingredients. Our Quiche and Scotch Eggs, are made almost entirely from local produce (with the exception of things like flour and butter) using vegetables grown organically in local gardens, eggs and pork from local free range hens and pigs. Our soup, bread, rolls and foccacia are all made to order by a local resident. You won't find a white sliced loaf – no need with the "Wee Bakeshop" and the Co-op selling these; but if you want a sour-dough, gluten free or spelt and rye loaf, we have these most days.

Sales of crafts are steady; anyone who is interested in displaying /selling their wares is welcome to bring items in. Likewise, if you have a poster or flier you need displayed, feel free to hand it in.

At last we have managed to open the fruit and vegetable shop. It's not complete yet, but it seemed sensible to open in part rather than wait to

finish all the works. Finding the time, energy and money to get the shop ready has not been easy so I hope you'll bear with us as we put the finishing touches in place.

In the first instance, we're simply buying in stock from a few places, to get things going. The next move is to try and source things closer to home but for the time being, we're trying to complement what already exists locally and to price competitively. Much of our stock is cheaper than supermarket prices. Feel free to come and have a look. If you would like anything specific to be stocked, let us know. The next step is to source delicatessen items, fair-trade products and whole-foods. So, if you have a gluten free diet or are vegan or have to avoid dairy products, let us know anything you'd like to have available on a regular basis. At present we order on Tuesdays for delivery on Fridays, so bear that in mind!

Anyone with surpluses of fruit and veg is welcome to bring them in and we'll try and sell them for you! Likewise, if you are a jam or pickle-making enthusiast, bring some in. By law you'd have to register the premises you use for production as a food establishment with the Council, but it's not a complicated procedure.

The cafe space is available to use in the evenings, whether for a social evening, a chess club or a scout meeting. Likewise we have a small office space, should you need to have a private meeting, or need a fully equipped office to do some work. Please just ask in the shop or cafe. We can provide weekly veg boxes if you'd like the simplicity of having foods delivered to your door. Likewise, if you want to come in and choose foods but can't carry them home, we'll deliver them for you. We're also compiling a wholesale price list for fruit and vegetables; if interested just pop in to the shop or email us. We're open to ideas for the shop, cafe or outdoor space.

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Green team at Ben Lawers Nature Reserve

For more information check out:
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email: benlawers@nts.org.uk
or ask at the school for details.

Helen Cole

The Green Team

from 10.30-12.00 so that members coming from further afield can still make it. We try to keep the activities outside as much as possible, but this is weather dependent.

The Green Team is run by National Trust for Scotland rangers in partnership with Killin Primary School, but we welcome members who go to other local schools too. We are also pleased that some former members come back to help run the club; thanks to Douglas and Ishbel.

Winter Programme



We will be having meetings on **Saturday mornings from 10.30am-12noon** as detailed below to enable us to get outside if the weather is good. We will meet in the school wildlife garden as usual, but may retreat to Lynedoch if the weather is particularly bad. Children should be dressed for the outdoors.

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9th November Treeplanting at Ben Lawers

7th December Holly and folly

18th January Ice worlds

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New trail at Kiltyrie



A new archaeological trail on the lower slopes of the National Trust for Scotland's Ben Lawers National Nature Reserve reveals the landscape's hidden story.

Like many hillsides across Scotland, the Kiltyrie slopes of Ben Lawers are now almost completely unpopulated and are mainly used for grazing.

This was not always the case – the area was once well-populated by families making their living through farming on the Laird's land.

Ben Lawers is scattered with the archaeological evidence including homes, agricultural enclosures and travel routes which tell us how people lived centuries ago on this hillside.

The Trust has now created the Kiltyrie Hidden History Trail which is a self-guided walk around some of these features. Walkers follow a

way-marked trail mapped in a leaflet to discover a series of archaeological features on the hillside.

The walk highlights the evidence of settlement in the 18th and 19th centuries and how the population and approach to land distribution changed over this period. It is a story very typical of the Central Highlands in particular, but it applies to much of the rest of Scotland too, with similar remains to be found in numerous glens.

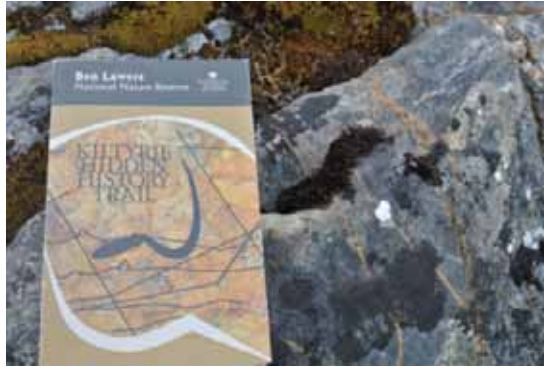
At first glance, it might appear that there is nothing remarkable about this spot at Kiltyrie as much of the archaeological evidence is now covered in vegetation and could be mistaken for a pile of stones, but it actually tells us a great deal about the social and cultural history of this area. We hope that the new trail enables visitors to find out more about the heritage of Ben Lawers, but also that it encourages

them to look afresh at the landscapes around them and see what symbols of the past they can spot there.

Kiltyrie Hidden History Trail is located approximately 6 miles east of Killin, below Ben Lawers National Nature Reserve. The site is free to visit and the walk takes around one hour to complete across rough and sometimes boggy terrain. Stout footwear is strongly recommended.

Helen Cole

Ben Lawers Property Manager



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Ben Lawers Water Voles Bounce Back

This season's monitoring has brought the welcome news that the water vole population at Ben Lawers has returned to a typical size of 22 individuals after reaching an all-time low of 9 in 2012. This mammal is an important indicator of healthy riparian habitats but has suffered severe declines across the UK since the 1980s. Upland areas such as Ben Lawers may provide a valuable refuge for the species since the peaty soil is very suitable for burrowing into and they are avoided by animal's main predator, the introduced American mink. Although water voles are particularly secretive and rarely seen it is possible to monitor them by searching for their burrows and feeding signs along the edges of slow flowing streams. Their numbers can also be estimated by counting the number of latrines present at each site.

Sarah Watts



It has been a gorgeous summer. The herbs flourished and hopefully we are

all flush with supplies for the winter months. Our gardens and trips to the Glasgow Botanic Garden and up north to Birkhall proved that ideal weather conditions prevailed all over the country, with growth, spectacular colour and blooms. May we remember this after our borders are put to bed for the winter months ahead.

It is nearly time to start our 2013-2014 season. HSHS has eight meetings a year, usually on a Wednesday, all featuring herbs in some way, their usage, general information and feed back. All our regular meetings are open to the public and are usually held in the Aberfeldy Town Hall though we have been known to travel near and far for new information, sights and ideas for these wonderful herbal plants and related topics. See our programme for the coming season below. If you have any questions on this or our society please phone **Judy Forster at 01567 820298** or myself, **Patty Hope at 01567 820408**. We aim to encourage the wider use of herbs by exchanging knowledge and ideas in friendship.

Herb Society

Programme 2013-2014

October 16th

'Crystal Healing' by Helen Hodge-Neale

November 20th

AGM and Herbal Plant Identification

December 11th

Christmas Luncheon Green Park Hotel, Pitlochry

January 15th

Hands on - making Natural Products for the Hair

February 19th

Herbal Cookery Demonstration at The Logierait Hotel

March 19th

'Brain Health' by Dr. Govinda McCrostie

April 16th

Cutting and Propagation of Herbs by Margaret Lear

May 21st

Summer Outing' (being finalised)

Callander Photo Club

For our second year of activities we will meet monthly to learn better camera use and share our photos. We have several outings and workshops lined up. All interested photographers welcome. Meetings will be in back room of Waverley Hotel at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month.

11 September: Focus on Macro Photography led by members Simon Gormley and Susan O'Boyle followed by a short organisational

meeting.

Please bring 2-3 printed photos taken during the summer months and your camera, wide-angle and macro lenses, tripod and a torch. (We will be able to share as needed.)

9 October: Focus on Landscape Photography - Calendar planning

13 November: Focus on Portrait Photography led by member Peter Bennet

11 December Focus on Photo Editing

Also two photo outings and a portrait workshop for the fall and we would like to produce a Callander Photo Club calendar for 2014

26-27 October or 2-3 November Autumn Landscape

23 November - Portrait Workshop

Weekend 7-8 December

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2nd Killin & District Scout Group

Our Scout group is well on its way with three different age groups running exciting weekly meetings. We're very pleased to see so much support from the local community. Thank you to Bobby Lafferty from the Bob MacGregor Motorcycle Club for their kind donation! You can also help raise funds for the group by signing up to Easy Fundraising. They donate a percentage of goods bought online (with major retailers such as Marks & Spencers, Amazon & Asda) to the group. Signing up is very easy and will really make a difference. Go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/2ndkillinanddistrictscoutgroup/> to register.

We still require people to join the Executive Committee to help run the Scout Group, attending 3 or 4 meetings a year. If you are interested, please contact David Robertson, Group Scout Leader, on tel. 01567 829171 or e-mail: photos@dwrobertson-photography.com.

Beavers, Cubs and Scouts have a few spaces available for anyone wanting to join, so if you're up for adventure and making new friends then get in touch. If your child is too young but would like to join once they are six, please get in touch so we can put him/her on our waiting list.



Complete group photo with Beaver Leaders Sue Manning, Stephen Rawlinson and Marieke McBean (left to right).



Beavers collecting wood for camp fire

Beavers

The Beavers are aged 6 - 8 and meet every Thursday from 6.15 - 7.15pm at Killin Primary School. We have been busy working towards different badges. We went on our first hike and learned some basic map reading skills. We also had a great evening learning some new (foot)ball skills. Thanks David (Riddell) for your help. Some of you might have spotted the lodges our Beavers built in the woodland below Stron A Clachhan. We had a great time building these dens on a sunny summer's evening.

The Beavers have been finding out about Scouting and came up with some activities they'd like to do within the colony. One of these activities is having a campfire. Thank you to the Dowling family at Kinnell House for allowing us to use their land for our fire and to find firewood on site. Thanks in advance to Yvonne Gall from the Wee Bake Shop for providing the bread dough to cook stick bread over the fire!

Marieke McBean
Beaver Leader
07762 689612

killinbeavers@yahoo.co.uk

Cubs

The Cubs are aged 8 - 10 and meet every Wednesday night from 6 - 7.30pm at Killin Primary School. Pack meetings are going well and a highlight was getting a guided tour at the Killin Fire Station.

The Cubs would also like to thank Roy MacGregor for coming and giving us a talk on how life was in the village when he was a kid. We're glad he could clear up the fact that life back then wasn't in black & white as the photographs suggested!

Charles Kemp
Cub Leader
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chazkemp69@btinternet.com

Scouts

Scouts are aged 10 - 14 and meet every Wednesday at the Big Shed, Tombreck, from 7 - 9pm. We had a busy first term and learned lots of new skills including how to pitch different tents and the best camping spots to use, how to light a fire safely and how good chocolate bananas cooked on the fire taste! Also what makes the best pizza (the answer seemed to be the bigger the better).

The main aims this term are working towards our forestry badge and learning navigation skills required so that we can go on our first night hike. We are also hoping to join up with another Scout group for an evening or two to see how other groups run.

We are currently planning our first weekend camp and there is even the possibility that our 2014 summer camp will be joint with a group of Essex Scouts planning to visit the area. It's all go go go....

Harriet Stevens
Scout Leader
07581151442

harriestevens@gmail.com

Four legged beavers
There are rumours that the furry type of beaver is around in the area. Has anyone actually seen any? Maybe the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts could keep an eye open for them!

Killin Agriculture



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Cultural Show

The Comrie Pipe Band led the parade down from the Falls to the arena to be welcomed by a good crowd and the largest cloud burst of the day. The Bonnie Baby Show was reconvened in the refreshment tent and the sun almost shone for the Dog Show.

Eighteen vintage tractors ranging from restored John Deers to early Massey Fergusons and David Browns gave a true representation of the working vehicles still seen in many farms today. Three Go-Karts entered the manoeuvrability competition, all testing the judge for design and proving very capable of weaving round the course.

The Triple Challenge was really testing with wheelbarrows carting a hay bale and a team member then pie-eating - not easy - and finally downing a can of suitable refreshment. Unfortunately conditions deteriorated and this was abandoned for safety reasons with the Macaskill team narrowly in the lead. The popular Terrier Race attracted nine entrants in two heats and, once the delay for infighting had been sorted and the dropped fox's tail retrieved from another affray, the winner was Molly belonging to Elizabeth of Dall, Ardeonaig.

The Callander Highland Dancers put on a wonderful display without getting drenched and the sun favoured the sheep shearers as Willie and Gordon showed their skills with the machine and hand shears.

The Horticultural, Handicrafts, Produce and Floral entrants in the McLaren Hall

were all of a high standard and the entries kindly donated to the marquee auction raised the sum of £495 thanks to the persuasive skills of auctioneer Matt.

The day rounded off with a Ceilidh hosted by Full Steam Ahead and a Hog Roast catered for by Alastair Gourlay.

Alex Stewart

Winners

Blackface Champion: Ram, Glenample, Lochearnhead, Colin Little
Reserve: Ewe Lamb Messrs MacLarty, Glentarken, St. Fillans

Cross Sheep Champion: Texel Cross Gimmer, Shenlarich, Peter McDairmid
Reserve: Scotch Mule Ewe Lamb, Peter Reilly, Tullochmhor, Balquhider.

Wool Board Fleece Champion: Meggernie Estate, Glen Lyon.

Douglas Willison, who has retired as the convener in the wool tent, was presented with a token of the show's appreciation for his twenty years service.

Limousine Cross Heifer Champion: McDairmid Bros, Ben Lawers Farm shown by Hamish

Reserve: Home-bred Heifer: Robert Waugh, Croftintygan Farm

Produce and Crafts Winners

Handicraft: Adele Melia

Baking: Elizabeth Woods

Floral: Ian Hunter;

Produce: Ellen Stewart;
Vegetables: Sue Manning;
Home Craft: Ann Watson;
Floral Art: Jenny Huntley;

Photography: Sue Wyllie and M. Paterson;

WRI Salver Killin;

Boys section

Jointly: Donald McDiarmid and Aaron Hibbert;

Girls Section

Alica Taylor, Tessa MacDiarmid and Becca Noble.

Scarecrow Competition

The Stewart Family

Special prizes: The Falls of Dochart Retirement Home and the Killin Nursery.

(This was a popular innovation with eighteen entries and many more are expected next year.)

The Fancy Dress:

Killin Drama Club,

The Bonny Baby: Amber (mum Marian)

The Dog Show

Collie class: Bilbo

Gun Dog: Lucy

All other breeds: Storm

Best designed Go Kart:

The Nobles Team Landrover

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Marc Fleming New Headteacher

There will be a report from McLaren High School in the next issue when pupils have had time to settle back following the summer holidays. The new Headteacher started in his role at the beginning of the Autumn term.



Welcome to all the new Primary One pupils and welcome back to the pupils in Primary 2 to 7. Ms Campbell has joined us as our Class 3 teacher and is our new Principal Teacher.

Mrs McGuigan is the new Support for Learning teacher for the three schools. Mrs Tyrell had a beautiful baby girl, Maya Rose, on 22nd July weighing 8lbs 3oz.

Class Organisation and Specialist Teachers

The classes for this year will be organised into three classes

Mr McDonald is the Class Teacher for Class 1, (P1-2)

Mrs Law is the Class Teacher for Class 2 (P3-4)

Ms Campbell is the Class Teacher for Class 3, (P5/6/7).

Topics

Class 1's topic is My Village

Class 2 will be studying Scotland

Class 3 are finding out about the Rainforest.

Sponsored Walk

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Sponsored Walk. We have raised £577.50.

Summer Concert

Thank you for all of your support for the Summer Concert at the end of June. There was a fantastic atmosphere and everyone had a great time. We raised an amazing £714.77 which was split equally between Strathcarron Hospice, Crianlarich and Killin Primary Schools.



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Progress in Literacy

P1	Sean Lewis
P2	Ross Munro
P3	James Gerry
P4	Emily Pease
P5	Josi McLarty
P6	Eloise Murray
P7	Erin Rosendale

Progress in Numeracy

P1	Stacey Riddell
P2	Laura Hill
P3	Caitlin Paterson
P4	Taylor Forsyth
P5	Ellie Ridgewell
P6	Emily Fraser
P7	Sorcha McGroarty

Class 1

Successful Learner:	Lexi Frost
Confident Individual:	Keira Campbell
Responsible Citizen:	Naomi Grant
Effective Contributor:	Iona Lafferty

Class 2

Successful Learner:	Nyah McGroarty
Confident Individual:	Ben Robinson
Responsible Citizen:	Becca Noble
Effective Contributor:	Anna Stitt

Class 3

Successful Learner:	Jack Robinson
Confident Individual:	Ruairidh Munro
Responsible Citizen:	Beth Young
Effective Contributor:	Anna Munro

The weather during the summer in Killin was fantastic for the children. The outdoor opportunities for learning ranged from finding frogs, drawing round shadows, hose pipe fun and making rainbows, to making new friends and rekindling old friendships as the children from the two nurseries joined together. The children explored the wider community through walks to the castle and the play park; learning how to keep safe, following instructions and above all having fun. We are currently in the process of purchasing new resources with the money raised from the Ceilidh. Wooden kitchen units have been ordered to facilitate the children's interest in role-play and real life

experiences together with wooden toddler and baby chairs which will support the younger children with transition from clip on chairs at lunch times.

We have also purchased a kit to construct vehicles and buildings from plastic tubes with relevant covers to create a role-play environment. Some of you may remember our entry into the Killin Show where we carried a fire engine in the parade - this we borrowed from Callander Nursery.

The children have now returned to nursery following the summer break and our pre-schoolers have all started P1 at Killin P.S., Crianlarich P.S., Strathyre P.S. and Kenmore P.S.



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Killin Golf Club



Colin Simmons (captain) with Andy Briggs and his two trophies

Gents Open Saturday 3rd August

Scratch : The Davies Trophy

1. Kevin Mackie (Glencruitten) 69
2. Andy Cousins (Crieff) 74 BIH
3. Andy Cousins Jnr (Alloa) 74

Handicap : The Melia Quaich

1. Andy Briggs (Killin) 66
2. Arthur Crammon (Killin) 67
3. Richard Downie (St Fillans) 68

Longest Drive

- Category 1 (9th & 18th) :
Andy Cousins (Crieff)

- Category 2 (7th & 16th) :
Tom Sim (Killin)

Nearest the Pin

- Category 1 (8th & 17th) :
Michael Kelly (Glencruitten)
- Category 2 (5th & 14th) :

Craig Fraser (Killin)

All in 2 (6th only) :

Andy Cousins (Crieff)

The Wee Claret Jug:

(Best Local Overall): Andy Briggs 66

Magic 2's

Arthur Crammon (Killin)

Andrew Cousins (Alloa)

Kevin Mackie (Glencruitten)

Michael Kelly (Glencruitten)

Rab Foster (Crieff)

Alan McColm (Killin)

Lewis Watson (Culcrieff)

Jim Burton (Killin)

Andy Briggs (Killin)

CSS: Home 68, Visitors 68 RO



Audrey Weaver

Senior Ladies Open

Wednesday 18th September

Scratch:

1. Pat Simpson (Lundin Ladies) 80
2. Merope Dunlop (Old Ranfurly) 85
3. Alison Walker (Aberfeldy) 88

Handicap:

1. Carol Church (Dalmally) 67
2. Janet Buchanan (Dalmally) 68
3. Audrey Weaver (Killin) 69

Best Veteran Handicap (age 70+):

Audrey Weaver (Killin) 69

Longest Drive - Silver:

Carol Church (Dalmally)

Longest Drive - Bronze:

Susie MacDougall (Aberfeldy)

Nearest the Pin:

Elsa Knox (Crieff) 2.05m

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The weekend is sponsored by Killin Outdoor Centre and Salomon Sports. Entries on the day at the MacLaren Hall. Race information at

www.killinoutdoor.co.uk
or 01567 820652



Health Walk Schedule October-November

Walks take place on Wednesday mornings at 10.20am

Date	Meeting place	Route
9 th Oct	McLaren Hall Car Park Car share	Glen Ogle Old Railway to Killin Junction
16 th Oct	McLaren Car Park Minibus	Kingshouse
23 rd Oct	McLaren Car Park	Loch Circuit. Old Railway if wet
30 th Oct	Capercaillie	Village walk
6 th Nov	McLaren Hall Car Park Car share	Auchlyne Road
13 th Nov	McLaren Hall Car Park Car share	Glen Ogle Old Railway to viaduct
20 th Nov	Capercaillie	River Dochart Old Railway
27 th Nov	McLaren Hall Car Park Car Share	Glen Lochay

Alicja and Don's story

Before coming to Scotland, we had been involved in a number of voluntary organisations. As rangers for Sustrans, the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, Lincolnshire Association for people with Disabilities and running our own smallholding. We are active people and like to be involved in what is going on in the community. On our arrival in Killin we contacted the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park office, to find out if there were any volunteering opportunities. They put us in touch with the 'Walk in the Park' co-ordinator in Callander. For some time we walked with the Callander group and trained as walk leaders, so were delighted to be able to support her in developing the Killin group.

The group has a steady following and we now have five walk leaders. We use local footpaths and trails that are flat and walk for around 40 minutes. We also car share or use the community bus from time to time so that we can get farther afield and often find new and interesting walks.

Anyone and everyone is welcome to join us and we can also adapt our walks to suit most people. We are keen to include anyone who wants to break free of the couch, gain some exercise and meet with an interesting bunch of people. The Callander group has people referred from the physiotherapy services, people recovering from strokes and many other conditions and there is every reason for us to do the same - we just need to hear from you.

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October

5th - The Met Opera Eugene Onegin live from NYC 17:55
 11th - The Royal Ballet Don Quixote live from London 19:15
 20th - Bolshoi Ballet Spartacus live from Moscow 16:00
 22nd - The National Theatre Hamlet 19:00
 26th - The Met Opera The Nose live from NYC 17:55
 31st - NT Halloween special: Danny Boyle's Frankenstein 20:15

November

3rd - Aberfeldy Festival: Neu! Reekie (see festival listings for details)
 4th - Royal Opera House Les Vepres Siciliennes 17:45
 7th - The National Theatre The Habit Of Art starring Richard Griffiths 19:00
 9th - The Met Opera Tosca live from NYC 17:55
 13th - Royal Shakespeare Company Richard II Live from Stratford 19:00
 14th - The National Theatre presents Danny Boyle's Frankenstein 20:15
 17th - Bolshoi Ballet presents Corsaire
 23rd - Doctor Who 50th Anniversary Special in 3D
 27th - Winter Highland Film Festival Warren Miller Film Tour 20:15

The cinema will also be screening highlights from DCA's Discovery Film Festival throughout November as well as hosting Heartland Film Society's Film Festival from the 15th to the 17th November (titles TBC).

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Opportunities for Young People

Tackling the issue of youth employment in rural areas is at the heart of an exciting new project being developed by Loch Lomond & The Trossachs Community Partnership. Tourism and hospitality, land-based industries and local food production will be the prime focus for a new Skills Partnership in the Park. The aim of the scheme will be to retain young people within the National Park and support local businesses to invest in local talent.

The National Park has an ageing population and our existing Apprentice Support Project in the construction sector was the Community Partnership's first step in trying to tackle that trend, providing support to eighteen small businesses and twenty apprentices over the last 4 years. Working together to identify local solutions - both for businesses and for young people is crucial. The Skills Partnership will be working with a range of partners, including key training providers, the National Park Authority and local businesses to tackle any barriers to rural skills development and training opportunities. Ultimately, we want to give young people a reason to stay.

Park Businesses

One of the National Park's aims is to promote sustainable economic and social development of the area's communities. In order to do this, we need to identify the right amount of land across the entire Park which should be used for business use. This is an important part of the preparation of what is known as the National Park Local Development Plan. In order to help identify the needs of businesses in the Park we have produced a survey which includes questions about what type of business you have, whether you have future requirements for business space and whether there are barriers to your business expanding. It should only take five minutes to complete and is free to post. Please look out for the survey in The Park magazine or visit www.lochlomond-trossachs.org to complete it online. If you would like to find out further information about the business survey or the Local Development Plan contact us on -

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Killin SWRI

Killin SWRI. will be celebrating its 90th birthday with a lunch in the Killin Hotel on Saturday 11th January at 12.30p.m. The cost is £15.00 and names with money (sorry no cheques) should be given to Jenny Huntley, treasurer, Rowanbank, Dochart Road, Killin, FK21 8SN, no later than 5th December. We would like many of the past and present members to come along on that day and join in this celebration which we hope will be a relaxed afternoon with people sharing their happy memories and experiences of Killin WRI. Please note you do not need to be a current member to come to this event. If anyone has photos of previous events that they would like to lend us for the day it would be appreciated. They can be collected at the end of the party. Lastly but very importantly please spread this news to anyone you think may not have heard about this very prominent event in the life of Killin SWRI.

Syllabus

Please Note that competition 1 must be hand-made and competition 2 can either be hand-made or bought.

October 3rd

Speaker: Lou Radford, Herbal Remedies/Acupuncture

Competitions:

1. Herb Sachet
2. Bar soap

Hostesses:

Margaret Galloway, Kay Riddell

November 7th

Speaker: Glen Lyon Coffee roasters

Competitions:

1. 2 Coffee Cup Cakes
2. Coffee Cup & Saucer

Hostesses:

Desiree van Doorn, Annie McNee

December 5th

Speaker: Kirsty King, 2K Garden Design

Competitions:

1. 2 Mince pies, Shortcrust Pastry
2. Christmas Tree Bauble

Hostesses: Ann Watson, Sheena Chisholm

December 18th

Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, January: 11th

90th Birthday Lunch

Killin Hotel, 12.30p.m. for 1.00p.m.

Competitions:

1. Photo of self taken between birth and 6yrs old
2. Limerick (5 lines) My Worst School Teacher

February 6th Thyme to Eat (Guest Evening)

Speaker: Paul & Rebecca Newman

Competitions:

1. Decorated biscuit
2. Pretty Handkerchief

Hostesses: Committee

March 6th

Speaker: Catriona MacGeoch

Competitions:

1. Pair Hand Knitted Socks
2. Cushion

Hostesses: Mairi Hunter, Jenny Huntley

April 3rd AGM

Speaker: Andy Fleming, Search & Rescue Dogs

Competitions:

1. Photo of animal/pet
2. Poem about a dog

Hostesses: Lynne Ferguson, Andrea Simpson

May 24th (Saturday)

Coffee Morning

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Anyone old or new to the village is welcome to come along and join or, if you do not wish to join, you are welcome to come as a visitor to any of the monthly meetings at 7.30pm at the Lesser Hall at a cost of £3.50. A cup of tea and a biscuit are served at each meeting. If anyone wishes further information please call any of the committee members who will help.

Ann Watson

secretary

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Church Guild

The Guild Craft Group meet every Tuesday in Littlecroft from 10-12 noon and will be held every Tuesday.

The Quilters will meet in the Community Rooms on every Wednesday from 2nd October, 2-4pm

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Killin Fund Raisers



On 7th September, a wet and miserable day, CharaT in the Car Park was held in the McLaren Hall. We were treated to a vintage tea party with all you could eat for £5.00. Those who had prior knowledge of the wonderful goodies on offer made sure they did without lunch and were able to enjoy the spread laid out on the tables. The charity event was held to raise funds for two charities, Plus and the Malawi Education Project. PLUS was founded by parents of disabled children in 1988 who were keen to



develop networking opportunities for both them and their children. The Malawi Education Project was one that Bryony Semple was passionate about and her family have continued to raise money for the organisation. Almost £900 was raised on the day. This will be divided between the two charities. www.plus-stirling.org.uk and www.malawieducationproject.com

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Killin Rocks, the concert, which generated approximately £4,000 was held on Saturday 31st August. This fund raising event was organised by Tam Weir with the help of his musician son, Thomas. This was the second year that Tam had arranged the event. Sadly Tam died on Monday 16th September at home. This amazing amount of money will be going to the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Care hospital in Glasgow where Tam was being treated. He is survived by his wife Jeanette, daughter Michelle, son Thomas and grandchildren.

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Oct 25, Nov 22

Suie Lodge 3.05-3.25

Tyndrum

Station Road 1.35-1.50

Green Welly 1.55-2.20

Mansefield 2.30-3.00

Oct 11, Nov 8

Benmore 3.15-3.15

Please note new times for Crianlarich and Tyndrum

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Oct 7, 21, Nov 4, 18

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Oct 7, 21, Nov 4, 18

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Café Sci originated some years ago in France with the aim of enabling local communities to enjoy learning about science in a friendly and informal atmosphere. (<http://www.cafescientifique.org>) Strathfillan Community Development Trust has hosted a branch of Café Sci in Tyndrum Village Hall since 2005. Four meetings have been arranged in October and November 2013 and in February and March 2014. Each meeting will be held on a Wednesday evening from 7pm to 9pm and light refreshments will be provided. There is no charge but a donation towards costs will be welcomed on the night. The topics are usually appropriate for students attending High School.

Wednesday 23rd October

"Robots and other Gadgets – Precision Farming Today and Tomorrow" Dr Christina Umstätter
Dr Christina Umstätter is an animal scientist with a particular interest in the use of modern technology in livestock farming. Christina is based at the SRUC at Kirkton. The focus of her talk will be the use of technology in agriculture and how it might develop in the future. The talk will include milking robots, virtual fences, GPS and auto steering in tractors and harvesters, automated weed detection, drones and UAV's, the use of GPS and mobile phone technology for tracking livestock, and automated welfare and health detection.

Wednesday 20th November

"How do we Classify Animals?"
David Mardon (BSc, MSc, zoology)
From the mid-eighteenth to mid-twentieth centuries little appeared to change in the practice of animal classification. From the mid-twentieth century the discipline and its practitioners fell into disrepute, while radically new approaches were developed, with surprising results. We will examine the functions of

classification, the history of and problems inherent in classification and the conflicts between traditional and other approaches. What is a fish, a reptile or a mammal? What is a species or a family? What do such names actually mean? Is the subject the domain of the specialist scientist, or is it open to all of us?

Wednesday 19th February 2014

"Introduction to Particle Physics: Present, Past & Future"
Stephen Rawlinson (MPhys)
Within the last year the media interest in particle physics has reached new highs with the discovery of the Higgs Boson at the Large Hadron Collider. But what is particle physics and how does it affect us? Is it really worth spending billions of pounds on vast experiments to make a handful of new physical discoveries? To answer these questions fully we will start by looking at the very beginnings of this relatively young science and will look further at the structure of all matter as we know it through to cosmology and the universe we live in.

Wednesday 19th March 2014

"The Environment of the Forth Estuary"
Donald McLusky (Formerly of the Department of Biological and Molecular Science, University of Stirling)
The Forth estuary stretches from Stirling to Queensferry. Over several centuries it has been subject to exploitation and degradation. Approximately 50% of the intertidal area has been removed for a variety of purposes and at the same time the population and industries have discharged their waste into the estuary. Despite this (or because of it?) the Forth estuary has remained as a productive natural environment supporting large numbers of birds and fish. In recent years substantial efforts have been made to reverse the centuries of decline and the Forth estuary is now cleaner than it has been for over a century.

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Killin Community Choir Harvest Concert and Supper

**Friday 25th October at 7.30pm
Parish Church of Killin and Ardeonaig.**

This will be followed at 8.45pm by a supper in the Lesser Hall.

Tickets are available from choir members and from 'The Studio'.

Adults - £15.00 for the concert and supper - concert only £7.00

Children - Concert is free and £6.00 for supper

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Obituary

Ramona Massie (MacLure)

It is with great sadness we tell you that after a struggle with cancer, Ramona passed away on 26th August at Haven Hospice, Chiefland, Florida. She was one day short of her 68th birthday.

Ramona moved out to Florida in 1997, where she met Joe. They married and ran the Horseshoe Beach Cafe for years. She had lots of fond memories of family and friends in Killin - boat trips on Loch Tay and picnics at the head of the loch. Ramona and Neil started the Electrical Shop and later turned the shop into a small restaurant, Ramona's Grill Bar (now known as Shutters). Then in the early eighties they purchased Liangarstan Farmhouse and renovated the steadings into the Old Mill Restaurant. She was a beautiful woman with lots of character and charm and will be sorely missed by her husband Joe, daughters Caroline, Karen and Louise, grandchildren Fulton, Neil, Madison, Ruraidh and Mackenzie, great granddaughter Ruby Grace and sons in law Andrew and Mathew

Caroline Ronald
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Falls of Dochart Cottage

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Kilvaxter Cottage, Manse Road
1nd Mr and Mrs Twigg
2 Craigdarroch, Main Street
3rd Mr and Mrs Hunter
6 Dochart Road
Commended Mr S Mudd
Falls of Dochart Cottage

Overall Display in Containers

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Burnbank, Main Street
3rd Mrs J. MacLeod 9 Fingal Road
Commended S. MacColl and J. Hunter,
Dreadnought Place

Killin Local Committee Cancer Research UK

Boreland Garden Open Day

On Sunday 21st July, Mrs Stroyan opened her garden at Boreland as part of the Scotland's Garden scheme. It was a glorious day to stroll around and admire the gardens, then sit amongst friends and enjoy a cream tea provided by the Killin Local Committee of Cancer Research UK. Many thanks to all who supported this event, £821.76 was raised, £328.70 of which was donated to Cancer Research UK.



Sam Jacobs

Sam had an unexpected haircut with hand held clippers, at the Killin Agricultural Show on Saturday 17th August, by his friends, following the sheep shearing competition. After being pinned down for the first snip, Sam decided that others could also have a go provided they were willing to make a donation to charity. Sam raised £381.00 which he kindly donated to Cancer Research. Killin Local Committee thank Sam for his great kindness and sportsmanship.

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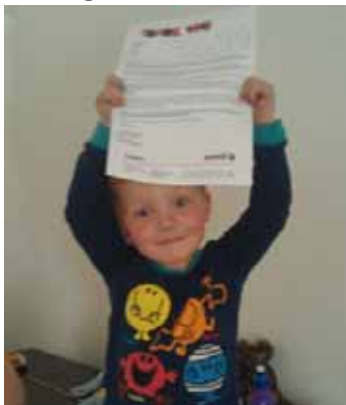
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West Highland Walk



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W. Chisholm

Telephone Box Picture Wanted

I have purchased a red K6 telephone box. The address in the box is Lix Toll Killin FK21 8RB and it is now sitting proudly in my garden in Bromsgrove Worcestershire. Does anyone have pictures of the box at its original site? If so I would be grateful if they could send them to me at

ken_stantonuk@yahoo.co.uk

Thank You

Following my recent stay in hospital, I would like to thank you for all the cards and good wishes. They were very much appreciated. To all the staff in the Co-op for looking out for Aimee, to Diane and Roger for chauffeur-ing Aimee to and from the hospital, all the visits and so much more, to Rosie and Dochie for taking care of my garden and filling it with lovely plants, what a nice surprise to come home to, to my neighbours, Jean, Martin, Carol, Jane and Clem for all the kindness to me since I came home. I really appreciate everything you have all done for me and finally to Aimee thank you. You have been amazing and I am so proud of you.

Carol Macleod

Tombola

On behalf of the Killin Community Fire Fighters and the Fire Fighters Charity I would like to thank you for your generosity in donating towards the tombola at the Killin Show. We have been holding our stall for a number of years now and without help from local businesses it would not be possible to supply some of the great prizes. We would kindly appreciate your help in the forth coming years as we intend to carry on each year to raise money for our charity. Thanks again.

Killin Fire Station Crew

30th Birthday

I'd like to thank everyone for their cards and gifts sent for my 30th birthday. I hope you all enjoyed the party!

Gregor MacKenzie

Boxing Day Dip

After the great success of last year's dip we are looking for more crazy volunteers to jump into the balmy waters of the River Lochay on Boxing Day! This year we are inviting "dookers" to come in fancy dress, if they wish, and there will be a prize for the craziest costume.

Once again Ian at the Killin Hotel has kindly offered to provide hot soup and changing rooms for those brave souls taking part.

The minimum entry fee is £10 and sponsor forms will be available nearer the time from The Studio, The Wee Bake Shop and myself at Craigdarroch. All money collected will go to The Falls of Dochart Retirement Home.

In 2012 we had 21 entrants so let's try and beat that this year and see if we can raise even more for our wonderful retirement home. There was a brilliant atmosphere and great community feeling at last year's event so please, even if you don't take part, come along and support those who do. Keep your fingers crossed for good weather!

Anna Nicholson

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Home again

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my family, friends and neighbours for all the cards and good wishes I received during my recent stay in hospital. I have been very humbled by the kindness of everyone and can assure you it has been sincerely appreciated and I cannot thank you enough for all that you have done.

Douglas Allan

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Local Planning Applications

National Park

17 July

Proposal: Renewal of planning permission 2010/0125/DET for erection of dwellinghouse
Location: Land Rear Of Strathfillan Terrace Station Road Crianlarich
Applicant: Mr Matthew Sanger
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
Decision: Approve

01 August

Proposal: Erection of conservatory extension to the rear of dwellinghouse and a section of raised decking along the front elevation.
Location: Stoneycroft, 24 Manse Road Killin
Applicant: Mr And Mrs Ireland
Application Type: Householder Planning Permission
Decision: Approve

01 August

Proposal: Demolition of church hall and erection of dwellinghouse
Location: Church Hall, Ballechroisk Killin FK21 8UW
Applicant: Dr Philip Simpson (Session Clerk)
Application Type: Planning Permission in Principle
Decision: Pending Consideration

29 August

Proposal: Installation of 4 replacement windows
Location: Loch Tay Cottage, Main Street, Killin
Applicant: Mrs Lesley Syme
Application Type: Householder Planning Permission
Decision: Approve

Perth & Kinross Council

19 July

Proposal: Erection of a new boat house
Location: Site North East Of Balnearn Fearnan
Applicant: Mr Michael Morrice
Application Type: planning permission local
Decision: Pending Consideration

23 July

Proposal: Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse
Location: Cairstonia Dalchiaran Fearnan
Applicant: Mr And Mrs N Ballantyne
Application Type: planning permission local
Decision: Pending Decision

Stirling Council

18 June

Proposal: Replacement of two existing Proven Wind Turbines with two new C & F Green Energy CF20 models to 20.584m hub height, and 27.131m

blade tip

Location: Ardeonaig Outdoor Centre Killin FK21 8SY
Applicant: Abernethy Trust Outdoor Centre
Application Type: Full
Decision: Pending Consideration

09 July

Proposal: Demolition of existing house and erection of replacement house and new detached garage
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Application Type: Full
Decision: Pending Consideration

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Community Pride Fund

The Community Pride Fund 2013-14 is now open for applications for Stirling 2014.

Funds will be available from the Community Pride Fund during the financial years 2013/14 and 2014/15. All grants must be spent in full by end December 2014.

Applications will close in November 2014, with decisions for this final round being made by early December 2014. This will still enable communities to deliver their project and spend the grant award before the end of December 2014. Only the Community Pride Fund is available for Stirling 2014 projects (Community Grants Scheme is not available). Therefore if a community group which is not incorporated has an idea for a 2014 project, they must work with their Community Council or Community Development Trust to develop the project and the application. The application must be submitted by the Community Council or Community Development Trust. Applications should show how they celebrate a different 2014 theme.

Themes

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Event relating to:

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Communities may wish to organise more than one event during 2014. Recognising the importance of 2014, more than one application per community will be accepted, if Community Pride funds allow, provided each application celebrates a different 2014 theme or event.

However, we do want to ensure that all Stirling's communities have the opportunity to benefit from the funding. Thus, if 2 or more applications from the one community arrive early in the process, they may at that stage be asked to prioritise, with the subsequent applications being considered later in the process as funds allow.

Community Pride Fund will of course continue to support 'regular'

applications - not all the funding will be allocated to Stirling 2014. As with any Community Pride funded project, any Stirling 2014 projects that communities are developing must be fully inclusive and aimed at all sectors of the community, without political or religious bias.

Multiple communities may wish to work in partnership to deliver one larger project. Applications for funding will be considered from each of the communities working together (from the Community Council or Development Trust), provided they are seeking funding for a distinct, local element of the project, can demonstrate the local benefit and have realistically costed out their own element of the project.

All applications will be considered on their own merits and taking into consideration the availability of funds, and, where external funding is also required, what progress has

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Celebrations



Shari, daughter of David and Sheena Osler, married Derek Williamson at Killin Parish Church on Saturday 14th September



Jason & Natalie Campbell from Killin pictured here with their daughter Keira, married 6th July in Puerto Aventuras, Mexico. Jason is from Strathyre, son of Eoin & Shelia Campbell and Natalie is the daughter of Sheila Moffat and stepdad Jim Rutherford from Lochearnhead



Kenny Campbell, only son of Christina and James Campbell from Chable, Morenish, married Claire Louise Shanahan of Mount Cashel House, Kilmurry, Co. Clare, at Drumoland Castle, Co. Clare on 20th July



Holley Willison graduated in Medicine from Glasgow University in June and is now working in Portsmouth



Victoria Catherine Campbell, daughter of Alister and Carol Campbell graduated as a Bachelor of Science in Forensic Chemistry with a Two One at Strathclyde University

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Apology

The information given in the last issue about the birth of a daughter to Angel and Simon was incorrect.

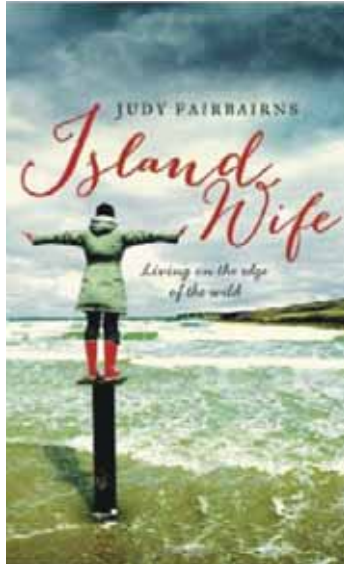
It should have said Lucy Nicola Arianna Hill was born 15th May 2013.

We apologise for the errors.

Book Review

Island Wife by Judy Fairbairns

This is an autobiography by Judy Fairbairns who, at the age of nineteen, marries a man ten years her senior and settles on the isle of Mull. When they first arrive on the island they have no money and live in a large old house without any modern conveniences, often cold, damp and miserable. Her husband turns out to be a workaholic who can turn his hand to anything and make a success of it. After some years as a farmer he ends up setting up whale-watching trips on Mull which becomes a lucrative business. In the years that follow Judy organises the family (they have five children), looks after sheep, horses, dogs, runs a guesthouse and does numerous other tasks. Life is really hard for her and she gets very little support from her husband. This leads to increasing levels of frustration and unhappiness, culminating in a nervous breakdown and Judy leaving the family and the island. It takes several months before she gets the energy back to face life on Mull again and even longer for the family to settle back to normal life. I enjoyed this book because it is not so much a story about the hardships



experienced by family members but mainly an intensely personal account by a woman surviving emotional turmoil, misunderstandings and loneliness over a period of three decades.

It is very well written. You can just imagine all the upsets she describes in the book. I'm sure most women will recognise some aspects in their own lives and for that reason it will probably appeal especially to them. On August 25th 2013 Judy Fairbairns appeared at the Bridge of Lochay Hotel in front of an audience of the combined book clubs in Killin to discuss this book, which had just been published. She talked openly about all her trials and tribulations in the book and most of the audience were very surprised to see her husband there as well! After so many negative comments about him in the book it was brave of him to appear, especially because the audience was all female! It did prove, though, how the couple have overcome many of their difficulties and their communication has improved. Both of them stayed on until well after Judy's talk and enjoyed a glass of wine with the audience. It was altogether a very enjoyable evening. Judy's book is highly recommended!

Anneke Mayo

Third Chapter Book Club



What's On in Killin and District

October

- 5 Green Team 10.30am School
- 9 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 12/13 Hill Races (p20)
- 16 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 16 Herb Society meeting 9p20)
- 17 Heritage Society meeting (p13)
- 21 Cafe Sci (p31)
- 23 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 25 Flu Clinic Crianlarich (p7)
- 25 Choir Concert (p32)
- 26 Barn Dance Crianlarich Hall 8pm
- 30 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 30 Flu Clinic Killin (p7)

November

- 2 Halloween Disco (p16)
- 6 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 7 SWRI (p29)
- 9 Green Team 10.30am School
- 12 Killin Community Council meeting School 7.30pm
- 13 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 20 Walk in the Park (p27)
- 20 Herb Society meeting (p20)
- 20 Cafe Sci (p21)
- 21 Heritage Society meeting (p13)
- 27 Walk in the Park (p27)

Badminton
Mondays & Tuesdays
McLaren Hall
Juniors P7 and up 6-7pm
Adults 7-10pm

Badminton
Mondays
Crianlarich Hall
starting November

Bowls
Mondays
Lesser Hall

Choir
Usually Tuesdays
Church 7.30pm
phone Franny
01567 829048

Brownies
Mondays 5pm
Lesser Hall

Tuesday Club
Community Rooms
2 - 4 pm

Guild Craft Group
Tuesdays
Littlecroft
10am-12 noon

Crianlarich Youth Group
Thursdays, Crianlarich Hall
6.30 - 9.30pm

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

Youth Group (Killin)
Tuesdays 7.30pm
Sports and Social Club

Slimmers club
Sports and Leisure
Pavilion, Tuesdays
5.30pm

Internet Cafe
Tues, Wed and Friday
Tyndrum Hall 11am-4pm

Tai Chi
Thursdays
Big Shed
10.30am
starting late October

Yoga
Fridays
Big Shed
10.30-noon

Tai Chi
Wednesday
Tyndrum Hall
9.30am

Quilters
Wednesdays
Community Rooms
2 - 4 pm

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12.30 - 2.30pm

Internet Cafe
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11am-4pm

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Aberfeldy

Tuesday and Thursday
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Saturday and Sunday
10am - 5pm

Crieff

North Forr, Brioch Forr
All Year
Monday - Friday 9am-7pm
Saturday & Sunday 9am-5pm





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