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Editorial

Nobody could have foreseen the huge number of changes and unexpected events that have occurred since our last issue and, had anyone written a book with so much happening in so short a time, it would have been dismissed as too far-fetched. The consequences of the changes are still unclear but it would be good to think that the unpleasantness generated by both sides in the two recent referendums could now be forgotten and we can again discuss matters with family and friends here and abroad without fear of ruining relationships. One thing that is certain is that here in Killin visitors, workers and residents from the EU should not feel they are unwelcome.

Visitors and locals were welcomed to the Music Festival and the event was a great success with young and old alike. We look forward to it again becoming an annual event.

For many years Killin has had a reputation as a generous village for the amount of money raised for charity by events such as coffee mornings or lunches or sales. Nowadays the figures must be even higher, as an increasing number of individuals or groups get sponsorship to undertake challenging sporting events, walks, cycle rides or adventures such as skydiving. This system brings benefit both to charities and to those taking part who have the double satisfaction of keeping fit or achieving a personal goal while also supporting a good cause. It would be interesting to know the total amount raised in a year by all these individual efforts.

We've never seen so many Killin graduates in one year before. Congratulations to them all!

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Duncan MacKinnon
at Killin Music Festival
Photo Ron Allner

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Siobhan Anderson



Rachel Sermanni

KILLIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

In mid-June the much acclaimed Killin Music Festival returned after a break of fourteen years and what a fantastic event it turned out to be. On Friday many local stars performed backed up by artists such as Rachel Sermanni and Whisky Kiss and headlined by Skipinnish. On the Saturday there were fringe events in many locations throughout the village and workshops with many of the artists. The main stage event started in late afternoon and carried on throughout the evening with artists such as The Donald Black Band, Jenn Butterworth and Laura-Beth Salter, Trail West, Have Mercy Las Vegas and headed up by The Scott Wood Band. Have Mercy Las Vegas were particularly popular and were called back for two encores. The next day the Comrie Pipe Band marched through the village and played outside the McLaren Hall after which there was an open stage event for up and coming bands to show off their talents. I'm sure every single person in the audience over the three days would like to express their thanks to Gregor Mackenzie, Siobhan Anderson and the rest or the committee and helpers for putting on a very high quality and enjoyable festival. We are all looking forward to next year.

Ron Allner



Jack McRobbie



Jenn Butterworth



Fringe music at Killin Hotel



Comrie Pipe Band



Skipinnish



Friel Sisters

Breadalbane Park

Phase 1 of Breadalbane Park has been completed with a handover meeting between KAT, the design team, MW Groundworks (contractor) and Stirling Council. There are a few things in the play park that need addressing – one of the springy animals is broken and the springy seesaw base is loose. The contractor will reset the seesaw. Stirling Council bought the springy animals for KAT in 2011 and kept them in storage until we started work on the park. Stirling Council have contacted the manufacturer and they will be sending a replacement seat which they will fit. The wooden elephant has been removed - Stirling Council are going to refurbish it and it will be returned once this work has been carried out. The maintenance of the whole park is now Stirling Council's responsibility and they will be spraying the paths to kill the grass and weeds growing there. Stirling Council are also going to see if they can find some money to try and sort the drainage at the roundhouse to stop the large puddle forming when it rains, to replace the guttering, paint the seats and remove the graffiti. There is no guarantee that they will be able to do this work this year, but we are hopeful they will. Other areas on which we hope to work with Stirling Council are: Wild flower seeding, orchard tree planting and looking for further funding for phase 2.

Dog Mess in the Park

It has come to our notice through people mentioning it to either Sheila or Ron Allner that the amount of dog mess in the park has become a serious problem. People must realise this is a serious risk to young children's health and several have

gone home covered in it. The Park is a recreation area, not a convenient dog toilet. Stirling Council are going to put up notices at the entrances to the park to remind people to pick up after their dogs. They will provide the Community Council with spray to put on any dog mess found in the park so that we can see the extent of the problem. The street cleaning team will also inspect the park weekly. There are free dog poo bags available from Killin library and the fine for not picking up after your dog is £80.

Old Mill Development

We have received planning permission for all the external works (lift and biomass housing) and are still working on the Big Lottery application which will be submitted by the end of August.

Killin and District Sport and Leisure Club

The arrangement between the Sport Pavilion and Killin Hotel is working well and more people are using the facilities than last year.

100 Club members this year are able to use the facilities for free - they just have to take their letter to the Killin Hotel and sign the register and collect equipment. Even if you have your own equipment, please still register at the Killin Hotel as it gives us a record of how many people are using the facilities and this will help with future funding applications.

Internet Café

The numbers have been steady over June and July which is great to see, with a lot of new people coming back to learn more about their laptop or device. All are learning quickly and are enjoying the experience of using a computer or

tablet. The sessions have given them confidence to go away and explore their device to see what more they can do.

The café is a drop in and runs every Thursday 11am to 3pm in the Library. Sessions cost £1.50 per hour and 50p for a tea/coffee and biscuit. The library is open for people to use during this time, if you have your library card, for taking out books and returning them, photocopying and printing.

Windows 10 workshop

Free upgrade to windows 10 had to be done by 29th July 2016. If you have completed this upgrade but are still finding it confusing, you can attend a workshop at the Library on Thursday 18th August 1-3pm to take you through the basics of using Windows 10. Cost £3.00 with free Tea/Coffee & Biscuit)

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Old Mill Report

The Old Mill remains busy and open Mon-Fri 10-4pm 7 days a week. The wheel has attracted a great deal of attention especially when it is turning. We now have a comments book on the counter and here are a few quotes from visitors and locals. "Such a fantastic place and so good to be able to look around the Mill. Bought some useful bits and bobs and wool!! The volunteer was so helpful. Thank you." Devon "What a treat, a real treasure trove. Helpful, friendly welcome." Yorkshire

"Gosh it looks so much better in here. You've opened the place up. Keep up the good work" Local Killin



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Our biggest sellers are bric a brac and household goods - from crystal dishes to Tupperware cups. Books are a close second. Many thanks for all the donated goods that continue to come into the Mill.

Nathans, the re-cycling company who come regularly to the Mill to collect our unwanted clothes, take shoes, handbags and soft toys. We receive money for the weight of these items which is another very important source of revenue to the Mill and we welcome any unwanted clothes even if they are not suitable for sale. Sadly they will not accept duvets, pillows or battery operated toys.

We will be running a stall at the Killin Show on 20th August with a variety of things on sale and some fun things to do. We also have a stall at the Cancer Research Ladies Lunch in September.

Baby and toddler music classes will resume in October, as will the quilting sessions. Information will be on our Facebook page.

The first floor is available for hire, holding up to 26 adults. If you would like to hire the space please contact Franny.

As we are in the middle of our busy season, it would be really helpful if you are donating more than three bags of goods, to let us know in advance so that we can have the volunteers in place to deal with them.

We cannot accept electrical goods, motor cycle helmets, cycle helmets, baby buggies, prams, duvets, pillows or vhs.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Franny Morrison

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Killin and District Telephone Book

Since the 1970s a Killin and District Telephone Book has been published every two or three years as a useful tool for local people which has also raised money for good causes - initially the Kirk and latterly the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home.

Killin News volunteers have produced the last several books and last year we started a new one but production was interrupted by the flooding of our office and our temporary move to the Killin Hotel. Coming back to it now, we have been wondering whether or not there is still a need for such a book in the digital age when people have address books on their own phones. Working on the book takes a lot of time and is not exactly exciting so we wouldn't mind a bit not doing it! Everything has to be checked several times and, in order to make the book as comprehensive as possible, in past years we have spent a lot of time phoning, sometimes several times, people who were in before and haven't returned a form. Quite frankly we have better uses for our time.

A straw poll, however, showed that people do value and use the book so we are proposing to go ahead but with a slightly different system.

We are not sending out any more forms for people to fill in.

We will put together the information from forms received last summer and will publish a list showing IN BLACK the numbers received or confirmed last year.

IN RED will be the names of people in the last book who have not returned a form

If your name is in red and you want an entry you can mark it 'As Before' or make an amendment.

For a new entry put your name, address and telephone number on a piece of paper and leave it with the list.

Lists will be placed in Killin Library, News First and Crianlarich Store shortly after this Killin News comes out. There you can check your entry and amend it with any changes since last year - and tell us of people who have left the area or died.

The lists will be collected on Saturday September 3rd and production of the book will begin after that.

WE WILL NOT BE PHONING people whose name is still in red and if we find too many red entries are left unchecked, we will then decide whether or not to go ahead.

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Killin Community Council July

Acharn Biomass Plant: Contract arrangements will be in place by the end of July. The footpath has now been fully segregated with fencing. The work is about 2 months behind and hoping to start in early August. A further presentation will be made to the Community Council in September.

Police Report:

Anti-social behaviour

Domestic assault at Acharn Lodge, 1 man arrested.

Breach of the Peace in Fingal Road. Fixed penalty issued to 1 male.

Disturbance assault in a house in Lyon Road. 2 Males arrested.

Road safety

Road policing officer patrolling trunk road network particularly at weekends. Monitoring usual summer complaints of speeding motorcyclists on the trunk roads.

A Honda bike in A85 Glen Dochart tumbled down an embankment on A85.

2 males arrested and reported for Driving offences

Theft

A camera pinched from back seat of insecure car in Main Street.

Sheds at Immervoulin Caravan Site in Strathyre were broken into and over £3,000 of machinery stolen.

A number of bikes stolen after a break-in at Strathyre Forest Cabins. There is a positive line of enquiry into the theft of over £2,000 worth of whiskeys from The Green Welly Stop Whisky Shop.

The National Trust car park at Lawers Dam ticket machine stolen

Community Engagement and Reassurance: Schools out

A 10 year old girl crashed her bicycle on the cycle track near River Lochay and was airlifted to hospital but discharged a few hours later.

Summer months and children are out of school and enjoying themselves. Unfortunately one or two local kids appear to be enjoying themselves too much, going by the broken bones. Take care please.

Killin Music Festival: all went well and no reports of any issues.

Tilhill Forestry: Not many people attended the consultation. There will not be an Environmental Impact Assessment unless there are enough

complaints about the lack of one. The project is only just economically viable and the slightest changes could make it unviable.

Lyon Road/Ballechroisk area:

Double yellow lines are needed by November when parking will be decriminalised and the statutory rights for parking transferred to Stirling Council.

Dochart Bridge: Ongoing. Stirling Council can cut down the trees if they are a hazard to road users and need to issue a 30 day statutory notice before work can be carried out. Parking outside the Smiddy remains a problem as is the lack of markings for cars exiting the bridge into the village.

The LLTNP Ranger Service has not been contacted about a replacement sign warning of slippery rocks on the Falls.

Parking direction sign hanging off its post on the bridge.

Scottish Water: Problem still ongoing. The Laundry has on a number of occasions had dirty water coming into machines and contaminating sheets and has been told by SW to install pumps. SW to be invited to the next meeting.

Ardeonaig Road: The 40mph signs appear to make people think they should drive faster and several vehicles have come off the road. The passing places are really bad and some are unusable or have signs are missing.

Stirling Council sprayed only the Japanese Knotweed by the road side and not what was just over the fence where it has now spread. The area of concern is near boundary to LLTNP and it was suggested that maybe they might be able to come and spray area.

KAT: (See KAT Report page 4)

A.O.C.B.:

White Lining: There are a number of areas in the village that need the white/yellow lines repainted: Councillor Earl suggested that the CC request a survey of all lining required in Killin highlighting the ones already identified.

Toilets: Stirling Council are going to spend £20,000 on upgrading both toilet blocks in Killin.

Street Lights: There are now three lights on 24/7, but Stirling Council will only come out if a minimum of five lights need sorting.

Episcopal Church Sign: The sign for the Episcopal church has gone and no one connected to the church knows where it is. Anyone who knows please tell Tim.

Ballechroisk 20mph Signs: Ongoing.

Dog Mess in Breadalbane Park: A continuing problem; Stirling Council are going to put up signs up at the Park entrances and send some spray that the community council can use to spray the dog mess to highlight the problem. The street cleaning team will check the park weekly to clean up any mess found and Stirling Council staff can enforce an on the spot fine of £80 for anyone seen not picking up their dog's mess.

Monemore Gardens: Complaints have been received about the gardens at 1, 4 & 7 Monemore.

Grass Cutting: The grass by pathway from Ballechroisk to Main Street has not been cut and it was also noted that the graveyard grass was getting long.

Minutes Secretary: Killin Community Council has a vacancy for a paid Minutes Secretary. Anyone interested should contact Tim Frost or Fiona Kennedy.

Parking: Bollards have been put up by Stirling Council outside Vision Hair & Beauty and Eureka £1 Shop. This does not allow for unloading access for the two businesses as they can't park on road because it's a pedestrian crossing. Removable bollards a possible answer.

Monemore bus park is restricted to buses between 8am and 6pm, but is still being used by cars. Police are driving past and not dealing with it. Until the statutory rights for parking come into force in November this area is being dealt with by the Police who can deal with any vehicle that is seen as seriously obstructive or dangerous parking. After November it will be Stirling Council's responsibility.

Date of next meeting: 7.30 pm Tuesday 13th September 2016 at Killin Primary School

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May - Ian Riddell

June - Paul Melia

There are still a few numbers available if anyone would like to join the club - £25 annual membership. Please contact David Riddell if you are interested.



Mervyn's weather... and more

Until 21st June (summer solstice) it used to be said one prayed for rain and thereafter it was unnecessary to do so! There is an element of truth in this quote. To mention some of the, weather-wise, more abysmal summers of the 20th century - 1946, 1948, 1950 and 1985 - each of these recorded a week or more of glorious conditions in June after which came weeks of unsettled and dismal weather.

The first week in June 2016 has given us a much appreciated taste of summer after a dark and damp winter and spring. Throughout May biting N.E. winds prohibited grass growth, yet flowering trees and shrubs blossomed extremely colourfully. Hawthorns, azaleas, chestnuts and blackthorn etc., were brilliant until the breakdown of June's "good" spell when the blossom vanished quickly. Bluebells were also brilliant until the rising tide of bracken smothered them. What then will follow the June "week of pleasure"?

Garden birds seem to be more plentiful and hungrier than usual. Goldfinches, siskins, woodpeckers etc., are in abundance plus an almost

totally white chaffinch, as well as a pair of red squirrels.

As regards migrant species, oyster catchers are holding their own, as are swallows and house martins, though swifts, of which until recently there were many, are virtually absent as are ring ouzels (mountain blackbirds), curlews and peewits. At one time 4 or 5 cuckoos could be heard calling simultaneously from mid April 'till early July. Now one or two call until early June when they are heard no more. Meanwhile the raptors, ground and airborne, "go forth and multiply"!

Recently there has been much media coverage on the Juno probe, which is currently orbiting the giant planet Jupiter and which we are told may investigate behind the bands of gases and mist that surround the planet and the mysterious Red Spot, thereby possibly throwing light on the origins of our own planet. The exclamation "By Jove" is rarely heard nowadays but may come back into fashion. The word "jovial" also has connotations with Jupiter and one could say is preferable to "martial", Mars; or mercurialism - poisonous - planet Mercury. **Mervyn K. Browne**

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Do please remember, if you would like to help at all, let one of the leaders know. This doesn't necessarily mean dealing with children as there are plenty of supporting roles you can do. The more help we get the better the experience for all involved in Scouting.



Beavers (aged 6 – 8 years)

With the better weather and guaranteed sunlight the Beavers were outside as much as possible this term with lots of exciting badges and activities completed. The highlights were the annual Beavers sleepover at the Big Shed, Tombreck, where the sun shone for our activities. The Aberfeldy Beavers joined us in the afternoon for lots of games. The Beavers had lots of fun and the Leaders definitely enjoyed the experience too. Lots of great ideas!

The other highlight was completing our cyclist activity badge which involved cycling from Glen Ogle Head to the Lochearnhead scout station. All the leaders were very impressed with how well the Beavers did. We are sure this could become an annual event. Looking ahead, autumn is great for getting outside but we will also be investing new Beavers to the Scouts. However, we say goodbye to two of our Beavers going onto Cubs. There is space, so if your child is interested just pop along or contact me.

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Cubs (8 to 10½ years)

The Cubs have had a very busy term. On one of our evenings, we went around the village looking for things beginning with "P" - there were a lot more than we thought! As preparation for our nights away, the Cubs made up their food menu, with some really interesting suggestions. We say thanks to Abernethy Ardeonaig Outdoor Centre, where we tried our hands at orienteering, which the Cubs really enjoyed. Our annual night away was at the Lochearnhead Scout station where the Cubs had a great time doing activities and really enjoyed their stay. And finally, we finished our term with tubing at Glen Coe Ski Centre which was a fantastic night for the Cubs. We will be re-starting towards the end of August with exact dates to follow in an email to all parents/carers.

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Scouts (10½ to 14 years) and Explorers/Young Leaders...

The Scouts made the most of the nice weather by meeting outside as much as possible. One of the evenings involved learning how to lay and follow tracking signs as practice for completing the great orienteering course at Fribush Point Field Centre. Finally we were also outside for our end of year waterfight - the catapults had become more effective than last year's attempts.

On one poor weather evening we used big pieces of paper and created life-size chalk portraits.

For many of us, Scouting is not stopping for the summer. We are currently packing our bags and counting down the days to Essex International Jamboree - we can't wait!

There are currently spaces available in the section so if you know of anyone in our age bracket who might be interested in joining, please get in touch.

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Unveiling Of The Stewart Memorial

Extracts from long report in The Dundee Advertiser, Friday, May 23rd 1890

Yesterday the Stewart memorial erected at Killin by the Perth Gaelic Society was unveiled by Sir Robert Menzies of Menzies, Bart. The day was observed as a general holiday in the village and district, and there was a large turn-out of spectators, including many Highlanders from a distance. The ceremonies began at the Drill Hall, Killin, at mid-day, where a procession was formed, and marched, headed by pipers and escorted by a company of the Killin Volunteers, to the square in front of the Parish Church, where the memorial is erected. Here a platform was placed beside the veiled column, and a space around kept clear by ropes. (*Long list of the great and the good and ceremony and speeches*) In the afternoon a large company sat down to luncheon in the hall of the Killin Hotel. After an excellent luncheon, served in best style by the host of Tigh-no-Straid, a lengthy and interesting toast-list was gone through. Songs were sung, poems read, and a very enjoyable afternoon spent. During luncheon the Killin and the Perth Pipe Bands discoursed stirring music.

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Strathfillan Community Council

Community Councillors: The CC AGM was held in June. Community Councillors for the following year are as follows: John Riley (Chair), Alan Smailes (Vice-Chair & Secretary), Charlie Urquhart (Treasurer), Mary Anderson, Isla Craig, Falcon Frost, Alastair McDonald & Sheona MacLennan. Ian Marrett has been appointed as an Associate Community Councillor with special responsibility for Broadband and Website issues, and Mark Holt as an Associate Community Councillor with special responsibility for Tyndrum issues.

Broadband: the installation date for fibre optic broadband to Tyndrum has slipped from June 2016 until December 2016. The date for Crianlarich installation is not known, but is likely also to have slipped from early 2017. Ian Marrett is trying to find out more information for the CC.

DRT: The planned improvements to the Strathfillan DRT service being introduced from August are very welcome. It is understood that the hours of operation for the service will be increased to be from 07:00-22:00 Monday to Saturday and that there will be additional fixed timetable links between Killin & Crianlarich. At the time of writing the new timetable has not been published, but is understood to be taking effect from 1st August.

New bins: Concerns were raised about the changes to refuse collections being introduced by Stirling Council and the lack of public awareness of these changes. At the request of the Community Council an additional drop-in information event was organised by Stirling Council.

Health Roadshow: Following the difficulties encountered getting the planned outreach surgery started, the CC & SCDT have been working with Stirling Council and NHS Forth Valley to explore other ways to make access to healthcare easier for people in Strathfillan. NHSFV are hosting a "roadshow" event in Crianlarich (6th September) and Tyndrum (7th September). Please come along to one of these events and have your say - the more views expressed the better!

Tyndrum Improvements: Mark Holt is working with other Tyndrum residents to come up with a plan for improvements desired for Tyndrum. Mark is planning a public meeting, with the aim of forming an action group to look at issues, priorities and next steps for both the short and longer term. The CC members unanimously agreed with this idea and SCDT will be very happy to provide support when the action group is formed.

Next Meeting: The remaining meetings for 2016 are on Tuesday 6th September, Tuesday 4th October and Tuesday 1st November. Meetings are held at 7.30pm in Crianlarich Hall and all community members are welcome to attend.



Strathfillan Community Development Trust

SAPLINGS: Now that the summer holidays have arrived it has been all go with the Strathfillan Trust! Saplings kicked off with great success this year, with local children exploring the woods and undertaking some den building with our Forestry Commission Ranger. They also have trips to the Gold Mine, Mad Science

and Survival Skills to look forward to. It should be a great summer! If your child is 8-12 and would like to join in, Saplings is every Wednesday of the summer holidays. Please contact the Trust (Kelly), or Chris Macnab to see if there are any spaces.

Woodlands: To add to your summer fun, the Gruffalo Trail in Tyndrum Community Shelterbelt (opposite the Highland Heritage Hotel), is now installed and, apart from a few tweaks, is ready to go! We would like to say thank you to everyone who helped install the very heavy statues, including the guys from the Forestry Commission. We have our official launch of the Gruffalo Trail and Forest Classroom on August 14th, plus we will be joined by Green Aspirations, who are holding FREE workshops in spoon carving and dreamcatcher making. So pop it in your diary and: find out more about your local woodlands; see if you can find the Gruffalo and his friends; and make yourself a wee something to take away. It will be a great day for all the family!

Tyndrum to Crianlarich Cycle Path: Some more good news. The Trust has been informed that it is 'highly likely' the first section of the Crianlarich to Tyndrum Cycle Path will be completed for the end of this year! This first stretch will be from Tyndrum to Kirkton Farm and will run through Tyndrum Community Woodland. It will be an all abilities path and hopefully the beginning of an exciting new transport connection between the villages. If anyone has any questions or would like more information please contact Kelly at the Trust - details below.

Office Move: As some of you may be aware, Strathfillan Community Development Trust has moved from Tyndrum Village Hall to Crianlarich Village Hall. Therefore, our contact details have changed. Our new address is SCDT, Crianlarich Village

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Hall, Crianlarich, FK20 8QN and our new phone number is 0771548867. Our email address and Strathfillan Facebook page are not being altered. We still have a space for a Director of the Trust, so if you are interested in helping support and promote community development, then please get in touch with Kelly on the details below. We are always looking for new ideas and faces!

SCDT contact details: 0771548867; strathfillancdt@btconnect.com, write to SCDT, Crianlarich Village Hall, Crianlarich, FK20 8QN, or our Facebook page 'Strathfillan Community'.

Dates for your Diary:

Tai Chi: Tyndrum Village Hall, Wednesday mornings 9.30am to 10.30am (£5) – re-starting after the school summer holidays

Lazy Ceilidhs: Tyndrum Village Hall, first Friday of every month, 1pm to 3pm (£2.50 adults, 50p children)

SAPLINGS: every Wednesday of the summer holidays. Contact the Trust for details.

Gruffalo Trail and Forest Classroom Official Launch – Tyndrum Community Shelterbelt, Sunday August 14th, 10am to 4pm. Includes free spoon carving and dreamcatcher workshops with Green Aspirations.



The Queen's Tea Party

Strathfillan held a very successful afternoon tea party to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday in June. The afternoon was the brainchild of Deirdre Burton and was hosted by the ladies of the Tenth Book Club. Around 70 people from across the community attended, ranging in age from 2 weeks old to 80+. Thank you to Stirling Council for a grant to fund the event and to Crianlarich Hall committee for kindly providing the venue without charge.



Strathfillan Cake Break

Thanks for all your kind donations, help and support. A great day was had by all and raised £595.71 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society with money still being added to the total.

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Specially invited companies will be showcasing technology that can help keep you safe and well at home as well as demonstrations of how a remote consultation works.

The Living it Up team will be at both sessions. Living it Up is a free health, wellbeing and self-management website. Although aimed at the over 50's, Living it Up is useful for those with long term health conditions, carers and **anyone** who wants to improve their health, wellbeing and quality of life.

Join in with Living it Up team to participate in some fun community challenges. The sessions are:

**Crianlarich Community Hall, Tuesday 6th September, 2016 between 1pm and 6 pm &
Tyndrum Inn, Wednesday 7th September, 2016 between 12 noon and 4.30 pm.**
Pop in, have a cuppa, get informed and have your say.

Strathfillan Lunch Club



On Friday 1st July the Strathfillan Lunch Club held their annual outing. We left Tyndrum at 9am, collecting members en route to Doune Antiques Centre, where we enjoyed morning coffee/tea and scones. After a browse of the antiques, we set off for Callendar House, Falkirk, where lunch awaited us. We had time to explore the house and gardens before heading for our tour of the Kelpies. Thanks to a detour due to local roadworks, we managed to avoid a very heavy shower of rain - we couldn't have timed it better had we tried! It was 7pm before the last of us returned home. We'd like to thank The Tyndrum Inn and their patrons for their continued support of the club.

Chris Macnab

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Crianlarich Primary School Fete and Duck Race

The Parent Partnership of Crianlarich Primary School held a fete and duck race on Saturday 4th June to raise money for Crianlarich Primary School and Nursery. The event raised £1750 which couldn't have been achieved without the generosity of the whole community of Strathfillan. All the raffle prizes were kindly donated by local businesses and the event was sponsored by Rural Stirling Housing Association, The Green Welly, Rod and Reel, Strathfillan Community Development Trust, Tyndrum Inn, Londis Crianlarich Store, Glengarry House, West Highland Lodge and Real Food Cafe. The day was hot and attended by a lot of people. There were stalls taken by local small businesses, craft group, RSHA as well as the school and nursery. The Fire Brigade and Killin Mountain Rescue brought their vehicles and equipment for people to try and sit in. The welly-wanging competition RSHA cup brought stiff competition from local men to try to keep the cup local and was won by Paul McKellen from Renfrew. The duck race itself was eventful as the river water was low and little current, but we managed to get the ducks flowing up stream with the wind.

The Parent Partnership would like to thank everyone involved: teachers, staff, sponsors, businesses, Matt and Eddie (for launching and supervising ducks), everyone who supported us and, most of all, our husbands who were volunteered for all the heavy stuff without even knowing it.

Some of the money raised will go towards the school trip on Tuesday 21st June to see 'Horrible Histories - Groovy Greeks' at the Theatre Royal in Glasgow, which ties in with the school topic for this term of the Ancient Greeks.

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Frost Report

Families

We all know how exhausting it can be looking after a young family so spare a thought or two for our garden birds who have a long day, literally from dawn till dusk, feeding families of half a dozen or so little ones. The young of the siskins can't sit still and squabble all the time using half the energy that they are gaining from their parents' feeding effort. The young woodpeckers are sent off to foray for themselves. They have to learn that trying to perch on the side of a metal post is not going to go well and hiding behind a tree trunk does not necessarily mean that your argumentative siblings won't find you and chase you off. The sparrows go about teaching table manners at an early age and line up their tiny ones along the fence in a neat row to flutter their wings to be fed. The chaffinches dump their children anywhere near food to get it over with as soon as possible. Easily the cutest are the young robins in their natty flecked outfits and the newly polished blue tits, although they do seem to frequent the veggie patch for an odd seed and a dust bath. Just recently, on the North York moors, we were lucky enough to see a covey of grouse with a good hatching of chicks. The moors are proving to be a conservation area for curlew breeding too. Last year the curlew was put on the British Trust for Ornithology endangered red list but since then moorland keepers have been supported by the 'gift of grouse' campaign in their Muirburn policy which creates microhabitats suitable for curlews and their chicks. Local grouse chicks also seem to be doing fairly well as there was a large number of crane flies about when the chicks needed insect food. On the high hills locally two of my keeper sons were lucky enough to see a covey of ptarmigan chicks and on one of the high ridges I saw a couple of ring ouzels and about 20 golden plovers and enjoyed hearing their beautiful eerie voices in the silence.

Even more entertaining lately have been the young squirrels. It is evident that they, like woodpeckers, need to learn a lot about garden living and foraging. The other morning we woke up to find a little red face looking at us through the window. He was sitting on a PVA windowsill so it wasn't long before he

fell off. He then discovered that a thin stem of clematis was not a good landing place. We have three young squirrels who occasionally come at the same time and the games of tick amongst the feeders is really entertaining. One youngster often comes alone and I think that his parents maybe ran away from the circus as his antics sliding off windowsills, drainpipes and soft leafy branches are really daring acrobatics. He has mastered the squirrel feeder, so well in fact that he pops in and stays inside till he has eaten his fill, just occasionally popping his head out to check for danger.

One animal well known for babies is the rabbit. On the roadside at Lochearnhead and Crieff you can see the odd rabbit kit and Dall farm sheds has a population. My wife says that she will wage war on them if they venture as far as our garden. The same ban does not seem to apply to the leveret that comes as far as the fence.

One bird which did not appear to have any family ties gave us a bit of a shock. We thought that we had mistaken Loch Tay for Lake Victoria as there appeared to be an egret on the beach. It was a pure white heron. Has anyone else seen it around?

It is to be hoped that both red deer and the human 'folk of the glens' will be able to still raise families in some areas. It is reported in Western areas such as Rhum that red deer are becoming a rarity rather than a regular part of the scenery, according to Iain Thornber writing in The Oban Times. Certainly around here spotting stags and hinds is not as easy as it used to be. In some areas deer of all species are viewed as vermin by forestry companies. Some of our glens, such as Ettrick, have faced the new clearances. Instead of 'the big sheep' coming it is trees. Glens which were once a thriving community of farm and estate workers with a school, church and village hall are now empty – except for the trees and ghosts. They bring work only at planting and harvesting 30 years later but leave the land, in all respects, desolate and empty. Little regard seems to be felt for the farming communities but the recent popular series 'This Farming Life' has brought this to the fore for both rural and urban viewers. The programme

has received the National Sheep Association award for its contribution to educating viewers into the lives of Scottish farming families. Maybe it should be made compulsory viewing for M.S.P.s and the like?

At least the farming families do not yet have to contend with wolves bringing along their pups for lamb dinners. In a simulation, wolf numbers stabilized at 25 per 1000 sq. km. after initial expansion. This is comparable to unmanaged populations in Bialowieze forest in Poland. Yellowstone has 100 wolves in an area a tenth of the size of Scotland and is held to be a shining example of good practice. The wolves kill 22 elk per year. The cull of red deer in Scotland is over 110,000 per annum. Divide 110,000 by 22 and you get approx. 5,000 wolves needed. Do the maths and you will find that Scotland just isn't big enough to sustain enough wolves to control deer numbers. Take into account large urban areas also - or should we consider urban wolves as they do have dangerous urban coyotes in Vancouver?

It is Mr or maybe Mrs Urban fox, who is looking after her family this week. On a late night stroll from Asda in Edinburgh one of our grandsons came upon a fox. Apparently it was very partial to hand-fed Fridge Raider snacks! He said that he didn't like to let it what he often did in his holidays!! Our feathered families would like you to visit www.songbird-survival.org.uk

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Killin and District Agricultural Society

Annual Show Saturday 20th August

Preparations are well in hand for this year's annual show. As usual it will be an early start for the Sheep Judging and thank you to the McLaren Hall Committee for allowing the livestock pens in the Hall ground. The Cross Sheep Judge this year is Willie Stevenson and the Blackface Breed Judge is Douglas Willison Jnr. For the first time there will also be a Swaledale Section at the Show, the only venue outwith the Highland Show to exhibit this hardy breed in Scotland and sponsored by the Swale Society. The Swaledale judge will be John Burton.

The Cattle sections will be in the hands of Roddy Kennedy and it is hoped that the return of the local hardy cross breeds will be well supported after a self imposed absence to allow the Park surface to firm up after the drainage and landscape work.

The Vintage Tractors always draw admirers and the Judge for 2016 is Bob Allan.

Entries for the Scarecrow Competition should be registered in News First by 14th August and in place by noon on Monday 15th August to remain on display for the whole of show week. Judging will take place in the early afternoon on Monday with the results announced on Show Day.

The Parade will leave the Dochart Bridge at 12.30pm led by the Comrie Pipe Band, followed by the Fancy Dress participants and a selection of vintage tractors.

The afternoon entertainment in the ring features many of the regular events traditional to the Killin Show with the addition of a Falconry Display, which will fill two slots and these magnificent birds, reared in

captivity, will thrill the spectators with their swift flights and obedience to commands.

The Family Triple Challenge, Children's Races, and the Terrier Race will bring the show ring to life with all cheering on the entrants. The three class Dog Show and the Bonny Baby always draw good entrants and, together with the Highland Dancing display and the Shearing demonstration, there is something for everyone.

The Food Hall opens around 8.00am with the welcome Refreshment Bar and a good selection of Stands both business and charity.

The exhibition of floral, horticulture, crafts, baking, produce and preserves in the McLaren Hall is Friday evening to view the competition results and until 4pm on show day.

At 5.00pm Matt Stevenson will auction off the donated goods. In the evening from 8.00pm Ceilidh Music will bring the day to a close with a succulent Hog Roast. The Chair and Organising Committee look forward to seeing a large crowd enjoying what is a long established Killin event.

Alex Stewart
Committee Member

Shearing Competition

Annual Clipping Competition was held at Auchlyne Farm by kind permission of Stuart Christie. There was a good entry in both the Local and Open sections and the usual support from family and friends. The results met with approval from the knowledgeable crowd and proved Locals can mix it with Open competitors.

Machine – Open

1st Rowan Forrestt
2nd Helga Sinclair
3rd Sandy Taylor

Machine – Local

1st Sandy Taylor
2nd Willie Taylor
3rd Richard Lewis

Best Pen

1st equal Sandy Taylor and Helga Sinclair

Hand – Open

1st Allan Oldfield
2nd Peter MacDiarmid
3rd Gordon Stewart

Hand – Local

1st Peter MacDiarmid
2nd Gordon Stewart
3rd Matthew Kerr

Best Pen

Gordon Stewart

Ploughing Competition

The 2016 Ploughing Match was held at Inneshevan Farm by kind permission of Mrs Emma Paterson of Auchlyne Estate and Mr. Jim Ogston of Inneshevan Farm. The day was damp with heavy showers, which may well have deterred some entrants, as the number competing was the lowest for some years. However, despite that, the quality of the ploughing, allowing for drawing a reasonable 'bit' to work on, rose to the occasion. As usual the 'craik' was good and stories abounded of past competitions when it was blistering hot with the soil crumbling in the heat or when the downpour filled the 'shuch' as fast as the shear opened it.

Large Plough

1st Team Grant (Robert and Stuart)
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Killin Floral Association

This year's floral displays for the village tubs were mainly funded by the very successful raffle held in May and a number of donations. First prize of a hamper went to Lyn and Roger Bartlett of Tir Artair. Thank you to all those who donated prizes, sold tickets and supported us. A total of £246.69 was raised by the raffle.

We have been lucky enough to receive funding from KAT, the Co-op and Stirling Council to purchase two tiered planters for the village – now situated amongst the tubs on Monemore – and we thank them all for their contributions. Barhaul, from Aberfeldy, very kindly donated and delivered a ton of top soil to put into these, and Stirling Council gave some of the compost along with the plants. We would like to remind everyone of

the annual floral competitions which we will be judging later this summer. The three main categories are:

Domestic - for householders in the village, which includes a category for pots and hanging baskets, as well as garden displays

Commercial - for all business premises

Children's tallest sunflower

Our judge this year will be floral and landscape artist and garden enthusiast, Eve Fudge.

We always need volunteers to help water and dead head the plants. Keeping the plants looking good is important as it keeps the displays looking at their very best for longer. If you feel you can spare a few minutes now and again please let Alicja know, on 01567 820690.

The Tuesday Club

The Tuesday Club resumes on 4th October (which is of course a Tuesday). We look forward to welcoming old members back and new members including male members hopefully. Years ago there were quite a number of gents so come on boys, be brave, we are a friendly bunch.

As usual we have a variety of talks, the Air Ambulance and the Oban Times to name just a couple. We also have a Christmas lunch and an outing in Spring.

The meetings are held weekly in the Community Rooms and are from 2pm to 4pm. The subscription remains at £5 - now where can you get entertainment every week for that? There is also payment of £1 at each meeting. Every alternate week we have cards, bingo, skittles and much more and of course the cup of tea and a biscuit. Hope to see you on the 4th.

Margaret Ireland

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On Saturday 9th July local runners joined Ben Smith in his record breaking attempt to run 401 marathons in 401 consecutive days. He is aiming to raise awareness of the issues of bullying in our society as well as £250,000 for anti-bullying charities Stonewall and Kidscape. After being hosted kindly by Portnellan, on day 313 Ben ran from Portnellan to Killin and back again. He was joined by local runners and others from across central Scotland. No, we didn't all run the full marathon but Ben is encouraging and inspiring runners of all abilities to come along and join him. It's a great challenge for a great cause, find out more at <http://www.the401challenge.co.uk>



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The Quadrathletes competed in both pairs and relay teams starting at Kindrochit (Ardtalnaig) with a 1.35km swim across Loch Tay, followed by a 24km run over the seven Munros in the Ben Lawers range (including 2,500m of ascent). After an 11km kayak back to Kindrochit, they jumped on their bikes and cycled the 54km circuit of Loch Tay.

Despite open water temperatures of just 14 degrees Celsius, one participant set a new event record for the swim section, crossing the loch in just 17 minutes and fifty-one seconds. Jake Hewlett and Neilson Rutherford both finished in first place after the swim, with a rounded up time of 18 minutes.

Winning times were 8hrs 51 mins for the Male Team, 11hrs 46 mins for the Female Team and 12hrs 45 mins for the Mixed Team. Each team over the final finish line chopped a watermelon in half with a claymore sword and the night ended with a fabulous fireworks display and a ceilidh, led by live band Heid. WildFox Events would like to thank all the local landowners, mountain rescue teams from across Scotland, volunteers from Mary's Meals and Mercy Corps, and the sponsor Artemis, without whose generous support and continued loyalty the event would not be possible.



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Contact Rev Paddy Allen
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Obituary



Alistair Ferguson
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My husband died on 18th April in Strathcarron Hospice . He was born in Falkirk and spent his early years in rural Greenhill near Bonnybridge, with his parents and elder siblings Mary and Tom. The family then moved into the town and Alistair began to play truant from Denny High School. However when he was 15, he was persuaded to join the Royal Navy and this was the making of him. He trained as a radio electrical mechanic, spent eighteen months at HMS St Angelo, Malta, on his way to becoming a petty officer radio electrician. He volunteered for the submarine service and in September 1972 crossed the Arctic Circle in the nuclear submarine HMS Dreadnought. He studied and gained A level English Language and Literature GCE, but found time to gain a glider pilot's licence and be a founder member of Dolphin Hang Gliding Club. His naval character was described as very good throughout and when he left the service in May 1975 his commanding officer described him as a "cheerful, enthusiastic man who should do well outside the Royal Navy". He continued to study with the Open University and gained membership of the Institute of Supervisory Management before beginning a two year course in teacher training at Putteridgebury College in

Bedfordshire. It was there at the Science Department's Christmas party that I first danced with him. In September 1978 he started teaching at the Royal School for Deaf Children in Margate, qualifying as a teacher of the deaf in June 1979. His next move was to Milton Keynes where he was a maths and science teacher at a special unit for hearing impaired children at Stantonbury Campus, meanwhile setting up home with me in Banbury. Always missing his beloved Caledonia, he next accepted a post in the Gorbals, Glasgow, as senior lecturer at Hayfield Rehabilitation Unit for deaf adults. Alistair spent many an evening hosting at our guest house in Callander, serving his free homemade wine at dinner or making elderberry and apple jam for the breakfast tables. In October 1989, this quiet, modest but popular man, finally decided to run away with me to Gretna Green for a wedding ceremony over the anvil, celebrated with friends and family. Lifelong student and always accepting a challenge, he embarked on a third career, qualified as a financial advisor and set up Alexanders Finance Ltd in 1996. Alistair was too busy to retire, but when we moved to Killin for a quieter life, he spent more time enjoying the countryside when walking our golden retrievers or fishing for salmon. He loved holidays abroad, ballroom dancing and meetings and trips with the Submariners' Association. Last November, his bravely born idiosyncratic pulmonary fibrosis deteriorated and in March, cancer was diagnosed. He is sorely missed by his son Murray, his daughter-in-law Shona, granddaughter Daisy and grandson Comhann and by me. We are grateful for the kind support of the village and the generosity of those who donated to the collection, which raised £720 for Strathcarron Hospice.

Lynne Ferguson



The Old Cemetery

Strimming the grass to tidy up the Old Cemetery is an on-going task and Brethren from the local Masonic Lodge are busy keeping the grass in some form of check.

The long spring growing season meant that the protected snowdrops kept on flowering when the good weather arrived and this caused a delay in starting to clear up after the winter.

Clan MacNab in North America have agreed to support the Killin Lodge in this project and to become connected with assisting local projects as a way to get involved with the community. Other donations from visitors have also been put to good use in purchasing fuel.

The removal of the remaining trees growing among the old gravestones is being looked at and advice taken as to the safest way of doing this. Stirling Council will be consulted about the prevention of further growth of stumps which are too close to the headstones to be removed with saws.

Until further advice is obtained care is being taken not to disturb some amazing stones with carvings of warrior style figures which are lying among the long grass. A lot of local history is recorded on headstones and some are already unreadable due to weathering but work is continuing on making the area safer by clearing grass and trees to make things easier for both visitors and historians.

Alex Stewart
Lodge Secretary

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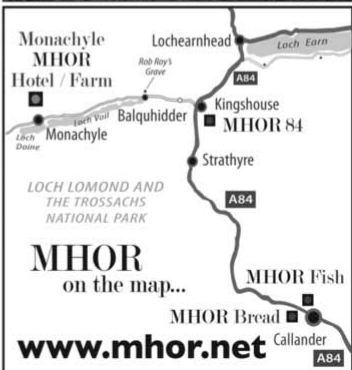
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McLaren High School



S6 Pupils Say Goodbye McLaren
29th April was the last day of school for S6 pupils and the now annual waterslide provided lots of fun and laughter, along with a barbecue provided by Head Boy Craig Fingland. Goodbye and good luck to all in whatever path they take.

Cats

After months of rehearsals, costume making and dance practice, pupils performed an amazing production of Cats on three nights in June. The standing ovation on the last night was a fitting end to three wonderful shows.



Sponsored Walk

The annual sponsored walk took place on 6th May in weather that was ideal for walking, some sun and a bit of a breeze. The walk followed the well-trodden route from the school through Coilhallan Wood toward the fish farm, returning along the Invertrossachs Road. There was an air of energy and enthusiasm amongst pupils as they enjoyed an afternoon away from their normal routine. Walking with friends, chatting, taking in the scenery, passing time with the teachers who were walking or stewarding the route all contributed to a fun afternoon. Most classes completed the 5km route in just over an hour and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has donated. All the money raised from the sponsored walk will stay in the school to benefit the pupils. Current total raised stands at £1,542.00

Activities week

This took place at the beginning of June and pupils from S1-S3 took part in a wide variety of activities from 3 days getting active around Callander to exploring Edinburgh and some even went further afield to Barcelona, London and Disneyland Paris!

Sports Day

The Inter House Sports Day was 21st June and, after a couple of showers, the afternoon stayed dry allowing a competitive few hours of sports. At the end of the day Dochart were declared this year's winners with 376 points, followed by Bracklinn with 270 and Leny with 250.



S6 Prom

On 14th June S6 leavers put on their glad rags and smartened themselves up to attend their Prom at Airth Castle. Everyone had a great time and thanks to the Events Committee for all their hard work organising the event, in particular Hannah Michael and Skye Campbell, without whom the evening would not have been the success it was.

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Killlin Primary School

Scottish Game Fair Scone

As we approached the longest day this June, Kate Sainsbury, lay reader, and Rev Canon Paddy Allen from St Fillan's Scottish Episcopal Church spent a morning with the children of Killin Primary on a project to celebrate simply being alive in creation. The result was two lovely wall hangings made of individual squares made by each child in the Primary School. These were taken to the Scottish Game Fair to be hung with a hanging from Scone Primary School in a special tent, The Breathing Space, set aside for moments of quiet and reflection in the middle of the bustle of the Game Fair. It was wonderful that Killin, along with Scone, was given this chance to represent children from across Scotland and give pleasure to the many visitors to the Game fair.

Paddy Allen



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Since then for one day a year, thousands of distinguished gentlemen and genteel lady folk worldwide don their cravats, press their tweeds and sit astride their classic motorcycles, café racers, bobbers, scramblers and other custom motorcycles to raise awareness and help fund the cure for prostate cancer.

I was diagnosed with prostate cancer over two years ago. Prostate cancer that's contained within the prostate (localised prostate cancer) is treatable. Unfortunately, my cancer, by the time I was diagnosed, had spread to my bones and lymph nodes (advanced prostate cancer or metastatic prostate cancer). This cannot be cured but treatments can keep it under control for several years.

When I first discovered The Distinguished Gentleman's Ride website and being a keen motorcyclist, I felt I had to organise the event in Killin to help raise awareness of this dreadful disease.

Please come and see riders in their finery and lend your support on



Sunday 25th September, McLaren Hall car park 10 am. The riders will depart 11am. If you wish to support/donate, please go to <http://www.gentlemansride.com/> where you will be taken to the Killin page and asked to register.

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Chaz Kemp

Ladies Greensomes Open: 4th June



Kay Dowling and Susan McRobbie, winners of Nearest the Pin, with Jean Faichney centre

Killin Cup (Best overall

Handicap): Lesley Millar & Lesleyanne Tufft (Kenmore) 57.6

Bridge of Lochay Salver (Best Local Handicap): Laura Aitken and Sheila Aitken 62.2

Dochart Trophy (Best overall

Scratch): Laura Aitken and Sheila Aitken (Killin) 77

Handicap

1st: Lesley Millar and Lesleyanne Tufft (Kenmore) 57.6

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Handicap

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 2nd: Colin Woods (Douglas Park) and Sheila Aitken (Killin) 63.5
 3rd: John McIlroy (Kenmore) and Liz Cordner (Helensburgh) 64

Scratch

1st: Jim Ronald and Laura Aitken (Killin) 76
 2nd: Ken Milligan and Rhona Milligan (West Lothian) 79
 3rd: John Freeman and Una Woodburn (Crieff) 81

Best Killin (Bill Mitchell Salver):
 Brian Stock and Jean Faichney (Killin) 59.5

Best Overall (McRobert Thistle Cup): Brian Stock and Jean Faichney (Killin) 59.5

Best Overall Scratch (Glen Ogle Trophy): Jim Ronald and Laura Aitken (Killin)

Nearest Pin

Ladies (14th) Laura Aitken (Killin)

Gents (11th) Gary Dryerre (Auchterarder)

In 3 (9th & 19th) Gary Dryerre and Mairead Hume (Auchterarder)

Longest Drive

Ladies (16th) Una Woodburn (Crieff)
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Now for some music!

On Tuesday 16th August the Arpeggione Duo (guitar and cello) play at the Big Shed as part of a series of workshops and performances from 11th to 28th of August 2016 in Perthshire. You can find more, including ticket purchase details on <https://www.facebook.com/caledonia ndreamfest/>
On Thursday 22nd September at 7.30, the lively band Blueswater return to the Big Shed! Put on your dancing shoes and come along to enjoy the sounds of gritty old-school rhythm and blues. Inspiration comes

specifically from the Chicago blues style of Chess records, with guitar riffs and harmonica solos built around a tight rhythm section. Visit The Blueswater's website at www.theblueswater.com BYOB – tea, coffee and soft drinks will be available. Tickets, price £10, at the door, or can be reserved in advance from the Big Shed

More blues on Saturday 24th September at 8pm when US Acoustic blues musicians Matthew Fox and Dan Phelps return to the Big Shed on their UK and Ireland tour. Matthew Fox is a guitarist and songwriter whose Texan roots run deep. He has steeped himself in a variety of styles, from acoustic and bottleneck blues to swing, and his acclaimed originals are rooted in the great Texas story-song tradition. Dan Phelps is an Illinois native who has been performing acoustic blues for over 25 years. He has played all over the US as well as the UK and Europe. Tickets, price £10, at the door, or can be reserved in advance from the Big Shed

Later in the year, there will be concerts by Fraser Fifield (15th October) and Fred Morrison (7th December). Watch for more details in the next edition of the Killin news, on Facebook or on the website. For more information see

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Letters

Thank you

I would like to thank all the Killin folk who visited me, or sent cards, flowers and gifts after my operation in May. Also my thanks to Dr. Tara Mill for the excellent care she has given me. I appreciate all your kindness.

Andrea Simpson

Skydiving

I would like to say a huge thank you to the people of Killin who donated to my skydive on 4th June. I raised an amazing total of £1,570 for Scottish Huntingtons Association, which helps families affected by this disease. We have lost four immediate family members to it so I know first hand how it can devastate families. The money raised will support families in Scotland and will be put to very good use. Thank you all once again.

Jane Christie

May and Sandy Graham

May and Sandy recently moved into the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home and we would like to give a massive thank you to all the staff for making the transition so smooth. It was a huge step for them but they are now very settled and very happy. We would also like to thank Liz who was a fantastic help in the months leading up to their move.

David Graham

Fund Raising

On Sunday 17th July I completed my second Jenson Button Trust Triathlon in Derby.

The course is not long but you have to do it all twice in one day. The top 50 from the morning session have to do a Sprint distance (basically double) the second time over.

I got a reasonable start in the morning swim, making it back to transition in 5 mins 15 seconds. The cycle round Derby was at a reasonable pace, then onto the run which was bad as I was getting shin splints and found it difficult to run so I was slower than last year in this section, but my overall time for the first round was 2 mins 22s faster than last year.

The swim start was manic and, as the run was not going to be my strong point on the day, I decided to try to put all into my cycle and managed to knock just over a minute off and overall my time was faster than the morning. At the end of the morning session I was interviewed by Andy Potter from Radio Derby. The afternoon was tougher because the weather was extremely sunny and hot (into the 30s).

So far I have raised just short of £300 for Cancer Research UK (Killin Local Committee). I have a JustGiving page

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Liz-Stevens1964>

and will be placing a sponsor form in the library with Kay soon. Any amount you can spare will help the cause.

My next event is a 3K swim in Loch Lubnaig on 7th August (with other Loch Tay Swimmers Ishbel Hayes and Helen and Liza Cole), followed by the Killin 10K on 27th August and Glencoe Half Marathon on 2nd October.

Liz Stevens



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The opportunity will be issued as one tender document and will comprise 5 separate Lots as follows:

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Electrical works	Plumbing works
Joiner and Glazier works	

Contractors will only be permitted to submit a tender for a single Lot. It is intended to appoint 3 Contractors for each Lot to allow selection of the most appropriate Contractor per job. Contractors will be appointed to the Framework on the basis of a price and quality assessment.

If you have any queries regarding the tendering process or operation of the Framework, then please contact **Malcolm Lee, Senior Maintenance Officer** on 01786 841 101.

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Graduations

Camilla Tigwell



Camilla Tigwell graduated from Glasgow University with a 2:1 BSc with Honours in Veterinary Biosciences on 1st July

Alexandra Tigwell



Alexandra Tigwell graduated from Dundee University with a BA in Childhood Practice on Wednesday 22nd June

Hazel Wyllie



Hazel Wyllie BSc (First Class Honours) in Digital Interactive Design at Dundee University.



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Laura Aitken



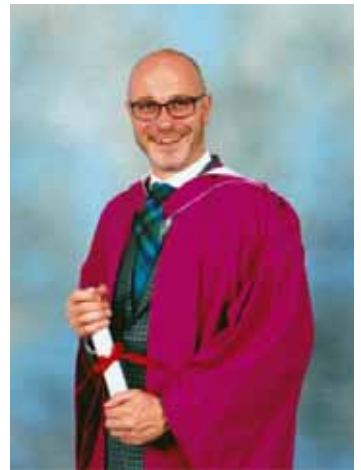
Laura Aitken graduated from the University of Glasgow on 23rd June 2016 with a Bachelor of Accountancy Degree with Honours of the First Class. She was also awarded The Johnstone Smith Prize as the most outstanding Honours Graduate in Accounting and Finance of the academic year 2015-2016.

Jinny Dowling



Jinny Dowling graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Marketing Management from Edinburgh Napier university

Dr. Alastair William Watson (Ph.D)



A previous student of Biggar Primary and High Schools and of Napier and Strathclyde Universities, Alastair completed his Ph.D at Heriot-Watt University (Edinburgh). He is currently Assistant Professor of Management at Heriot-Watt University (Dubai Campus) and lives in the UAE. Alastair is the younger son of Andrew and Ann Watson.



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Enrolment Day and AGM Tuesday 23rd August 3.00pm Callander Kirk Hall

A warm welcome at the start of our 5th year to all our members and especially to anybody who would like to join our U3A!

Come and meet the existing members and group leaders, have a look at our timetables and see what we have to offer. After the AGM there will be tea, coffee and homemade scones to enjoy while you mingle in the hall and afterwards visit the tables where you can see which groups are represented, sign up and have a chat about the courses.

Most of our groups meet in Callander but some take place in outlying villages – some in members' homes and some in rented halls, depending on space and equipment required. The membership fee for 2016-7 remains at £10 per head unless you are already a member of another U3A, in which case the fee is only £5.

We begin our courses in September and offer a large variety of subjects, some new to our U3A. Have a look at our website for other news and photos of our activities – just Google 'Callander and West Perthshire U3A'.

New groups will be meeting in Killin in our next session. More information from **Fiona Martin**
fiona@auchraw.freeserve.co.uk



On Wednesday 6th July the Walk in the Park groups from Callander, Aberfoyle, Balloch and Killin joined together for a joint walk with Callander Ramblers around the Glen Lochay loop. Over 50 walkers walked either a short 45 minute health walk or the 4 mile loop visiting Moirlanich Longhouse on the way. Snacks and a

Walk in the Park – Killin

well-earned rest were enjoyed at the Bridge of Lochay Hotel. Thanks to all who participated or helped in any way to make this a very enjoyable event.

Walk in the Park have recently introduced award badges for a target number of walks taken over the last 3 years - bronze for 50 walks, silver for 100 walks and gold for 200 walks. The photo shows Georgia Rawlinson with her bronze badge having completed 50 walks with the group. Georgia has come along on the walks since she was very small with her

Grandma and her Mum who are both walk leaders with the group. Walks are held on Wednesday mornings in Killin at 10.20am (check schedule for meeting place).

Strength and Balance sessions are held on Wednesdays from 1.30 – 2.30pm in the Killin Hotel.

If you have any questions regarding joining any of our walks or exercise sessions please contact the Project Coordinator Cathy Scott on 01877 330055 or email:

cathy.scott@lochlomond-trossachs.org

Schedule

Walk from 20min – 1hour No need to book – just turn up.

Date	Meeting at 10.20am	All Routes:
3/8/16	McLaren Hall	Glen Ogle to Viaduct (car share)
10/8/16	Capercaillie	Kinnell Circuit
17/8/16	McLaren Hall	NCR7 at Strathyre (car share)
24/8/16	McLaren Hall	Loch Circuit
31/8/16	Capercaillie	Craignavie Road
7/9/16	McLaren Hall	Glen Lochay (car share)
14/9/16	McLaren Hall	Tyndrum (car share)
21/9/16	McLaren Hall	Glen Ogle to Killin junction (car share)
28/9/16	McLaren Hall	Moirlanich Longhouse (car share)

For more information contact the Walk in the Park Project Coordinator
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Local Planning Applications

National Park

Fri 13 May 2016

Proposal: Erection of dwellinghouse

Location: Land To Rear Of Fairview

Cottage Main Street Killin

Applicant: Mr Charles Grant

Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Tue 17 May 2016

Proposal: Variation of condition

No.9(c) of planning permission 2015/0375/DET to increase the days allowed for mobile plant operations at wood fired combined heat and power plant

Location: Acharn Forest Killin

Applicant: Clean Energy Ventures

Management Ltd / IronSky 2 Limited

Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Current

Thu 09 Jun 2016

Proposal: Alterations to windows

Location: 2 Clifton Road Tyndrum

Applicant: Mr David Hill

Application Type: Householder Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Mon 13 Jun 2016

Proposal: Installation of solar pv panels to existing roofs

Location: 1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9 & 10

Monemore Killin

Applicant: Stirling Council

Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Application Disposed Of

Fri 24 Jun 2016

Proposal: Erection of a conservatory

Location: Clifton Cottage Clifton Road Tyndrum

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Edgar

Application Type: Householder Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Wed 29 Jun 2016

Proposal: Alterations and extension to building

Location: The Old Mill Main Street Killin

Applicant: Mrs Theresa Elliot

Application Type: Listed Building Consent

Decision: Approve

Fri 01 Jul 2016

Proposal: Change of use and alterations to outbuilding to form dwellinghouse

Location: Kinnell House Killin

Applicant: Mr Anthony Dowling

Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Fri 01 Jul 2016

Proposal: Proposed change from

store/bothy/church to dwelling

Location: Kinnell House Killin

Applicant: Mr Anthony Dowling

Application Type: Listed Building Consent

Decision: Approve

Tue 05 Jul 2016

Proposal: New single storey timber chalet for staff accommodation and amendment of condition No.5 of consent 2006/0303/DET to allow two staff chalets to be used for either staff accommodation or letting purposes

Location: Acharn Farm Killin

Applicant: Mr Rolf Thornquist

Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Wed 13 Jul 2016

Proposal: Construction of cyclepath including installation of drainage scheme and ancillary works (amendment to 2008/0098/DET)

Location: Land Adjacent To

Mountgreenan Crianlarich

Applicant: Natalie Stevenson

Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Perth & Kinross Council

Mon 30 May 2016

Proposal: Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse

Location: Briar Cottage Fearnan

Applicant: Roseplot Ltd

Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve

Fri 27 May 2016

Proposal: Alterations to dwellinghouse (in retrospect)

Location: Lower Kiltyrie Killin

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Graeme and Ruth Anderson

Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve

Thu 09 Jun 2016

Proposal: Change of use, alterations and extension from training centre (class 8) to residential (class 9)

Location: Stucktaylor House Killin

Applicant: Mr Jan Felton

Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve

Wed 25 May 2016

Proposal: Part demolition of former smithy and derelict cottage, alterations and extension to form dwellinghouse with ancillary accommodation, formation of hardstanding and associated works

Location: Lawers Smithy Lawers

Applicant: Dr and Mrs T Archibald

McDiarmid

Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve

Mon 09 May 2016

Proposal: Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse to form garage

Location: Cragganester Steading Lawers

Applicant: Mr Pete Cooke

Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve

Stirling Council

Wed 15 Jun 2016

Proposal: Side extension to form new sitting area

Location: The Holt Pier Road Killin

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Nettleton

Application Type: Full

Decision: Unknown

Wed 18 May 2016

Proposal: Proposed one span of new low voltage overhead line

Location: Land Some 95 Metres South

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Applicant: Scottish & Southern Energy

Application Type: Statutory Notification

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to be going well. Any comments? The defibrillator outside The Falls of Dochart Retirement Home has been up and running for some time and extensive training has been done by our local paramedics. Thanks to local donations they now have their own training mannequins and dummy defib. Anyone wanting first aid and/or defib. training either as an individual or a group please ask Jean j.faichney@nhs.net or Michael michaelmaclaren@netscape.net

Dr. Turner is setting up a small committee to take this forward and anyone wishing to take part please contact her at elaine11turner@btinternet.com We shall all be sorry to see the retirement of Dr. Syme who has been with the practice for many years. But good for him - there are many hills out there waiting to be climbed!

Linda Frost

Killin Medical Practice - Patient Update

Killin Staff Outing

On the wind down to Dr Syme's retiral in September, the team enjoyed a fantastic outing to the Highland Safaris on a hazy Sunday afternoon. Although the weather wasn't kind to us the day was brilliant and rounded off with a lovely meal at the Taymouth Marina.

Closer Working

As you know we have been developing a closer working relationship with our local Scottish Ambulance Service Paramedic Practitioner team. As we seek to improve the local services we deliver, a partnership between NHS Forth Valley, Scottish Ambulance Service and Killin Medical Practice is moving closer to piloting a service. This will enable patients who



require an on-the-day, unscheduled appointment to perhaps be assessed by a member of the Paramedic Practitioner team who will liaise with the GP. The aim of this development is to build on our ethos of shared working in the community by integrating the way your local healthcare professionals work.

What does this mean for me?

You should still seek medical advice by

telephoning Killin Medical Practice if you have medical symptoms requiring assessment. From August you may be seen first by one of the paramedic practitioners (sometimes with the GP there too) but the duty GP will know of your presentation.

The priority service for the Paramedic Practitioners will be their obligation to respond to 999 calls however this will not disrupt Killin Medical Practice or your access to a clinician.

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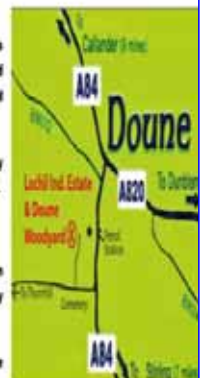
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Killin Curling Club

Killin Curling Club had their AGM on 9th June at the Bridge of Lochay hotel.

Prize winners

Winnipeg: Jan McCready

Gregor McGregor Medal (Winnipeg runner up): Hamish Campbell

Points:

Medwood Cup (Overall Points winner): Sheona MacAskill

McGibbon Medal (RU):

Brian Hibbert

Stroyan Cup (Ladies):
Sheona MacAskill

Countess of Breadalbane Medal (Ladies RU): Jan McCready

McGibbon Cup (Club League):
Jan McCready (shots up all square, ends won 9 & 6)

Jan Rough Brooch (CL RU):

Iain Wragg

Dr Mairi Salver: Cathie Reid
(Jane Anderson, Sheila Aitken & Sheena Chisholm)

Centenary Shield (First Breadalbane League Game): Killin 2

Fraser Cup (Pairs): Jane Anderson and Douglas Willison on shots from Hamish Campbell and Dougie Livingstone

Peter Stewart Salver:

Stewart Christie 6-5

Galloway Medal: 2014-15

Jan McCready 9-6

John Willison Trophy: Killin (5-3) – Sheona MacAskill, Jan McCready, Hamish Campbell & Douglas Willison)

Breadalbane Province: Kenmore 2

Atholl/Breadalbane Bonspeil:

Atholl won

Strathfillan Cup: Killin (7-4)

Outing Medal: Cathie Reid

Indoor Grand Match: Breadalbane Killin v Uphall – (4-12)

We are always looking for new members and welcome beginners. Curling usually starts at the end of September and finishes at the beginning of March. We don't have a regular curling night as it depends on what ice the ice rink in Perth give us. We arrange a practice night with coaching (if possible) at the start of the season (Perth ice rink also have beginners sessions) and the club league is an ideal place to start as it is meant to be a place to learn and is not a serious event.

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Wednesday 10th August; Isn't it good, Norwegian Wood?

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Friday 12th August: An introduction to navigation

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Duration: 6 hours

Cost: Adults £15, children £7.50.

Bring: walking boots, warm, waterproof and windproof clothing, food, map (OS Landranger 51 or Explorer 378) and compass.

National Trust for Scotland

Meet: 10.30am Ben Lawers NNR car park. **Booking is essential.**

Wednesday 17th August: Hillside safari

Experience the rich flora of the lower slopes of this famous botanical nature reserve and the varied wildlife flourishing in restored native plant communities.

Duration: 2½ hours.

Cost: Adults £5, children £2.50, family £12.50

Bring: Walking boots, warm, waterproof and windproof clothing.

Meet: 1.30pm Ben Lawers NNR car park. Numbers are limited, so booking is advisable.

Wednesday 24th August: Fabulous ferns

Our second 'Learn 5' event this year looks at ferns on the lower slopes and how to identify them. You should leave knowing how to identify 5 different ferns. No experience or equipment is required.

Duration: 2½ hours.

Cost: Adults £5, children £2.50, family £12.50

Bring: Walking boots, warm, waterproof and windproof clothing.

Meet: 1.30pm Ben Lawers NNR car park. Numbers are limited, so booking is advisable.

Wednesday 24th August; Bats, Badgers, Jacobites and Naturalists!

Duncan Stevenson reflects on more than 25 years working on the National Trust for Scotland's countryside estate. An illustrated talk held at the Ben Lawers Ranger Base, Lynedoch, Main Street, Killin at 8.00pm. Admission £1. Refreshments will be available after the talk.

Wednesday 7th September; Seed collecting in the Picos de Europa
Dan Watson, Ecologist, on an exciting collaborative project which could help restore plants lost from some of the National Trust for Scotland's mountains. An illustrated talk held at the Ben Lawers Ranger Base, Lynedoch, Main Street, Killin at 8.00pm. Admission £1. Refreshments will be available after the talk.

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Badminton

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

Beavers

Tuesdays
6-7pm
Lesser Hall

Choir

Usually Tuesdays
Church 7.30pm
phone Franny
01567 829048

Beginners

Sampler Quilting
Wednesdays 2-4
The Old Mill

Craft group

Tuesdays 10-12
Community Rooms

Cubs

Tuesdays
7.15 - 8.45pm
Lesser Hall

Indoor Bowls

Mondays 7.30 Lesser
McLaren Hall

Internet Cafe

Thursdays
Killin Library
11am-3pm

Junior Badminton

Mondays at 6
Crianlarich Hall

Killin Gun Club

Third Saturday of
every month. Contacts:
Stuart Ogston
07999 510014
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01567 820354
email KGC-
ClayPigeon@outlook.com

Lazy Afternoon Ceilidh

Tyndrum Village Hall
First Friday of every month
1-3pm

Metafit Classes

Wednesdays 7.30pm
MacLaren Hall
resume after summer break

Netball

Tuesdays 7.15pm
Killin Sports and
Leisure Club

Painting & Crafting

First Wednesday of every month
2-5
St. Fillans Church

Quilters

Wednesdays 2pm
from October
Community Rooms

Saplings

Wednesdays
9.30-10.30
Crianlarich £5

Scouts

Wednesdays
7-9pm
Lesser Hall

Softplay Club

Tuesdays
Sports Pavilion
12.30 - 2.30pm

Tuesday Club

Community Rooms
2-4
Restarts October 4th

Tiddlers & Toddlers

Thursdays fortnightly
Sports Pavilion
10am-12 noon

Woman's Guild

3rd Thursday of every month
from 15th September 2pm
Falls of Dochart Retirement
Home

Tai Chi

Wednesdays 9.30-10.30
£5 Tyndrum Village Hall
Restart after summer
holidays

Mobile Libraries

Tyndrum/Crianlarich Fortnightly Fridays

Aug 12, 26, Sept 9, 23

Crianlarich

Willow Square 11.50-12.15
Glen Falloch Road 11.30-11.45
Police Station 10.45-11.25

Tyndrum

Station Road 1.30-1.50
Clifton 1.55-2.20
Mansefield 2.25-2.50

Glen Lochay/Ardeonaig Fortnightly Mondays

Aug 8, 22, Sept 5, 19

Glenlochay 10.50-12.30
Ardeonaig 2.00-2.45

Perth and Kinross Fortnightly Tuesdays

Aug 9, 23, Sept 6, 20

Tombreck 16.40-17.00
Lawers 18.10- 18.25

Recycling Centres

Callander

Monday-Friday: 5pm-8pm
Saturday: 10am-2pm
Sunday: Closed

Aberfeldy

Tuesday and Thursday
9am-7pm
Saturday and Sunday
10am-5pm

Crieff

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

Which bin which week?

Week beginning:

Aug 8 Grey/Green
Aug 15 Brown
Aug 22 Grey/Green
Aug 29 Brown
Sept 5 Grey/Green
Sept 12 Brown
Sept 19 Grey/Green
Sept 26 Brown
Oct 3 Grey/Green

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