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Editorial

Welcome to the first issue of 2019. Killin, as a village, entered the new year "rudderless" but with a spectacular bang, in the form of those wonderful Hogmanay fireworks in the park. If you look across to page 3 (A Voice for Killin), you'll see why Killin can be described as currently "rudderless". Our lack of a Community Council could be said to set us on a par with the British Parliament and the Trump administration, in that we all have lots to say, plenty to fight for and achieve, (examples in our case being to prevent introduction of car parking charges and improving road and pavement surfaces) but no cohesive team to voice concerns and enable action. A vision of three floundering vessels springs to mind: Trump helpless at the helm of a large galleon, May following on, trying to steer a course in a yacht with flapping sails, and wee Killin's dinghy, without a rudder, bringing up the rear.

There is though, one huge difference to separate the three. Killin is a true community with seemingly endless capabilities for fundraising, providing support and entertaining the masses. Examples of all these village-inspired achievements fill the pages of this issue. So those of you who enjoy a challenge and value our village community, please consider how your voice on the community council could represent us and help to stimulate progress on issues that matter to us all.

The photo on the front cover of this Killin News was submitted by Colin McKenzie in response to our appeal, a few months ago, for photos that may be suitable. We are always happy to consider your photo submissions. For front cover use they need to be suitable for A4 size and have a clear top section (eg. sky) for the magazine titles. We'd like to thank you for your continuing support, and your article and photo contributions, and we always welcome and consider any new ideas for regular slots.

Good wishes from all the team for the coming year.

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View From The Bridge
Photo Colin Mackenzie

A Voice for Killin

Killin has had no Community Council for the past four months and, unless there are people now prepared to stand, this will continue and be a disaster for the village. The Council is vital as the link between Killin and Stirling Council for local and Stirling Council ideas, objections, plans and complaints to be aired and shared. Without it Killin has no say in what happens here. (Just as an example, there is a current rumour that parking charges are to be introduced in Killin, which could mean having to pay to park whenever we go into the village and would also put off visitors. Do we want this imposed on us without any say in the matter? Comments to Stirling Council via a Community Council carry more weight than anything a resident can say.)

The last Council completed its four-year term in the autumn when two long serving Councillors, Fiona Kennedy and Tim Frost, retired and five others resigned, leaving only five of the then maximum of twelve. A minimum of six is required and no other nominations were submitted by the required date of 19th October. In mid-January arrangements for appointing a new Council with a maximum of only nine Councillors were announced. New nominations are/were required by 8th February and, if this has been better publicised than it was in the Autumn, it is hoped that by the time you read this there will be nine nominations submitted. Should there be more than nine, an election would be necessary – for only the second time in the last twenty years. If we don't get a Council now, we may not have the

chance again for some time. Killin now has a population of more than 700 and many young and forward-looking residents. Surely there are nine people here who are willing and able to give time and energy to helping the community? The Council meets only six times a year - and the different areas of community interest or problem can be shared and followed through by individual Councillors in between meetings. Killin Community Council has achieved much in the past, not least by acquiring the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home for the village, and we know from reports in 'Strathfillan by the Way' how much difference their Council has made to Strathfillan. Killin needs a good Council and let's hope we will have one very soon.

Margaret MacIver

The Build Up To Christmas



Above photo
Xmas Treats

In December Ron organised two trips in our community bus to take some of the older residents of Killin to Stirling for Christmas shopping and lunch in Sainsbury's. They were also treated to a trip to Pitlochry Theatre to see 'Cabaret'. Thank you to Ron for his efforts in raising the funding from Stirling Council and the Tesco Bag Scheme, as well as driving the bus.

Photo Right
Santa Visits Pantoland
A delighted wee visitor for Santa when he came to Pantoland



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The Santa who dashed the fastest, Aaron Hibbert.



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Killin Music Festival said farewell to 2018 with a night of incredible music from Skipinnish on the 30th December. The McLaren Hall was buzzing and full of a mix of local people and visitors enjoying the West Coast superstars. Tickets for 2018 sold out very quickly during the summer – if you want to secure tickets for 2019, keep an eye out for them going on sale this coming summer time.

Now we are into 2019, the next event for Killin Music Festival is our annual Spring Concert. This will take place in the McLaren Hall on 23rd March with music from Heron Valley. They were a huge hit at KMF 2017 and are releasing a new single in February. Support in the first half will come from lots of talented local artists. Tickets will be £12 (£8 for

concessions) and are available now on the Killin Music Festival website. There will be a bar, raffle and plenty of fun for people of all ages.



A very successful volunteer information night was held on the 12th January - a huge thanks to everyone who came along to the Killin Hotel to find out more about getting involved. If you would like to

volunteer with the festival then we would love to hear from you, just get in touch via . office@killinmusicfestival.com

All remaining tickets are now on sale for the 2019 Killin Music Festival via the Festival website as well. The full line-up has now been announced and will feature some of the most exciting bands around including headliners Trail West, Elephant Sessions and Siobhan Miller. Alongside traditional music, this year's festival sees some different genres on the bill including jazz phenomenon Tom McGuire and the Brassholes and young indie band The 101. There will again be music in the free session tent from Headland, Dlù and Greig Taylor, as well as some younger musicians from the local area.

The KMF Team

Sports & Leisure Club

Community Sport Hub Update

The Community Sport Hub had their first meeting of the year on Tuesday, January 15th. Although poor planning resulted in a clash with pantomime rehearsals, there was a great enthusiasm and productive discussion had by the smaller group.

Topics on the agenda included progressing plans and opportunities for young people in the area through working in partnership with Callander Youth Project, creating a collective directory of sport and physical activity sessions for signposting and referral, and planning an inclusion awareness session for clubs and groups that would be delivered by Scottish Disability Sport. The hub will also look to be hosting a community event or 'come and try' programme in spring/summer. The sports club will be undertaking a feasibility study in the coming weeks. This process will involve a considerable amount of engagement with the whole community in order to progress and understand the need for future developments and opportunities at the

pavilion. The hub looks forward to supporting the sports club closely to implement this. Please keep an eye out for engagement sessions and methods very shortly. If you would like to learn more or are interested in being involved, please contact KDSLCL at info@kdscl.uk or the CSH Officer Christopher McKenna at: mckennac@stirling.gov.uk

Activity Session

The club ran a children's activity session on Friday 23rd November, from 3pm to 4.30pm. The session booked up fast. Sorry to those that were unable to get a place, but look out for our next activity session. The club provided lots of craft materials for the kids to make Christmas advent calendars, tree decorations and Christmas pictures. We also had a Christmas quiz together with board games. A great time was had by all. Thank you to the volunteers who enabled the session to be run.

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On Monday 17th December 2018 KAT received the keys to News First and then promptly handed them over to MacGregor's Market. Dougie and Liz can now finally retire.

MacGregor's moved straight in to start selling



newspapers from News First. Please be patient with them as they are learning the ins and outs of selling papers as they go along (there is more to it than meets the eye). Dougie has been on hand sharing his expertise and training Katy and the team.

News First will need to be shut in late February for about 2 weeks so KAT can carry out renovations. Dates will be confirmed once we know them.

MacGregor's will still be selling papers possibly from MacGregor's Market/Post Office, they will let you know of the plans nearer to the closure.

You may be wondering why we have set up a Crowdfunding Page to fundraise for more money?

Simply, we haven't raised enough to cover all the costs required. Funders dictate what you can spend the money on and you cannot deviate from that.

We were given a grant from the Scottish Land Fund to cover the cost of buying the building and renovation costs. Stirling Council gave us some money to be used as match funding for any aspect of the project. We still need to find money for buying the business from Dougie and Liz.

Dougie and Liz really just wanted to retire before Christmas, so we all came to an agreement that because we had the money to buy the building, we

could proceed with this part. We will give Dougie and Liz the rest of the money owed at a later date. This is the money we need to raise and we are doing this partly through:

[Crowdfunder.co.uk/more-than-a-post-office](https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/more-than-a-post-office)

According to the 2011 census there are 441 occupied households in the Killin Community Council area. If every household donated £20 then we would raise £8,820 which is so very close to our target. We have extended our end date to mid-February. Please help us with this final push.

KAT would like to wish Dougie and Liz a happy retirement.

Theresa Elliot

Project Manager

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Post Office Transition to Paper Shop

I imagine there's a bit of confusion out there about the Paper Shop/Post Office plans. I'm confused !!

There's going to continue to be a period of upheaval while KAT gets the Paper Shop refurbished and while we wait for the Post Office to organise moving all the equipment down the road.

The simplified timetable is thus:

Dates	What is happening	Effect on papers	Effect on Post Office
Jan - Mid Feb	Getting tenders in for work to be carried out at Paper shop	Paper shop open Mon-Sat 7am-1pm Sun 7am-12.30pm (ps papers have been arriving late, so for 7am read "7am-ish")	PO operating as normal. Papers pre-ordered and small selection of daily papers available after 1pm at PO
Mid Feb for 2 weeks	Paper shop refurbishment: Paper shop will close for 2 weeks * we will update you once exact dates are known	Papers will continue to be sold, delivered, available, either from the Post Office, or from the shed behind the paper shop. Not sure yet !	Post Office will carry on as normal
Mid March for 1-2 weeks	PO counter and all associated equipment being moved down to paper shop and installed there. Janet, who runs Strathyre PO, will operate a part time service from the existing Post Office in Killin (Morenish Place)	Papers should be unaffected, although may have to be sold from Morenish Place briefly. * We will keep you updated	Janet, who runs Strathyre PO, will operate a part time service from the existing Post Office in Killin (Morenish Place)
Last weeks of March BOTH SHOPS OPEN UNDER ONE ROOF	Morenish Place is cleared and redecorated ready for the next tenant	No effect	No effect. Once the counter is installed at the paper shop, the Post Office will operate from there

Thank you to all the people who have volunteered time and effort to keep some sort of service going. We can always use more! If you have a free hour and fancy a stint selling papers, give us a shout.

In particular, we need someone who could deliver the papers when the papers arrive too late for the paper boys/girls to deliver.

And remember, the new shop has been acquired by KAT on behalf of the village. The shop belongs to everyone in the area! MacGregors are leasing the shop from KAT, primarily to make sure the Post Office and Paper Shop remain in Killin for the foreseeable future and beyond. If you want to be a part of things, in any form, you can. There will be paid work advertised once the two shops are amalgamated; watch this space!

Katy Macleod

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Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries

On 4th October Killin Nursery was inspected by the Care Inspectorate. The themes inspected were Quality of Care and Support and Quality of Environment, both of which received a grading of very good. We are delighted that this report has highlighted the responsive care and support which children and families receive within our nurturing environment. It acknowledges the rich play opportunities which support children to develop their curiosity, creativity and imagination. This includes use of the outdoor learning environment and partnership working with members of the community. The full report is available to read on the Care Inspectorate website. Crianlarich Nursery was inspected on 20th December and we are awaiting their final report.

My thanks to a dedicated staff team who are committed to ensuring that all children receive the very best Early Learning and Childcare. The staff team attended training during the November closure days. This included the development of Communication Environments and under three's training. Continuing professional development supports staff to gain new knowledge and develop practice. A further opportunity for training in February includes 'numeracy', 'developing curiosity', and 'investigation and discovery'. Everyone at Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries was very busy in the lead up to Christmas.

The Parents' group ran a 'Christmas Lights Competition'. Congratulations to the winners
1st Shari Osler; 2nd Fiona Boath; 3rd Bella and Murray Frost; 4th Ruby Gerry. Thank you to everyone who took part and to those who donated the prizes. The grand total of £93.00 was raised, which will go towards supporting both nurseries. The '50 Club' raised the sum of £100. Congratulations to Karen Kett who numeracy the sum of £50.

The Great Nursery Bake Off

Due to some light hearted banter between two members of staff regarding who was the best baker, the idea of a "Nursery Bake Off" competition was born. This developed and all members of staff were invited to take part. Instead of an entry fee, a small donation was requested and it was agreed that the winner of the competition would receive the funds which were to be put towards a charity of their choice.



The build up to the competition created a lot of fun and laughter, not to mention the team building and ultimately the sense of achievement. On Friday 21st December an impressive display of Victoria Sponge cakes was produced. The judges, "Mary Berry" and "Prue Leith", alias parents Barrie and Donnie, were extremely professional: tasting, discussing and tasting again, making notes and finally retiring to the office to make their final decision. We would like to say a big thank you to them for taking time out of their busy schedules to join the fun. The Great Nursery Bake Off winner 2018 was Allana who was presented with a sash, crown and a fabulous rolling pin, skillfully engraved by Donnie. Clair was runner up with Erin coming a close third. Needless to say the two people who started all this didn't even make the first three! Allana has decided to donate the £55.00 collected to our little friend Callum who is still in hospital undergoing treatment for cancer. We had such a lot of fun taking part that we are now considering making this an annual event. Look out for the

"Show Stoppers"

Later that day we held a Rhyme Time and Coffee afternoon where many of the cakes were sampled. Thank you to all who attended. The sum of £36.50 was raised for the nurseries.

This year at Killin Nursery the children celebrated Christmas with party games, food and a visit from Santa. The children in Crianlarich experienced something a little different by exploring The Gruffalo trail at Tyndrum, which included a Christmas treasure hunt followed by party food, rhyme time and a visit from Santa back at nursery.

Elizabeth Hancock
Head of Nursery



Schiehallion Sponsored Walk

The final total collected after the staff at Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries climbed Schiehallion in aid of the Schiehallion Ward was £3,064.76 (Full total was not known when the event was reported in the last issue of Killin News. A big thank you to all who contributed.



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Killin's New Year Firework Display

We would both like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year! We hope you all enjoyed the Fireworks as much as we did (without our nerves!). We were blown away by the display put on by Midnight Storm and almost blown away by the wind, but thankfully Killin's weather did not let us down and settled shortly before midnight.

Thank you to everyone who attended the event and thanks to everyone who has supported us throughout the year, be it

by donating money, helping organise the event, setting up the barriers, etc. or cleaning up afterwards.

Special mention to Ken Chew, Catherine Huber, Anneke and Keith Mayo, Christian Welsh, John Morris, Ron Allner, Kay Riddell, Margaret Galloway, Andrew Anderson,

Anthony Dowling and Davy Fettes. We couldn't have done it without your help and advice.

We took a risk moving the event to the park and are aware it did not go perfectly. The park could have been better lit and the countdown more clear. Should the event take place at the park again next year, rest assured those issues would be addressed.

That said, the event was well attended and with buckets being rattled, everybody showed tremendous generosity. With last year's fund raising and the collection on the night we have

not only paid for this year's event, but have funds remaining to ensure that we are on our way to funding another New Year firework display to bring in 2020.

That's enough from us for a few months, thanks again to all in Killin



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Strathfillan Community Development Trust

AGM: At the AGM at the end of November Moira Robertson stood down as Trustee. Moira has been a key part of the Trust for nearly 20 years, and was instrumental in buying, developing and maintaining our four affordable homes. In recent years she has been the Trust's Treasurer, and proved to be very diligent, and has done an excellent job. We will miss her very much and hope she enjoys a well-deserved and restful retirement. Moira was presented with a framed photo of old Crianlarich and a bouquet. Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM, with nearly 40 people attending in bad weather. We really appreciate it. It was a good evening, with lots of questions and good discussions. Many thanks to the staff from Scotgold Resources, who gave a very interesting and thorough presentation on the current mine situation and how the works will proceed. The Trust would also like to thank the Crianlarich Hotel for a super buffet. Thanks also to Isla and Bryan from Crianlarich Stores, who provided drinks.

The current trustees are Ellen Cattanach, Billy Ronald, Alan Smailes, Colin McGeoch, Theresa Elliott, Catriona McKenna and Kelda Platt.

Bike Skills Park

After having such overwhelming initial support for this project, our design team have been working hard

with Crianlarich Primary School and pupils from McLaren High, and the first designs have been drafted. A community consultation was hosted on the 29th January in the Tyndrum Inn, from 4.30pm to 8pm. Hopefully many of you will have been to have

Woodland officer duties in the next few months to get our local paths and public spaces ready for the coming season. We will be holding some 'tidy up days' and some woodfuel days soon, so keep an eye on Facebook and in the local shops for dates.

Lower Station Yard

Thank you to everyone who participated in the consultation at the AGM and the Facebook poll on our outline proposals for Lower Station Yard. It was fantastic to see so much support. Things are moving forward, and we are working with Stirling Council and the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park to bring this project to fruition. They have both agreed to provide match funding for the project and we have recently applied to Leader and the Rural Tourism Infrastructure Fund for the rest of the finance. Once we have funding in place we will be looking to employ designers to create suitable plans for the area – these will need community input, so please watch this space for further developments. Contact: if you want to contact Strathfillan Community Development



Moira Robertson (left) being presented with her picture by Chair, Ellen Cattanach (middle), and Treasurer, Isla Craig (right)

your say! Once the designs are finalised, and planning applied for, our next step will be getting funding in place for the build phase. Watch this space!

Woodlands

We are pleased to recruit Jimmy McKay to the Woodlands team. He will be carrying out some temporary

Trust for any reason please do. Our office in Crianlarich Village Hall is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9.30am to 2.30pm, or you can email kelly@strathfillancdt.org.uk or phone 01838 300249.



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Crianlarich Community Auction

It is nearly that time of year again - the annual Community auction in Crianlarich. It will take place on Friday 15th March 2019. As in previous years, we would welcome your donations, be they big or small. Anything from board games and toys to furniture and white goods. The hall will be available in the week leading up to the event to drop off your goods. If you need help with a larger item, then get in touch and we will uplift it for you. Unfortunately we cannot accept televisions. While at the auction, hot food, drinks and home baking will be on sale. We hope to see you there!

Crianlarich Village Hall Committee
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Work To Begin On Water Mains In Crianlarich

Scottish Water have announced that they will be upgrading 222 metres of pipe work in the Crianlarich area, along Station Road. The £120,000 investment comes after calls from Stirling MSP Bruce Crawford for a permanent solution to be sought following repeated bursts of the water main leaving many properties without running water. It is hoped that this work will reduce the risk of further disruption by burst mains. Commenting, Bruce Crawford said: "This is very welcome news indeed and Crianlarich locals will welcome this investment to fix the problem. The water main through the village had burst four times in as many months last year, leaving many homes and businesses without water for periods of time. It was clear that the situation needed more than just a plaster to fix the problem."

Crianlarich Phone Lines

Stirling MSP Bruce Crawford has written to BT to raise his concerns over a "pitifully poor" phone service in the Crianlarich area. He had been contacted by a number of locals, including community councillors from the area, who had highlighted the scale of the issue. There are concerns that the exchange point itself is no longer fit for use and he has called for BT to take urgent action to restore a reliable phone service for landline users in the area as soon as possible. Mr Crawford commented "Local residents are right to be frustrated. They loyally pay for their line rental, and expect to receive a working service in return. On many occasions, this simply isn't happening. One resident told me that he lost his connection eight times in one day."



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McLaren High School

McLaren High School Duke of Edinburgh Fundraising Ceilidh

The annual DofE Ceilidh took place on Friday 9th November and was well attended by pupils who enjoyed a great night of ceilidh dancing with the dance floor full all night. The evening made an amazing £1,438.50 for the group. Thanks to everyone who came along: to the DofE committee for organising, the parent volunteers who came along to help, The Ian Milligan Trio for ceilidh music and the S6 girls who stepped in at the last minute to provide interval music.

Knitted Poppies for Remembrance Day

Along with Mrs Hair the following pupils were all involved in creating Remembrance Poppies this year: Rebecca Barnes, Rebecca Craig, Megan Dunlop, Caitlin Harrison, Morven Jackson, Molly McCloskey, Roksana Ostrowska and Madison Stone. Mr Anderson from Technical cut a '100' board for us, which was then painted black around the sides. The red petals and black centres were knitted and sewn together to form poppies. They were then stapled onto the board to form our special 100 anniversary commemoration figure. The leftover poppies were sold to raise funds for Poppy Scotland. Our fundraising totalled £96.00. Our knitting and crochet group is growing in numbers and we would be happy to accept any spare yarn, needles or crochet hooks that need a new home. We hope to do some other charitable

knitting or crochet in the future.

McLaren's Support for Remembrance

Thank you and well done to Cameron McLay S6 who organised a Remembrance Ceremony on Friday afternoon (9 November) for all S5 and S6 pupils. Cameron hopes this has raised awareness of the meaning behind Remembrance Day. Catriona Norman and Eoin Brennan

Then later in the day, after the church service, the School Pipe Band led the parade from Callander Kirk to Ancaster Square for the ceremony at the Cenotaph where Angus and Natalie laid a Poppy Wreath from the school.

Our Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

We had our Silver DofE expedition from the 5 -7 October, starting a mile from Grantown-on-Spey and finishing at Rothiemurchus, near Inverdrue. We walked for 3 days and camped for 2 nights in the Cairngorms. We were very fortunate that the weather remained dry throughout the expedition and it was sunny during the day. My group particularly enjoyed reaching the camp and making our dinner after the long days of walking. We organised meals as a group, having chilli and rice on the first day and



Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

joined hundreds of other pipers throughout the country at 6am on



11th November to take part in Battle's Over, a Nation's Tribute, when they played Battle's O'er on the bagpipes in Ancaster Square, Callander.

tortellini and sauce on the second. On the second day we camped by Loch

Morlich and spent the evening by the loch, which was nice. Some of the more difficult moments included persevering with our walking despite our tiredness, which we all just about managed to do. Also, in the mornings it was bitterly cold outside and we had to carry on undeterred by our discomfort. Other than that, we had a great expedition.

"I personally enjoyed myself and learned how to work as part of a team and get through hardships together. It was a lot of fun and I look forward to continuing with DofE next year."

Hannah Brown S5

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Reindeer Trail Competition

Well done to Nina Harrison and Thomas Settrington in S1 who were chosen to design a reindeer for The Reindeer Trail in Stirling. Pupils from schools across Stirling Council entered the competition and Nina and Thomas's designs were chosen as part of the final 20. The reindeer were displayed in shop windows across Stirling.

Outward Bound at Loch Eil 2018

The Outdoor Experience at Loch Eil Outward Bound Centre is an established event on our school calendar, which pupils and staff look forward to every year. This year it took place from 26 – 30 November. Participating in outdoor activities and working as part of a team, whatever the weather, to undertake challenges has proved to be an invaluable and rewarding experience for all involved. It's a great way to build relationships with pupils and staff and we believe that everyone should experience life outside the classroom as an essential part of learning and personal development.

"I have always been interested in outdoor activities and wanted to find a way to connect with the pupils on a different level. I feel that pupils become more independent, confident and resilient by being involved in outdoor activities, making significant developments personally, socially and having a greater awareness of the environment and nature."

Mark Richardson

McLaren staff at Loch Eil

Forth Valley College PCR Higher Biology Trip

Higher Biology pupils attended a lab based workshop at Forth Valley College to help further their understanding on the techniques

involved in PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) and Electrophoresis. These topics frequently come up in exams and so to be able to physically carry out the practical themselves and see what happens at each stage of the process was extremely beneficial to understanding the theory behind it. Students worked in an environment very different to the classroom and worked in full protective equipment such as lab coats, safety glasses and disposable gloves. They were also exposed to equipment we do not have available to us in School, which is great for those thinking of moving on to a lab based environment, whether that be a career in the lab or studying science further at college or university level. Overall, this was an excellent opportunity for all involved and was much enjoyed by students and staff.

S1 School of Discovery Trip

The S1 'School of Discovery' pupils visited Glasgow Science Centre on 22nd November to participate in a series of STEM and Space activities as their first Unit 'School of Space' drew to a close. The 17 pupils, who chose this option when moving into S1, visited the Planetarium for a tour of the stars and our solar system. They also watched the IMAX film about Astronomy entitled 'Hidden Universe' as well as exploring the STEM exhibits of the Science hall.

Chemistry Competition

McLaren High School's team competed in the Royal Society of Chemistry's "Top of the Bench" competition on 22nd November. They did really well working as a team and were competing with other schools from across Stirling, Clackmannan & Falkirk.

Duke of York iDEA

Duke of York iDEA is a digital and

enterprise version of The Duke of Edinburgh Award in which participants complete a series of challenges to achieve an award at Bronze, Silver or Gold level. For every new skill and learning experience mastered, iDEA participants gain a digital badge worth a number of points. When sufficient points have been accumulated, participants are then awarded their Bronze, Silver or Gold Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award. There are badges which can help you to be safe online and pick up tips and techniques on topics such as web design, cyber security, cloud computing, animation and how to use colours in digital creations. Digital skills are all about developing the ability to tell a computer what to do, to make, to build, to get creative and to gain confidence. Enterprise skills set you up for success in the world of work. iDEA helps equip people to be digital workers, makers, entrepreneurs, gamers and citizens of the future.

Pupils across our BGE course have signed up for the Duke of York programme and have been working hard to gain their certificates. Catriona Manders, Freya Sherry and Aidan Cronin all exceeded expectations and have gained their Bronze Award already. All pupils involved have shared good practice and helped others finish modules that they have already completed. To achieve a Bronze Award pupils must have gained 250 points through completing the online modules that are worth approximately 10 points each. The modules are categorized into Citizen, Worker, Maker and Entrepreneur.

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Christmas Cracker

To celebrate the end of a busy term, we all took part in performing a 'Christmas Cracker'. We sang many traditional Christmas songs and Class 1 performed the Nativity. The gym hall was packed with families and friends and they said we were fantastic! Thank you to the Killin Parent Partnership who provided teas and coffees. Well done to Margaret

Taylor who won the amazing hamper in the raffle. The school also had a fantastic turn out at the Santa Dash and Christmas Fair. The money raised has been spent on new novels to appeal to all. Thank you again to the Parent Partnership who provided mulled wine and mince pies and to all who came along to support us.

Santa's Little Helpers

The residents at the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home were delighted to have Santa's elves visit them to sing some songs.



Ukelele

Class 3 are looking forward to learning the ukulele this term. After one lesson they were already able to play a tune.



SWI Christmas Party

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to the ladies of the SWI for throwing us a fantastic Christmas Party. We enjoyed dancing and party games and the food was delicious. Santa arrived at the end to finish the party off in the best Christmas style. I had a ball!



Forthcoming Event

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Goodbye Mr Teal

On Friday 18th January, we had to say farewell to Mr Teall who is retiring. Mr Teall joined the school in October 2015 and has been a valued Head Teacher and colleague to the pupils, parents and staff of Killin Primary School. We wish him all the best in his retirement and look forward to his visits.

On Tuesday 22nd we wished Mrs Dunshea good luck in her new adventure as a first time mum. We can't wait to meet Baby Dunshea.

We welcome Mrs Gallagher who will be joining us as Acting Head Teacher and Mrs Manning who will be covering Mrs Dunshea's maternity leave.



Killin SWI

We have had a busy 2 months. At the December meeting we had some of our members entertaining the group by showing some of their handwork skills. We watched napkin folding, how to make a rice filled snowman which was extremely effective, a table decoration, fondant sweets and pancake making. All of this was followed by a lovely buffet which was supplied by the members.

Later in December the ladies put on the school children's Christmas party. This is always a highlight for Killin SWI, teachers and



children and of course it would not be a Christmas party without a visit from Santa Claus, who gave each child a goodie bag.

The January meeting was our 95th birthday party which was celebrated in the Courie Inn, who provided a beautiful meal followed by tea/coffee, Christmas cake and sweets.

The theme for the party was "the 20's" and some of the ladies wore the appropriate dress for the era and most wore a suitable head dress. Sheila and Fiona entertained with games and Elizabeth read a "20" poem. The afternoon was a great success and enjoyed by everyone.

Ann Watson

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Book Review

The Dam Builders: Power from the Glens by James Miller

It beggars belief that electricity came to the Highlands a mere seventy years ago. The same year that the tiny village of Tomintoul 'switched on' saw the development of the first digital computer, the breaking of the sound barrier and the Polaroid camera unveiled to the American public. The world emerging from the ruins of the Second World War was one of rapidly evolving science and technology, social and economic reform. In Britain this manifested in the creation of the NHS and the nationalisation of the rail and coal industries. Living standards were improving; convenience and

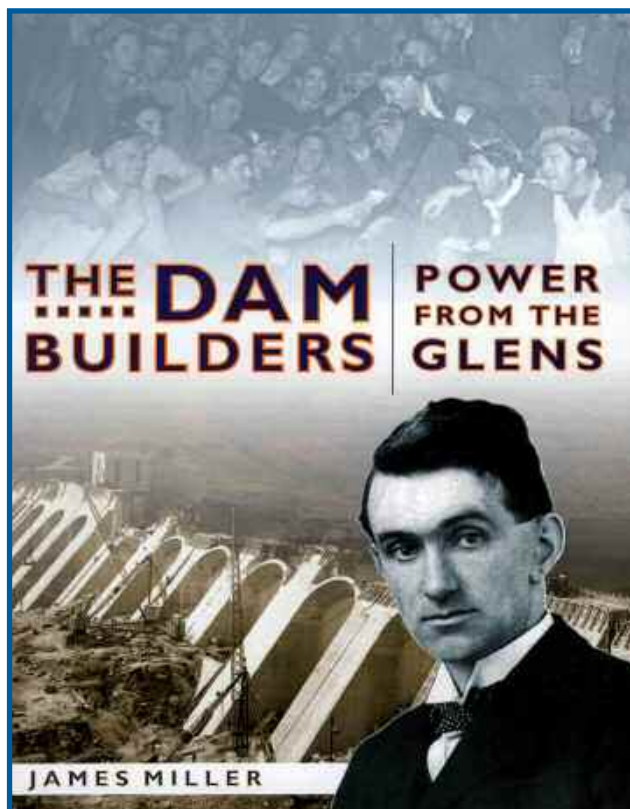
luxury in the home essential. As one eyewitness sums up in James Miller's *The Dam Builders*: "The idea was that people coming home from the War

dambuilders, tunnel tigers, named so for their talent of drilling tunnels in record time. The new schemes (Breadalbane, Glen Affric, Cruachan, to name a few) became a world in themselves, employing thousands of workers and drastically swelling the population of nearby communities. Away from the remote Army-style work billets, these weekend destinations presented new opportunities and challenges. Pubs, dancehalls and cinemas flourished. Around the same time, local police forces upped their recruitment drive. In one humorous anecdote, an eyewitness recalls some workers buying new suits for a night out only to sell them the next day after gambling away all their wages.

Beyond entertainment, the men and women on the schemes were playing a vital role in

the modernisation of the Highlands. The days of the Tilley lamp and peat-fired range were soon gone. By the time power came to most households in the 1950s, people were already queuing up for the latest appliances like electric cookers and fridges. Johnston's vision of keeping a public resource in public hands had at last been realised but his ideas of a Highland powerhouse were unfulfilled. Industry did not flock to the region – rather, the dams became unexpected tourist attractions. The environmental impact of the schemes was, and still is, a source of debate. However, in an age where we are striving for renewables, it is important to remember the pioneering work of *The Dam Builders*.

Michael Gardiner



would get better things." Looking north, the British government sought to resurrect the neglected Highlands by means of hydro-electric power, resulting in a massive thirty-year construction project of dams, power stations, tunnels and power lines from Killin to Caithness.

Miller's book is the deeply human story of one of Scotland's greatest post-war achievements. Beginning in the early 20th century when electricity was a commodity enjoyed only by rich landowners, it chronicles the foundation of the North Scotland Hydro-Electric Board and the life of its passionate founder, Tom Johnston, whose vision was to literally give power back to the people. Along the way we meet a myriad of fascinating characters: surveyors, engineers,



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Highland Perthshire Communities Land Trust 2019 AGM

Highland Perthshire Communities Land Trust's 2019 AGM will be held at 2pm on Saturday 23rd March at Molteno Hall, Fortingall. The meeting is open to all – you don't have to be a member. The formal business of the AGM will be quite short and will be followed by a talk by Claire Smith, RSPB Senior Conservation Officer, entitled The work of RSPB and Tayside Raptor Study Group in Highland Perthshire. Claire is a member of the black grouse study group and chair of Tayside Raptor Study Group.

There will also be light refreshments, displays illustrating some of the exciting work being done by HPCLT, including our Rural Skills training for young people, and the chance to talk to some of the people actively involved in HPCLT.



W H Auden said "A culture is no better than its woods". Come along to the AGM and see how this philosophy is being supported at Dùn Coilich, since 2002, when the land was purchased on behalf of the community. Over 220,000 native trees have been

planted as a key part of the restoration of a healthy ecosystem. HPCLT also looks after the Wee Birks Field in Aberfeldy, where there are already established trees. This area will be kept as an open space for public enjoyment, perhaps with some seats and some additional native flowering trees.

Cononish Gold Mine

Stephen Kerr, MP for Stirling, who visited the Cononish Gold mine near Tyndrum earlier this year, has welcomed the news that all pre-planning conditions have been met by the operators, Scotgold, and that production is planned to start next year. He was accompanied by local Cllr Jeremy McDonald and met Scotgold Non Executive Director, Chris Sangster, who took them on a tour of the mine, which on construction will become Scotland's first ever commercial gold mine. The mine, situated in the Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park near Tyndrum, is estimated to contain up to 200,000 ounces of gold, worth around £200 million at today's prices. The owners, Scotgold, have ensured that the operation is as environmentally friendly as possible and will also ensure that the landscape is protected during operations. The mine will operate for up to 17 years, depending on the rate of extraction. The company hopes to create sixty jobs and have pledged to invest £500,000 in direct payments to the local community and to assist in creating a visitor centre should such a facility prove viable.

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Jean Faichney Wins Award

On Thursday 29th November at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery, with 180 people present, Jean Faichney, one of our paramedics, was presented with an award from the Scottish Ambulance Service, under the category 'Towards 2020'. She was delighted and surprised to be awarded the prize for excellence in 'Taking Care of the Patient'. We all knew she deserved a medal for her unstinting devotion to her role as paramedic and would like to offer our congratulations to her.

Choir Presentation

At a meeting of Killin Community Choir, Franny Morrison presented a cheque for £500 to a representative from the Scottish charity, Bravehound, which trains and provides dogs to support former servicemen, women and their families. The money was raised at the two musical concerts held in the village over Remembrance Weekend and it is good to know that some of the proceeds went to such a worthy charity.



Upcoming SWI Meetings :-

7 March Up-cycling - Cath MacGregor Competitions:

1. Something New from Something Old
2. Limerick Upcycling

4 April 2019 Wiltshire Food Competitions:

1. Small Flask Tomato Soup
2. Pretty Handkerchief

Christmas Hamper

This wonderful Christmas Hamper was donated by the Masonic Lodge, and raffled in the Capercaillie on Saturday 22nd December. A total of £220 was raised which will go towards local causes. The winner was Donald McLarty.

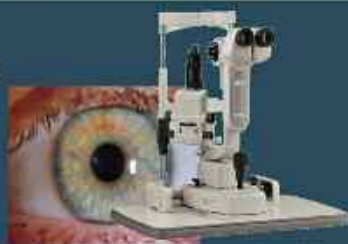


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Walk in the Park

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13/02/19	Capercaillie	Craignavie Road *
20/02/19	McLaren Hall Car Park	NCR7 at Mhor84 (car share) *
27/02/19	McLaren Hall Car Park	Glen Lochay Loop *
06/03/19	Capercaillie	River Dochart / Old Railway *
13/03/19	McLaren Hall car park	Strathyre *
20/03/19	Capercaillie	Kinnell Circuit
27/03/19	McLaren Hall Car Park	Tyndrum (car share) *

* denotes dementia-friendly walks

No need to book, just turn up. Social time after the walk in a café (optional)

For more information contact: Walk in the Park Project Coordinator

Cathy Scott: cathy.scott@lochlomond-trossachs.org tel. 07852334272 / 01877 330055

Walk in the Park is a friendly group of people who get together on a Wednesday morning to enjoy a short 45 minute stroll in or around Killin. At the beginning of the New Year we are often thinking how we can embrace a healthier lifestyle. Perhaps it could be as simple as getting out more for a walk. Walking is one of the best forms of exercise, it's completely free, does not need any special equipment (except comfortable shoes and a coat) and almost everyone can take part.

Walking with a group provides a safe and supportive environment for exercise in the beautiful countryside on our doorstep. We also enjoy a social time with the other members, there is an opportunity as we walk to catch up with old friends and make some new ones along the way. The walks end with an optional social time in Shutters, Capercaillie

or Bridge of Lochay Hotel.

Our walking routes are mostly on flat paths with good surfaces and are risk assessed prior to the walk. Supported by trained volunteer walk leaders, new members can start off at a slower pace or walk a shorter distance to build up confidence and stamina.

Along with the health walks, Walk in the Park run a strength and balance programme. Weekly sessions combine strength and balance exercises with advice on walking to help older adults stay active and independent. Using very gentle exercises based on the Otago Exercise Programme we take part in exercises designed to help us to walk more confidently.

Walk in the Park welcomes new people to our walks and exercise sessions. If you are already a keen walker and would like to help other

people enjoy a simple walk then perhaps volunteering as a walk leader may be for you. Walk in the Park will be running a programme of Volunteer Walk Leader Training in the spring. This includes a First Aid Course, Dementia Friendly Walk Leading and Strength and Balance Workshop.

Killin Walk in the Park walks and session times are:
Wednesday Morning Walk, 10.20am, please see walk schedule for meeting place.
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Killin Drama Club Mother Goose

Killin Drama Club presented 'Mother Goose' as their annual pantomime this year, playing to well supported houses on each evening. The combination of adults and local children in the cast blended well to provide a show which appealed to young and old alike.

The club calls on many local helpers to support the show and these were thanked at the final curtain by Gordon Hibbert and Lesley Syme, who wrote and ably directed the show. As always the panto included many sound and lighting effects and many surprises.

The Drama Club thank all who attended or helped in any way.



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Frost Report

Bring in the New

As we see a boat going out from the Ardeonaig pier on Jan 15th for the start of the salmon fishing we can look forward to this new year of 2019 in the natural world. Let's hope that the salmon season is better than last year.

While we humans continue to make a mess of things, the animal world itself in some cases, seems to be getting somewhere.

We are still getting into tangles about resources. We have been told for years that diesel is a cleaner fuel than petrol but, at last, the clever folk have decided the opposite.

Anyone who had been near a running diesel engine had thought this for years. We were all encouraged to use wood burning stoves because they were eco-friendly, with no linking of thought to the fact that any fuel gives off CO2 when burnt. Now legislation is being brought into England that soon allows only kiln dried wood to be burnt legally. Apart from the comic vision of the wood police coming round, it is also laughable how about-face the 'experts' readily become. Maybe it will stop huge imports of wood from America.

It is also being said that pine martens are good for red squirrels as they eat the greys. The so-called ecologists saying this obviously have not sufficiently studied the habitat of the said martens, which is mainly in red squirrel only areas like our own. So what does Mr Marten have on his plate here? Does he eat our reds or send down South for a takeaway grey?

Real scientific evidence is often ignored in the face of political or financial gain. For instance the damage to many aspects of farming by badgers. We know that they are lovely creatures but we must face reality. Unlike the article in the paper the other day urging farmers to weed patches between trees and mow some areas to reduce the number of voles. I can't really see our locals nipping off of a morning to mow the woods can you? They will then apparently be able to watch the kestrels and wildcats coming in to feed on the homeless voles. That writer lives in cloud cuckoo land and all the poor wee voles will be wondering why they don't have the same rights as badgers.

Maybe it's good news that Scottish scientists have developed eco-friendly, compostable and edible bio-plastic out of langoustine shells. If this means more langoustines on the go, I'm all for it, but will these shells be available when we all go vegan?

So what would I like to see in 2019? It would be good if we could rely on real science and not be fed unfounded ideas by folk who are only interested in political and financial gain. It would also be heart-warming to be able to enjoy a wonderful David Attenborough production without being left in depression by a dire warning about some eco-disaster at the end. Just

for once please. What is heart-warming is that a considerable number of students in Edinburgh



consider said Mr. Attenborough as the real bee's knees and look forward to each of his new series. Left to the natural device of evolution, African elephants are winning the battle against ivory poaching. In Mozambique's Gorongosa National Park 90% of elephants were slaughtered for their ivory to finance the civil war. Since the end of the war in '92, a third of females born have not developed tusks. The African norm was 2 to 4 %. Those that have developed them often grow considerably smaller tusks. Similar facts are beginning to come from South Africa and Kenya. They seem to be making a better hand of things than humans. But someone continues to play around. A couple on The Isle of Wight woke up to crashing noises in their kitchen. The burglar was Mr. Fox who had somehow got in through the door, knocked over some glasses, cut his foot and continued to spread blood, kitchen equipment and you can guess what else around the room. He was eventually caught and taken to the vet. We all wish him a speedy recovery so that he can renew his exploits in 2019.

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As you may be aware, Killin Connect is a new group which has started up in our community. We meet each Monday morning in the Community Rooms in Killin & Ardeonaig Parish Church, Killin.

Our aim is to help address isolation by providing an opportunity for people to connect with others for friendship over tea/coffee and through shared activities. These meetings are very informal and include lots of laughter, chat, music, games and quizzes.

One of the important things we want to offer is a place where people can feel relaxed and that they matter. Each morning we have between two and four volunteers (all are PVG checked) and everyone has an opportunity to be listened to and to listen to others. Whether the isolation or loneliness is due to challenges in mobility, bereavement or lack of confidence, we hope to provide a supportive environment.

At the moment we would like to focus on the Killin area. If someone is interested, we would encourage them to pick up a flyer from the surgery or library. This person can then phone one of the volunteers whose numbers are on the back of the flyer. The volunteer will arrange a visit to introduce herself / himself and explain a bit about the group and to make sure that what we are offering is suitable for them.

If anyone knows of a relative, neighbour or friend who may benefit from this service, then please feel free to help them access this information. Thank you.

Our present volunteers are
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Musings From The Manse

Jesus, The Bully Wee And Everyday Heroes

In footballing terms I am a "Hibee" having followed the Edinburgh team since 1968. It is just like being a Christian, we need a lot of faith, hope and perseverance! My first match at Easter Road that same year, saw St Johnstone beat us 1-0. After a long sojourn in the North East where I only saw Hibs if they played Aberdeen, I decided in 2004 to take my youngest boy Peter for a day out to the capital, have some great food, and visit the hallowed ground for the opening game of the new season. Yes, we lost to Kilmarnock 1-0. Oh the joys! Then I moved to Edinburgh in 2008, to a congregation on the east side of the city full of fellow Hibees. Great times were had by all. Friendship and banter at the match on Saturday and fellowship and banter at the church on Sunday. I miss those days. Of course I was in Edinburgh when we won the Scottish Cup in 2016 after 114 years of trying. Unfortunately, on the day of the cup final, Brenda and I were on a train to London to meet my daughter's future in-laws and when Hibs paraded the cup in the capital the following day, I was on the train coming back from London. Bummer!

On a more serious note, we have, these past four years, been commemorating the centenary of the Great War of 1914-1918. This has meant I have thought long and hard about my grandfather and all he experienced during that time. I am so grateful to have the treasure trove of stories he shared with me about that conflict. Yet there was another topic very dear to his heart and about which there was another boxful of stories. My grandfather was a great football fan and supporter of

Clyde FC. A Glasgow man born and bred, he eschewed the lure of supporting the big clubs Rangers and Celtic and was fiercely proud of his working class roots and the team he followed. Clyde are affectionately known as the *Bully Wee*. This nickname probably has its roots in the Victorian slang "bully," meaning first-rate/good/worthy. The "wee" is self-explanatory given that Clyde were not one of the bigger clubs. Despite living in the shadow of their bigger neighbours, Clyde have often punched above their weight, winning the Scottish Cup three times. Their support is passionate and dedicated, with a strong sense of identity and history. They also have a strong sense of destiny and a hopeful confidence of future success. A bit like the Christian Church!

I have no doubt that Jesus was seen as "bully" by his fellow Galilean countrymen and certainly the revolution he began was initiated by a small band of ordinary "bully" men and women who also had a strong sense of identity and destiny. It was their passionate commitment and dedication that helped change history. The Church began as a small and lowly group living in the shadow of the Empires of the world but for 2,000 years it has punched well above its weight and in so many ways, still does. My grandfather was an elder in the Kirk and some of his most moving stories were of him helping his men recite the Lord's Prayer or the 23rd Psalm whilst under German artillery fire. Many of them were not Church members but they found great comfort in what one of them called these "special words." The Church at its core has always been about ordinary folk, although for a lot of its history it has had an unholy alliance with power and privilege too. That thankfully is

changing. Society too is fundamentally about ordinary people. Despite the media obsession with the rich and famous, it is the unsung heroes in every community throughout the land who do the countless unreported and unrecognised acts of goodness and kindness every day. It is this which makes a real difference to people's lives. I saw a reference recently to EDH's (Every Day Heroes)! I thought that was a brilliant term and so apt a designation of the ordinary people, in every community in the land, who serve others quietly yet effectively in a thousand and one different ways. They are the "Bully Wee" of our nation. They deserve our thanks and respect.

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Could you please let me know if there is anywhere in Killin I could go with my family to find out information about him. My daughter is coming over from Sweden and we will be spending a few days there in March. Thank you for any assistance you can give me.

Lorrain Studzinski
(kilnrigg@aol.com)



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Many thanks to the Co-op for agreeing to collect donations to the food banks run by Start Up Stirling and to everyone who donated. We took over 100kg of food and toiletries down in the trolley and crates! Thank you all.

Suzanne Player



Thanks For The Tree

It was good to see the Christmas tree lit up in the village again. Thanks are due to the local firefighters for sourcing, erecting and taking down the tree. Payment to the Episcopal church towards the electricity used is usually made by the Community Council but this year the C.C. is currently not operational. However thanks to the local Co-op Christmas fund, cash for this was found as well as some towards the firefighters' benevolent fund. A good community effort.

Linda Frost

A Big 'THANK YOU'

We would like to thank all the customers who have used the newsagents during our time as the proprietors of the establishment. It is more than 15 years since our first day in News First, and over time we have had many enjoyable moments and funny episodes. We would also like to thank all the people who have helped us, by working in the shop and delivering newspapers, sometimes in terrible weather.

It is now time for some long lies and holidays.

Thanks again and good luck to the new owners and tenants. All the best for 2019

Dougie and Liz

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you to Ron Allner, who gives up his time and takes so much care over the professional photographs he produces. He also publishes our event alongside the New Year fire works in the Stirling Observer.

Alma Walker



Frost, Cameron Frost and Calum Frost who all came to transport our lanterns from the Pavilion, where David Riddell kindly allowed us to store them, to the start of our "Ribbon of Light" walk, which was a blustery one this year.

The Killin Hotel provided our finish point with hot chocolates, our judge Stuart (hotel manager) and a willing audience to see our colourful, unique lanterns.

1st prize - Lucy Hay with her yellow dog

2nd prize - Ruby Gerry with her unicorn

3rd prize - Noa Van De Coterlet with her clock at almost midnight



Everyone from High School to Nursery children, from first timers to ninja lantern makers all had a great day and enjoyed a lovely lunch donated by Killin Co-op. This year, due to the generosity of our sponsors, we were able to give "KILLIN HOGMANAY NECK BUFFS" to our lantern makers and the folk we met on our lantern walk. Thank you to Shaun Mullen, Falcon



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Informal Chess Club

Over the last three years the primary school pupils of Killin and Crianlarich have been learning how to play chess, one of the best and oldest of board games.

There are currently twenty children playing chess in the area, some of whom are showing excellent promise.

Chess is thought to have its origins in the East, probably India, and today it is estimated to have around 600 million players worldwide.

Courtesy of the Killin Hotel and in an effort to expand and introduce chess to a wider community, an informal chess club has been formed which is meeting every Saturday afternoon. Boards and pieces provided.

All ages with an interest are welcome. Primary school children who are currently in the school chess clubs are especially welcome but must be accompanied by an adult.

If required further details are available.

Sandy Chisholm
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Scottish Wildlife Trust Pitlochry and Highland Perthshire Group

On Monday 18th February in The Duchess Ann Hall, Dunkeld, at 7.30pm, there will be a talk by Catherine Cumming 'Hen harriers: their status and their conservation'.

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Many of you who have been in the surgery may have already met Ruth and Hayley and we are delighted to have them working as part of our team.

Missed Appointments

Between September and December 2018 we had 67 missed appointments due to people failing to attend or cancel their appointment. Please let us know, at least the day before, if you are unable to attend your appointment or if you no longer require the appointment. We can then offer this appointment to another patient who needs it and reduce appointment waiting times within the Practice.

Ruth Kelloe, Practice Manager

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Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme

January 2019

December was a busy time for the car scheme. As well as taking people to appointments, the drivers and escorts attended a very successful dementia awareness training session, delivered by Donna Patterson from Alzheimer Scotland. All those present signed up to become Dementia Friends and now have an insight into how dementia affects people and have a better overall understanding of ways they may be able to support them.
The Trustees also met with representatives of NHS Forth Valley Transport and the ambulance service in an attempt to develop better working links with them and possibly some funding. This felt like a very positive meeting and hopefully is the start of a good working partnership between all parties.
The Trustees are very aware of the

need to try to reduce the cost of travel for everyone and as a result it was decided that users of the car scheme would no longer have to pay for the journey the driver makes to get to them. They will only pay for the journey from their home and back again, and the car scheme will cover the cost of the dead miles that drivers have undertaken to get to them. This should help those in outlying areas by reducing their travel costs. The car scheme can be contacted on **07988 280743**.

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Tombreck Farm (www.tombreck.co.uk) is on the North side of Loch Tay, and the Tombreck Action Group (TAG) was formed in 2003 with a vision for the future: "To work as a farm, and to diversify into other activities so as to include other people, and to provide housing and employment at a sustainable level." The question was 'how could a farm, which 150 years ago supported several families, be vibrant and productive once more?

After many developments and much building work, Tombreck Farm is now home to over 20 people in nine

separate households. The oldest resident is in his late 60's and the youngest is just 9 months old. There is also the Big Shed community building owned by the Lochtayside Community Interest Company (LTCIC) (www.bigshed.org.uk), which hosts weekly yoga sessions as well as regular concerts and other community events. There are several small businesses on site, doing everything from crafts to architecture.

Tombreck Farm has recently been inviting applications from new farmers and growers who wish to farm in an agri-environmental way, and a new housing co-op is part of the overall vision of getting people, especially young people, back to living on the land.

The Tombreck Action Group has obtained funding from the Scottish Government's Rural Housing Fund for a Feasibility Study to explore options for new affordable houses on the farm, the housing being for local people in housing need as well as new farmers and growers. The feasibility study is now well underway and will report back at the end of March.

In early December a post on Facebook publicising the Tombreck Rural Housing Co-op and inviting more people, especially young people and families, to get in touch, was met with much excitement. Within 24 hours over 6,000 people had seen the post and that number is currently approaching 15,000! The post went all over the world and the interest has been massive. This idea has touched and excited people at a deep level, even those who are unable to participate due to circumstance, age or location.

Although delighted by the response, it's a small farm, and the group had to be closed at 10 potential new households. There is a waiting list, and anyone interested in being involved now or in the future is welcome to join it. If you are local and/or with a land based business idea please get in touch. Email sue@ecological-architecture.co.uk for more information.

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After our short Christmas break all our groups are back with renewed vigour and attendance is good. The Mahjong group

has had to find a new venue due to its ever increasing membership and have found a new home in Callander Kirk Hall. The Knit & Natter group reported on amazing sales of their products at craft fairs and have donated £400 to the Killin Mountain Rescue team. Lisa Higginson received the cheque on the team's behalf and gave the group a talk on how you prepare for mountain rescue, showing everyone the contents of her rucksack, to the amazement of many who wondered how far uphill they could manage to carry it!

Anyone not familiar with U3A and its aims should have a look at our website 'Callander and West Perthshire U3A' where details of over 30 groups with timetables are available. Contact can be made by e-mail to the Secretary direct from our website and for the remaining 6 months of this year's programme the membership fee is only £5. We welcome new members at any time.

McLaren Badminton Club

McLaren Badminton Club in Callander recently held its annual club competitions and two local people triumphed. Fiona Tickner from Crianlarich and Steve Neal from Lochearnhead were the mixed doubles champions, pictured second and third from the right. McLaren Badminton Club is a friendly club, meeting at 7.30pm every Tuesday in McLaren Leisure Centre, Callander and new players are always welcomed. Dust off your racquet and come along! We've been very happy over the past few years to have welcomed Killin Badminton Club for a few weeks while it is panto season in Killin and their court is therefore inaccessible. We hope to continue welcoming them in future.

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Weather 2018

Kirkton Farm (Met Office Automatic Weather Station), near Tyndrum, Strathfillan

The main features of the weather at Kirkton in 2018 were a cold, snowy but relatively dry January, February and March; a dry spring; a hot and sunny June and July, with record breaking temperatures; a wet autumn; and a relatively mild December.

The total rainfall recorded at the Met Office automatic station at Kirkton in 2018 was 2475.6 mm (97.5 inches). This was 138.2 mm less than the 1991-2015 twenty-five year average (2613.8 mm). The wettest month was November with 351.2 mm of rainfall. The rainfall was above average in June, July, September, October and November. The driest month was May with 67.6 mm of rainfall (only 48% of the 25 year average). February was also particularly dry with only 123.8 mm of precipitation (49% of the 25 year average). The highest rainfall over a calendar week (Monday to Sunday)

recorded. The total number of rain days was 269 (73.7 %).

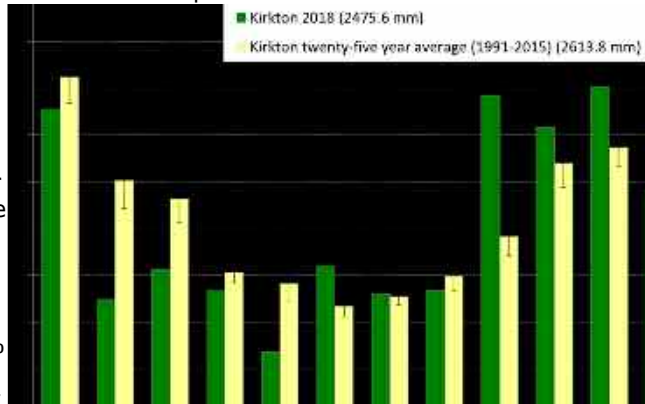
The lowest temperature recorded during 2018 was on the 21st January when the temperature fell to -11.3°C. This was the lowest temperature since January 2011. The lowest maximum temperature was recorded on the 28th

temperatures of 20.45°C and 20.26°C respectively. Temperatures of 25°C or above were recorded on 12 days (two days in May, seven days in June and three days in July), while temperatures above 20°C (but less than 25°C) were recorded on a further 26 days.

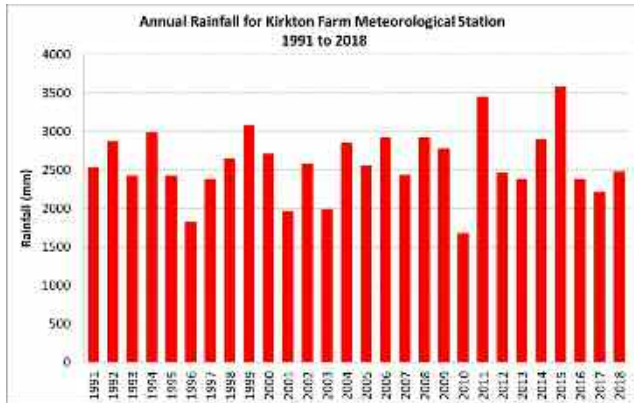
Sleet or snow was recorded falling at the weather station on 36 days. A snow depth of 24 cm was recorded on 22nd January. There was no snow recorded in November and only two days of snow in December. There were four days in 2018 when sustained gale force winds were recorded at the farm (19th September, 28th and 29th November, 15th and 18th December); and there were six days when thunderstorms occurred (3rd, 7th, 8th and 9th June, 27th July and 19th September).

Killin

The total rainfall recorded in Killin in 2018 was 1688 mm (66.46 inches); this was 210.5 mm less than the 2002-2016 fifteen-year average (1898.5 mm). May was the driest month with

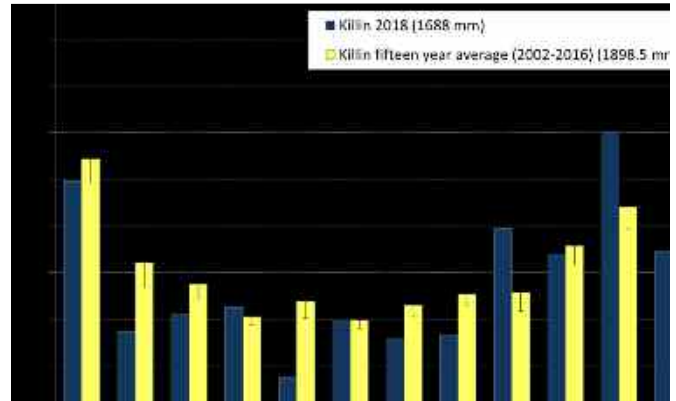


February (-1.2°C). There were three days when the temperature failed to rise above freezing (7th January, 28th February and 1st March). An air frost



was 181.2 mm between the 22nd and the 28th January. There were four calendar weeks when the total rainfall exceeded 100 mm. The highest rainfall in a single 24 hour period (09:00 GMT to 09:00 GMT) was 72.8 mm on the 8th October. There were five days when more than 50 mm of rainfall was recorded (22nd January, 17th September, 19th September, 7th October and 8th October) and a further 20 days when more than 25 mm of rainfall was

recorded on a total of 86 days. There were no air frosts recorded in June, July or August. The highest temperature recorded was on the 28th June (31.6°C). This was the highest temperature ever recorded at Kirkton and the first time a temperature of over 30°C had been recorded. June and July were the warmest months with mean temperatures of 14.46°C and 15.20°C respectively, and mean maximum



only 37.5 mm of rain, while November was the wettest month with 300.5 mm. During 2018 Killin received 68.2 % of the rainfall recorded at Kirkton (i.e. some 787.6 mm less). The rainfall was higher at Kirkton in all months.

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John Holland (SRUC Hill & Mountain Research Centre, Kirkton & Auchtertyre Farms)

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2nd Killin & District Scout Group Stirling & Trossachs.

After a break for Christmas and panto, all the sections are glad to be back meeting regularly again. The new year brings lots of new opportunities and leaders of all the sections have been busy planning for the year that lies ahead.

We finished 2018 on a high with 2 fundraising events organised by our Group Executive committee and the friends of 2nd Killin & District Scouts. On 1st of December we held a very successful Christmas Fayre and Coffee afternoon. The children from all sections made crafts to sell and were joined by many local artists and producers, showcasing a huge depth of talent and providing the opportunity to buy some lovely Christmas gifts. We raised the fantastic total of £537 and would like to thank everyone who was involved for their support, especially to the executive committee! Thank you also to everyone who supported our Christmas post.

It's fantastic to see our Scout Group continue to grow and we start 2019 with the opening of another Beaver colony, allowing us to increase the number of children who can join us, as the waiting list was getting long! We now have 22 Beavers and are seeing the numbers steadily grow in all the other sections too, as the children continue their Scouting journey and move into the next section. As always, if you are interested in helping with any of our sections (particularly cubs) in any way, from coming along to share an interest with the kids to regularly helping out, we'd be really grateful to hear from you.

Beavers

Beavers are aged 6-8. We have 2 colonies that meet alternating Tuesdays in the Lesser McLaren Hall, Killin, from 6-7pm.

Before Christmas we had great fun making marshmallow snowmen, salt dough decorations and decorating plant pots. We are really looking forward to 2019. As mentioned above we now have two colonies and with lots of new Beavers starting, and the overall smaller numbers in the groups spread over 2 colonies, hopefully means we can do more hands-on exciting activities. Both

colonies will be doing the same programme and have the same opportunities. We're taking on a badge that even the leaders have never done before – experiments. I suspect that this might get messy but we'll hopefully learn something new and have lots of fun. We are



also going to be working towards our teamwork challenge badge as we get used to the faces in our new colonies and our new lodges within these.

Laura Bathgate

Beaver Leader

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Cubs

Cubs are aged 8-10½ and will be meeting every other Tuesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 7.15pm to 8.30pm.

The Cubs have been busy doing Christmas craft and finishing their teamwork badges. With numbers increasing this term the role of our Sixers (leaders of group of Cubs, 'a Six') will be really important. This term the Cubs will be looking at how they can impact the community through activities or raising awareness of issues. It feels all too common that we ask for new leaders and helpers but that time has come again for the Cubs. For safety reasons we do need another 'leader' to keep up our ratio of leader to Cubs. I am sure our parents will be really helpful but someone a bit more permanent would be great. Also, please note the change of meeting time to 7.15pm to allow Beavers to meet beforehand.

Stephen Rawlinson

Cub Leader

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Scouts

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

After the departure of Zach and Harriet this has been the first term with our new-ish leader team. With familiar faces in Stephen and Chaz helping with evenings I am sure the Scouts have still been having as much fun. Highlights from this term have been cooking on our new Trangia stoves and learning the many different ways of lighting a fire. Once again the Scouts took part in their annual Christmas trading posts along with the Cubs. This action packed group challenge is always good fun with the Explorer's doing their best shop keeping skills. There are plenty of exciting ideas for this term but certainly looking forward to the summer with some 'big' plans.

New Scout Leader

meanwhile contact Matt Collins

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Explorers

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

The term leading up to Christmas meant time for the Explorers to plan the annual Christmas trading post. This is a challenge run by them for the Cubs and Scouts where they are put into teams and have to complete challenges in order to earn macaroni!! Macaroni can then be used to buy equipment that might be required to complete other more lucrative challenges for yet more macaroni. It's a fiercely contested challenge and there is lots of planning of what the challenges should be and what the rewards for completing them should be. The explorers did a great job – thank you from the Cubs, Scouts and the leaders. Explorers plan their own programme so you'll need to wait to see what they get up to in 2019.

Matt Collins

Explorer Leader

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Local Winner of 24 Hour Mountain Bike Race



The Ladies Section of the 24 hour Strathpuffer Endurance Mountain Bike Race held on 18th/19th January near Strathpeffer, was won by Sally Evamy, a new resident in Killin. Her win on her first attempt was remarkable because she and husband Simon had been so busy moving into Killin that she had had no time for any training. But maybe moving house is good endurance training!

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Proposal: Construction of 130m metres forestry track
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Application Type: Prior Notification
Decision: Prior approval not required

09 Nov 2018

Proposal: Proposed change of use of land from open space to mixed use (Classes 1,3 and 10)
Location: Land Adjacent To Ben Doran Hotel Tyndrum
Applicant: Mr Ian Cleaver
Application Type: Planning Permission in Principle
Decision: Current

23 Nov 2018

Proposal: Change of use of restaurant to holiday let and erection of dormer window
Location: The Smiddy Main Street Killin
Applicant: Michael Crow
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
Decision: Current

29 Nov 2018

Proposal: Tree works within a conservation area - Remove 1no. yew tree and reshape 1no. yew tree
Location: The Cedars Main Street Killin
Applicant: Mr James Woods
Application Type: Tree works application
Decision: No Objections

12 Dec 2018

Proposal: Erection of single storey side entrance porch
Location: Glenardran Crianlarich
Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Salt
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
Decision: Approve

14 Dec 2018

Proposal: Erection of replacement conservatory
Location: The Tyndrum Inn Tyndrum
Applicant: Mr Andrew Riley
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
Decision: Approve

18 Dec 2018

Proposal: Change of use of village hall to dwellinghouse and erection of a detached double garage with storage/office above
Location: Tyndrum Village Hall Crianlarich
Applicant: Mr David Allan
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission
Decision: Current

09 Jan 2019

Proposal: Erection of external access stairs and repairs to stone screen wall, burial chamber and entrance piers
Location: Clan Macnab Burial Place Main Street Killin
Applicant: The Macnab Memorial Trust
Application Type: Listed Building Consent
Decision: Approve

Perth & Kinross Council

13 Nov 2018

Proposal: Erection of a polytunnel
Location: The Farmhouse Tombreck Lawers
Applicant: Mr Tober Brown
Application Type: Prior Notification Agricultural
Decision: Approve the application

14 Nov 2018

Proposal: Change of use from church (class 10) to dwellinghouse (class 9)
Location: Morenish Church Killin
Applicant: Mr Andy Johnson
Application Type: planning permission local
Decision: Refuse the application

10 Dec 2018

Proposal: Erection of 6 dwellinghouses
Location: Land 100 Metres North West Of Invertay Fearnan
Applicant: Suilven Property Developments Ltd
Application Type: planning permission local
Decision: Approve the application

09 Jan 2019

Proposal: Erection of a replacement dwellinghouse
Location: Site Of Former Cragganester Lawers
Applicant: Mrs Morven Cooke
Application Type: planning permission local
Decision: Refuse the application

Stirling Council

14 Nov 2018

Proposal: Proposed extension and refurbishment of existing building, new build lodges, yurts and associated infrastructure and external lighting, infilling of existing manmade moat
Location: Firbush Point Field Centre Killin
Applicant: The Univeristy Of Edinburgh
Application Type: Full
Decision: Unknown

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Regular Activities

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- 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

Tuesday

- Killin Craft Group, 10am-12pm, Community Rooms, restarts 4th October
- Internet Cafe, drop in between 11am-1pm, Killin Library
- 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
- U3A Geology, 10-12pm alternate weeks starting 27/9, Bridge of Lochay Hotel

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

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23rd Feb 2nd March

9th March 16th March

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