

Killin News

Editorial

Some of you may already know that Killin has been shortlisted for the 2018 'Scotland's Most Beautiful Town or Village' competition being run by Hidden Scotland. Killin is one of 35 finalists and the winner is to be announced on 10th August. Fame attracts the paparazzi so perhaps that explains why I was woken at 5am today by a passing photographer accidentally triggering my car alarm.

It is a source of pride that our wee village can hold its own in the big world, not just in the beauty arena but also on the music scene. Weren't Phil and Aly fantastic! That was a fabulous weekend. Well done to all involved. With the sun shining yet again, we are holding our breath that it will last until the Highland Games and for Killin Show as well. Rain does not have to be a traditional accompaniment to these events. On holiday recently there was a shocking revelation by one of our group who stated that she had never been to Scotland as it was too far to travel from Leicestershire – we were in the south of France at the time. She was told what she was missing by our tour guide who lives in Bute and regularly brings American tour parties to Killin, his favourite village.

Many of us may be feeling Trump and Brexit weary and suffering from tired eyes after eagerly following the World Cup and Wimbledon. Who knows, perhaps the next big Scottish name in football or tennis might come from a little village in Perthshire.

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aking the Killin News

Over the past twenty seven years people in Killin, Crianlarich and Tyndrum have become used to receiving a copy of Killin News every other month. This has been made possible by a lot of work over the years by what must by now be hundreds of volunteers, with each contributing to the success of the paper in one of many different ways. Anyone can contribute items and anyone can help with delivery of the paper, but putting the paper together in the more specialised areas requires more commitment. Last year we were asking for people who would be willing and able to help on the paper and we are again keen to hear from potential volunteers who are interested in helping particularly with the adverts and with production where the present dedicated people would like to share the responsibilities and occasionally be able to miss an issue. The paper is paid for by the adverts

which, before each production, have to be gathered together and this requires someone visiting or phoning regular and potential advertisers, often a fun job involving tea and cake. Ever since the paper began, Judy Forster has been involved in this, assisted for the last few years by Marion Strang. The ads are then put together in the right form on the computer by two more people -Anneke Mayo and Sylvana Ginella. In both areas it would help to have more people willing to help. Production takes place over a week and a bit every other month - not many days but the people involved need to commit to being available for some of or all those days on most of the six productions. Training can be provided in the use of the computer programme and the more people available, the fewer times they could be needed. To start with items are edited and pictures chosen and both put into the right computer format

and they are then placed on pages of the paper. Ideally all items are received at the beginning of production but inevitably some are late or there is a late story which must be included so there can be many changes made to items and pages over the production period. When everything is in place, the paper then needs proof-reading, and corrections made before it is put into the right format for the printer. While several people can be involved for the first few days, proof reading at the end can be done by committee members and other volunteers. Only two team members are involved in the final stages and it is essential that at least one sees through each production from beginning to end. We would welcome more committed people ready and willing to join the team. If you are interested, please get in touch by leaving a message on 01567 820014 and we will get back **Killin News Committee** to you.







Work was recently undertaken to do some renovation to the Killin War Memorial.







Killin Floral Association

The gardens, tubs and hanging baskets are looking especially good this year around the village, due to the hot weather we have been enjoying. Judging has not yet taken place for the usual annual floral competitions, so don't forget to keep up the good work, watering and deadheading your plants to keep them looking at their best.

The Floral Association would like to thank Killin Co-op for their support over the past few months, allowing us to place our donation bucket at the checkout. A fantastic grand total of £387.00 was raised, which means that we will have enough money for next year and will be able to replace some of the tubs that are falling apart,



around the village. We would also like to thank all of those people who have helped us with watering the tubs, during this very hot summer and the Capercaillie for allowing us to use their outside tap, to water the plants at Monemore.

We would also like to thank Stirling Council for supplying some of the plants for our tubs and the boxes at the cemetery. They delivered a large number of trays of bedding which they had not been able to use elsewhere, which we used to raise funds for other community groups, including Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme and The Mill

Alicja Fraser

Killin Hogmanay Fireworks Display

In the last article I posed the question – is it over? Well, since then I have spoken to a number of local business owners, hoteliers, community groups and individuals. All have said that they want the display to be held again. Working with Jinny Anderson, who has kindly offered to help with the organising, we initially got in touch with Stirlingshire Council, the Fireworks Company and an Insurance Brokerage to have an idea of what funds need to be raised to enable the event to continue. Armed with that information we considered other possible sites for the display which might be safer and

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easier to manage. Then Jinny and I, through the good offices of Ian Hitchins, arranged to hold a meeting at the Killin Hotel on the 10th July. The event was publicised locally and attended by a small number of people who represented a good cross section of our local community, including business and community leaders and interested residents.

At the meeting it was decided that the estimate of costs (approximately £4,000) to hold the event was certainly achievable, given promises of some financial support and interest expressed and so we have begun organising this year's event. Anyone who would like to financially contribute will find details in the next issue of the Killin News - so please watch for that space! As yet we do not have the necessary funds but we have until November to raise them. The other decision made at the meeting was that the display be held in Breadalbane Park, assuming that the local Council gives permission.

Whilst this decision was taken unanimously at the meeting, we suspect that there may be some who are disappointed at the change of location. The decision was based principally on the following grounds: it is easier to manage the display in the park with a larger open space; it is safer for those attending; there is no need to close a road; the availability of parking for people to attend from outside the village. Inevitably at such an event there is a need for volunteers to help as stewards and whilst we already have some keen supporters, Jinny and I would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to help with the running of the event on the night. This year's fireworks display promises to be every bit as glorious as the last and, coupled with the Skipinnish Concert on the 30th and the New Year Ceilidh on the 1st, everyone can look forward to another festive New Year in Killin.

> Mike Beresford Jinny Anderson

2019 Killin Calendar

The 2019 Killin Calendar, by Ron Allner, is now available. All proceeds from the sale of the calendars will go towards supporting the fireworks display. The calendars are now on sale in the village, including at The Old Mill and The Studio.

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Chris Packham's Ben Lawers Bioblitz

In July we had a special visit from TV presenter and naturalist Chris Packham, who launched his UK Bioblitz Campaign at Ben Lawers National Nature Reserve. The free one-day event took place on Saturday 14th and saw crowds of families, media crews and NTS volunteers exploring the landscape for wildlife.

Travelling to various sites across the UK, Chris' campaign aims to investigate the extent to which the nation's wildlife species are under threat and to raise money for local conservation projects.

During his first ever visit to Ben Lawers NNR, Chris said, "We're travelling all over. We've got fifty venues, and we've got four more today. So it's kind of like five a day, for ten days. Our mission is to give a snapshot of the biodiversity of the UK and encourage action to protect our wildlife."

The results from each venue will be published on Chris' website, including an interactive map pinpointing different locations visited.

"It's just another dynamic aspect showing people that we are physically doing this, we're not sat around waiting for people to send us stuff," said Chris.

"We're all out on the field for 12, 13, 15, 18 hours a day sometimes but we have all the admin and day's work to do as well as the physical day's work." Most of the morning's activity centred around the Edramucky Burn, where NTS staff had installed moth traps the previous night. Whilst locals chatted with Chris, other wildlife enthusiasts were recording various plants, insects and birds.

After Chris departed for his next Bioblitz site, Loch Leven, NTS staff led guided walks throughout the reserve. Heading up the Edramucky Trail, volunteers Alex Effinger and Anthony McClusky recorded many species of bumblebee and butterfly, including Small Heath and Common Carder Bee. Anthony said, "In the UK we have twenty-five different species of bumblebee. Most gardens have six or seven, so a good proportion can be found just there."



However, both bees and butterflies are under threat in the UK, with two species of bumblebee going extinct in the last hundred years and three-quarters of butterfly species in significant decline.

"This is mainly because of agricultural changes," said Anthony.

"In the past there was more clover in the fields, but now you'll get a crop with just grass without anything in it." Pesticides were another cause, volunteer Alex Effinger explained. "It is only repellent for the first twenty-four hours but after that all the pollinators go back to their usual pollinating behaviour and are no longer repelled. Then they die." In April, the European Union voted to ban the bee-killing pesticide Neonicotinoids from all fields, after huge public outcry. The ban is expected to take effect by the end of this year.

Nevertheless, some bee species are increasing, such as the Tree Bumblebee, which was introduced from mainland Europe nearly twenty years ago.

On Ben Lawers NNR, bee populations remain healthy and are likely to increase with the regeneration of native woodland, beginning in 1990. Helen Cole, Senior Ranger Naturalist for National Trust for Scotland, said, "Most of our restoration is going on within fenced enclosures because

there are grazing rights attached to the hill."

"Some habitats like this are grazing sensitive so if you try to restore woodland you need to exclude grazing."

Ben Lawers is a hugely significant place for botanists as it is renowned for its arctic-alpine flora, many of which are rare and endangered species.

The area is also home to a variety of wildlife including red deer, ptarmigan, black grouse and most recently, sparrowhawk.

For results of the Bioblitz Campaign visit: www.chrispackham.co.uk

Michael Gardiner





Killin and Ardeonaig Trust



Breadalbane Park

We've done it, we have a Green Flag Award for Breadalbane Park. What does this mean? Here's a piece from Keep Scotland Beautiful that explains a bit about it

Parks and open green spaces celebrated by Keep Scotland Beautiful

The Green Flag Award is the international benchmark of a quality park or open green space and is awarded annually to parks that meet strict criteria.

In Scotland, 71 parks have achieved Green Flag Award status. These parks join more than 1,700 across the UK and further afield in New Zealand, Finland and Germany. Green Flag Award winning parks and open green spaces are judged against eight criteria - including whether they are clean and well maintained, if the heritage is promoted and conserved, whether the local community is involved and if there is excellent management of the site.

The list has been significantly boosted this year by the arrival of five park entries which have never received the award before: Fairmilehead Park and Lauriston Castle Park in Edinburgh, Slessor Gardens in Dundee, Victoria Park in Aberdeen and Breadalbane Park in Killin.

Derek Robertson, Chief Executive of Keep Scotland Beautiful, commented: "I would like to congratulate all 71 parks from across Scotland for achieving this prestigious benchmark. The Green Flag Award scheme sets the standard for the management of our outdoor spaces and recognises the hard work of everyone involved. These are exceptional open spaces and the nation benefits hugely from them"

Keep Scotland Beautiful works in partnership with Keep Britain Tidy, Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful and Keep Wales Tidy to provide a benchmark standard for parks and green spaces in the UK and beyond. The majority of the awards made in Scotland are by Local Authority. Breadalbane Park is one of two in Scotland to receive a Community Award. We are going to have a proper Flag Raising Ceremony once we have a flag pole in place, to which we will be inviting the community, along with some officials.

Purchase of News First

We are still waiting to hear back from the Scottish Land Fund which will not be until early August. We have had some questions from them so we know our application is progressing. We are looking for match funding to fund the bits that the SLF won't.

I have heard a rumour that the ladies who swim in the Loch are doing a relay swim of Loch Tay and would like to donate any fundraising they receive to help fund this project. If you would like to sponsor them look out for the article in here with all the details.

Theresa Elliot

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Ron Allner has been both chair of KAT and temporary manager of the Thrift Shop but has now decided to step down from both positions. The KAT Board is keen to express its thanks to Ron for the considerable time and effort he has put into both tasks and wishes him well for the future. Lizzie Stevens has agreed to be acting chair of KAT until a permanent chair comes forward and will share responsibilities with the other directors.

Kim Strachan has taken on the role as our new (temporary) Mill Manager until the end of September. Kim is new to the village and has been volunteering in the Mill. We would like to welcome Kim to this role and we look forward to working with her.

A number of long standing volunteers who have helped in the shop have decided to step down and KAT invites anyone with an interest in supporting this valuable village

service to volunteer to join us. There are a variety of activities and it is always interesting to meet visitors from far and wide. Please call in if you think you could help or ring Kim Strachan on 820628.

> **Keith Mayo** Director

A stalwart volunteer

As a retired member of the KAT Board and a volunteer at the Mill, I should like to pay personal tribute to the immense amount of work put in to both by Ron Allner, who has now resigned from the Board. Ron is well-known in the village for his contribution to many community organisations and projects and most of all for taking on tasks when other volunteers have not been willing to do so. As all voluntary organisations know, it is often difficult to get volunteers and even more difficult to get volunteers who

will dedicate time and energy to working on a project, rather than contributing in name only. Rather than let things slide, Ron has always put in time and effort where other people could not or would not do so and Killin needs more people like him. He will doubtless continue to work for other community organisations but meanwhile has earned himself more free time to spend as he pleases. Many thanks to you, Ron.

Margaret MacIver

Praise from Killin News

The team at Killin News would also like to support these sentiments and express our appreciation of Ron's huge contribution, in the form of all the excellent photos that he allows us to use and in his tireless pictorial coverage of village events for us.

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Loch Tay Fundraising Swim

A group of local regular Loch Tay open water swimmers are planning to do a relay swim of the length of the loch at the beginning of August. Five members of the group (Helen Cole, Theresa Elliot, Ishbel Hayes, Angela Steel and Liz Stevens) are going to set out from Killin and swim in 30 minute rotations until they reach Kenmore, a distance of 14.55 miles (23.42 km), depending on the route taken of course. We all plan to swim the last leg into Kenmore together as a team with our support team.

This swim is a challenge to us but we thought it might be good to try and raise some funds for the KAT Post Office/News First project at the same time. We have an online donation page (or you can donate in the Post Office) Every \pounds counts. If you can offer us support on the day please get in touch as it is going to be a long day for everyone.



Left to right: Angela Steel, Tim Fison, Helen Cole, Theresa Elliot, Liz Stevens, Ishbel Hayes

Donation page at https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/LizStevens4

Callander Chimes

We are a small, enthusiastic group of handbell ringers who get together on a Monday morning to play music and enjoy a cup of tea and a cake.

If you haven't come across handbells before, they have quite a long history: the first tuned sets of handbells were developed in the late 17th Century to allow tower bell ringers to practise change ringing without deafening their

neighbours! They are often used for processions in church, but they can also play all sorts of music from jazz to classical. Our group has recently acquired some of the bigger handbells in the range - 'buckets' is what some people call



them, which will give you an idea of their size. We also have some of the tiny bells, as well as a full two octave set, so we have a wide choice. Our more experienced players can handle up to four of the little bells, and the rest of us generally play two. We have room for more players, so why not come along to one of our sessions? We start again on Monday 3rd September, from 11 am to about 1 pm, in St Andrew's Church Hall, Leny Road. To enjoy playing you need to be able to read music: no need to be an expert, just to be able to see when 'your' notes are coming up.

So please come along and see what it's all about.

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An Evening With Author Alex Nye

A women is a major world.

Alex Dye

On May 16th some lucky members of our local book clubs enjoyed an evening in Killin Library with the author Alex Nye. She lives in Dunblane with her two children, the older of whom came to Killin with her mother and did admit that she likes

to write as well.

The book which Alex came to read from and discuss was her most recent publication for adults, entitled 'For My Sins', a historical fictional novel which took the format of a diary being written by Mary Queen of Scots, whilst imprisoned in later life and looking back over her life. Those of us who had read it found it totally captivating, hugely atmospheric and

historically informative. We all agreed that this book brought history to life.

Alex told us that she did a lot of writing as a child, hiding her first chapters in a box under her bed and resurrecting them years later for use in her books. She is now a very successful full-time author. Her children's books are popular for use within schools and she agreed that

her writing has always been inspired by her lifelong passion for Scottish history. She is also a trained secondary school teacher which has helped her a lot in creating her stories for children.

Alex's first children's novel 'Chill' was

published in 2006 and won the Scottish Children's Book of the Year award in 2007. It's sequel 'Shiver' in 2009 was eagerly awaited by her many young fans. Both of these books were ghost stories set in Sherriffmuir for the 9-12 age group. Her next novel, 'Darker Ends' which came out in 2015 is for slightly older youngsters, age 9-14, and is set in Glencoe. All of these tales encompass characters and events from different periods of Scottish History.

Many of us bought some of these children's book for our grandchildren but might just sneak in a few quick reads before handing them over. After refreshments and lots of chat, we all left feeling honoured and elated to have shared an evening with the very talented and enthusiastic Alex Nye.

Liz Howard

Launch of Citizens Advice Bureau Surgery in Killin

A launch event for the latest CAB Outreach Surgery was held in Killin Library on 5th June. The project is part of the "Access for All" scheme aimed at improving rural access to services. The CAB drop-in sessions in Killin will now be held in two locations in the village every Tuesday, these being McGregor's Market from 10.30am - 12pm and Killin Library from 1pm - 2pm. Officials attending the launch event included Councillor Martin Earl, CAB counsellors Jacqui Gibson and Joanne Baker, and a representative from Rural Housing.

The sessions will offer a range of advice on money matters, benefits, housing, employment and IT support with job searches, universal credit, etc. The library was chosen as an extra CAB drop-in location because of the availability of several computers there. This was seen as a big plus by Joanne and Jacqui, who are keen to help clients develop confidence in using computers and thus enable them to access further information that may be relevant and useful to them. Contact:

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Strathfillan Community Council

Broadband and Telephone

The Community Council held an update meeting with Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband (DSSB) in early June to find out more about the plans for upgrading Strathfillan to fibre optic. DSSB are in the final stages of designing and costing the technical solution and hope to have more information around the end of July. They are still hoping that the upgrade work will begin before the end of 2018, but this is not yet guaranteed. The CC, with support from local councillors, MSPs and MP are lobbying hard for Strathfillan to be properly upgraded sooner rather than

There were further problems with Crianlarich telephone exchange in the middle of June. Once again, we asked for reassurance that the fault has been permanently fixed. We are told it was caused by the failure of the electricity supply to a piece of equipment which has now been replaced.

Community Appearance

Thank you to all those people in Crianlarich and Tyndrum who have got involved with the "adopt a flower tub" scheme this year. The flowers in both villages are looking lovely, and a lot of hard work has gone into keeping them watered during the recent dry weather. This project is jointly funded by the Community Council and Strathfillan Development Trust - but would not be possible without the help from all the volunteers. Thank you!



Lower Station Yard, Crianlarich

The CC and the Trust are jointly funding a pilot project to site a portaloo unit on Lower Station Yard over the summer months. This was at the request of residents living around LSY, to resolve the problem experienced in previous years of visitors relieving themselves in the undergrowth. Sadly, despite numerous signs directing people to the village public toilets these were often ignored. The pilot was reviewed at the July CC meeting, and it was agreed that it is working well for the moment.

The unit is being serviced weekly by the supplier, and also regularly being checked by a member of the CC. The CC are aware there have been comments on social media regarding the portaloo and also other village maintenance issues. The CC would be very happy for members of the community to come along to future meetings and discuss issues which they may have regarding these or other matters.

Community Council elections

In recent months, Mary Anderson and Catriona McKenna have resigned from the CC. The CC would like to thank each of them for their hard work, and pay particular tribute to Mary Anderson who has been a CC member for many, many years. Jenna Henderson was co-opted onto the CC at the July meeting, and has kindly volunteered to take the position of Secretary. The current CC members are: Alan Smailes (Chair), Ian Marrett (Vice-Chair), Isla Craig (Treasurer), Jenna Henderson (Secretary), James Allardice, Falcon Frost, Mark Holt, Alistair McDonald, Sheona MacLennan. This gives a good geographic spread of members from Crianlarich, Tyndrum, Inverarnan and "in-between".

Stirling Council are planning to hold Community Council elections in Autumn 2018. All members of the Community Council will have to stand down at this time (but may be nominated for re-election). Stirling Council will issue nomination forms in due course, and it is hoped that some new faces will put themselves forward for election. If more than 10 nominations are received, a postal

There is no CC meeting in August, the next meeting will be held on Monday 3rd September in Crianlarich Hall at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Strathfillan Community Development Trust

Bike Skills Park

ballot will be held.

The tender for the design phase of the park has been awarded to Craignish Design. The local children are looking forward to getting stuck into the design and are keen to raise funding to move this project along. They will be holding a sponsored cycle at the beginning of August so please support them where you can. You can also donate using our Crowdfunding page. Look at the Strathfillan Community Facebook page for a link.

Cyclepath

It may seem to have gone quiet regarding the Crianlarich to Kirkton stretch of the cyclepath, but we are busy working away in the background with the Countryside Trust to redesign the route to increase its suitability for all users. Lots going on and we'll keep you updated as things progress.

Saplings

This summer's activities are underway with a fantastic Canoeing





by the Way

session led by Matt Brook and Active Stirling to open the season. The den building session and beach trip to Oban are still to come. If you would like to enrol your child on any of the remaining sessions please contact Kelly at the details below, and she can check what might be available.



The tub planting day held in June has seen the villages turn into a riot of colour with a fabulous effort put in by volunteers. The trust will be organising further planters for both Tyndrum and Crianlarich in the autumn so get in touch if you want

to get involved. Details will follow on Facebook and via local posters.



Strathfillan Lunch Club

The lunch club had a lovely day out at the beginning of July when they went to Crafts & Things in Glencoe for morning coffee, followed by a coach tour round Loch Leven and a lovely run down the coast road to North Connel where they had lunch at the Lochnell Arms Hotel. Lunches start again in October - anyone from the area who is over 60 or has disabilities can come along - contact Barbara Riley 400303, Moira Robertson 300296, Deirdre Burton 400226 or Hazel Robson 300326

Contact

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McLaren High School



Doune on the Farm

In May, S2 pupils went on a Science trip to Meldrum Farm in Doune to learn about dairy cow husbandry and milk production. The farmer, Mr Hamilton, and Mrs Brisbane from the Royal Highland Education Trust (RHET) led incredibly interesting and fun tours of the farm. Some thought that the highlight was meeting the adorable new born calves. Our other favourites included finding out facts about how the cows are kept and how much they eat, watching the cows getting milked and seeing the machines in action - especially the rotary dairy. A huge thank you to Mr Hamilton and RHET who planned the trip as well as sponsoring 50% of the transport cost. We would love to be back next year.

Senior Prom 2018

The Senior Prom 2018 was held at Dunblane Hydro on Wednesday 13 June. A great time was had by everyone - it was a fitting end for a great S6 and we wish them all the best for their futures. Thanks to Miss McCormick and the Events Committee for organising the evening.

School Show - Sister Act

This year's school show, Sister Act, took place on the 20, 21 and 22 June. Each night the audience were treated to the hilarious story of Deloris Van Cartier, a disco diva who, when she witnesses a murder, is forced into protective custody in the one place she'll never be found – a convent! When she is asked to participate in the convent's choir she reveals her true self. Sister Act is a tribute to the power of friendship, sisterhood and music.





Backstage

Hazel Lafferty getting some help prior to going onstage in Sister Act

The performances each night sparkled with brilliant singing and dancing and the audience were truly entertained. Well done to everyone involved both on stage and off – brilliant!

Sports Day 2018 Sports Day took place on the last Monday of term in glorious sunshine and a great time was had by everyone. At the end of the day Leny were crowned winners

of Sports 2018 with the trophy being collected by new House Captain Niamh King and her Vice-Captain Lindsay Gallagher. Trophies were also presented to the winners of the Individual Athletics which took place the previous week— winners of each section were as follows:

S2 Girls

1st - Rosalind Turnbull 2nd - Emily Campbell 3rd - Eilidh Fleming;



Sports Day 2018



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S2 Boys 1st - Scott Hopper 2nd - Matthew Morrison 3rd - David Rawson;

S3 Girls 1st - Katherine Fowler 2nd - Harriet Holden 3rd - Kayleigh McAlpine;

S3 Boys

1st - Jamie McNaught 2nd - Euan Wilbert 3rd - Ben Isgrove;

S4 Girls 1st - Lucy More 2nd - Ellen Banks 3rd - Ellie Ridgewell and Kirsty Graham;

S4 Boys 1st - Ollie Holden 2nd - Steven Buchanan 3rd - Harris Milne; **S5/6 Girls** 1st - Holly McNaught 2nd - Eilidh Little;

S5/6 Boys 1st - James Isgrove 2nd - Ben Roebuck 3rd -Duncan Brown

McLaren High School 125th Anniversary

The School Community has been celebrating our 125th Anniversary during the 2017/18 school session. The final event to celebrate this milestone was the burial of a time capsule on Friday 29 June 2018 in glorious sunshine. We were delighted that current and former pupils could participate in this event, along with Bob Johnson and Aileen Green who retired following many years' service to the school. We started with a minute's silence to remember former staff and pupils who are no longer with us. The new flag was then raised by former pupils Robert Vanhegan and Jean Fergusson. The outgoing Pupil Leadership Team placed the Time Capsule in the ground, then former and current staff and pupils took turns filling in the earth.

Prefect Leadership Team 2018/19

Following applications being submitted and interviews being carried out, the new Prefect Leadership Team were announced as follows: Head Boy, Angus Parsons; Head Girl, Natalie Klaes; Depute Head Boy, Cameron McLay; Depute Head Girl, Megan Milligan. Well done all of you!

My Perfect Day

A few weekends ago, overloaded with football and tennis, I decided to go for a drive. I set out with more cameras than you could shake a stick at and trundled along the back road to Auchlyne. What a treat. The good weather has had a really good effect on wildlife this year. There were wild orchids, butterflies, dragonflies, moths, birds and an abundance of wild flowers, all this in a small area. For two hours I was in heaven. I thought "life can't get better than this" but I was wrong. That evening, still buzzing, I wandered along the Dochart at the rear of my house. At

first there was not much happening, then I spotted something going at speed along the other bank behind Kinnell Farm. Thinking to myself "snakes aren't that large in this country", I readied myself opposite an opening on the other bank and wow, it was a family of stoats with mum at the front taking her babies to new territory. A once in a lifetime experience. This is proof that if you sit in front of a screen all you see is pictures. Get out there and let nature come to you. Like music, it's much better live.

Ron Allner



A family of stoats











Above:Top: Harebells
Below: Oyster Catcher

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Top Left: Golden Ringed dragonfly Bottom Left: Ringlet butterfly Right: Red Admiral on foxglove

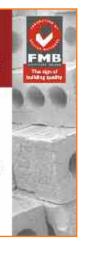
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Anzac Cookies

To celebrate the end of a fantastic Australian topic, the pupils in Class 2 made ANZAC cookies. They were delicious!



Growth Mindset Awards

Class 1 – Liam Mullen, Jaemii Bush, Reyss Frost

Class 2 – Logan Hynd, Alice Taylor, Jay Scott

Class 3 – Leah Glendinning, Looie Johnstone, Lexi Frost

Progress in Literacy

P1 Freddie Mathewson

P2 Archie Finlay

P3 Finlay Kelloe

P4 Niall Tuck

P5 Lily Hill

P6 Andrew Noble

P7 Iona Lafferty

Progress in Numeracy

P1 Fiona Nelson

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High Jump

On Thursday 28th June, we had our High Jump Competition with P6 and P7. All the school came to watch and it was very close. The winner of the competition was Looie Johnstone who managed to jump 1.37 meters. His amazing final jump gave Lochay the points they needed to be the overall House Winners this year. Congratulations to everyone who took part.

P1 2018 Buddies

To help the new intake of Primary 1s settle into primary school life, buddies were chosen to help them. Our responsibilities will include paired reading, organising playground games and taking care of our buddies during lunch. We are really looking forward to being buddies and can't wait to get to know the new P1s.

Maia P5

Photo Below

Sound Start Concert

On the 1st June, P5–7 performed in the Soundstart Concert in the hall. For the past 9 months, we have been lucky enough to get instrument lessons from Mr Packer and Mrs Muir. Parents and grandparents were invited to come and watch us, along with the boys and girls from P1-4. It was a lovely afternoon of music.

Killin Prim

Lauren P6

Potted Sports

We had a great time at the potted sports on Sports Day. We were split into teams by House then had 3 minutes to play each game. We did a football dribble, the Golden Goose jump, hurdles, the Highland Shuttle and many more. My favourite was the football dribble. The afternoon sports were great too. All the boys and girls took part in different races and the mums and dads took part in the egg and spoon. Everyone had a good time.

Photos below

Callum P4







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P7 Leavers Surprise

This year, our P7 ceilidh was cancelled so our teachers at Killin and Crianlarich organised a surprise evening out for us. We fund raised for the event by packing bags at the Co-op. We managed to raise enough for our evening which included photos at McLaren Hall, dinner at the Waverley in Callander and tickets to see Sister Act at McLaren High School. It was amazing and we would like to thank the Co-op, our teachers and bus driver for helping us have a night to remember. Jai P7

Sponsored Walk

This year our sponsored walk took place on the 31st May. We set off from school, heading towards the Acharn Loop. On our walk, we stopped by the Biomass and had a very interesting talk from Chaz Kemp who told us about what happens at the Biomass. We then continued on our walk and had fun games along the way including a scavenger hunt and an A-Z I spy. Luckily, the weather stayed dry for us but the midges were out! So far, our total is £1176. We would like to say a huge thank you to Chaz and the Biomass and everyone who sponsored us to achieve such an amazing total.

Lieke P5

Wonder Door Challenge

McLaren Cluster schools were set a challenge from the Libraries to create a classroom door to represent a book. In Class 3 we had been reading 'Wonder' by RJ Palacio. We really loved the book so decided to choose that for our door. We created art work to show that you shouldn't judge a book by its cover. Kay Riddell came to school to announce that we had won and presented us with a cheque for £100. We bought 2 new sets of class novels with the prize Iona P7 money.

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Crianlarich Summer Fair and Duck Race

We held our summer fair and duck race on Saturday 9th June. This year we held it in the school grounds instead of the community ground opposite the school, which actually was a good job due to the weather. The day started out lovely, warm and dry. Then half way into the event the weather changed dramatically to heavy rain and thunder storm. No problem we thought, we can go inside and draw the raffle and the names of the winners for various activities we had on the stalls. Well, half an hour later and the thunder storm was still raging outside, but a brave few toddled off down to the river to administer the duck race.

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The winners were:

- 1 Eddie Brook
- 2 Kirsten Stewart
- 3 Eva Prizon

We would like to thank all the businesses that helped support our event through the donation of fabulous raffle prizes. There are too many to mention, but every single one of you was advertised on the banners at the event and on giving out of the prizes. Without your annual support we would not have made the amount of money we did, which was £1245.16.

Despite the weather the day was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who helped, the team work of the parent partnership, school staff and parents.

Primary 7

This year we have nine pupils leaving us to go onto McLaren High. The school is going to feel empty without them. The Parent Partnership would like to wish them well on their next journey in life:

Kayleigh MacDonald, Eilidh Maxwell, Carmen Dearden, Jane Stewart, Theo Hynes, Aaron Riley, Will MacLellan, Samarjit Santhosh and James Elliot. It's not only the pupils who are moving on as we are also losing a few members of staff.

Miss Alexandra Eddie our class 1 teacher is off to Dollar Academy. Mrs Lynsey Campbell has been seconded to Newton Primary School, Dunblane to become their principal teacher.

Mrs Irene Ramsey has retired after 32 years as an SLA in Crianlarich Primary School, though I get the feeling she will be visiting regularly. We would like to wish everyone well and hope they enjoy their time in their new school or retirement. Finally we would like to welcome some new teachers to the school: Mr Pete Waugh who will be taking class 2 (P3 – P7) and Mrs Fiona MacLennan who will be in class 1 (P1 – P2) Big changes for the new term.

Theresa Elliot

Parent Partnership Chairperson





the Big Shêd

Rural Wisdom, an initiative to develop rural communities that are olderpeople-friendly, holds its Summer Gathering at the Big Shed on 22nd August. People from across Scotland active in this field will share experiences and plans for the future. If you're interested in attending, contact the organiser Jill Davies - or phone her on 07591 203 720

Clare Stephen returns on 9th September for a one day yoga workshop. The cost is £45 including lunch and for anyone who is already filling in their diary for 2019, Sadhita returns to the Big Shed with a one day workshop on Saturday 23rd February, 2019!

There is still yoga on Friday morning at 10.30 with Emma Burtles. The cost is £6: no need to book.

A very unusual and intriguing concert will take place on Saturday 22nd September, when Minerva Scientifica, whose Patron is Judith Weir, (Master of the Queen's Music) present their Echoes project: "Singing the Science of Scottish Women".

"Echoes from Ben Lawers" features the work of Sarah Watts, an ecologist working at Ben Lawers National

Nature Reserve with the National Trust for Scotland, who is helping to improve the environment for wild growing plants and the work of Dr Audrey Litterick, who is helping improve soil for agriculture. Killin Community Choir and an unusual



group of musician-scientists are making music about this work with composer Frances M Lynch. Meanwhile at Killin Primary school a group of children will be finding out why Beatrix Potter came to their area to study fungi, and how Perthshire Marine Engineer, Victoria Drummond, became a hero during WW2.

They will come together for a professional performance at The Big Shed including works from "Scottish Superwomen of Science" which received 5 star reviews at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2017 and was described by The List as "A

> powerful collaboration between science, music and theatre".

Performers include Margaret Cameron of the BBC Singers and internationally acclaimed singer Frances M Lynch. The performance will be British Sign Language interpreted and has Integrated Audio Description and an accompanying Touch Tour. Visit:

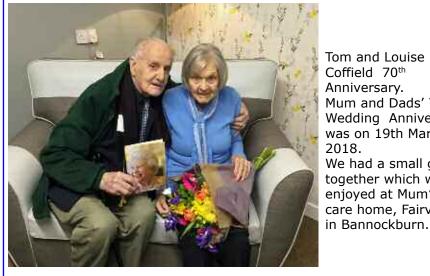
www.minervascientifica.co.uk for more music, science and fascinating stories about the women involved.

The Big Shed is at Tombreck on the north side of Loch

Tay, about 3 miles from the Ben Lawers hill road. Access is signposted from the main road and there is parking.

http://www.bigshed.org.uk/wordpress www.facebook.com/theBigShedTombreck tel 07508645453

70th Wedding Anniversary



Tom and Louise Coffield 70th Anniversary. Mum and Dads' 70th Wedding Anniversary was on 19th March 2018. We had a small get together which we all enjoyed at Mum's care home, Fairview

Louise Coffield, 25.06.1926 - 22.06.2018

Sadly, a short time later Louise passed away peacefully at Fairview Nursing Home.

There was a large turnout at Crianlarich Kirk on 29.06.2018 for her funeral.

A retiral collection of £200.00 was made which has been donated to Alzheimer's Scotland and to the charity air ambulance.

She will be sadly missed by her husband Tom and Family.

Jane Fraser



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Killin Breadalbane Angling Club

The anglers pictured below competed for the reunion Quaich at Orchill Fishery on 3rd June this year.

The Edinburgh Club was instituted as a fly fishing angling club in 1883, just two years after the Killin Club was formed in 1881. The founders of the EBAC were Donald Fisher and the three Stewart brothers Archibald, John and Donald, who were all originally from Ardeonaig, hence the Breadalbane name.

The initial competition between the two clubs was held on Loch Tay in 1891

and subsequent meetings took place annually until the events of the great war in 1914. It was not until 1988, thanks to Charlie Connell, Secretary of the EBAC at that time, that the clubs were reunited and the aptly named reunion Quaich has been competed for annually on Loch Tay and the Lake of Menteith ever since.

As the trout fishing on Loch Tay has been deteriorating recently, it was decided to hold this years' outing at Orchill Fishery, with the Killin Club retaining the Quaich.

Douglas Allan Outings Convenor

Dementia Support Services An Appeal for volunteers

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22/08/18	Capercaillie	Craignavie Road *
29/08/18	McLaren Hall Car Park	Glen Lochay (car share) *
05/09/18	McLaren Hall Car Park	Balquidder new route (car share)
12/09/18 Home or	Capercaillie	River Dochart/Old Railway *
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KILLIN Musis Festival

Killin came alive with music on the 15th, 16th and 17th June as the Killin Music Festival attracted over 1,500 people to the village. This year's line-up featured phenomenal artists including Blazin' Fiddles and Niteworks on the Friday, Peatbog Faeries, MecLir and Hò-Rò on the Saturday and a seated concert with Phil Cunningham & Aly Bain on the Sunday.

Comments from the great men were "Great to be back" - Aly Bain and "Have been looking forward to this for 15 years!" - Phil Cunningham

Not only was there music to be enjoyed by all ages, but also an array of fringe events on offer. On Saturday there was a Highland Hustle Workout, a Ukelele Workshop and a Craft Fair which was held in the church, with a

range of wares from both local and visiting crafters, along with delicious tea and cake from the Guild as well as music provided by local young talent.

Sunday featured the McLaren High School Pipe Band parading down the Main Street, a community coffee morning with the local Community Choir, Killin Primary School Choir accompanied by 'fiddlers' Seonag Hay and Siobhan Anderson, with more lovely cakes provided by the Cancer Research Committee. Festival-goers could also enjoy the Open Stage competition featuring several emerging artists from the local area and beyond. Katie Allan and Abigail Pryde were crowned as the winners, securing a spot on the 2019 line-up. Portnellan kindly sponsored the marguee this year, which was free entry for all throughout the weekend to enjoy The Camans, The Mocking Dogs and the Coaltown Daisies.

The committee would like to say a huge thank you to all our sponsors, volunteers, artists and of course everyone who came and enjoyed the festival.

Award winning band, Elephant Sessions, were announced for next year's festival which will take place from the 14th-16th June 2019. Earlybird tickets are on sale now from www.killinmusicfestival.com. There will also be a limited number of tickets and merchandise available at the Killin Show on 18th of August where the festival will be showcasing live music from the band Headland.

Comments from locals and visitors included:

"Wonderful weekend. Enjoyed the community participation"
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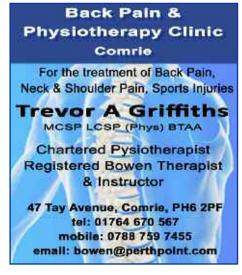
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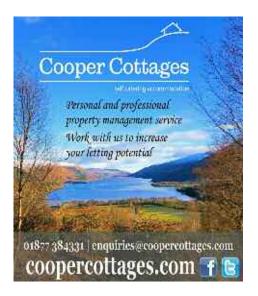














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Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme

We are delighted to be able to announce that the car scheme has been awarded Charity Status by OSCR, the Office of the Charity Register, and a bank account opened, which means that we are now working towards preparing to start taking passengers. The organisation is registered as a two tier Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO), which means that it is made up of a board of trustees and members. Membership is free and open to everybody. A very successful, well attended meeting of trustees, drivers,

members and escorts took place on 12th July, at which Don Fraser explained the work that has been done so far to get the scheme off the ground and that registration of drivers has now begun. We were delighted to see so much interest and support from our community and hope that as we develop, others will come forward to join us as members and supporters.

The intention is to charge users of the car scheme 20p per mile and subsidise the drivers so that they receive 45p per mile, to cover the cost of petrol plus wear and tear of their vehicles. The extra money will come from grants, fundraising and donations. The Co-op have kindly agreed to put a collection bucket on the check-out and we have received some donations already, for which we are very grateful.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Car Scheme, or are thinking about joining us as a volunteer driver, escort or member, please contact Don Fraser on 01567 820690 or email dfraser3610@gmail.com

Killin Surgery Patient Participation Group

We held a meeting on 4th July. Dr. Mill was hoping to speak to us about new NHS contracts for GPs but was called away so this is now scheduled for our next meeting. The defibrillator is now maintained by Trossachs Mountain Rescue but a small local group will liaise and access funds to pay for new batteries when required. We were very pleased with the update on hospital transport and how well this is going forward. It

is now a separate group but keeping a strong liaison with the PPG

We would welcome new members. We have five or six meetings per year but it is a valuable link between local residents and both the surgery and other NHS services.

Our next meeting is at the surgery on 19th September at 11-45.



Cancer Research Ladies Lunch

The annual Ladies Lunch in aid of Cancer Research UK will this year take place on Saturday 22nd September.

Tickets will shortly be on sale from the committee members.





The Empty Lands

Today here is the first light shower of rain, much needed by many, breaking the unusually long spell of lovely sunshine. Everywhere is green with rapid growth due to the heat on ground wet from the earlier storms. Hay has been made in fields in this area which have only produced silage for many years. It is to be hoped that many insect and weather-reliant hill birds such as grouse have done well. One of our resident pheasants has still got three youngsters out of her original six. Our new pre-formed house martin nests have proved a great success, unfortunately not for the martins but for wasps. Every one has sported a large wasp nest beautifully built in a surprisingly short time but a disappointment to all except a young jackdaw, who has had a good time sitting on the chimney pot picking the wasps off. There are definitely far fewer martins and swallows around. Maybe the weather was not as good in Africa this past winter or on the iourney over here. It is such a huge iourney and how do they manage it? And we still don't really understand the magnetic information that tells them the way. No satnay for your wee birds, they are so much smarter than us in some ways. Some larger birds and bats are now being fitted with lightweight electronic tags as backpacks, leg bands or hats which will monitor their activity. Certain sudden changes in behaviour can forecast imminent earthquakes. Bees are being trained in Croatia to hone in on the smell of explosives

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It is good to see that wildlife and technology can work together for good. Unlike many areas where there is just conflict between man's business and the environment. We are just back from Sutherland where huge tracts of land, much of it previously flow country or heather hill, have been lost due to poor forethought in land management by forestry companies. Apparently afforestation on the continent is much better managed so that commercial forests blend in more naturally with the landscape and there are no resulting 'bomb sites' of clear fell. Instead there are mixed woodlands of native species of varying ages.

Logging operations in Aberdeenshire are threatening one of the last strongholds of our endangered wildcat. 170,000 people have signed a petition to halt this but will they be successful? Gamekeepers have requested that Ms. Sturgeon meet with them to learn the truth about mountain hare management but have not yet achieved this.

Maybe the correct footwear is being sourced?

The far North is certainly suffering from the bad forestry practice of previous years as well as from the downturn of hill sheep farming. Fewer and fewer estates and farms are keeping sheep on a commercial basis and the hills are empty. The heather and moorland which remain are silently but rapidly being overtaken by swathes of bracken and gorse. Could it be time to give employment to redundant shepherds by controlling the spread of these? Years ago this was work often done by itinerant workers or 'tinks' as they painstakingly cut down these invaders. The lands seem empty now so would it not help to regain some of the land for many species to inhabit again? Or will we soon have tracts of inaccessible land and no longer hear the cry of the curlew? Are we being ostriches and putting our heads in the sand?

Hopefully not like the fox who put his head into a watering can – and got stuck! What a picture that conjures up.

Are You Looking For Funding?

If you work with a community or voluntary organisation, social enterprise or charity and you are looking for funding to deliver projects within your community here is your chance to meet potential funders face to face to discuss your project and what sort of funding might be available.

Stirling Council and Stirlingshire Voluntary Enterprise (SVE) will be holding a funding fair in Bridge of Allan Parish Church Halls on Tuesday 2 October. You can drop in and meet a variety of funders between 3 pm and 6.30 pm. Funders include the Big Lottery, Foundation Scotland, Robertson Trust, Corra Foundation, Climate Challenge Fund and many more.

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Scratch

1st - Gordon Aitken (Killin) and Caroline Henderson (Aberfeldy) 77 2nd - Allan McHenery and Liz Stevens (Killin) 84 BIH

3rd - Ken and Rhona Milligan (West Lothian) 84

Best Killin (Bill Mitchell Salver): Allan McHenery and Liz Stevens 66 Best Overall (McRobert Thistle Cup): Brian Stock (Crieff) and Jean Faichney (Killin) 64.5

Best Overall Scratch (Glen Ogle Trophy): Gordon Aitken (Killin) and Caroline Henderson (Aberfeldy) 77

Nearest Pin

Ladies (14th) – nobody Gents (11th) – Gary Dryerre (Auchterarder)

In 3 (9th & 19th) – Sheena Chisholm (Killin) and Donny Nicolson (Helensburgh)

Longest Drive

Ladies (16th) – Liz Maiden (Ormskirk) Gents (9th) – Gary Dryerre (Auchterarder)



Jean Faichney and Silvia Knecht



Gordon Aitken

Ladies Greensomes Open:

Saturday 2 June

Scratch:

1st: Laura Aitken and Sheila Aitken (Killin) 79

(Killin) 79
2nd : Caroline Henderson and Susie

MacDougall (Aberfeldy) 81

Handicap

1st: Jean Faichney and Silvia Knecht (Killin) 62.6 BIH

2nd: Jan Thomson and Frances Kerr

(Turnhouse) 62.6

3rd: Lesleyanne Tufft and Lesley

Millar(Kenmore) 63.6

Killin Cup (Best overall Handicap) : Jean Faichney and Silvia Knecht (Killin) 62.6

Bridge of Lochay Salver (Best Local Handicap): Jean Faichney and Silvia Knecht 62.6

Dochart Trophy (Best overall Scratch): Laura Aitken and Sheila Aitken (Killin) 79

Nearest the Pin in 2 : Lesleyanne Tufft and Lesley Millar (Kenmore) Longest Drive Silver : Caroline

Henderson (Aberfeldy)

Longest Drive Bronze : Margaret

Lowe (Kingsfield)

Magic Twos

Lesleyanne Tufft and Lesley Millar (Kenmore), Suzanne Graham and Jolan Audsley (Pumpherston), Kay Dowling and Susie McRobbie (Killin)



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Letters

SCAA Fifth Anniversary -Launch of 'Give Us Five' Campaign

This month, Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (SCAA) marks its fifth anniversary - a significant milestone made possible by the generosity and support of the people of Scotland, many of them your readers. Your support has enabled Scotland's only charity-funded helicopter air ambulance to respond to nearly 1,800 emergency call-outs in every corner of the country since it launched in 2013. As we mark five years of saving and improving lives, we are launching a fund-raising campaign, 'Give Us Five' to enable purchase of a second helicopter which will improve services throughout Scotland. Please consider supporting us by: climbing five Munros, swimming,

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volunteering five hours to help,

but we need your help today. To find out more about the Give Us Five campaign, visit scaa.org.uk/support-us/GiveUsFive Thank you, on behalf of SCAA and the many hundreds of people we will help in the future.

David Craig

Chief Executive Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (SCAA) The Control Tower Perth Airport Scone Perthshire PH2 6PL

Macphersons

As Macphersons we are very proud of our Scottish roots which we have traced back to Killin. We are seeking any information on the descendants of our great- great grandfather, Daniel Macpherson, who was born in Killin in 1807 and died in Edinburgh in 1861. We don't have his birth certificate so have no information about his parents or any other descendants. We have been to the charming village of Killin but haven't been able to access the Parish records for clues.

What we do know about Daniel is

that he moved to Canongate, Edinburgh as a young man and married Elizabeth Ferguson in 1832. He was a printer. They had six children between 1833-1847. These were; Daniel Jolly, James, Elizabeth Kerr, John, Christina and Sarah. His son Daniel emigrated to Melbourne late 1854 and then in 1868 to Auckland, New Zealand. He was eventually joined by his sister Christina. We have no knowledge of the descendants of the other three siblings. I am a direct descendant of Daniel Jolly Macpherson and live in Victoria BC, Canada. Other

Australia.

Any potential leads in putting our family tree together is greatly appreciated. Please contact Stuart either by email or at the address below.

Stuart James Macpherson

832 Royal Wood Place, Victoria BC V8Y3C2 Canada e-mail: stuartmac@telus.net

Mystery slate engraving

Here are some photos of an engraved slate mounted high on the side of Sron a Clachan. It appears to be a poem to "E" and is about lost love. I think it was put there in the 1950's but don't have any information about who put it there or for whom it was

If anyone can solve the mystery or has any ideas, please get in touch via Killin News

Davy Fettes





Thank You

I would like to thank the people of the village who kindly help me with lifts up the brae. I do appreciate it all, it seems to get steeper every time.

Also, thank you both Sheila and Ron for shopping when you are in Stirling. What would Killin do without you both? You help so many and are loved by all.

A big thank you to Susan and the nurses for all their care which I have had for years after a garden accident.

> **Jessie** 9 Fingal Road

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Obituary

Margaret McNeill Campbell 08.10.54 - 27.03.18

Margaret was born on 8th October 1954, in Machany, Killin and was the third daughter of Colin and Eliza (Ginge) Campbell. She grew up in Machany, along with her older sisters, Fiona and Katrina, and she attended Killin Primary School and then McLaren High School, in Callander. After leaving school, Margaret went to work at the GA in Perth, she then spent some time working in Glasgow and London

causes, the most recent cause being the removal of the Killin bus service, even firing off letters to numerous MP's from her hospital bed. Her favourite saying was "I feel a letter coming on!"

Margaret was very much family orientated and made numerous trips to visit family in Australia, Japan and America. She was always there to give advice and support when needed, especially to her niece, nephews and their children and her loss is deeply felt within the family.

Growing up in her beloved Killin, she was a very popular girl, making many lifelong friends. This was no more evident than when she was sadly diagnosed terminally ill last year. Her friends Morag, Jenny and Kay were always there providing support and care to her and her family. With their help and support this allowed Margaret her final wish to come home to Machany. Margaret sadly lost her battle with cancer in March of this year after a brave fight. The family wishes to thank all her friends and the doctors, nurses and

paramedics from the Killin Practice and the nurses and carers from Strathcarron Hospice and Stirling District for all the support and care they provided to her and her family. Donations to Strathcarron Hospice totalled £860.

Catriona and Colin Inglis



before finally settling in Edinburgh where she spent many years working in the private sector and latterly for Edinburgh City Council.

She was a very active member of the local community both in Edinburgh and Killin. Always one of the first to volunteer if something was needing done or to help various charities and





Killin SWI

It does seem rather early to be reminding everyone that the autumn activities are just around the corner. The SWI (formerly "the rural") meets on the 1st Thursday of the month from October until April inclusive and usually in Lesser McLaren Hall at 7.30p.m.

The first meeting this year will take place on Thursday October 4th when former local girl, Heather Stewart Koe, will be giving a talk on Marine Biology. This meeting will break the rules of SWI as we would like to invite everyone, men included, to hear this very interesting and uplifting view of what goes on below our shores.

Ann Watson Secretary



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Wednesday 8th 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: 21/2 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.

Friday 10th August: An introduction to real navigation

Don't rely on your GPS or phone, get to grips with the basics of how to use



a map and compass in the hills. The route will involve rough ground and moderate gradients so requires a reasonable level of fitness.

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. Meet: 10.30am Ben Lawers NNR car

Tuesday 14th August: A kids-eye view of Ben Lawers

park. Booking is essential.

Join our hands-on exploration and leave no stone unturned on the way to becoming a nature know-it-all. Duration: 2 hours

Cost: adults £2, children £5, family £12.50. Adults must be accompanied by a child (and vice versa). Bring: Wellies and waterproofs. Meet: 10.30 am Ben Lawers NNR car

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Wednesday 22nd August: Flora and fauna of the hillside If you are a hill walker who would

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Tuesday 28th August: A kids-eye view of Ben Lawers

Join our hands-on exploration and leave no stone unturned on the way to becoming a nature know-it-all.

Duration: 2 hours

Cost: adults £2, children £5, family £12.50. Adults must be accompanied by a child (and vice versa).

Bring: Wellies and waterproofs. Meet: 10.30 am Ben Lawers NNR car park. Numbers are limited, so booking is advisable.

For further information telephone 01567 820988 or email benlawers@nts.org.uk or book online at http://www.nts.org.uk/BenLawers

Friday 31st August: Practical **Navigation**

Intended as a sequel to "An introduction to real navigation" or a refresher for those who already have some knowledge of using a map and compass to find their way in the hills, this walk will focus on the practical application of navigation skills to hillwalking. The route will involve rough ground and moderate gradients and requires a good level of fitness.

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.

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

Ben Lawers NNR talks programme 2018

Illustrated talks by National Trust for Scotland conservation staff, held in the meetings room, at the Ben Lawers Ranger Base, Lynedoch, Main Street, Killin

Admission £1. Refreshments will be available after the talk.

Wednesday 8th August; A ditch in time - maintaining Scotland's mountain paths

Simon Westaway from the Trust's Mountain Path Team explains their vital work.

Wednesday 22nd August; Photographing mountain plants

David Mardon illustrates the challenges of snapping plants in their natural habitats.





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Musings from the Manse

The Melody of Life

The Killin Music festival of 2018 has been and gone. By all accounts it was another wonderful success. Well done to everyone involved in making it happen. At Killin Church on the Sunday of that weekend we were blessed with the presence and contribution of the Celtic singer, Kim Carnie, and it was a memorable experience. She is a very talented young lassie with many strings to her bow (pardon the pun). She graduated with a First Class honours degree in Law but works with the BBC as a Children's TV presenter. She has a very successful music career too and is heard on the song track for the trailer of the Film 'Black Mirror'. She apparently took Celtic Connections 2018 by storm this year. She has been described as having a "velvet voice" and as a singer who "breathes light and beauty into every note". High praise indeed, but for once the hype matches the reality. Kim sang three songs for us that morning, ably assisted by guitarist Innes White. Now Kim is a wonderful and unique singer but isn't that last description wonderful too? Is that a metaphor we can all use and live in? Can you imagine the difference that could be made to our lives and indeed our world at large if, every day, we so resolved to live that we "breathed light and beauty into every note of life!" Wow! What a thought! What a challenge! Take some time now just to say that phrase out loud a few times and let that metaphor paint a picture of potential and possibility for your own life.

This evocative metaphor reminds me of the Old Testament texts on Creation where it is the ruach Elohim, the "breath of God", which



animates all living things. Not only does the great opening chapter of the book of Genesis have a cadence and rhythm to it, (so much so, you could almost imagine it being sung) but also many parts of the Psalms and indeed other texts from the so called Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament are almost "choral" in expressing blessing, gratitude, joy, and praise at the wonder and beauty of life. In the ministry of Jesus we witness something similar. Using the metaphor of music, we can say that in the person and work of Jesus we are introduced once more to the Song of Creation. In a world full of discordant notes and chords, a beautiful melody was heard and responded to. Those who followed him tried to learn that tune so that they too could participate in this experience. As music is a gift to be shared, so too is life, love, goodness, grace, hope and faith. Wherever Jesus went there seemed to be laughter and joy - certainly there was always food and drink anyway - much to the annoyance of the Puritan kill-joys of the religious establishment. The Gospels inform us that Jesus was accused by his opponents of being a glutton and a drunkard! A hint of jealousy no doubt that the peasant preacher from Galilee was so popular and effective. Expanding the musical metaphor, we can safely say that the enemies of Jesus viewed him as a "Pied Piper" figure who was leading the people astray. However, for those people who were the poor and forgotten, the oppressed and the downtrodden, ostracised and outcast, the "melody" of Jesus was a heavenly sound that offered peace for today and hope for tomorrow. The message of Jesus is "Good News" hence, of course the term "Gospel," which means just that. In our contemporary world of

discordant political, religious and social ideologies, and colourful and divisive political figures, the person and message of Jesus is a light shining in a very dark place. It is an inspiring and uplifting melody, a song that needs to be sung, a story that needs to be told and a mission that needs to be lived out and embodied. So folks, today and every day, with God's help, let's try and "breathe light and beauty into every note" of life. There is a song we sing in Church that has a Jewish style melody which progressively quickens as the song progresses and which makes you want to dance (Jewish style of course!). The song begins with the words "Jesus put this song into our hearts." He certainly has: and he certainly will, if you let him.

Russel Moffat

Book Sale

There will be a Book Sale on Saturday 15th September, 2.30pm - 5.30 pm at St Fillan's Episcopal Church, Killin. Tea and Cakes will be provided.

Scouts Christmas Fayre

Christmas fayre returning 1/12/18. Bigger & better, save the date, come along and do your Christmas Shopping, whilst enjoying tea, coffee and cake.

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Fiona Boath

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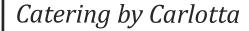
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Celebrations



Antonia Dowling graduating from Queen Margaret University with a First Class Honours degree in Public Relations and Media.
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Kay Dowling



The Wedding of Nicola Christie and Davie Burton took place at Broomhall Castle, Menstrie on Saturday 14th July. The Ceremony was attended by forty five family and friends joined by a further ninety guests in the evening. A fantastic time was had by everyone.





Celebrations

Congratulations to Kiera Marshall, youngest granddaughter of Scotty and Irene Wilson of Killin, who graduated with a BA (Hons.) in Art and Philosophy at Dundee University in June.





Marrage of Jinny Dowling and Andrew Anderson 25th May at Kinnell Farm. We would like to thank everyone who made our day so special.

Annie MacNee Retirement. Left to right Ian Hendry, Clovis Hendry, Annie MacNee, Bett Grieve and Kyreen Neilson.





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The 13th Bob Macgregor Memorial Motorcycle Trials were held in Killin again this year. There were 15 sections between the Breaclaich Dam and the Falls of Dochart, and each was covered four times over two days. Saturday was particularly challenging due to the rain storms making the course very slippery. The 160 entrants came from as far afield as Shetland and the South of

England. There were also 15 competitors from Northern Ireland, all competing in four categories according to their abilities. The Falls of Dochart section was very technical and challenging and watched by many spectators. Karen Lafferty, trials secretary, thanked the committee and officials for all their hard work in making this wonderful event possible. The prizes were

presented by Maureen Macgregor, daughter of Bob Macgregor, who travelled from Switzerland especially for the occasion. Bob remains the only Scotsman to have won the Scottish Six Day Trial to this day -he actually won it twice.

All monies raised will be donated to local charities.

Ron Allner



"Is that how it's done?"



"Aye and you can have a shower in the process"

Roadside Litter

Following on from the letter about roadside litter in our last issue, we were pleased to see that the National Park has joined the campaign to tackle roadside litter.

Visitors to Scotland's first National Park are being urged to 'give their litter a lift' as part of a national

worst in a decade, with 82% of

campaign to tackle roadside litter. Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park has teamed up with Keep Scotland Beautiful to support their roadside litter campaign by using messages on bins and lampposts at key visitor sites. Litter levels in Scotland are at their



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For more information about the Keep Scotland Beautiful Roadside Litter Campaign go to:

www.keepscotlandbeautiful.org/ roadside-litter-campaign/





2nd Killin & District Scout Group Stirling & Trossachs.

Beavers

Beavers are aged 6-8 and will be meeting every other Tuesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 6-7pm. Returning Tuesday 28th August. Beavers have had another fun term and our colony continues to grow with 18 Beavers now! We've been really enjoying the nice weather we've had of late and have spent a number of evenings outside. We got creative making faces on trees using clay and natural things we could find to decorate them! We spent another night working on our teamwork skills playing games and undertaking challenges in our 3 different lodges. For our last night before summer we pitched small



tents in the park before enjoying melted marshmallows prepared by the Cubs. We are very much looking forward to our Sleepover in September in Aberfeldy. Beavers has now reached full capacity for the number of children to adult leaders so we have had to start a waiting list. If you would like your child added to the waiting list please send us an e-mail. They can be added from 3 months prior to their 6th birthday.

Laura Bathgate
Beaver Leader
07708 216065
killinbeavers@yahoo.com

Cubs

Cubs are aged 8-10½ and will be meeting every other Tuesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 6-7.30pm. **Returning Tuesday 21**st **August**.

As is expected at this time of year we have been outside as much as possible giving us some real adventures and experiences. The Cubs and Scouts were invited to go

and do canoeing one evening at the University of Edinburgh's Firbush Point Outdoor Centre. Numbers were high so we split the groups into two and also went orienteering whilst the others were canoeing. Two of our new cubs were also invested in a unique way whilst standing in a canoe! Certainly an evening to remember. Everyone fully enjoyed themselves and would like to thank the instructors for taking the time to give everyone a great experience. I hope this is something we can do again.

We finished the term with a joint meeting with the Beavers and had a go at lighting campfires and cooking outside. Like all things cooking, timings are important and unfortunately we did not have enough time to cook anything substantial. I am sure we will try again next term!

Stephen Rawlinson Cub Leader 07742 886918 the2ndkillincubs@outlook.com

Scouts

Scouts are aged $10\frac{1}{2}$ -14 and meet every Wednesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 7-9pm.

Returning Wednesday 22nd Sept.

The Scouts had a fantastic summer term. We spent an evening out on our bikes making the most of the tracks around Killlin. The Scouts greatly enjoyed their joint meeting with the Cubs at Firbush canoeing and orienteering. We also went for a walk up Sron a'Chlachain seeing what plants we could identify. Finally, we spent an evening putting our bell tents up. This allowed us to practice our tent pitching skills and to ensure the



tents were ready for our summer camp. Once the Killin News comes out we will be on our summer camp at Meggernie in Glen Lyon.

> Harriet Wishart Scout Leader 07581 151442

2ndkillinscouts@gmail.com

Explorers

Explorers are aged 14-18 and meet on the last Wednesday of each month in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 7-9pm. **Returning** Wednesday 29th Sept.

The Explorers had missed a few meetings so made up for it by having three meetings in three weeks. They joined the Scouts on their activities, but each was made more challenging for the Explorers. They went orienteering at Firbush by themselves, on a long route and made it back only 5 minutes late. The Explorers also came walking and discussed different emergency scenarios and how to deal with them on the hill. They also pitched tents at the end of term but were



not given any poles, instead having to lash staves together to make their own. This was surprisingly successful and their tent was standing at the end of the night to invest two Explorers into the unit. The Explorers are also looking forward to their summer camp where they will be joining a group of 30 Explorers from Braintree in Essex for a week's long activity camp.

Harriet Wishart Explorer Leader 07581 151442 2ndkillinscouts@gmail.com





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Proposal: Erection of single storey

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Location: Ila Lyon Road Killin Applicant: Miss Angela Steel Application Type: Householder

Planning Permission Decision: Current

Mon 28 May

Proposal: Erection of conservatory Location: Leirsinn Mhor Main Street

Killin

Applicant: Mr Paul Paxton

Application Type: Detailed Planning

Permission Decision: Current

Mon 28 May

Proposal: Internal alterations, replacement velux window, and replacement conservatory Location: Leirsinn Mhor Main Street

Villin

Applicant: Mr Paul Paxton
Application Type: Listed Building

Consent

Decision: Current

Mon 28 May

Proposal: Internal alterations, installation of door within existing window opening, replacement of existing velux and replacement of existing conservatory with sunroom Location: Invertay House Main Street

Killin

Applicant: Mr Paul Paxton Application Type: Listed Building

Consent Decision: Withdrawn

Mon 28 May

Proposal: Demolition of conservatory

and erection of sunroom

Location: Invertay House Main Street

Killin

Applicant: Mr Paul Paxton Application Type: Householder

Planning Permission Decision: Withdrawn

Mon 11 Jun

Proposal: Engineering works to existing car park to provide additional

car parking spaces

Location: Falls Of Dochart Inn

Clachaig Killin

Applicant: Ross Anderson

Application Type: Detailed Planning

Permission
Decision: Current

Wed 20 Jun

Proposal: Construction of 200m of

new forest road

Location: Forest East Of Benmore

Farm Crianlarich

Applicant: Mr Andy Malcolm Application Type: Prior Notification

Decision: Current

Perth & Kinross Council Fri 11 May

Proposal: Álterations and extension to dwellinghouse and formation of hardstanding, raised decking and

associated works

Location: Grey Timbers Fearnan Applicant: Mr And Mrs Ross And

Hilary Barbour

Application Type: planning

permission local

Decision: Approve the application

Thu 05 Jul

Proposal: Renewal of permission 15/01179/FLL (Erection of a replacement dwellinghouse and garage (change of house type) Location: Ciaran Cottage Boreland

Farm Fearnan

Applicant: Mr Billy McIntyre Application Type: planning

permission local

Decision: Awaiting decision

Stirling Council

Mon 14 May

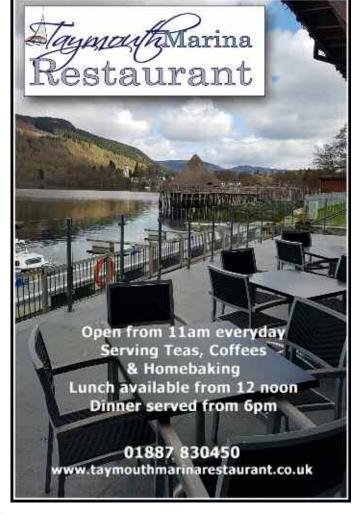
Proposal: Reinstatement of jetty and

erection of fishing hut

Location: Harbour Lights Killin Applicant: Loch Tay Fishing Club

Application Type: Full Decision: Approve

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Callander and West Perthshire U3A



Our U3A year has officially ended and the occasion was marked with a splendid evening at Gartmore Village Hall when 90 members enjoyed a BBQ and Barn Dance. Stomachs and feet being catered for, our brains were also at work attempting a picture quiz which was won by Peter and Lynne Rickard. Many thanks are due to the organising subcommittee who worked so hard beforehand and who were rewarded by many messages of thanks and appreciation from those who attended. Members as far afield as Killin were able to come, thanks to the bus which collected people from many villages on the route and returned them at the end of the evening.

We begin a new session in September and for members and potential new members in the Killin area there will be a

U3A ENROLMENT MEETING AT KILLIN HOTEL ON TUESDAY 21 AUGUST FROM 2.00-4.00pm

Returning members will not be required to fill in a registration form but a new form will be available for those wishing to join for the first time. Everyone can sign up for our interest groups at this meeting. We look forward to welcoming you.

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Regular Activities

Monday

- Gentle Yoga, 10.30-12.00, Old Mill
- Juniors P7 Badminton, 6-7pm, McLaren Hall
- Adult Badminton, 7-10pm, McLaren Hall
- Junior Badminton, 6pm, Crianlarich Hall
- Bridge, 7-9pm, Killin Hotel, contact Marion 829027
- Indoor Bowls, 7.30pm, Lesser Hall

Tuesday

- Killin Craft Group, 10am-12pm, Community Rooms, restarts 4th October
- Internet Cafe, drop in between 11am-1pm, Killin Library
- Junior Badminton, 6-7pm, McLaren Hall
- Adult Badminton, 7-10pm, McLaren Hall
- Beavers, 6-7pm, Lesser Hall
- Cubs, 6-7.30pm, Lesser Hall (every other Tuesday)
- Choir, 7.30pm, Church, contact Franny 829048
- Netball, 7.15pm, Killin Sports & Leisure Club
- Tuesday Club, 2-4pm, Community Rooms
- U3A Art, 2pm, Killin Hotel
- CAB drop-in session, 10:30-12:00, MacGregor's Market, 1:00-2:00, Killin Library

Wednesday

- Strength & Balance, 1.30-2.30, Killin Hotel
- Quilters, 2pm, Community Rooms
- Highland Hustle, 6.30-7.15pm, McLaren Hall
- Metafit, 7.30pm, McLaren Hall
- Scouts, 7-9pm, Lesser Hall
- Explorers, 7-9pm (last Wed of month), Lesser Hall
- Painting & Crafting, 2-5pm (1st week of month), St Fillans Church
- U3A French, 2.30-4pm, Killin Hotel

Thursday

- Tiddlers & Toddlers, 10am-12pm, Sports Pavilion
- Women's Guild, 2pm (3rd week of month), Falls of Dochart Retirement Home
- Running Club, 6pm, Acharn Forest carpark

Friday

- U3A Bridge, 2pm, Killin Hotel
- Yoga, 10.30-12.00, The Big Shed

Sunday

 Killin Gun Club, 3rd Sun of month March-December. Contact Stuart Ogston 07999 510014 Henry Paterson 01567 820354 KGC-ClayPigeon@outlook.com

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Mobile Libraries

Tyndrum/Crianlarich Fortnightly Fridays

August 10, 24, September 7, 21

Crianlarich

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

Tyndrum

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

Glen Lochay/Ardeonaig Fortnightly Mondays

August 20, September 3, 17 October 1

Glen Lochay 11.15-12.30 Ardeonaig 2.00-2.45

Perth and Kinross Fortnightly Tuesdays

August 21, September 4, 18 October 2nd

Tombreck 16.40-17.00 Lawers 17.15-17.30

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Callander

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Aberfeldy
Tuesday and Thursday
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Saturday and Sunday
10am-5pm

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

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