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Editorial

Life is all about change – sometimes better, sometimes worse and sometimes one leads to the other. Autumn is here - a natural and expected change - but often unexpected changes can alter village life. Before nine eleven in 2001, Killin was a favourite destination for American visitors but now an American accent is relatively rare in the village. Killin was once a desirable place to retire to but, when doctors stopped being on call and the main hospital moved further away, it became less attractive to older people. The retirement age was changed so those who had planned to retire at 60 or 65 now need to work for years longer. These last changes mean there are fewer people in their sixties with time to help in the many voluntary organisations in the village. However, another change is working in Killin's favour as, thanks to the internet, it is now possible to work from home and consequently more younger people are moving into the village and Killin youngsters may not necessarily have to leave. This has meant new ideas, energy and enthusiasm are available as younger folk join existing organisations and create new ones. We all know that wonderful things can be and have been achieved by volunteers - look at the Music Festival, the work of the Cancer Research Committee and the many races and walks which now take place in and around Killin in aid of charities. We also have new groups forming all the time - the Fireworks Group (p3) and the new hospital car service (KDVCS p3). It is great to have younger residents involved and, who knows, maybe we'll even get new members for the Community Council. We stress that none of this means we don't still need the "oldies" because we most certainly do.

The upcoming events to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of World War 1 are a reminder of how things have changed in a century. When we complain about things nowadays, we can remind ourselves and be thankful that we live now and not then.

We also need to announce another change. Despite cost of living increases, our advertising rates have remained the same for over 20 years. We have now revised the rates slightly to reflect increased costs but, as they are still very reasonable compared with some other local papers, we hope our advertisers will understand and stay with us. The new rates will apply from 2019 and are shown on p16.

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Front Cover Killin War Memorial with flag flying for Merchant Navy Day Photo Ron Allner



Killin and District Volunteer

Car Scheme

We are pleased to be able to report that the Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme is up and running. We have already taken a number of passengers to appointments and have more lined up for the weeks ahead. The car scheme offers a safe, reliable, friendly and affordable, door to door voluntary car service to residents of Killin and the surrounding areas, from Tyndrum in the north to Strathyre in the south, who find it difficult to use public transport to access NHS and other services which support and maintain their wellbeing.

Anyone wanting to use the scheme can contact us on the number below and will be charged 20p a mile, for journeys.

All of our drivers have been PVG (Protecting Vulnerable Groups) checked and we will be encouraging them to take part in a variety of training and awareness opportunities. We will be inviting those who use the scheme or are interested in supporting us to become members, to help us show that there is community support for the car scheme.

The journey from Killin to the Forth Valley Royal Hospital, Larbert is 92 miles return, so the approximate charge to Killin residents would be ± 18.40 , depending on pick up points. For people living in Tyndrum the mileage would be 118 miles for a return journey, which would be a cost of ± 23.60 . The one thing we need is

drivers from all the villages, as almost all our current volunteers live in Killin and there will be additional costs for 'dead miles' for some people. Please, if you live in the other villages and are prepared to give up some time to volunteer, contact Don Fraser on 01567820690. However the trustees are working hard towards reducing these costs and can offer those people currently on a low income further reductions.

We will be having a formal launch on Saturday 27th October in the Killin Hotel, between 12noon and 2.00pm. A buffet lunch will be provided and everyone is welcome to attend. This will be a time to meet with the trustees, drivers and supporters of the scheme and find out more about how it works.

If you need transport please call 07988280743

Killin's Hogmanay Fireworks Display

Since our last article Jinny and I have been busy organising the display. At a well attended meeting it was decided that Breadalbane Park was to be the venue on a trial basis. Everyone wants the display to be a success this year and whilst it is understood that there are residents who would rather it be at the Falls, we hope that everyone will support the event.

This brought the meeting on to the question of raising funds. The sum of £5,000 has to be raised by the end of November or unfortunately, there will be no display. Jinny and I have opened a bank account into which all donations will be paid. Donations can be made in a number of ways either by supporting events, change in a collection box or direct to the bank account, details of which are:-

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Payment reference - Will donors please give their names so that we will know who has contributed. Others may wish to remain anonymous. If you prefer to pay by cheque please make it payable to 'Killin Hogmanay Fireworks' and hand it to Jinny at the Courie Inn or to me. It is hoped that sponsoring businesses will be listed in the next edition of the Killin News. There will, as always, be no charge on the night though volunteers will be shaking buckets for donations to the display for the following year. Last Saturday Colin McNair of Midnight Storm, who will be presenting the display, carried out a site visit to the park. He expressed the view that because of the open nature of the park he would be able to put on a better show than he could at the Falls. Ron Allner has organised the publishing of this year's Killin Calendar. It is a great calendar and is now on sale around the village with all profits going towards the firework display. Our sincere thanks to Ron. Special thanks also to Ken Chew for his appeal to local businesses and to John Morris for help

with H & S assessments. Jinny, together with Mike and Lynn at the Courie Inn have organised a sponsored cycle ride from Killin to Callander on the 15th September. Again, all funds raised will go towards the cost of the display. We hope all those who took part enjoyed themselves and slept well afterwards! We have a number of volunteers for the event, but we could do with more. If you like the thought of looking after your fellow residents, rattling a bucket, directing traffic and staying sober on the night please get in touch with me or Jinny. On the positive side you won't wake up on New Year's Day with a headache!! It is your fireworks display so please

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Breadalbane Park

We have received the Green Flag Award and will be hosting a flag raising ceremony hopefully prior to the Killin News being published. As the only community award within Stirling Council we are hoping that the ceremony will be attended by representatives of Stirling Council, as well as community members, the school and nursery. At the time of writing this we are still in the early stages of planning this event and do not have a definite date.

Play Area Upgrade

This is progressing, although slowly. We have a detailed planning application in (before we only had outline planning for the play area) for which we hope to know the outcome shortly. We have started looking for funding so that we can start on the Early Years area first. Completing this, along with new fencing around it, will mean that this area is safely enclosed before starting on the next phase, (the existing fence around the play area needs to be removed before any work starts).

The play area upgrade is being done in phases so that we can grow the park over a number of years, instead of trying to source all of the money in one go which could result in never being able to develop the park.

News First

We were successful with our application to the Scottish Land Fund. While this grant is gratefully received and will help our project immensely, we do not have all the money required to complete the project.



What it will allow us to do at this stage is to buy the building and enable us to carry out repairs that have been identified by a property survey. It will not allow us to buy the goodwill of the business or its fixtures and fittings. We will be applying for other grants for this as well as raising money by crowdfunding. Our crowdfunding page will go live in early October and can be found on https://crowdfunder.co.uk/mo re-than-a-post-office

As we have the money required to buy the building we have started proceedings, in agreement with Dougie and Liz, to enable this to happen. If all goes to plan we hope the Post Office will be operating out of News First by late January 2019. We will ensure that newspapers will continue to be sold (and delivered) throughout this transition, but this may happen from MacGregor's for a short period of time.

Fundraising by Loch Tay Open Water Swimmers

KAT would like to thank the Loch Tay Open Water Swimmers for their kind donation. So far, £1,185.01 has been raised by their relay team swimming the length of Loch Tay and rowing their support boat.This money will be used to help fund the News First Project where we have a shortfall in funding.

Thank You to the Community

We would like to thank the community for their continued support of this project and hope you will continue to support us through our crowdfunder, by donating and by sharing the page with people.

The Old Mill

The Old Mill is continuing to tick over at present. We have been closed a lot of the time over the summer period due to the small number of volunteers we have. To continue to operate, the Mill needs more volunteers. If we can't open, we are not bringing in the income required to keep going.

Internet Café

The Internet Café has been run successfully by Stirling Council on Tuesdays 11am to 1pm in Killin Library and is free. There is a volunteer who takes the sessions and can answer most questions relating to IT and digital technology. If you need some help go along and see if Paul can help you.

> Theresa Elliot Project Manager 01567 820628 07789 265 823

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Killin Golf Club Gents Open 4th August 2018

Scratch : The Davies Trophy

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 Greg McLellan (Stirling) 67
 John D Cowan (Taymouth Castle) 70

Handicap : The Melia Quaich

Sean Dunstaffnage (Glencruitten)
 BIH

- 2. Richard Downie (Polmont) 63
- 3. Jim Ronald (Killin) 64 BIH

The Wee Claret Jug: (Best Local Overall):

Jim Ronald

Longest Drive

Category 1 (9th only) : Gavin Dott (Kenmore) Category 2 (7th only) : Anthony Johnstone (Killin)

Nearest the Pin

Category 1 (8th & 17th) : Jim Ronald (Killin) Category 2 (5th & 14th) : David Watt (St Fillans) All in 2 (6th only) : Greg McLellan (Stirling)

Magic 2's

Joe Gordon (Dumbarton), James Gordon (Cameron House), John Lauder (Cardross), John Elliot (Langholm), Martin Tait (Glencruitten), Aiden McCuish (Glencruitten), Jim Burton (Balbirnie Park), Sean Dunstaffnage (Glencruitten), Mons Bolin (Killin), Blair Paterson (Muckhart) x 2, Michael Dawson (Tillicoultry), Graham Herd (St Fillans), Dickie Lewis (Killin), Jim Ronald (Killin), Kenny Campbell (Prestonfield) CSS : 65



Anthony Johnstone presenting Jim Ronald with the Wee Claret Jug





Strathfillan





Strathfillan Community Development Trust

Bike Skills Park

After lots of hard work, and lots and lots of support from local people, we have raised the funding for the design of the Strathfillan Community Bike Skills Park - hoorav! This is really exciting news, and the Trust would like to issue a massive thank you to everyone who has supported the project, and donated through our Crowdfunder page. We have commissioned Craignish Design, who will be working with Paul Masson from Cycle Therapy - who has designed many bike tracks and trails, including the internationally famous Laggan Wolf Tracks. We hope to have the project kicking off properly in October. We want to make sure the Park represents what the local community is looking for, so our designers will be working with the local school-aged children, and there will be the opportunity for local businesses and residents to have input too. If you would like to find out more, or would like to get involved, then please contact Kelly at the details below.

Saplings (see photo)

We have had a fabulous 2018 Saplings, with sessions including canoeing, orienteering, deer stalking, den building, bush craft and beachcombing. All the children had a fantastic time – with some of our sessions being fully booked. We aim to host equally great sessions next year – and we're even investigating





an Easter session. Sessions book up pretty quickly, so if you are from the Strathfillan area and your children will be between 8 and 12 next year, then please book promptly once the activities are announced. A massive thank you to all the session leaders who provided such fantastic activities; and a really big thank you to Catriona MacLennan who assisted throughout the summer. See you all next year!

Tyndrum to Crianlarich cycle path

The wheels are still creaking away for the next stage of the cycle path which will finally link the two villages. We are working with the Loch Lomond and Trossachs Countryside Trust, and investigating purchasing Ewich Woodland between the road and the river. This will enable us to route the path more easily, and keep it safely away from main road. We are in discussions with the landowner, who is interested in selling to the community, and the Scottish Land Fund, who could grant us the money to purchase the woodland. This is a very exciting prospect, however we need your



support. We will be issuing petitions locally and through social media shortly. So if you would like to see the next phase of the cycle path completed, please keep your eye out and sign – thank you!

Lower Station Yard

Following the reasonably successful pilot of the portaloo in Lower Station Yard in Crianlarich, we are looking into providing more permanent improvements. We are in the very early stages of the project; drawing up outline plans and in discussions with potential funders. We will, of course, be consulting the community about our plans, however, if you have any suggestions for improvements that could be made, please let the Trust know.

Contact

If you want to contact Strathfillan Community Development Trust for any reason, please do. Our office in Crianlarich Village Hall is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9.30am to 3pm, or you can email, strathfillancdt@btconnect.com and phone 01838 300249.



Strathfillan CC Crianlarich Water

Following the recent spate of water main bursts in Crianlarich, the CC is working hard to get Scottish Water to commit to upgrading the pipe on Station Road as a matter of priority. There have now been 6 bursts in 10 months, each of them leaving the village without water for many hours. The CC is acutely aware how difficult this is for all households, and for food and accommodation businesses in terms of lost business and cancelled bookings. Stephen Kerr MP, Bruce Crawford MSP, Dean Lockhart MSP and local Councillors are all making representations on our behalf and we will continue to push this strongly. The latest news we have is that Scottish Water are "looking at including an upgrade in the plans for next year" but all those named above are pushing for something sooner, and more definite.

Broadband

The latest update we have from Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband (DSSB) is that the solution being explored over the summer (bringing a cable up via the A82) still came in "way above the normal value for money parameters for the DSSB programme". DSSB have now asked planners to look at another possible solution. Meanwhile the CC are working with Stirling Council to explore other interim solutions to improving the broadband speed to Crianlarich and Tyndrum exchanges, and have also asked Openreach if it would be possible to increase the ADSL (broadband) speed while we are waiting for a fibre solution to be implemented.

Health

Residents in Inverarnan are experiencing problems accessing outof-hours healthcare (other than a 999 ambulance). This is because their postcode is not recognised as being part of either NHS Forth Valley or NHS Clyde. They are of course part of NHSFV. The CC will be writing to NHSFV to try and get this resolved as a matter of urgency.

Stirling Council Deep Clean

Stirling Council will be carrying out their annual "deep clean" days within Crianlarich and Tyndrum over the winter months. They have asked for suggestions for areas to be included in this. Suggestions so far include: around the bus stop in Tyndrum, the ground and drain around the telephone box in Crianlarich, grass cutting and tidying on Glenfalloch Road. Any other suggestions should be brought to the October CC meeting, and will then be passed to Stirling Council. Lower Station Yard, Crianlarich It was agreed that the portaloo should remain on site until the end of October, and will then be removed for the winter. The CC



believes the pilot has been very successful, however funding will be required in order to repeat it next year. Discussions are ongoing with LLTNP about the legality of camping on Lower Station Yard, however there have only been isolated instances of this during the summer.

Community Council Elections

Stirling Council has confirmed that all Community Councils will be fully reelected in October. Nomination papers will be available from Stirling Council from 1st October, and must be returned by 4pm on Friday 19th October. All existing Community Councillors must stand down, but may be nominated for re-election. Strathfillan must have between 6 and 8 Community Councillors. If more than 8 nominations are received, then Stirling Council will organise a postal ballot during November. If you are interested in making a difference to your community PLEASE consider standing for election. The last meeting of the existing CC will be held on Monday 1st October at

7.30pm in Crianlarich Hall.



The Green Welly Stop, Tyndrum, Perthshire, FK20 8RY, t:01838 400271 www.thegreenwellystop.co.uk



The annual duck race held on September 1st was a popular event as usual, with a large number of ducks being launched from the bridge and later rescued by the "lifeduck?" boat.

The grand sum of almost £800 was raised and will go towards the

Primary 7 residential trip to Dalguise, as well as towards computer equipment for the school. The race winners were:

1st Maia Colquhoun2nd Rik and Sengha from Lix Toll3rd Paul Godzik

The prize for the best named duck

went to Lisa Higginson for her duck named "Dunkin". Rik and Sengha very kindly donated their prize winnings of £30 to the primary school.

Yvonne Gillies

Top photo - Duck Launch Bottom photo - Rescue Launch

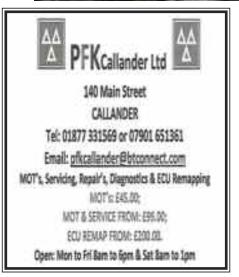






These ducks appear to be still dry! All ducks and spectators seem to have had a fun day and a quacking time.

Same time, same place next year?





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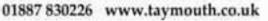
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New P1s

A huge welcome to our new P1s who have settled in quickly to school life.

Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch

Class 1 have been reading 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' by Rhonda and David Armitage. It's about a man who takes care of the lighthouse every day. His wife packs his lunch but every day the seagulls try to get his lunch so they try to think up ways to stop them from eating his sandwich. I have really enjoyed the book because it is funny. I would give this book 10 out of 10. **Fiona P2**



Duck Race

On Saturday 1st September, the Killin Primary Parent Partnership held the annual Duck Race. Despite the rain, lots of parents, pupils and friends came down to support us. In 1st place was Maia Colquhoun, in 2nd place was Rik Sengha and 3rd place was Paul Godzik. Ross Derrick won the 'Guess the Sweets' and Lisa Higginson won the 'Best Named Duck.' The children at KPS would like to say a huge thank you to the KPP and to everyone who bought a duck. The total raised was almost £800. **Logan P5**



Trossachs Dioramas

Class 3's topic this term is 'Living in the Trossachs'. We have been busy reading maps, carrying out research and enjoying visits from local experts who told us about the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park. We made 3D dioramas to show the different landscapes around us. **Cayden P6**



ary School





Red Squirrel Awareness

Linda, from Loch Lomond and Trossachs Park, came to school to tell us all about red squirrels. We learned where they are found and how, if we don't look after their habitats, they can be in danger. She showed us some models and gave us a squirrel feeder with a sensor camera. We are looking forward to seeing which type of wildlife come to visit it. We also made giant squirrels collages which you can see in our windows.

Amazing Squirrel Facts :-

- There are over 200 types of squirrel in the world.
- A squirrel's front teeth never stop growing.
- Squirrels belong to the rodent family.
- The largest member of the rodent family is the capybara. Caitlin and Jodi P6

Scots Sang

This term we are very lucky to have Amy Lord visit us from 'Scots Sang'. Every week we learn songs, with actions, in the Scots language. On the 1st October we will be performing our songs in Stirling along with Crianlarich Primary School. We are really enjoying learning the new words and songs. My favourite song is called Hielan' Man because it's really catchy and it's about the countryside and I think everyone's favourite word is GUNDY. Do you know what it means? Toffee, of course! **Archie P4** Class 3 are also looking forward to performing at the Big Shed with the Killin Community Choir and Kenmore

Primary School on the 22nd September. We have been visited by Frances Lynch who has composed songs which celebrate Scottish Women in Science. The songs we have been learning are 'Sea of Life' and 'The March of the Women of Science'. It is good fun during warm-ups as we create funny sounds of nature. We hope to see you at our performance on the 22nd. Details are on the Primary School Notice Board.





Wonderful Woodlands

Our class are learning about Woodlands. We made some beautiful pictures with different leaf templates. We are learning about what animals live in Scottish woodlands such as red squirrels, red deer, lots of mini beasts and birds of prey. We have been identifying different types of trees and have been doing experiments to learn how plants grow. We are really enjoying this topic so far. **Alice P4**



Counting Outdoors

Class 1 went to Breadalbane Park to count out different objects up to 30. We had to remember to line up our objects, point to them when we were counting and group them into tens. **Katie P2**

Crianlarich P1s



Killin Floral Association Sunflower Competition 2018

In June 27 children signed up to participate in the Floral Associations Sunflower Competition. The good weather this Summer provided the perfect growing conditions with many of the children's sunflowers growing to over 7ft in height and the open flowers have been spectacular.

Tallest Sunflower:

Rhys Tant Andrew McHendry Caitlin Chisholm Scarlett Johnstone Stacey Riddell

Largest Flower:

Jai Johnstone Sean Lewis Rhys Tant Andrew McHendry Morgan Murphy





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Mind and Body

Over the years Killin News has had many interesting articles and adverts about mind and body, so on this page, for this issue, we are featuring those adverts relevant to our health. These range from beauty treatments, complimentary therapies, counselling and organic remedies, to massage, chiropractice, kinesiology and physiotherapy. In addition to all of these, Killin has some great clubs where you can get

your physical exercise going, such as Metafit, Highland Hustle, running, walking and cycling groups, plus others. You could also use the tennis court, golf course, go fishing, etc, etc. To keep your mind active there are three book clubs, computer classes, U3A groups, choir, and the Drama Club. (See our What's On section for other club details) Any of the above may be a source of

help when you are feeling mentally





exhausted or have physical pain. Don't forget the local NHS teams as sources of help as well though! Susan Fraser, who had the idea for this page, is keen to hear from those advertisers who may be able to let our readers have some practical advice on how to be the best you can be. Then perhaps we could include, in future issues, a short summary of advice received from each of them.

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Men and women are invited to the meeting on 4th October at 7.30pm in Lesser McLaren Hall, when Heather Stewart Koe will be the guest speaker. Entry is £3.50 for visitors and tea will be provided. Below is a copy of the 2018/2019 syllabus. We would like to welcome new and former members to ioin us. 4 Oct 2018 - Marine Biologist Heather Stewart Koe Comp.: 1. Fish Pate 2. Sea Shell 17 Oct 2018 at 7.30pm Group meeting Lesser McLaren hall at 7.30pm 1 Nov 2018 - Cider Making - Paul Linee, visit to Ardeonaig Comp.: 1. Apple Cake 2. Drinking Vessel 6 Dec 2018 - Members Evening - Party Night. Comp.: 1. A Christmas Card 2. Your favourite Christmas Tree Decoration 5 Jan 2019 - Birthday Party (95 years Killin SWI) 12noon for 12.30pm at Courie Inn, Theme 1920's 7 Feb 2019 - Dogs Trust - Emma-Louise Livingstone Comp.: 1 Dog Coat 2. Dog Ornament Attention this will be an afternoon meeting! (start at 2.00 PM) 7 March 2019 - Up-cycling - Cath MacGregor Comp.: 1. Something New from Something Old 2. Limerick Upcycling 4 April 2019 - Wiltshire Foods Comp.: 1. Small Flask Tomato Soup 2. Pretty Handkerchief



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Walk in the Park

Date	Meeting at 10.20am	All Routes: Walk from 20min – 1hour
03/10/18	McLaren Hall Car Park 10.30 for 11am start	Community Sponsored Walk * Breadalbane Park
10/10/18	Capercaillie	Kinnell Circuit
Saturday 13/10/18	Woollen Mill Car Park, Aberfoyle Please book with Cathy	Aberfoyle Walking Festival * Health Walk 3pm - Free High Tea in Forth Inn -£10 Light Up the Forest -£5
17/10/18	McLaren Hall Car Park	Kenmore *
24/10/18	McLaren Hall Car Park	Moirlanich Longhouse *
31/10/18	McLaren Hall car park	Balquidder (Strathyre Rd)
07/11/18	Capercaillie	Craignavie Road *
14/11/18	McLaren Hall Car Park	Golf Club Walk
21/11/18	Capercaillie	River Dochart / Old Railway *
28/11/18	McLaren Hall Car Park	Mhor84 *

* denotes dementia-friendly walks

No need to book, just turn up | social time after the walk in a café For more information contact: Walk in the Park Project Coordinator Cathy Scott: cathy.scott@lochlomond-trossachs.org tel. 07852 334272

Moving to Killin from the hustle and bustle of Edinburgh nearly two years ago, I joined our Walk in the Park group with the hope of discovering the surrounding area and meeting local residents. The following year I volunteered for the role of a Walk Leader, inevitably as I'm one of the 'young blood' and naturally prone to walking at a brisk pace!

After undergoing a safety training and CPR course at Balloch, I qualified to lead walks in and around Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park. Some of the duties of a Walk Leader include researching and planning routes for walks, identifying potential hazards/risks, and ensuring every new walker is made welcome. Most importantly, we are passionate about our roles and want to share that enthusiasm with others. Walking is one of the best medicines we can give

ourselves. From preventing dementia to increasing productivity, reducing stress and regulating blood pressure - the benefits of this simple activity are far reaching. For me, the biggest reward of being a volunteer Walk

Leader is simply chatting with fellow walkers. Meeting people from all walks of life (quite literally) and hearing their stories is always fascinating. I'm often inspired by their tales of experience and adventure, and come away learning something new every time.

Killin might be a quiet place compared to the city, but life is no less busy. Despite this, I always make sure I have a free morning on Wednesdays to walk with the group.

Michael Gardiner



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Killin Floral Association Floral Competition Results 2018

We are pleased to announce the results of the annual floral competitions for this summer, judged by artist and gardener Eve Fudge. The village has looked especially colourful this year, helped along by the wonderful hot weather we have enjoyed. Well done to all of those who contributed to making the village look so good.

Domestic Section Hanging Baskets

1st Duncan and Rosie MacDonald
12 Ballechroisk
2nd Mairi Hunter 6 Dochart Road
3rd Ron and Sheila Allner
Loch View, Lyon Road
Commended C and J Colyer
2B Ballechroisk

Tubs and Containers

1st Ann Smith Muileann Sabh, Myrtle Grove
2nd Fiona and David Elston 4B Ballechroisk
3rd Mairi Hunter 6 Dochart Road
Commended C and J Colyer
2B Ballechroisk

Window Boxes

1st Roger and Diana Twigg
Craigdarroch, Main Street
2nd Mairi Hunter 6 Dochart Road
3rd Ellen and John Stewart
Dreadnought Place, Main Street
Commended Eileen Grant
Greenbank, Main Street

Overall Planting and Display

1st Fiona and David Elston
4B Ballechroisk
2nd Mairi Hunter 6 Dochart Road
3rd C and J Colyer 2B Ballechroisk
Commended Richard and Ann
Steven, Bruach Bheag, Manse Road

Most Interesting and Varied Garden

1st Mairi Hunter 6 Dochart Road
2nd Niall and Sandra Laurence
Croftmhor, Pier Road
3rd Ellen and John Stewart
Dreadnought Place, Main Street
Commended Eileen McCarron 9
Ballechroisk

Commercial Section

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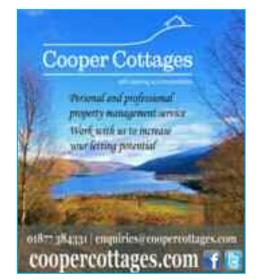
We would also like to thank the Co-op for allowing us to put our collecting bucket into the shop. This raised enough money for us to be able to buy most of the plants we need for next summer. We very much appreciate their support.





Community Garden Ballechroisk

4B Ballechroisk Fiona and David Elston







2018 Killin 5k, 10k and fun run

On Saturday 25 August the annual 10k took place. This event, now in its 8th year, started off as just a 10k, but now includes a 5k run and a 1k fun run as well. The weather was perfect: dry and not too warm!



10k start



A fun run for all ages



Thirsty work!



Yippee, finished !





The various winners



Mighty Hike

On Saturday 1 September over 2000 people took part in the MacMillan Mighty Hike. They walked from Callander to Braedalbane Park, Killin.

All proceeds in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support.



Lorraine Malcolm and Tracy McDougal



David Riddell and Gregor MacKenzie





Hare-ey problems

There has been much in the press lately regarding the demise or not of the mountain hare. He is the chap who changes to a white coat in the winter and back to brownish grev in the spring and summer. The centre for Ecology and Hydrology, along with RSPB, claim that white or mountain hare populations have decreased by 5% annually between 1954 and 1999 but has increased to an annual 30% decline since then because keepers are culling hares in an attempt to reduce ticks and louping-ill virus. This led to some conservation bodies wanting to stop hare culls. The new CEO of SNH, recently appointed Francesca Osowska, says that there is a lot of information on mountain hare populations and, taken as a whole, there is no overall threat to the species.

So often these days we hear ideas and arguments which claim to be scientific but are often lacking in any real scientific basis. Let's face it, they can't all be right. But often organisations appear to go with what their subscribers want to hear. A much greater threat has come to the fore in the form of disease, rabbit haemorrhagic disease. In 2016, a Dr. Bells discovered this in a population that she was studying in East Anglia. This is a disease which originated in the domestic rabbit trade in Europe and has been surreptitiously introduced in other countries aiming to control rabbit numbers, on the lines of myxi. The good news, if you can call it that, is that the animal dies dramatically quickly, unlike the horrible drawn out death of myxi. The bad news is that it can spread to hare populations. With the effect that the disease also has on reproduction, the prognosis for hares, with their vastly fewer annual offspring than rabbits,



looks poor. This could affect both mountain and brown hares in this country and the other 45 species worldwide.

I don't think that it is known whether the following problem is a danger or not to hares but it has definitely been found to be one to dogs. At this time of the year, season of mists and mellow fruitfulness and all that, there is a lot of fallen fruits around. The stones and pips of apples, plums etc. contain cyanide. Since a dog's digestion is capable of breaking down these stones and pips, if eaten there is a risk of cyanide poisoning. So collect up those fallen plums and apples and



don't throw the cores out of the car window please.

Causing just as much risk to some species is the granting of permission to plant 25,000 acres of new trees. The Scottish government has ambitions to plant 10,000 hectares every year till 2021 and 15,000 each year after. If you are a dinosaur like me and can only visualize area in acres you will still realise that this is a heck of a lot of ground to cover- and what ground will it be? This £26m per annum project will "plant the right



trees in the right places." Let's hope that most of the right trees will not be introduced conifers. This would be bad news for declining black grouse which are heralded as forest birds. Work in England has proved that they need good open moorland habitats in which to thrive and spread. There are now viable populations in the Yorkshire Dales, due to translocation, but they are unlikely to spread into Scotland as the huge Kielder Forest is a barrier. The RSPB do not approve of translocation. Some farmers would say that it's a pity it did not apply to the sea eagle!

Farmers are not always listened to. The upsurge in badger populations is thought to be responsible not only for TB problems but ecological ones, such as the dramatic decline in lapwing, curlew and oyster catcher numbers. Although this has not been proven, the fact that dead calves as well as lambs have been found in badger sets seems to point towards brock taking every opportunity available and a nice couple of eggs for breakfast would probably be on his menu. A more scientific approach has been

made by the Scottish 'Heads up for Harriers' campaign. Twenty one estates are taking part in the project where cameras are installed at known harrier nesting sites to monitor success. 37 chicks were fledged at the 11 nests covered. Mr Fox was only responsible for 'nil points' at one nest. **Tim Frost**

SWT Pitlochry

On Monday 15th October in the Tryst Hall Pitlochry at 7.30pm Bradley Fairclough from Jacobs will talk about 'Wildlife and environmental issues in dualling the A9'

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Obituary

Monica Naismith

1921 - 2018

Monica was born on the 25th September 1921 in the village of Harlow in Essex where she grew up. During the war she was an instructor on guns in the ATS.

After the war she married Bill Naismith

and had one daughter, Heather. For several years she did secretarial jobs until finally realizing her ambition to be a primary school teacher after a 2 year course at a college for mature students. In 1978 Monica and Bill moved to live in Killin from Hertfordshire to spend an enjoyable

retirement. After

moving to Killin, Monica took up china painting. She was also a member of the Women's Rural, the Tuesday Club and belonged to the National Trust for Scotland, taking turns of duty at Moirlanich. She did keep fit and computer courses and attended many of the social events in the village. In



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her spare time she enjoyed walking, particularly when she had a dog, swimming and especially working in her garden.

As she reached 90 she became increasingly incapacitated with

Alzheimer's disease. In 2013 she moved into a care home in Welwyn Garden City near Heather and her family where she liked to be busy, helping whenever she could. She died in hospital on 11th July this year. Monica leaves daughter

Heather and son-in-law Robert, 2 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

The family would like to extend thanks to the many friends, neighbours, medical and care staff and everyone in the village who helped Monica as the disease progressed.

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 1st December 12noon – 3pm in the Mclaren Hall Killin.

Come along, enjoy tea, coffee and cake, do your Christmas shopping at a wide and varied range of stalls: Aromofairy, Goode photography, Linda's knitted hats, Highland Linnet, Sula, Hedgecrafted, Ellies Challenge fund, Queen Bee's Knits, Glengarry's Kitchen, Kelpie Natural. Offering many handcrafted and unique gifts.

New this year, gifts crafted by Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. Kids Corner.

NFU's Rural Crime Reporting Line

Launched by the National Farmers' Union in partnership with the charity Crimestoppers, farmers, rural businesses and the public can ring **0800 783 0137** or visit www.ruralcrimereportingline.uk to anonymously give information about crime relating to:

- large-scale, industrial fly-tipping
- hare coursing
- machinery theft
- livestock theft

Rural crime is a serious issue for farmers, rural businesses and those who live in the countryside, and it can have significant impacts on a farm or another rural business.



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- many implants do they place a year!
 Can you visit the practice for a free consultation to see what they have on affect
- 10) Have they been nationally recognised within the denital profession#

This is not an exhausted list and there may be after priorities that as individuall you with to consider, but hopefully it will act as a guide towards helping you make the right decision.





Tesco Bags of Help

Killin & District Sports & Leisure Club is bidding to bag a massive cash boost from the Tesco Bags of Help initiative.

Tesco teamed up with Groundwork to launch its community funding scheme, which sees grants of £4,000, £2,000 and £1,000 raised from carrier bag sales in Tesco stores awarded to local community projects. Greenspace Scotland is working with Groundwork to provide support to communities in Scotland.

Three groups in every Tesco region have been shortlisted to receive the cash award and shoppers are being invited to head along to Tesco stores to vote for who they think should take away the top grant.

Killin & District Sports & Leisure Club is one of the groups on the shortlist.

The club is looking at replacing the current AstroTurf surface. This would present a significant improvement to the club's facilities and allow the overall facility to be better used by the local school, nursery and the wider community.

Ultimately the aim of the club is to provide a facility for the whole community to use for a range of sports. Given our new partnership with Active Stirling we believe that an ongoing programme of events could then be offered to children and young people.

Voting is open in the **Callander and Dunblane Tesco** stores from **1st September to 31st October 2018**. Customers will cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out in store each time they shop. To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

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Sports and Leisure Club

Community Sport Hub

Community Sport Hubs are a 2014 Commonwealth Games legacy initiative and one of sportscotland's key programmes which have the aim of bringing together clubs and partners who want to grow and develop the sport and physical activity offering in the community. Being hosted by KDSLC in partnership with Active Stirling and Stirling Council, the hub has started strongly through engaging with local sport sections and Killin Primary School to identify priorities in conjunction with the initiative's guiding principles of: Increasing Participation, Understanding Community Need, Supporting Community Leadership, Offering a Range of Sports, and Ensuring all the Right People are Working Together. With 192 hubs of all shapes and sizes operating across the country, Killin is the first to be established in Stirling, aspiring to support people to participate in whatever way they desire in the heart of their community. The hub has identified and reached out to numerous groups across the area over the summer and looks forward to engaging with the community in support of the creation of a hub plan over the coming months.

The AstroTurf pitch replacement project is one of several priorities that have been developed as part of the new Community Sport Hub initiative in the area. This project would cost in the region of £43,000, so we need as much support from the local community as possible. The club has already started to make great strides, submitting various grant applications and carrying out local fundraising events, such as the Sponsored walk and Summer Sports week.

As an interim measure, to try and improve the current AstroTurf surface, the club have arranged for a specialist company to carry out a deep tine which will essentially help to de-compact the surface and make it safe to use. This work is due to commence w/b 3rd September, so please pop along after this to try it out.

If you would like to learn more about the Community Sport Hub programme please visit: : https://sportscotland.org.uk/clubs/co mmunity-sport-hubs/

Or if you are interested in being involved please contact KDSLC at info@kdslc.uk or the CSH Officer Christopher McKenna at: : mckennac@stirling.gov.uk

Sponsored Walk

On 10^{th} August a group of members, and non-members, took part in a sponsored walk around the Acharn track, raising the fantastic amount of £170 towards our AstroTurf pitch replacement project. Well done to all those who took part.

Sport Activity Week

Killin Sports Club's Summer Sports Week was organised in partnership with Active Stirling and delivered one week of sporting activities including Netball, Hockey, Football, Tennis, Basketball and a mixture of fun games. This was the first time Killin has organised a summer sports week and it was a great success with 12 children taking part on average each day. The week took place on the club AstroTurf and although it was a good week, with all the children having fun, it emphasised the need for new facilities as certain areas had to be off limits to avoid injury. If the AstroTurf does get replaced it will allow the club to organise a lot more activity in the future and benefit the community in Killin and surrounding areas. The club are currently planning events and sports sessions like the Summer Sports Week for the future and are working hard to provide high quality sporting provision to everyone in the village. **Christopher McKenna**





The Killin Music Festival Church of Scotland

Community Rooms at 7.30pm on Tuesday 16th of October. All are welcome and we encourage people to come and give us some feedback on this year's festival and what you would like to see in the future. If anyone is interested in joining the committee we are always looking for new faces.

Killin Show

Thanks to everyone who came along and visited the Killin Music Festival tent at the Killin Agricultural Show. We had a great day with face painting, a birthday board and a fun game which saw folk with tights on their heads! There were three performances throughout the day by Glasgow band Headland, with a mix of tunes and songs. You can find them on Facebook for more upcoming gigs.

Skipinnish

The boys will be back in town on the 30th of December. Tickets are on sale now for the concert and can be purchased via the links on the Killin Music Festival website and facebook page, or through the Skipinnish website. The event has sold out the past two years so make sure you get your tickets guick!





Community Council Elections

Community Council Elections are now taking place

You are eligible to stand if you are:

- age 16 years or over
- on the electoral register for the Killin Community Council area
- living withn the Killin Community Council boundary

Election Process

Notice of Election - Monday 1 October 2018 Nomination Forms to be submitted by - Friday 19 October (4pm) 2018 Nomination Forms to be withdrawn by - Friday 19 October (5pm) 2018 Publication of Notice of Poll - Monday 29 October 2018 If there are more nominations than places on any Community Council, a ballot will take place. Issue of ballot Papers - week commencing Monday 5 November Ballot papers to be returned by - Tuesday 27 November (5pm) 2018

To form a Community Council Killin needs a minimum of 6 people to stand

For more information or to register contact:-Email: communityengagement@stirling.gov.uk or tel: 01786 233076



Killin War Memorial

Killin war memorial has benefited from a grant of £1650.00 from the War Memorials Trust Grants Scheme supported by the First World War Memorials Programme. The money has enabled the Killin War Memorial to be refurbished including removal of loose and defective construction joints, complete re-pointing where necessary with appropriate lime mortar, hand washing of

the name tablets with mild detergents and soft brushes and careful removal of defective or loose mortar from the stone benches, with realignment of the supporting uprights and repointing. The walkway has been carefully brushed over to remove accumulated dirt and washed by



The Merchant Navy flag was flown to commemorate Merchant Navy Day



protect and conserve their war memorials. If anvone knows of any other war memorials in need of help please contact us". War Memorials Trust is an independent registered charity established in 1997 due to concerns about neglect and vandalism. It works to protect and conserve war

hand again to expose the pebbles, and pebbling reset where possible.

Our war memorial is unique for a number of reasons. Of most interest is that the soldier depicted by the Sculptor (Alexander Carrick) is wearing a goatskin gilet. These were not Army issue but rather sent by civilians to the Tommies in the trenches. Known as "stinkies" when they got wet, there is an identical statue and war memorial in Pretoria, South Africa by the same sculptor.

Frances Moreton, Director, War Memorials Trust, said, "War Memorials are a tangible connection to our shared past creating a link between the fallen and today. It is vital we ensure all our war memorials are in the best possible condition for their age and the charity is delighted to support this project. The centenary of WW1 is a wonderful opportunity for local communities across the country to memorials. It provides advice and information, and administers grant schemes that assist the repair and conservation of war memorials across the UK. As a charity the Trust relies on voluntary contributions to undertake it's work.

Further information on the funding is available at

www.warmemorials.org/grants

Special thanks to Roy McGregor for valiant efforts in the past keeping the structure maintained, Jenny and Gerald Huntley for keeping the flowers looking good and to Neil MacKenzie for leaf clearing etc. Thanks also to Killin Community Council, Lodge Breadalbane St Fillans No815, KAT, WRI and Royal British Legion Callander and District, Contractors Mossley (Scotland) Ltd. Willie Dunn



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What a pleasure it was on 21st August to meet again leaders and members of C&WP U3A who enjoyed group meetings held in Killin and were now enrolling for the 2018/19 year.

U₃A

Recruiting for a new group, in addition to the existing four, was gaining a lot of interest. This was Geology, a new subject to join the Painting, Bridge, French and Current Affairs groups which had been meeting for the last two years in the Killin Hotel - an excellent venue for all group activities.

Barbara Legg

Two days later, on 23rd August, the main membership of C&WP met for the AGM and registration for groups held in and around Callander.

It was a very busy and friendly afternoon with 128 people in attendance who voted on a small change in the C&WP Constitution and also elected the new Committee.

The Chairman, Ray Watkins, announced the successful application for a substantial grant to be used for equipment to enhance the Astronomy Group's activities.

Teas and home baking were enjoyed while circulating



to sign up for the 33 different interest groups on offer and the hall buzzed with conversation as members met up again after the summer recess.

31 new members have also enrolled which is very encouraging and proves that the message of the U3A is spreading – we meet together to Learn, Laugh and Live.

The full timetable is on our website 'Callander and West Perthshire U3A' along with more details of what we do and how to join (for only £10 per annum).

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Congratulations Claire

Congratulations to Claire Thompson of Wester Lix who returned from the Exin Hockey Masters World Cup in Spain with a Bronze medal for Scotland O 55 team.

After a few decades out of hockey, Claire decided to go back to a sport that she had enjoyed from school. Having played for her school, town and university and being in the under 21 indoor squad, she was dealt a cruel blow when she ruptured her anterior cruciate ligament. A return to hockey was at a lower level and coaching her local teams. Claire has been using her experience and skills to help coach Highland Perthshire club, with children from Breadalbane and Pitlochry schools, in Aberfeldy for the last 4 years. This gave her the bug to play hockey again. An opportunity to play, and a comment from the umpire last year that she was good enough for Masters, planted the seed and she attended trials, being selected for Scotland at her first try.

Claire has spent the months doing



fitness and attending training sessions in the sunshine which helped her to acclimatise for the high temperatures in Terrassa, Barcelona, where the biggest hockey tournament, with 132 teams from 31 countries competing over all the age groups, was hosted.

After the first round, 4 teams were through to the next stage, including Scotland. They were unlucky in the next round as they had the same points as Australia, who then went through on an outfield goal over a short corner to compete for the gold. Claire also won an award for her performance throughout the tournament.

Claire also played in the Home Internationals at Swansea in June where the team came second.

Claire also played Masters Squash for Scotland in May (she has been doing this on and off for 17 years) where the team were second and Claire won all her games.

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We gathered at Finlarig Farm with permission from Mons and Gita Bolin who very kindly agreed to let us use the steading and facilities. Our hosts also had arranged some musical entertainment in the form of Duncan Mackinnon and his bagpipes who piped the tractors off shortly after eleven.



The route took us over fifty miles this year, down to Kenmore via Ardeonaig.

After a refreshment and short break by the lochan at the top of the hill above Kenmore, we then continued up to Amulree through Glen Quaich.

The tractors then headed back down the hill to Aberfeldy and over Wades bridge to Weem, then



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Kenmore and finally back to Finlarig via the south side of Loch Tay. Kate Forster and Trevor Shaw had kindly volunteered to set out drinks and home baking, generously



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donated from a few locals, and after a raffle and word of thanks from Finlay Macaskill, the day came to a close.

The fantastic sum of £1000 was sent to Glasgow Childrens' Hospital Charity.

Well done everyone and thank you all again very much for your kind efforts and donations!

Donald Macaskill





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Musings from the Manse

Soaking up the Sacred

I often observe a major disconnect between modern living on the one hand, and both the natural world and the spiritual world on the other. A few years ago I lived in the east of Edinburgh and often got the bus into the centre of town. I liked to sit on the top deck for the view. On the left there was the popular summit that is Arthur's Seat alongside the amazing geological phenomenon of the Crags, a favourite haunt of students and tourists. In the distance, was the vista of the Pentland hills, one of my favourite places for walking. Gazing out to the right of the bus you could appreciate the fabulous Georgian architecture of this beautiful and majestic city, something I never tired of. All in all, it was an enjoyable and uplifting twenty minute journey. However, when I scanned around my fellow passengers, I was always the only person looking out of the window. Everyone else was fixed on some form of screen (phones, tablets, laptops). In my head I was shouting "Hey look at what you are missing!". Interestingly, when I have shared this story with others I have never faced accusations of being a technophobe, rather, people have always responded by acknowledging the point I am making. It has been said that humans have addictive personalities. So perhaps next to tobacco, alcohol, drugs, gambling and sex, we need to put smart phones and computers, given that phrases such as "detox, and "withdrawal-symptoms" are now being mentioned in relation to social media usage. We certainly live in the age of screens and we are rightly, if humorously, being called "screen-agers." There is a paradox here. Never before has the human

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race been so "connected" vet so "disconnected" at the same time. The modern world is miraculous in many ways. The wonders of science and technology have enriched and invigorated and transformed our world beyond recognition. Who among us would want to live in a different age? But the natural world is miraculous too. We emerged from it and for 99.9% of human history we were embedded in it and very much a part of it. Despite the gains and pluses of urban living, we are in danger of losing something very valuable. Of course, even in the countryside there is no escape sometimes from modern habits. I remember climbing Ben Ledi a number of years ago with my family. On reaching the top, the panoramic view of distant lochs and peaks was magnificent. The summit was busy, but the genuine outdoor fraternity are very good at giving each other space and time. It seems to be an unwritten code and it happens naturally and intuitively. However, the wonderful silence was suddenly broken by one man who had plonked himself down at the bottom of the cairn and was calling a friend on a mobile phone. "You'll never guess where I am" he exclaimed in a very loud voice, "I'm on the top of Ben Ledi!" Having caught the gaze of several others and registered the shaking of heads, rolling eyes and exhaled sighs, I was pretty sure I wasn't alone in thinking to myself "if you don't shut up pal, you'll be at the bottom of Ben Ledi in a few seconds!" Of course, no-one said anything but the moment was ruined.

We are currently witnessing the selfie phenomenon in our culture. It's all about "ME!" Here is a photo of "ME!" and in the background, apparently, some scenic beauty. Here is a photo of "ME!" and in the background, apparently, a place of great historical interest. And so it goes on. I think this cultural habit speaks volumes about contemporary society. It seems to me as an observer in these matters that we are in the midst of an identity crisis. In the Bible the question of "who we are" is answered in terms of relationship: Our relationship with God, with others, and indeed, our relationship with the environment. A friend of mine remarked recently about a forthcoming holiday as being a time when he can "soak up the sacred." What a great phrase! We need to cultivate times when we can do that in silence and quiet reflection. Then we may intuitively discover who we are and what really is important in life. "In God we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). That wonderful affirmation is a good place to start.

Christmas Eve – Musicians/Singers Wanted

We are hoping to have a Christmas Eve Watchnight service in Killin Church 24th December 11.15pm-12 Midnight. This will be a light-hearted fun event and we are looking for musicians and singers to help with a good sing-a-long of carols. Contact Russel Moffat 820247 or revmoffat@gmail.com

Armistice Centenary

In November this year we will mark a truly historic event – the centenary of the Armistice in 1918 when the guns on the Western Front finally fell silent. Killin Church in conjunction with the Royal British Legion will host an Interdenominational service on Sunday 11th of November at 10 am in the Church and a short act of Remembrance at the Cenotaph at 11am. All are welcome.



Remembrance Weekend in Killin

Weekend Timetable

To commemorate the Armistice Day centenary, there are additional events taking place this year. The full timetable is :

- Sat 7:30pm Concert at McLaren Hall
- Sun 10am Church service
- Sun 11am War Memorial service
- Sun post War Memorial, drinks at Capercaillie
- Sun 4pm Faure's Requiem at Killin Church





Killin Community Choir A Weekend to Remember

The Killin Community Choir will be hosting 2 special events on the weekend of the 10th and 11th Nov 2018. This is to commemorate the centenary of WW1, as well as paying homage to those who have lost their lives in conflict.

Our weekend will begin with a concert in the McLaren Hall on Sat 10th Nov at 7:30pm (doors open 7:00pm). The programme will be moving and varied. Various guest artists will join us and I will be working with the Killin Primary School to enable the voices of the future to be part of this tribute.

The tickets prices for the 10th Nov are: Adult £10 Concession £8 Child (under 16) \pounds 5

Family ticket £20. These will be available from choir members.

On Sunday the 11th Nov, the Killin Community Choir will perform Faure's Requiem. This will take place in the Killin and Ardeonaig Parish Church at 4pm. There is no charge for this event, but we will be grateful for any donations received. The performance should last just over 1 hour.

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Concert at McLaren Hall

Saturday 10th of November at 7:30pm Tickets: Adult £10; Concessions £ 8; Children under 16 years £5; Family £20 There will also be a performance of Faure's Requiem on Sunday 11th November at 4pm in the Church of Scotland



A Tot Of Rum

On completion of the service at the war memorial on November 11th, there will be a free issue of rum in the foyer of the Capercaillie Restaurant, issued by a local real sailor in navy uniform. Soft drinks will also be available. The multi-talented Ron Allner will be there with a world war one singalong, accompanied by the choir. All are invited and it will be a fitting tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

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CELEBRATIONS



Wedding

Rory Syme and Kelly Ireland were married at Keavil House Hotel in Crossford, Fife on Saturday 28th July. The happy couple were delighted to be joined by so many of their friends and family on their special day.

Graduation

Congratulations to Ishbel Taylor who graduated in July with a Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery from the University of Edinburgh. With love from all the family.



Wedding

The Marriage of Maddy Moffat and Daniel Bowler which took place in Paphos, Cyprus on Friday 20th of July. We would like to thank everyone for their beautiful cards and gifts.



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Celtic Worship concert in Killin



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album in autumn this year and plan to release this in 2019. They are: Steph Macleod (Vocals & Guitar) Mhairi Marwick (Fiddle) Scott Wood (Bagpipes & Whistle) Naomi Stirrat (Vocals) Chris Amer (Guitar) Gus Stirrat (Bass) Neil Paton (Drums) Celtic Worship will be giving a concert at Killin Parish Church on Saturday 27th October.

Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are free (but there will be a donations box to cover costs). All profits will go to the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home. Please come along and support this event for what promises to be an amazing evening.



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After the summer break all sections have started back with strong numbers and lots of stories to tell. We have had our first AGM with our new Group Executive/Friend of 2nd Killin & District Scouts. A welcomingly short meeting was had but much discussed and divulged. There is a real need to involve parents more in assisting certain sections due to leader shortages, but all our leaders are happy with the direction the group is going. Our accounts are looking healthy due to the great fundraising support of the local community.

All sections have now been issued with badge books and logbooks courtesy of the funds raised from the Christmas Fair in 2017. The date for this year's Christmas Fayre is Saturday 1st December in the McLaren Hall. The friends of the group are planning a bigger and better fair so keep an eye out for more exciting information.

Beavers

Beavers are aged 6-8 and meet every other Tuesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 6-7pm. The start back from the summer holidays has also coincided with the Beavers sleepover this year based out of the Aberfeldy Scout hut. This was a new location for a sleepover but all were happy with the facilities and there were plenty of options for activities. These included a walk up the Birks of Aberfeldy and along the River Tay. The playpark was also too close not to play on! The theme for the weekend was Paddington which of course meant a good DVD of the famous bear in action. We are looking forward to some Christmas themed decorating for the Christmas fair to be sold, along with some night time games and gardening.

Laura Bathgate

Beaver Leader 07708 216065 killinbeavers@yahoo.com

Cubs

Cubs are aged 8-10½ and meet every other Tuesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 6-7.30pm. With so many Cubs, it is time to start trying to make up smaller groups and find some new leaders for them. We are focusing a lot on our Teamwork badge which is more

2nd Killin & District Scout Group Stirling & Trossachs.

fun than it sounds, as games and challenges are the best way to learn. Looking ahead to the term we have a huge variety going on, from outside cooking to learning new languages, science experiment night and one I'm excited about; "Cubs run the evening!". Following the success of the Beaver sleepover we are looking to have a sleepover in Aberfeldy on Saturday 3rd November to Sunday 4th November.

> Stephen Rawlinson Cub Leader 07742 886918 2ndkillincubs@gmail.com (please note this is a new email)

all involved want to get out and do more hills together. They also went "white-ish" water rafting down the Tay but the water was a bit low, and mountain biking at Dunkeld. We gave the midges of Glen Lyon a good feasting by finishing the camp with a massive outside Ceilidh, with thanks to Marieke McBean. The sign of a good camp is when you get home, you are already planning the next one!

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.





Scouts

Scouts are aged 10½-14 and meet every Wednesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 7-9pm.

The highlight of the Scouts year is always the annual summer camp and once again was one to remember.

We were camping at the National Scout Activity Centre, Meggernie, in Glen Lyon, along with 1st Great Notley Scouts from Essex. The first few days were spent onsite mainly getting to know each other again and doing fun activities including bushcraft (using knives!), lighting

fires, building shelters, orienteering and the quite competitive Tyrolean traverse of the River Lyon. On the Tuesday, two separate groups went up Meall Nan Tarmachan, one from the North and one from the South both somehow meeting exactly at the summit... The walk was made even more fun with the helicopter drops of stone on the path. The scouts were amazing and no holding back the Explorers with Sailing and Cycling near Loch Tay, a trip to Edinburgh, two days of hillwalking thanks to the Killin Scout Leaders (Zach and Stephen), and Go Ape in Aberfoyle.

The Explorers are now being guided



by new leader Matt Collins who was an Explorer leader from Ipswich. There is a grand plan for their term, with them keen to help with planning evenings for the other sections.

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



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Proposal: Construction of 200m of new forest road Location: Forest East Of Benmore Farm Crianlarich Applicant: Mr Andy Malcolm Application Type: Prior Notification Decision: Prior approval not required

7 August

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension and replacement skylight Location: Leirsinn Mhor Main Street Killin Applicant: Mr Paul Paxton Application Type: Detailed Planning Per-

mission

Decision: Approve

7 August

Proposal: Internal alterations, replacement skylight, and replacement single storey extension Location: Leirsinn Mhor Main Street Killin Applicant: Mr Paul Paxton Application Type: Listed Building Consent Decision: Approve

17 August

Proposal: Erection of extension to roof Location: Laggan Main Street Killin Applicant: Mr Bobby Lafferty Application Type: Householder Planning Permission Decision: Current

Perth & Kinross Council 01 August

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: Approve the application

13 August

Proposal: Change of use from church (class 10) to dwellinghouse (class 9) and erection of a shed Location: Morenish Church Killin Applicant: Mr Andy Johnson Application Type: planning permission local Decision: Awaiting decision

Stirling Council

24 July Proposal: Erection of dwelling house Location: Tullochan Farm Killin Applicant: Ms Donna MacKenzie Application Type: Full Decision: Approve with Conditions

27 July

Proposal: Two storey extension to dwelling house, repair of sections of roof, demolition of existing single storey extension, new dormers and replacement rooflights, installation of heating internally and repair of existing windows where required Location: Boreland House Glen Lochay North Road Killin Applicant: Mr Fred Stoyan Application Type: Listed Building Consent Decision: Approve with Conditions

27 July

Proposal: Two storey extension and refurbishment of existing dwelling house including new dormers Location: Boreland House Glen Lochay North Road Killin Applicant: Mr Fred Stroyan Application Type: Full Decision: Approve with Conditions

15 August

Proposal: Changed of approved external cladding of stone Location: Kennels Cottage Glen Lochay North Road Killin Applicant: Boreland Estate Application Type: Full Decision: Unknown

16 August

Proposal: Replacement agricultural store building Location: Building 88M South East Of Duncroisk Cottage Killin Applicant: Upper Boreland Trust Application Type: Agricultural Notification Decision: Awaiting decision





the Big Shêd

There are two traditional music treats at the Big Shed for the start of the winter. First on Sunday 25th November at 7.30pm we have a show entitled "Perthshire's Songstress" in which Perthbased duo Plaid Song, Syd House and Nicola Cowmeadow, will perform some music from the past featuring - The Life, Songs & Times of Lady Nairne (1766-1845). Lady Nairne was a Jacobite and a contemporary of Robert Burns.

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The Rowan Tree, Will Ye No' Come Back Again, Caller Herrin', and The Hundred Pipers. Both excellent speakers, they will link the songs to the period of history in which they were written.

The duo performed locally at Castle Menzies in August to excellent reviews from those who attended. Tickets are £10 on the door, (£5) for kids. BYOB but tea, coffee and soft drinks will be available. On Wednesday 5th December at

7.30pm piper Fred Morrison returns to the Big Shed for the third time. We do not have any more details about the concert itself at this stage except that tickets will be £10, available on the door, but also from a ticketing website. Check the Big Shed's website or facebook page for more information and a link to the ticketing website.

A reminder that there is yoga every Friday morning at 10.30 with Emma Burtles. The cost is £6: No need to book.

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.

Contact details:

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- 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, 7.15-9pm, Killin Hotel, contact Marion 829027
- Indoor Bowls, 7.30pm, Lesser Hall

<u>Tuesday</u>

- 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

<u>Wednesday</u>

- Strength & Balance, 1.30-2.30, Killin Hotel
- Quilters, 2pm, Community RoomsHighland Hustle, 6.30-7.15pm,
- McLaren Hall
- Metafit, 7.30pm, McLaren Hall
- Scouts, 7-9pm, Lesser HallExplorers, 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
- Walk in the Park, 10.20am, various locations (see p19)

<u>Thursday</u>

- 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
- U3A Geology, 10-12pm alternate weeks starting 27/9, Bridge of Lochay Hotel

<u>Friday</u>

- 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

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