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Editorial

This issue includes a wonderful glimpse of past life in Killin (page 20) as well as the good news that Killin Heritage Society is to recommence (page 4). Wouldn't it be a bonus if all the historical photos, articles, books, folklore tales and artefacts that are to be stored in St Fillans Church could be found a permanent display location, so that visitors and locals alike would be able to appreciate them ?

On to the present day. Very shortly, Killin will have a new Community Council (page 3). Thank you to all who put themselves forward as candidates and we look forward to reading the report of your first meeting as a new team. Talking of teams, one team that worked exceptionally well together recently was Killin Golf Club and the Killin Cancer Research Committee who combined to run the extremely successful Race Night (page 3). Congratulations to them all on raising such a large sum of money, and entertaining the Killin masses with a wonderful fun and food-filled evening.

Now to the younger, non-gambling residents in the village. The Killin and Crianlarich nurseries have merited three pages this time (pages 14 to 16) and we must say well done to all those involved in achieving such a good report from the school inspectorate. The children's Evil Pea Trap looked amazing. Perhaps a bigger version would be good to help catch a few naughty vandals, thieves and inconsiderate dog owners (page 21).

Looking ahead, we have milder days and colourful spring flowers to enjoy, and if the evenings are still chilly, you can check our What's On section to plan your diaries.

We wish you all a happy and peaceful Easter.

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Spring at Finlarig
Photo Ron Allner

Killin Community Council - Update

Killin **will** now be getting a new Community Council. As ten community-minded people volunteered for the nine places, a postal vote was held and the result will be announced soon after this Killin News goes to press. The ten candidates are: Andrew Aitken, Ron Allner, Amanda Clark, Pamela Farquharson, David Fettes, Yvonne Gillies, Charlie Grant, Colin Hay, Stewart Inglis and Chaz Kemp. The village looks forward to active promotion of its needs and the solving of any problems.



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Race Night



Killin Local Committee - Cancer Research UK and Killin Golf Club joined forces on Saturday 23rd February to host a charity Race Night with Fork Supper.

This action-packed, fun social evening, which was very well supported, consisted of 8 races and a special novelty auction race, 'The Killin Challenge', which saw eight local thoroughbreds - Jill Laurence, Liz Stevens, Laura Bathgate, Tina Campbell, Iain Campbell, John McNab, Christian Welsh and Lee Douglas - being auctioned to the highest bidder before completing their challenge, in which Ian Campbell was triumphant in the final.



All the races were sponsored and a very big 'Thank you' is extended to the businesses for supporting this event; Andrew Baird Optometrist, Karelia House, Gauld Funeral Directors, Grants Laundry, Capercaillie Restaurant, Courie Inn, Shutters Restaurant, Roundabout Travel & Gourlay Butchers.

Thanks are also extended to the many other businesses and individuals who donated prizes for the winners in each race. Their support was very much appreciated.

Finally, thanks to all of the 'punters' who gave so generously; approximately £6000 was raised which will be split between the two organisations.

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Killin Heritage Society Is Alive And Kicking

I'm not sure if it was the promise of a Judy Forster cake or a talk from John Holland on the history of Scottish sheep farming that tempted nearly 20 people to miss a sunny Sunday afternoon on 17th March to attend the AGM of Killin Heritage Society. However it showed that "the Heritage" was certainly not dormant as some in the village had thought.

Although the Society has not held the traditional speaker evenings this winter, it has been active through three Interest Groups – a Graveyards Group led by Sally Connor, which has joined the "Friends of Stirlingshire Historic Graveyards" which brings together nearly 20 villages aiming to get lottery funding to survey and ultimately restore their old cemeteries. If you have visited the Old Cemetery behind the Killin Hotel you will know that this will be a major task requiring substantial expenditure. Sue Hughes is leading a second group aiming to build up the

Society's existing records into a searchable database of the village houses and shops which can be used, for example, by locals and visitors wanting to research their family histories. Keith Mayo is leading the third group which has been transferring the artefacts and records of the Society into proper storage in the St Fillans church rooms. The aims there are to bring them together in one secure place and to update the cataloguing of the items, so that they can be made available for viewing and public displays.

Those attending the AGM confirmed the Society's officers and committee and charged them with revising the constitution and putting together a programme of events, running on through the Spring and Summer on both afternoons and evenings to make them more accessible. We also hope to arrange some outdoor guided walks to interesting local sites. Events will be listed in the Killin

News and in posters around the village but, if you want to be sure of getting advance notice, please join the Society by sending your email address to keithmayo2000@yahoo.co.uk

After the formalities everyone enjoyed John Holland's excellent talk, ranging from the old 18th Century Soay sheep, barely half the size of those you see in the fields around Killin today, through to the more commercial flocks of Blackface and Cheviots crossed with Leicesters and the ups and downs of sheep numbers leading to the decline in recent years. When the many follow-up questions got into the details of the subsidy schemes of the Common Agricultural Policy we finally broke up for the delicious tea and cakes.

Keith Mayo

Chairman
Killin Heritage Society

Sports & Leisure Club Feasibility Study

We are in the process of undertaking a feasibility study to see if there is demand to expand our current pavilion into a modernised, flexible community facility. The study is being led by Integratis Consulting who have a rich background in providing sport and leisure solutions, making this a fantastic opportunity to gain valuable insight and views to support future club plans and endeavours.

To date, the objectives and timelines of the study have been outlined and a consultation evening has taken place that was open to those involved with the sports club and community sport hub. A significant process in the study will be a community survey, which you will find inserted in this issue. As stated on the survey we are keen to engage with and listen to the views of the community to gauge the level of

interest and establish what the community needs are and whether they would make use of any new facilities provided.

If you cannot complete the physical survey, we welcome views on the online survey, which will take no more than 10 minutes:

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/YYXQCXW

We look forward to sharing the findings of the study in the coming issue and would like to take this opportunity to say thanks for the efforts of the groups and individuals who have contributed thus far.

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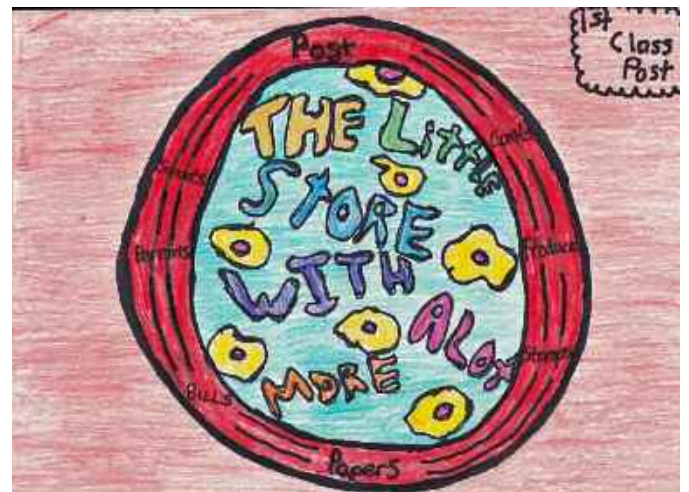
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News First

At the time of going to press, we have been closed now for 3 weeks renovating News First. The renovation has taken a little bit longer due to the illness of one of the key people involved. The Scottish Land Fund grant was used to buy the building and for renovations.

We have been successful with our Forth Valley and Lomond LEADER funding which will be used to pay for fixture and fittings, the business and a shop manager. We have to go through a few more hoops before we can get access to money, but nothing too arduous.

The Crowdfunding page raised £8,513 and we have £1080 offline donations. WOW! Thank you Killin for your amazing support. We are now just waiting to hear the outcome of funding from The Fore.

Breadalbane Park

We have submitted our application to the Community Green Flag to try and gain the award again this year. Last year we had a face to face meeting with the judges, this year we will be mystery shopped anytime between now and September. Please help us by keeping the park clean and tidy.

We lost one of our poo bag holders, the one by the main gate. This will be replaced shortly and hopefully it won't disappear again. Stirling Council have purchased the Viking Swing for us and will be putting it in hopefully within the next few months. This will be a big help to get us started with the new play park. We are in the process of submitting applications for funding so we can get started on the pre-school area. The reason why we are starting on this area is so that it can be enclosed, but it allows us to open up the play area to incorporate the bigger area.

KAT AGM

KAT will not be holding their AGM until September this year (date to be arranged). This is because KAT has changed the date that their accounts finish on. Our accounts used to end on the 31st October, but now will end on 31st March to bring them in line with some of our funding. Once the end date has been reached the accounts need to be completed, audited and a report written up. This can take around 5 months to complete. We felt that holding the AGM in the school holidays was not a good idea.

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The Frost Report

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It is that time of year again, the turn of the seasons and the return of our springtime regulars. One of the first sounds of spring is the frog chorus from ponds, boggy areas and even large puddles as they climb up through their muddy winter homes where they have kept free of frost, respiring through their skin, to find their favourite location in which to lay their frogspawn. In our pond, both frogs and frogspawn were two weeks earlier than last year. The cry of oystercatchers is also a welcome spring sound when they come here from the coast for the breeding season. A couple appeared on the Ardeonaig pier on January 16th, earlier than usual (last year it was on February 3rd), but they did not stay. A group returned on 16th February and have stayed. Also 2 weeks early were pied wagtails, presumably from the South, not the more adventurous ones who migrate to N. Africa. A kite was seen at Ardeonaig a couple of weeks earlier than last year. Unlike over the hill in the Crieff area, they do not seem to overwinter here. Certainly several bumble bees were making the most of early sunshine and warmth on 26th February. We can count on them all to bring spring to us each year. But let's go from counting on them to actually counting them; at this time of year the annual deer count takes place. You may have seen a helicopter above doing some of the counts while footcounts are used in other areas. It all has to be carefully planned so that adjoining areas are counted on the same days to avoid double counting or missing large numbers of deer. All land, including forestry and farmland, is included, not just shooting estates, as the aim is to assess the number of stags, hinds and young, to give everywhere a cull target for the coming seasons. Different areas want different numbers; estates want deer

in order to let shooting for income, while farmers and forestry do not want deer competition for grass, crops or trees. It is also important for the animals' welfare that overpopulation does not occur. Numbers counted are sent to area deer management groups of which there are 44 upland Scottish ones and several lowland. These are all collated and submitted to a central Scottish group overseen by S.N.H. As this is a government body, it is important that the interests of landowners of all types are represented. Each deer management group should also have a deer management plan and carry out regular habitat assessments. It can be quite a challenge to count red deer fairly accurately and they are Britain's largest land animal so it is questionable how accurate some other counts are. For instance, until recently gamekeepers have counted white hares in the daytime but the government commissioned a new night count developed by The James Hutton Institute for scientific research, The Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust and SNH. This has had startling results. An instance is that one grid gave a daylight count of 6 hares but a night count of the same area with torches counted 209 hares. Is it possible that this could be the case for brown hares? Or even many other smaller animals. How can so-called scientists say that a certain number of field mice live in a certain woodland? It is probably only possible to estimate a likely minimum or maximum number. This would appear to be far more likely in vast hundreds of square miles of rainforest or the inaccessible high slopes of The Himalayas. We are told that only a certain number of a species remains but who could really know? It would be interesting to know how accurate the published number of beavers is. Even around the shores of Loch Tay there are tightly wooded areas of shore where people never go

and few boats are out at night to see them. As they are spreading, it may happen soon that they meet up with the Knapdale enclosed ones and what will happen then? Will they be friends and invite each other in politely for tea and bark? It is really to be hoped that the latest suggestion that wildcat numbers are too low for them to continue to be a viable species is wrong. To have fairly accurate numbers of how many wild boar are on the loose would be useful, as the threat of swine fever advances across Europe from Africa. Denmark and Germany are putting up a border fence to halt the spread of wild boar and so, they hope, the swine fever. Don't tell Mr. Trump that they are getting on better than him – and you can't expect the boar to pay for it either. By the way have you any idea of the size a wild boar can get to? Males 75 to 100 kilos, females 60 to 80 kilos (or 220 lbs and 165lbs in old money). You really don't want to unexpectedly run into one on a dark night in the woods. You would be in for a big surprise as the song goes. Denmark is the only EU country where pigs outnumber people with 215 pigs per 100 people.

On a lighter note, the proposed space station near Melness may have to be relocated as the *Bombus distinguendus* bumble bee lives there and only in a very few other places. A Killin resident who lives on the edge of the park heard a stramash by his back door recently. No, it was not Mr Fox this time, but Mr Otter! Maybe those new settler beavers had pushed him out from the river or maybe he was just on his way for a shot at the playpark. If you really need cheering up go to <http://powerfulmind.co/photographer-captured-squirrels/>

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Jock Stewart, Roy MacGregor and Tober Brown, who all very kindly donated their time and did an excellent job. Will you be able to recognise which voice is which? We are also refurbishing the interpretation board next to it and incorporating a refreshed panel ready to open on Easter Sunday.

Inside the house, the Best Room has a new floor covering thanks to funding from the Welsh Family Trust. Underneath the box beds are the remains of the original floorboards, which were replaced with concrete throughout the

rest of the room. To reproduce this original look we have laid an Eyemat; a printed covering which uses a photograph of a wooden floor.

There are not many visitor attractions like Moirlanich Longhouse in this area and we are always in need of volunteers to open the



property to visitors. Volunteer guides are needed from May to September - typically one afternoon per month, Wednesdays and/or Sundays from 2-5pm.

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Lower Station Yard We are very excited to let you know that we have been granted Leader funding for the

proposed developments at Lower Station Yard in Crianlarich. We are still awaiting the outcome of our main funder, but fingers crossed that this will come to fruition soon. Once we have the funding in place we will be tendering for designers, and will of course be looking for input from the local community. If you have any questions please get in touch with Kelly at the Trust.

Bike Skills Park A big thank you to everyone who attended the Open Evening for the Tyndrum Bike Skills Park in the Tyndrum Inn at the end of January – your feedback was much appreciated. Thank you also to the Tyndrum Inn for hosting the event and supplying refreshments. The designers are currently working on the plans and looking at various opportunities, so we should be getting more final plans soon.

Small Grants Scheme 2019 The Trust would like to draw your attention to another round of our Small Grants Scheme. If you are a community group in Strathfillan and are looking for a small amount of money to help buy materials, run a project or other activities, then please contact Kelly at the Trust. The funding pot is limited so please don't hang about!

General The Trust would like to thank

Scottish Water for their very generous donation, which we will use to fund a portaloo in Lower Station Yard for the coming season.

Contact If you want to get in touch with the Trust for any reason we want to hear from you. Office hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9.30am to 2.30pm, at Crianlarich Village Hall. You can email Kelly at kelly@strathfillancdt.org.uk, or phone 01838 300249 during office hours.



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Ski Course 2019

The bus set off on 5th January, with 41 pupils in high

spirits, en route to Manchester airport. When we arrived in Munich we had another bus journey to Kuchl where we met our lovely hosts for the week who had prepared snacks for us to enjoy before bedtime at 9pm. On the first day we got all our ski boots and helmets fitted at the hotel during breakfast. We got the bus to Alpendorf, then collected our skis and poles and used the chair lift to get up the mountain. The visibility wasn't great but we still really enjoyed our first day of skiing.

On the second day the snow was powdery and visibility was very poor, which meant that most of the slopes were closed but the skiing was still enjoyable and we all enjoyed the local Austrian food.

One day, when the chairlift was closed, we decided to surprise attack our instructors and teachers with a barrage of snowballs until the chairlift

reopened.

It was a great week and thanks to Mrs Dunn and her team for helping make it a week to remember.

S4 Safe Drive Stay Alive Experience

Traffic Incidents: Around 1 in 4 deaths on the road are of young people aged 17-24. Safe Drive Stay Alive aim to help reduce this statistic by delivering hard-hitting presentations on the dangers of not driving safely to young people who will soon be learning to drive.

On the 6th February, all S4's got the chance to go to the Macrobert Arts Centre to watch this presentation. We travelled by coach, and when we got there, we were welcomed into the main theatre. The lights were off, but multicoloured disco lights danced around the seats and the stage. "Mr Brightside" by The Killers was playing and once everybody was seated, the presentation leaders had us all dancing to The Proclaimers and doing the YMCA! However the morning soon took a dramatic

turn as a video began to play. The video showed 4 teenagers going out for the evening, the car crash they were involved in, and the aftermath of the crash. The video stopped at different points and various professionals, including police officers, paramedics, nurses and firemen came on to the stage to explain their role in helping with a road traffic collision (RTC). Everyone who came on stage had at some point been involved in helping treat people who had been injured or retrieving dead bodies from RTCs and so they all had very emotional stories to tell about their experiences. The firewoman talked about having to use equipment to break doors and even take the roof off cars in order to retrieve bodies, and the paramedics talked about the difficulties of pronouncing a person to be dead and then having to ignore them in order to deal with the living casualties of car crashes. It made the danger of not driving safely so much clearer when we heard stories from the people it affected.

Overall, Safe Drive Stay Alive was an incredibly valuable experience. It really made it clear the horrendous impact that driving dangerously could have on our lives, the lives of the people in the car with us, and our families. I think we all truly learned the value of driving carefully, always wearing a seatbelt, not distracting the driver, and not driving while intoxicated.

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Music Festival, 7-8 February

In a rescheduled music festival, we welcomed back our dear friend Mrs Jan Green as adjudicator. Jan was the upper strings tutor at McLaren for nearly twenty years. Jan was treated to some sparkling



performances in all categories. For all the right reasons she found it difficult to pick winners. She was thrilled by what she heard - everything from Rachmaninov to Bohemian Rhapsody. Well done to all performers. You should all be very proud of yourselves. In an unprecedented move, all senior competitors received highly commended awards from Mrs Green. The standard of performance was very high with incredibly strong playing throughout. Congratulations everyone!

Achray Farm Visit

Pupils attended Achray Farm on Tuesday, 19th February as part of Travel and Tourism/ DYW experience. The pupils heard about the owner's plans to diversify Achray Farm and watched a demonstration of traditional lime mortaring from a local architect. They also learnt about the completed repair of 18th century barns and traditional building skills. The repair of the barns, and the event, was supported by the Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority as part of their National Park Grant Scheme which also supported projects delivering learning as part of the 2018 Year of Young People. Pupils had an excellent time and learned many new skills. Thank you to Achray Farm for this great opportunity.



Mock Interviews

Mock interviews for all our S5 pupils took place on Wednesday 20th February. Pupils were officially invited to attend interviews at the McLaren Leisure Centre and had to arrive at their allotted time. Thank you to our team of volunteer interviewers, made up of parents and members of the McLaren community, who then interviewed the pupils for either a place at further education or a job. Pupils found the event very beneficial and hope it will help them in any forthcoming interviews. The volunteers commented on how well prepared the pupils were and how well they came across during interviews. A very well received event.

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Cultybraggan POW Camp

Class 3 went to Cultybraggan POW Camp (Camp 21) on the 11th March to learn more about World War 2. We were met by John who gave us a guided tour of the camp, explaining the history and helping us imagine what life would have been like there. We then had a 'Hands on History' lesson from Sergeant Major Pete who everyone thought was funny, even though he was shouting orders at us! We saw different types of gas masks including one for a horse! We learned about lady spies and how brave they were. We also got to try on different kit and saw how little people got to eat through rationing. Everyone had an amazing end to our World War 2 topic.

By Lexi and Maia



Fairtrade

We have started our journey to become a Fairtrade School. This year's Fairtrade Fortnight had a focus on chocolate. We learned about cocoa farmers in the Dominican Republic and how Fairtrade helps them to earn a fairer wage, build their community and look after the future generations. The Co-op kindly donated a range of Fairtrade items which we used to bake a range of cakes. Class 1, who were learning about ginger, made lovely gingerbread men. On Thursday 7th March, we decorated the hall with Fairtrade bunting and hosted a successful bake sale which raised over £70.

Thank you to Tim and Alison who came to help us learn about Fairtrade and the Co-op for providing us with Fairtrade ingredients. We have now earned our Fairaware Award and are now working towards our Fairactive Award.

By Lauren and Isobel



Red Nose Day

On Red Nose Day, everyone came to school wearing something red. We watched a video to learn about what the money raised is spent on. We were able to raise an amazing £134.25 and we all had Red Nose cakes at the end of the day.

By Harry and Cai



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Rotary Quiz Winners

Four children from Class 3 made the journey to Callander to take part in the annual Rotary Club Quiz. We were given sheets for each round and were able to discuss each question for a couple of seconds. By half time we were in second place! There were a few tough questions in the second half but we managed to come in **THIRD!** There were twelve teams competing so we think we did really well. On our return we had a celebration with the rest of the school!

By Stacey



World Book Day

On Thursday 7th March we dressed up as our favourite book characters to celebrate World Book Day. We had a parade in the hall, we had a Wimpy Kid Walkabout (looking for book covers) and we had a book swap. The night before, the KPP organised a bedtime story for us at the Falls of Dochart Retirement Home. We had an incredible time.

By Alastair and Noa



MacRobert Arts Centre

We have been very lucky to have Donna from the MacRobert Arts Centre working with us over the past few weeks. The whole school are working to create a hanging mural to display our school values in a creative way, using a range of materials. We can't wait to see the end results.

By Lily

SSE Visit

Class 2 went on a fantastic visit to the Glen Lochay Power Station to learn about how water makes energy to give us electricity. We had an interesting tour and we got to visit the turbine room. Thank you to Mr Hay and the staff at Glen Lochay who showed us around.

By Archie and Olivia



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Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries

Food Matters Killin & Crianlarich Nurseries were one of two Stirling Council Nurseries to appear in the Care Inspectorate document Food Matters. Our ongoing project highlights the 'Hidden Sugars' in foods and the importance of eating healthily.

Some of Our Favourite Stories

It all began with a story as all good things do, where fairy tales become real and take you on a journey of imagination. The children at Crianlarich Nursery have been on a journey of curiosity, discovery and learning, through the stories of the Gingerbread Man and Supertato. The children received a letter from

the Gingerbread Man asking for help as to how he could get across the river safely and not be eaten by anyone. Working together as a team to find the best solution, the children have been problem solving, researching, planning, designing and creating. This has supported them to build on their skills of negotiation, reasoning and investigation. Through a vote, the children agreed on a bridge being the best idea to ensure the Gingerbread Man's safety. They used their writing, drawing and ICT skills to create a poster asking for people to help him. The story has enabled children to consider the moral dilemma of whether it is right or wrong to eat the Gingerbread Man.

One of our favourite stories at Nursery is 'Supertato and the Veggie Assemble'. Evil Peas, who are characters from the story, visited the nursery and stole the 'Super tomato' from our story sack. The children found vegetables in distress in their own home and have been capturing the Evil Peas who escaped from the freezer. They have also been setting up traps but there are some still on the loose. If you spot an Evil Pea please get in touch with Crianlarich Nursery as time is running out to save our Superhero. Hunter said, "We have searched for the Evil Peas, and we made a trap for the Evil Pea".

Kevin said, "We are going to make a bridge for the Gingerbread Man. There was an Evil Pea at Hunter's and my house"

Elizabeth Hancock



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The Evil Pea Trap



Please don't eat me!

A Few Reminders from Killin News

Submission of photos and articles

Please remember that if you want your photos and articles to appear in the paper, it is important that we receive them by the production deadline date at the latest, but preferably a few days earlier, so that we have enough time to check and edit them in the week before we start production.

Insertion of Flyers

Any flyers to be inserted in the Killin News must be delivered to us by the Flyer Deadline Date which will be printed on page 2 of each issue (top

right) from now on. Please inform us at least a week before the deadline date if you are planning to send in flyers. Usually 1,000 flyers is the norm. We will be inserting them into the magazine at the office. Please package or box your flyers and leave them on the floor outside the side door of Killin News Office – this is on the right in the corridor between our office and MacGregors. The green door to access the corridor from Main St is always unlocked. Many thanks for your cooperation.

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Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries

Killin Nursery praised by Care Inspectorate

A report by the Care Inspectorate found that staff used their knowledge and understanding of children's individual needs to deliver responsive care and support.

It stated that the environment was bright, warm and inviting to children and families. Attractive displays of children's work helped to create a sense of belonging and celebrated achievement.

Children were able to explore, play in small groups and take part in activities of their choice within well-planned playrooms. There was a strong focus on the use of natural resources and sensory play, supporting children to develop their creativity, curiosity and inquiry skills.

The nursery provides care for up to twenty one pre-school children from the age of two and a maximum of six children below the age of two.

Head of Nursery, Elizabeth Hancock



said "We are delighted this report has highlighted the responsive care and support which children and families receive within our nurturing environment. Positive transitions and effective communication with families support children to feel safe and secure".

Children are learning skills to stay safe and healthy and are developing confidence and resilience through outdoor learning.

The report thanked the dedicated staff team who are committed to ensuring all children receive the very best early learning and childcare.

Convener of the Children and Young People Committee, Cllr Susan McGill said: "All the staff at Killin Nursery deserve huge credit for this fantastic report which demonstrates that their high quality of care and support is creating a nurturing

environment for children to learn and develop new skills."

Vice Convener, Cllr Margaret Brisley said: "These are really positive findings from the Care Inspectorate. It is clear that the children's voices are heard and valued at the nursery and that there is excellent communication with parents and carers. Congratulations to all the staff."

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Nurseries & Retirement Home Generations Working Together

Killin Nursery and The Falls of Dochart Retirement Home have been working together on a regular basis over the last two or three years. Prior to that the children only visited the home on occasions such as Easter and Christmas. Research highlights the benefits of generations working together and with this in mind the nursery and the home began weekly visits. This has blossomed and both the children and the residents look forward to the regular interactions. These sessions are planned and led by Kayleigh at the nursery and Stephanie at the home. The children and residents are consulted about what activities they would like to take part in and they have the opportunity to evaluate the experience. The benefits are evident, for example, learning from each other, having fun, having a sense of well-being and purpose, developing respect across the generations, reliving childhood memories, helping to reduce loneliness and isolation, the list is endless. Kayleigh, Stephanie, Mandy and Elizabeth have recently joined the

Generations Working Together Network and have taken part in training. They also attended the annual conference in Glasgow where interesting keynote speakers included Christina McKelvie MSP, Minister for Older People and Equalities and Jackie Kay, Scottish Makar, to name but two. The work that is being carried out across the whole country was showcased and is commendable. Generations Working Together was established in 2007 with funding from the Scottish Government. They are a nationally recognised centre of excellence supporting the development, promotion and integration of inter generational work across Scotland. It is exciting to be part of this and to see the possibilities for our community, encouraging and supporting positive interactions across the generations, developing a rich culture of learning and working together for the benefit of all.

Elizabeth Hancock



Killin and District Volunteer

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We are lucky to have a dedicated group of drivers, who have received Health and Safety and Dementia Training. Now we are about to undertake Passenger Awareness Training by a qualified instructor, from Dial a Journey. Drivers will receive certification which will last for four years.

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17/04/19	McLaren Hall Car park	Glen Lochay Loop (car share) *
24/04/19	McLaren Hall Car Park	St Fillans Golf Course (new, car share)
01/05/19	Capercaillie	Craignavie Road *
08/05/19	McLaren Hall Car park	Mhor 84 (car share) *
15/05/19	Capercaillie	Kinnell Circuit
22/05/19	McLaren Hall Car park	Balquhidder Lochside walk (car share) *
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For more information contact: Walk in the Park Project Coordinator

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Callander & West Perthshire U3A

C&WP U3A receives many ideas about groups which members would be interested to

join but the problem is always to find a leader. The perception is that a leader is also required to be a teacher but this does not necessarily follow. Several of our groups run very successfully by

combining the talents and knowledge of their individual members, with the 'leader' being the coordinator and contact person. Examples are Scottish History, Antiques Appreciation and Poetry, where research on subjects is shared and members are encouraged to participate actively rather than sit passively at a lecture. At a recent meeting of our group leaders we heard the good news that a second wine tasting group is

about to start on the same basis. All it requires is the enthusiasm to get together and pool information on a favourite subject and a new group has begun.



We look forward to adding more and suggestions have been: Calligraphy, Gaelic and more Science.

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KILLIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Killin Music Festival Round Up

Tickets are selling fast for the 2019 Killin Music Festival and it is shaping up to be another fantastic weekend of music from the 14th-16th of June 2019. The full line-up has now been announced and will feature some of the most exciting traditional music bands around, including headliners Trail West on the Friday, Elephant Sessions on the Saturday and Siobhan Miller on the Sunday for a seated concert.



Kinnaris Quintet



Siobhan Miller



Eabhal



Elephant Sessions

As well as traditional music, this year's festival sees some different bands on the bill including jazz phenomenon Tom McGuire and the Brassholes and young indie band The 101, who wowed the crowd in the session tent in 2018. Other acts include Blue Rose Code and Eabhal on the Friday, Kinnaris Quintet and Torridon on the Saturday and 2018 Open Stage winners Katie and Abi on the Sunday alongside fantastic fiddle player Ryan Young.



Gnos

The local school children will be involved again on the Sunday afternoon as part of a free concert in the McLaren Hall with the Killin Community Choir with coffee and cakes in aid of Cancer Research. There will again be music in the free session tent from Headland, Diù and Greig Taylor, as well as some younger musicians from the local area. Hurry now to make sure you get your hands on tickets for a fantastic weekend of music! Tickets are available on the festival website at:

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The Kindness of Strangers.....

We are now into our 10th year as the fortunate owners of the Bridge of Lochay Hotel and every year we discover new and interesting facts and memorabilia pertaining to the hotel and its history.

When we celebrated our 250th Anniversary, four years ago, I spent a couple of days at the National Library of Scotland in Edinburgh researching information that would help shed new light into the past owners and hotel history. More recent history is much easier to

establish with the internet - but anything more than 100 years old is harder to find.

During this library search I was lucky enough to discover a little blue handbook entitled

'Handbook of General Information and Motor Runs in the District' which had been published by the then owner, John C Cameron. It appears to date before 1945 although I have not been able to establish precisely when it was published. Owing to National Library rules I was unable to copy more than a couple of pages, and searches to find a copy anywhere else failed.

Imagine my delight when one day a small brown envelope arrived in the post. In the envelope was a lovely letter from Emma Pearson, whose late Great Aunt (Iris Donaldson) had passed away after living in Killin for many years. Going through her possessions Emma discovered a copy of the little blue handbook, and a couple of postcards which she decided to send on to us. She cannot



and maps and advertisements from local businesses and runs to 48 pages. It really must have been quite innovative when originally published.) That was in January 2019 - and just a few weeks prior to that we had received another (larger) brown envelope. This time the envelope contained a card from a gentleman in Plymouth and enclosed with this was a small watercolour. He found the painting in an old frame that he had been 're-purposing'.

There was an old label

on the back that read 'Bridge of Lochay Inn, March 1877. Salmon Fishing.' It is the first image that we have seen of the hotel with a Horse and Cart and with the old stables in their original condition.

This picture is currently being framed for us and will also be on display in the hotel.

We do love learning more about this great old building's history and thank those people who have shared their findings with us. If you come across anything that you think might be of interest please let us know.

Amanda Clark
Partner

Bridge of Lochay Hotel, Killin



have known just how much this would mean to us and we owe her a great big thank you! (There is a copy available in the hotel should anyone like to take a look - it is a lovely little book with photographs

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Theft, Dumping and Vandalism

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- Theft of fencing materials
 - Theft of firewood
 - Vandalism of a lockable skip (ripping off padlocks)
 - Dumping of pig manure
- ... and now we have had a quad bike stolen.

Is it possible for you to publish this in your paper so that locals passing the site can be aware of the problems and help to stop this low-level anti-social behaviour that is a blight to residents of Loch Tay.

Charles Bushby

Clean Up After Your Dog

Please will people pick up their dog poo on the path from Fingal Road through the park. Recently I stepped in dog poo 3 times when walking on that path and I am getting very irritated about it.

Josh Douglas

Thanks

Thank you very much to everyone for my beautiful cards and presents for my 80th birthday. It was very kind of everyone and much appreciated.

Grace MacKechnie

Many Thanks

I would like to thank the kind people in the village who give me lifts home to Fingal Rd. I must admit I'm finding it hard this year, especially if the brae is slippery. I'm sure everyone will agree it can be dangerous. It's not funny getting older, so thanks to the kind folk here. You are just marvellous.

Jessie McLeod

Thank You

Kevin, Alan, Craig and I wish to thank everyone for their messages of sympathy after Georgie's passing. Appreciation to those who visited to remember all the good times past. Georgie would have been overwhelmed, as we were, by all the respect shown at the attendance at her funeral.

Sincere thanks to medic Andy Craig who attended on 5th January, to doctors Mill and Watson for their care and attention, also nurses Evelyn and Susan and their colleagues. Lastly, Andrew Anderson for his help and care over this sad period. £325 was collected for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Alastair Mackenzie




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Musings from the Manse

Anger, Culture and Chill-Out Pills!

Have you noticed recently how angry our society seems to be at the moment? Everybody's talking and no-one is listening. Outrage, offended feelings, sarcasm, pointed comments, insults, innuendos, accusations, downright rudeness and that is just breakfast television! Heated exchanges seem to be everywhere with interruptions and "talking-over" the other person the usual tactic. Sometimes you wonder why the presenter is even there as they often seem irrelevant as well as being ineffective as referees in the exchanges.

From politics to sport and entertainment, from road rage to internet websites and social media, from activists and campaigners of all sorts to newspaper articles, books, radio and TV shows, everyone seems to be at war! Now don't get me wrong, many subjects are important and people are right to feel passionate about certain issues, but we are in danger of making this into a spectator sport, or turning many people off completely, with their subsequent disengagement the result of cynicism and scepticism. This is, sadly, counter-productive to a healthy society. Recently, I heard the following quotation. "Some folks need to take a chill-out pill and even better some people need to choke on theirs!" Despite being funny it does make the point that we often see the problem in other folks and not in ourselves. I grew up in a working class housing estate so the "red mist" can come down on me very quickly...not ideal if one is wearing a clerical collar! When I was young and wanting to change the world I was the proverbial "angry young man" but now, as my wife often reminds me I'm just a "grumpy old git." Over the years I

have often meditated on the Bible verse "Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to anger, for human anger does not work the righteousness of God." (James 1:19, 20). This has helped me on many an occasion.

Before we get angry or annoyed with others regarding what they do or say let us remember a few things. First, people can be just as passionate as we are on a given subject and just as perplexed at us as we are at them. In a democracy that is allowed. Second, we rarely know what is going on in someone's life and what they are dealing with. So before we react strongly and negatively to their words or actions it is always wise to give them the benefit of the doubt and cut them some slack. Hopefully we will receive the same consideration from others when we need it. Third, although it might be hard to contemplate, there may be occasions when we are "wrong": it is just that we don't know it! Fourth, we may be responding to what we think someone said, wrote or did, but we don't have the full story or the full context.

Interpretation requires both of these, plus accurate quoting, something often ignored, misused and abused by the media in quite unprofessional ways. The result is a storm of social protest or criticism where the whole issue grows arms and legs and consists of further responses to original responses to a misquotation or misrepresentation or misunderstanding of what actually was said or written...if you get my gist! Fifth, we need to beware of the weaponisation of words. When I was a child there was a ditty which went "sticks and stones may break my bones but names will never harm me." Unfortunately, that is not true.

"Words" can wound deeply and disturbingly. Whenever a teenager commits suicide as a result of online bullying we realise just how true and awful this can be. Character-assassination is commonplace online and in the media and it shows the darker side of humanity. We need to beware of the personalisation of any criticism we have regarding an issue or subject that we hold strong opinions on. Lastly, it is always wise, after anger or annoyance has been aroused by someone, to pause before we respond. This can be as simple as taking a deep breath or counting to ten when in the presence of the offending person or, alternatively, "sleeping" on it if we are thinking of sending an email or making a phone-call.

Do it later, we might be surprised how different the response can be because of this.

Life is often messy and complex and to navigate our way through requires wisdom and grace.

May the Good Lord grant us these.

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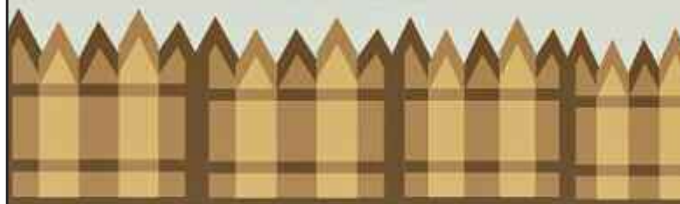


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Growing up in Lancashire she worked in the cotton mills. At the tender age of 19 she decided to travel the world with her friend Shirley. They landed in Killin, Scotland. Here she met Dougie, whom she married in 1963.

By 1967 Sheila & Dougie had three children Brian, Lesley and Janie, who together with their respective spouses, Michelle, Willie and Mark, provided them with seven grandchildren, Christie, Ross, Billy, Emily, Struan, Anna and Jessica. Sheila was immensely proud of them all.

Sheila was a very kind and loving wife, mother, granny and friend to all. She loved to take care of people. Her house or her palace, as her family called it, was always a busy home. Cakes and tea were always available along with lots of fun and laughter. One of Sheila's quotes was "my door is always open to my family and friends." Indeed,



many a story can be told whilst

Brian, Lesley and Janie were growing up. In their teenage years, at 12 Ballechroisk, it was a hub of activity where Sheila kept a close eye on them all. She used to say to them "I'll know what you are up to before you do" and they thought she didnothing went past her.

She was a very hard worker and for many years she and Dougie successfully ran the paper shop in Killin. When they moved to Callander, they took on a new venture of a Bed and Breakfast and then the fishing tackle shop.

Over the years Sheila enjoyed many wonderful holidays at home and abroad with her family and friends. She made many trips to Australia to visit Brian and family, spending quality time with them.

Sheila loved to walk and enjoyed meeting up with one of the local walking groups in Callander. In her earlier years she enjoyed a game of golf at Killin Golf Club.

She was a very strong and determined lady who endured three hip replacements. In her unique style she rolled up her sleeves and faced the many challenges of life without complaint. Her family miss her immensely but she will be with them in their thoughts and hearts forever as she has left them with so many wonderful memories to treasure and share with each other.

Dougie, Brian, Lesley, Janie & family are extremely grateful for the outpouring of love and support they have received.

A total of £1210 was collected and donated to the Youth Cancer Trust in Sheila's memory.

The Allan Family

"The Clock Of Life Is Wound But Once"

The clock of life is wound but once
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.
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STEPHEN KERR MP

Fiona Helen Inglis (nee Campbell) 1946-2019

Mum was born in Stirling Maternity Home on 6th August 1946 and was the eldest daughter of Colin and Eliza (Ginge) Campbell. She grew up in Machany, along with her younger sisters Katrina and Margaret and she attended Killin Primary School.

Whilst at school Mum's singing talents were recognised and she represented the school in many singing competitions with great success. Her love of singing carried on throughout her life and over the years she was a member of various village choirs. After leaving school she went to work as a house assistant at Morrison's Academy in Crieff. It was whilst working in Crieff that she met Dad and, after a four year courtship, they married on 12th October 1966



and settled in Killin. Mum and Dad started family life in Fassiefern, with Catriona born in 1968 and Colin in 1969.

Mum worked in the Woollen Shop (Graham Wilson's), The Dairy and Killin Bakery and latterly as

housekeeper at Furbush Field Centre, where she worked for over 20 years until her retirement in 2006.

Throughout her life she was an active member of the community and served two terms as president of the SWRI. She was a member of the church choir, book club and the Tuesday club. Mum and Dad also enjoyed many holidays, especially to Austria which they visited many times.

With decreasing mobility Mum was unfortunately unable to attend many of the groups and clubs she had previously been a member of, but she still managed to keep up with village life. After a very short illness Mum passed away on 14th January 2019 with us all by her side. She was very family orientated and her passing has left a huge hole in our hearts and we are still trying to come to terms with our loss. The love and support we have received from family and friends over the past few weeks has been overwhelming and very much appreciated.

Many thanks to all who contributed to the collection which has been split between the Falls of Dochart Residential Home and Strathcarron Hospice.

Catriona and Colin Inglis

Georgina Rosemary Mackenzie 22.1.55 – 5.1.19

Georgie grew up in the Calton area of Glasgow. She worked in various jobs after leaving school but left home to work in hotels from Great Yarmouth to the Isle of Man. She came to Killin in 1975 to work for Alex Symon at the Bridge of Lochay Hotel. She met and married our father, and during and after raising the family, worked at the Killin Hotel, Falls of Dochart Retirement Home,

Costcutters, and finally, Grants Laundry. She was always game for a laugh, funny and full of nonsense. In her last months, she accepted her lot with calm, and was amazingly matter of fact about her eventual passing to a better place. Life is quiet without our lovely zany mum.

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Donations can be left with Sheila at the Sweetie Shop or brought up to Tarmachan on Manse Road. Any donations, however large or small are very much appreciated and the amount of money we are able to find will reflect the number of plants we can put into the tubs.

We are always looking for more people to help us with planting up, deadheading, watering and keeping an eye on the tubs. It is not something that takes up a lot of time or needs to be done on a daily or

weekly basis, but something we always need help with, especially as it is the time of year that many of the floral members are away on their summer holidays, so finding people to cover for them is really essential. Please contact Alicja on 01567 820690 if you can offer us any help.

Hopefully we will have a good summer season without too much wind and rain this year.

Scottish Wildlife Trust Pitlochry and Highland Perthshire Group

On Monday 15th April in the Tryst, Pitlochry at 7.30pm there will be a talk, by Martin Robinson one time warden of the RSBP reserve at Killiecrankie. His talk is 'Orchids in Highland Perthshire'. The talk will be preceded by a short AGM. For more information contact Richard Horobin richardwhorobin@tomcroy.co.uk

Killin SWI

At the February meeting of Killin SWI, Emma Louise Livingston from the Dog's Trust, Glasgow branch, came along and brought her little dog, Sergio.

She gave a photographic presentation and was an excellent speaker. She gave many reasons why dogs arrive at the Centre to be rehomed and many more details of the rehoming procedure.

On Thursday 7th march, Cath MacGregor gave a great talk on upcycling items which perhaps may be classed as ready for "Out".

Cath brought many examples of items which she had created from old. The audience was much inspired by Cath's creativity and may take time to look more closely before heading to the bin.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 4th April at 7.30pm in the Lesser McLaren Hall. The speaker will be from Wiltshire Foods and anyone who would like to come along and see how Wiltshire Foods operates may do so, you do not have to be a member.

Ann Watson

Killin Carpet Bowling Club Competition Winner

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2nd Killin & District Scout Group Stirling & Trossachs.

The Killin & District Scout Group will be 6 years old this May with numbers staying strong and finances looking healthy. Like all charities in the village, Scouting would not exist without our volunteers. The majority of the sections are thin on adult support at the moment with parent helpers having to be relied upon. For a rural location we have a great leader team but certainly do need some more support. The Scout Association is the largest youth organisation in the UK with each Scout unit being part of a bigger family. Starting at the bottom each section (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers) being managed as a group. The group is then part of a district of groups, ours being Stirling & Trossachs. The district help manage our training and support the group with human resources. Further support is given for training and funding through our region, Forth Region. Any specialised training such as Adventurous Activities Permits are managed by the region. Finally, there is the Scout Scotland HQ in Fordell Firs, Fife, and Scouts HQ in Gilwell Park, London who provide the direction and strategy for Scouts. Within the last year the Scout brand has undergone a change with the emphasis being on 'Skills for life'. These skills apply just as much to the adults as it does to the young people. In the

six years of the 2nd Killin Scout Group being formed we have had nearly a hundred members but can only continue growing with your help and support.

Beavers

Beavers are aged 6-8 with two Beaver colonies meeting consecutive Tuesdays in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 6-7pm. Over the last couple of months we've been busy at Beavers completing our experiments badge. We made air blasters, lava lamp jars and slime, and had fun with magnets which got quite messy at times but was a lot of fun. We've also been thinking about teamwork; learning what makes a good team and taking on challenges in our lodges. Lodges are the smaller groups of six that we do lots of our activities with at Beavers. Each lodge had the challenge of working together to build the tallest tower using recycled materials and we were impressed by some of their efforts – taller than the leaders! Our last meeting before Easter will see both colonies joining together and ten new Beavers invested into our Scout Group.

Laura Bathgate

Beaver Leader

killinbeavers@yahoo.com

Cubs

Cubs are aged 8-10½ and will be meeting every other Tuesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 7.15pm to 8.30pm. This term we have been looking at how to be more 'youth led' and involving the Cubs more in the decision making processes. Doing this, whilst being fun, was a challenge but really felt that it was worthwhile and gave ownership to Cubs. The activities we completed to do this were using the computers in the Killin library. Kay was a great help with our activities. The Cubs also ran their own night with help from the leaders. All the Cubs helped with running the athletics activities and games. With Easter around the corner we are looking forward to getting outside again and taking part in some adventurous activities. Particularly excited about our joint camp in May.

Stephen Rawlinson

Cub Leader

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(please note this is a new email address)

Scouts

Scouts are aged 10½-14 and meet every Wednesday in The Lesser Hall, Killin, from 7-9pm. This term has seen a new leader team taking the helm and learning the ropes as we go along. There has been an emphasis on games and getting to know what the Scouts like to do. We have welcomed a few new faces too. The original scouts have been particularly helpful in keeping us on our toes. Some of the activities we have been taking part in include learning about fire lighting, forestry tips and keeping our first aid skills right up to scratch. Looking forward to getting out and about this summer.

Matt Collins

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Our rural deliveries incorporate the whole of Stirlingshire from Tyndrum to Strathblane.

145 Starter Packs were handed out to help people settle into new tenancies and 109 Welcome Packs to help those in temporary housing.

Over 240 Emergency Food Packs and 329 Toiletry Packs were distributed to help the temporary homeless.



Festive Appeal Success

We had a great festive appeal this year. We received over 21 tonnes of food and £27,600 in donations. A huge thanks to all who donated.

What to look out for in 2019

In the past four years, we have seen the demand for the Foodbank increase by 50% which highlights just how vital our service is to the local community. We are currently working on a donation station refresh for each of our food donation stations in the local supermarkets to help

make them more visible.

We are also investigating a fresh food waste pilot with local supermarkets to hopefully reduce food waste and increase the offerings for our clients.

Become A Friend

Could you become a Friend of Start Up Stirling? Regular donations are key to our continued success, they allow us to provide vital services to those experiencing hardship in the local community. Any regular donation is welcome, starting from a suggested minimum of £5 per month. Don't forget to authorise Gift Aid if you are eligible.

Friends of Start Up Stirling also play a key role in raising awareness of the work that we are doing. Whether you can organise a fundraising event, promote our services or simply tell your family and friends about our work, it all contributes to our success. To sign up please email us on mail@startupstirling.org.uk or call 01786 561027.



In this day and age as consumers we are used to having lots of choices. Therefore it is important to gather information to allow us to make good decisions. At Care Dental we believe that you should be in control, as it is your health and therefore your choice in regards to the level of care you wish to receive. We have listed below some suggestions of what you should consider before you trust someone with your dental health.

Top 10 things to consider when choosing a new dentist.

- 1) The availability of Emergency appointments.
- 2) Cleanliness / cross infection control protocols and the level of investments made in new sterilisation equipment.
- 3) Is the practice focused on your long term health care or just cosmetics?
- 4) Are you given choices in regards to costs and the level of care you wish to receive i.e. Private / NHS / Mixed Care or Payment Plans?
- 5) Do they have out of hour appointment times that suit working people?
- 6) Have they continued to invest in new technology?
- 7) Are they recommended by patients within the community?
- 8) If you are looking for implant treatment do they offer any guarantees and how many implants do they place a year?
- 9) Can you visit the practice for a free consultation to see what they have on offer?
- 10) Have they been nationally recognised within the dental profession?



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

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Local Planning Applications

National Park

25 Jan 2019

Proposal: Change of use of 2 no. agricultural barns to storage use associated with Cononish Gold Mine and formation of external storage area and explosives store (retrospective)

Location: Cononish Farm Cononish Road Tyndrum

Applicant: Scotgold Resources Ltd
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Current

30 Jan 2019

Proposal: Tree works in a Conservation Area - fell 1 no. oak tree

Location: Slipway Car Park Adjacent To Killin Hotel Main Street Killin

Applicant: Mr Stuart McCracken
Application Type: Tree works application

Decision: No Objections

01 Feb 2019

Proposal: Change of use from tourist information centre (Use Class 2) to restaurant (Use Class 3)

Location: Tourist Information Centre Tyndrum

Applicant: Mr Ian Cleaver
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

20 Feb 2019

Proposal: Change of use of restaurant (Class 3) to holiday accommodation (Class 7) and erection of dormer window and enclosures

Location: The Smiddy Main Street Killin

Applicant: Michael Crow
Application Type: Detailed Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

01 Mar 2019

Proposal: Proposed display of advertisement (double-sided, illuminated, totum style sign)

Location: Tourist Information Centre

Tyndrum

Applicant: Mr Ian Cleaver

Application Type: Advertisement

Consent

Decision: Current

15 Mar 2019

Proposal: Alterations to external elevations and erection of pergola

Location: Tigh Na Bruach Cottage Main Street Killin

Applicant: Mr Jason Campbell
Application Type: Householder Planning Permission

Decision: Approve

Perth & Kinross Council

30 Jan 2019

Proposal: Erection of a building for agricultural storage (in retrospect)

Location: Rynachulaig Farmhouse Killin

Applicant: Doctor Kathleen Freeman
Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve the application

08 Feb 2019

Proposal: Alterations and extensions to dwellinghouse

Location: Cragganester Lawers Aberfeldy

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Pete and Morven Cooke
Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Awaiting decision

06 Mar 2019

Proposal: Renewal of permission 15/02194/FLL (Erection of a double garage, storage area and office)

Location: Milltown Lawers Aberfeldy

Applicant: Mr Bruce Kennedy
Application Type: planning permission local

Decision: Approve the application

Stirling Council

18 Jan 2019

Proposal: Proposed extension and refurbishment of existing building, new build lodges, yurts and associated infrastructure and external

lighting, infilling of existing manmade moat

Location: Firlush Point Field Centre Killin

Applicant: The University Of Edinburgh

Application Type: Full

Decision: Approve with Conditions

22 Jan 2019

Proposal: Installation of septic tank (retrospective)

Location: Harbour Lights Killin

Applicant: Loch Tay Fishing Club
Application Type: Full

Decision: Approve with Conditions

01 Feb 2019

Proposal: Proposed extension to 5 existing holiday huts

Location: Ardeonaig Hotel Killin

Applicant: Mr Greg Deakin
Application Type: Full

Decision: Approve

27 Feb 2019

Proposal: Formation of forest road

Location: Land 175M South Of Firlush Point Field Centre Killin

Applicant: Gresham House
Application Type: Agricultural Notification

Decision: Unknown

05 Mar 2019

Proposal: Installation of 2No. UHF antennas onto existing mast and ancillary development

Location: Killin Transmitting Station Killin

Applicant: Arqiva
Application Type: Statutory Notification (Telecoms)

Decision: Unknown

06 Mar 2019

Proposal: Erection of Electricity Substation comprising platform area, control building, associated plant and infrastructure, ancillary facilities and landscape works

Location: Land adjacent and North East of Lochay Power Station Killin

Applicant: Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission

Application Type: Proposal of Application Notice

Decision: Unknown

12 Mar 2019

Proposal: Single storey unheated building for the processing and storage of deer carcasses

Location: Shed And Deer Larder Glen Lochay North Road Killin

Applicant: Boreland Estate
Application Type: Full

Decision: Approve

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Strathearn Churches

St Fillans Church Easter Services

There will be a Eucharist from Reserved Sacrament on Sunday 21st April at 10am.

Our regular monthly services take place on the 1st Sunday of the month at 10am, Eucharist from Reserved Sacrament.

Easter Sunday 8am Communion
Service by the lochside in front of
Lochearnhead Hotel

Kate Sainsbury
Lay Reader, Strathearn Charges
Killin, Lochearnhead, Comrie,
Crieff

Roman Catholic Services

Maundy Thu Mass, 7.30pm Callander
Good Friday, 3pm Callander
Easter Sat Vigil, 6pm Doune
Easter Sat Vigil 7.30pm Callander
Easter Sun Mass, 9.45am, Doune
Easter Sun Mass, 11.30am, Callander

Pilgrimage

Friday 3rd May 10am
St Columba's, Crieff: walk to St
Serf's, Comrie.

Saturday 4th May 10am
St Serf's, Comrie: walk to St
Fillan's.

Sunday 5th May 10am
Station Road, St Fillan's: walk to
Lochearnhead.

Monday 6th May 10am
St Angus's, Lochearnhead: walk to
St Fillan's Church, Killin.

All welcome! Do join any of the
walks forming the Three Saints
Way. The walks are between 7 and
8.5 miles, and some terrain is
easier than others, sociable dogs

welcome.

We meet at 10 am, and finish at
around 3pm.

Generally, we begin with coffee and
croissants before prayers and end
the day with refreshments.

We like to know who is coming in
advance so that transport back can
be arranged.

Please contact Emma Barrie
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shacklemariner@yahoo.co.uk

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Emma Barrie
01764 680384

Treasurer

St Fillan's Episcopal Church
Killin

Book Sales

Saturday 18th May

2.30-5.30pm Book Sale with tea and cake at St Fillan's Episcopal Church, Killin.

Saturday 15th June

2.30-5.30pm Book Sale with tea and cake at St Fillan's Episcopal Church, Killin.

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What's On In Killin And District

Regular Activities

Monday

- 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
- 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
- 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
- U3A French, 2.30-4pm, Killin Hotel

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Sunday

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

Coming Soon !

April

- 3 Walk in the Park, p17
- 4 SWI p30
- 10 Walk in the Park, p17
- 11 Killin News AGM, p35
- 15 Scottish Wildlife Trust AGM p30
- 17 Walk in the Park, p17
- 18-21 Easter Church Services p34
- 18 Rock'n'Roll Bingo night p13
- 24 Walk in the Park, p17

May

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- 29 Walk in the Park, p17

June

- 1-2 Bob MacGregor Memorial Trials
- 14-16 Killin Music Festival p17
- 15 Book Sale p34

Killin News AGM

Thursday 11th April, 6pm at Ciro's Restaurant, Loch Tay Highland Lodges, Milton Morenish Estate

Which bin? Saturdays

13th April 20th April

27th April 4th May

11th May 18th May

25th May 1st June

8th June 15th June

Grey = grey bin + blue bin

Brown = brown bin + blue box

Green = brown bin + green bin

Recycling Centres

Callander

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

Aberfeldy

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

Crieff

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

Mobile Libraries

Tyndrum/Crianlarich Fortnightly Fridays

May 3, 17, 31, June 14

Crianlarich

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

Tyndrum

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

Glen Lochay/Ardeonaig Fortnightly Mondays

April 15, 29, May 13, 27,
June 10

Glen Lochay 11.15-12.30
Ardeonaig 2.00-2.45

Perth and Kinross Fortnightly Tuesday

April 16, 30, May 14, 28,
June 11

Tombreck 16.40-17.00
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