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## Editorial

It is hard to comprehend that while we have been welcoming the start of Spring with some beautiful weather, 2000 miles away there are scenes of massive devastation and human suffering. On page 25, there is reproduced a sermon that was given just 4 days after the invasion started – it is very poignant. As usual, Killin has answered the call for help and practical aid and cash is already on its way to Ukraine (P33). Who knows how this will all end but our thoughts and prayers are with all those who are currently suffering.

On a lighter note, we have a few new projects to enjoy in the village. Our community has taken receipt of the new Community Bus (P4), the Moirlanich Longhouse has had a specially commissioned soundscape installed (P8), new Youth Groups are now up and running again (P17) and of course the Thrift Shop and RecyKillin have now moved from the Old Mill into their new premises at Morenish Place (P20). The Heritage Society has been working during Covid to research shops and trading in Killin – their Open Day will be a fascinating event (P11).

We are lucky to have so many good advertisers at the News – they are the life blood of the magazine without which we couldn't cover all of our costs (rent, printing, utility bills, IT etc.). Remember, however, that this is YOUR magazine and it is your news and articles that are so important to the rest of the community so keep them coming!! We will always try to include recent events but will sometimes hold on to articles for future editions when we have more space.

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Photo Ron Allner



## Falls of Dochart Retirement Home Jim Cushley - Retirement as Chairman of the Board



especially during the pandemic Jim has gone many extra miles. He has offered great support to our manager, Mandy Hay, helping to steer through layers of regulation, requirements and guidance. He has sifted the important things out of the waves of paperwork and guidance. He has negotiated with the innumerable different bodies who offer help and exercise control, sometimes things that don't seem to be all that helpful. In all of this Jim's biggest priority has been the welfare of our residents, he has never lost sight of the most important thing

With a great deal of effort and forbearance on the part of a fantastic staff team at the Home we are sighing a sigh of relief that the worst of the Covid pandemic may be behind us. While it has been a tough time for everybody, for the residents in the Home it has been a particularly drawn-out affair. The support and goodwill of everybody in the community has helped the residents and staff to keep on keeping on. Thank you. Through all of this the Chairman of Killin Care Trust that owns and operates the Home has been Jim Cushley. Jim has been chairman of the Trust for 10 years and a member of the Board for nearly 20. Throughout all that time but

being their daily care, wellbeing and dignity. Jim has shown a depth of compassion and of generosity with his time and energy. One of Jim's biggest assets in all this has been the willingness and patience of his wife Frances who in her turn has gone more than the extra mile. Now Jim has retired as chairman and the Board and all in the Home extend our thanks and appreciation to him and Frances.

**Phil Simpson**  
**Chairman**  
**Killin Care Trust**

## Donation to The Friends of Breadalbane Park



Fiona Boath accepted a donation from Paul Norris RWM Lodge 815 Killin, on behalf of The Friends of Breadalbane Park. This donation is part of the money raised by the Christmas Hamper in the Capercaillie Restaurant in December and will be used to help purchase equipment for the play area within the park. This with the £500 donated by Provincial Lodge of Perthshire West earlier brings the total given to F.B.P by Scottish Freemasons to £750

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The drivers, trustees and volunteers for Killin and District Volunteer Car Scheme enjoyed a social get together recently, to enable us to meet one another face to face, which is something we have not been able to do since March 2020 when the Covid pandemic began.

It was the first time that some of us had met and was a good opportunity to get to talk with other people involved with the scheme, rather than on the other end of a phone line, email or Zoom.

We were delighted to be joined by three out of the four people who have come forward offering to drive for us and who are currently in the process of completing their paperwork. The addition of four new drivers will make a vast difference to us, not only in the amount of journeys we can carry out but will also mean we can share the work out more equally.

We continue to be quite busy and would like to remind everyone that the car scheme offers a safe, reliable, affordable car service to those who find it hard to use public transport to get to places which support their wellbeing and not just for hospitals and other NHS services.

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**Alicja Fraser**

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### **Thrift Shop**

We are delighted that the Thrift Shop has now moved into new premises at Morenish Place. This is a big step forward for KAT and allows us to progress on a number of fronts, not least the Old Mill, while providing a useful stepping stone towards our ambitions for the old Co-op.

The new shop, which has been leased from the George Hogg Trust, provides better and more accessible space for the thrift shop, but also allows a more suitable premises for the RecyKillin Tool Library which will hopefully allow it to grow and develop over the next 9 months. Huge thanks go to all those local volunteers who have helped and assisted in the move which was quite a logistical operation, and thanks too to all those who have signed up to continue to assist in the new premises. Without your help and support none of this would be possible!

You can sign up to the tool library by creating an account at [Recykillin.myturn.com](http://Recykillin.myturn.com) where you can also browse the range of tools that they have available to hire. You can email [recyKillin@gmail.com](mailto:recyKillin@gmail.com) with any queries or suggestions for new items.

Anyone wishing to join the growing band of volunteers assisting with the Thrift Shop or Tool Library should contact [raina@killincdt.co.uk](mailto:raina@killincdt.co.uk) or ring or text 07902 973122.

### **Old Mill**

Given the Thrift Shop has now moved from the Old Mill, KAT have sought to reinstate discussions with Stirling Council over the future use of the Mill and the current lease. We believe there is significant potential in using the building as a heritage and arts & crafts venue, with a focus both on our local heritage and the tourism market, adding to our tourism offer, but importantly also as a venue for engaging local people in the arts and traditional crafts through courses and learning opportunities.

### **Co-op**

Our plans to apply for funding from the Scottish Land Fund to purchase

the old Co-op building are also progressing, with Community Enterprise presenting the results of the community consultation and a draft business plan to the KAT Board for consideration.

We are pleased that the results showed a healthy support for the proposal. It is great to see that 78% of local people responding to the community consultation were supportive of a community buy out of the building. Nearly 60% of those supporting a buyout believed that a remakery, recycling and upcycling hub would be a suitable future use for the building, and there was also notable support for training & learning facilities. There are fabulous examples of such community enterprises thriving elsewhere and it would be a fantastic boost to the village, and to Main Street, if we could replicate that good practice here.

We will now use the data from the Community Enterprise report to finalise a bid to the Scottish Land Fund.

### **Youth Work**

Thanks to KATs partnership working with Callander Youth Project and Active Stirling we are delighted that a youth provision is now back up and running in the village, with youth and sports sessions currently being delivered most Wednesday evenings.

Our thanks to all those who contributed and offered support through the development process, not least the Community Council, McLaren Hall and the Sports Pavilion Committee, as well as the very many individual volunteers who are vital to continuing delivery week to week!

KATs new National Lottery funded Youth & Volunteer Co-ordinator is now in post and will be seeking further funding to develop the youth service and ensure it continues. The other key task is to support the community in its desire to improve local sports facilities and make sure we have modern facilities that are accessible and open to all.

For more information contact [Carla@killincdt.co.uk](mailto:Carla@killincdt.co.uk)

### **Bike trails and Pump Track**

We have recently received initial feedback from Alan Jones Associates on the work they have done gauging support for cycling improvements and a pump track. It is no surprise, given young people's continued demand for a pump track/skatepark in the village, that 94% of those responding to the survey indicated support for the development of a pump track. Likewise, there is very significant support to improve and develop bike tracks around the village. We look forward to receiving the full report and will publish further details when available. This will allow us to seek support from SportScotland and other funders, as well as seeking to utilise some of the tracks that have recently been laid by SSE.

### **Allotments**

KAT have had useful discussions with Callander Allotment Group, who like us are seeking some action on the provision of allotments from Stirling Council. We have also sought advice from the Scottish Allotment Gardens Society. However, Stirling Council have yet to take any meaningful action to respond to the demand for allotments locally despite having a statutory duty to do so! Anyone with any suggestions as to suitable or available land, or those wishing to get involved in allotments and food growing and/or join the waiting list for a plot should get in touch at [raina@killincdt.co.uk](mailto:raina@killincdt.co.uk) or ring/text 07902 973122.

As always if you have any questions, comments or suggestions or if you would like to volunteer to help with any of the projects above, please do not hesitate to get in touch at [chair@killincdt.co.uk](mailto:chair@killincdt.co.uk) or [Theresa@killincdt.co.uk](mailto:Theresa@killincdt.co.uk)

# Killin Community Council

## KCC Report March 2022

### Meetings and Membership

The Community Council recently held its first face-to-face public meeting for two years and it was, surprisingly perhaps, less well attended than any of our previous Zoom meetings! Admittedly, we have been losing members over the period for various reasons. Colin Hay and Ron Allner have both recently resigned, and we thank them for their valuable service through the difficult period of C-19 lockdowns and isolation. We are now significantly short of our optimum establishment of 9 members, and we will be advertising soon for 3 to 4 new members. To be eligible to become a member you must be over 16 years old and reside within the local area served by the Community Council. This area includes Ardeonaig, Glen Lochay, Glenoglehead, Auchlyne and Ledcharrie, and we are keen to have more representation from our rural community.

### Roads & Parking

We are pleased to report that there are signs of progress on the proposed 'clearway' along the South Loch Tay Road, and we are assured that the relevant signage will soon be in place. The 'No Overnight Parking' signs for motorhomes in our three car

parks have been replaced with more discreet signs, though not as originally requested at the rear of these car parks. There is also some progress on allocating a section of the Station Road car park for motorhome usage and we are hoping this will be ready to run on a trial basis by the early summer.

### Community Resilience Plan

The community Resilience Plan is progressing and we hope to have it completed and published by the end of June, though we are still awaiting input from Stirling Council's Resilience Team – quite a surprise. We are also pursuing our request for some sort of a pavement accessing the new Co-op from the southeast along Lyon Road, but we have not heard anything from Stirling Council for a few weeks now. We were keen to see some action on this before the end of the financial year in April, and we shall continue to press for this in the (albeit short) time remaining.

### Co-op

The village Co-op has suffered from a much-reduced footfall since relocating. There may be several reasons for this, but one is certainly that it is not visible from the main road, and there are

reports of visitors driving on to Aberfeldy to shop, as they assume we have no general shopping facilities here anymore. The community council has resolved to offer whatever support it can to help the Co-op resolve this problem. This may involve signage placed on Main Street, but as the Co-op is a major local employer, as well as an essential service and a generous benefactor of village charities and initiatives, we are sure that the local residents will support us on this.

### AGM

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> we will be holding our AGM at 7.00pm, followed by a scheduled meeting of the Community Council in the Killin Primary School. Members of the community are welcome to attend either or both of these meetings. As always, local residents can email us with their questions or concerns at any time, and these will be treated confidentially.

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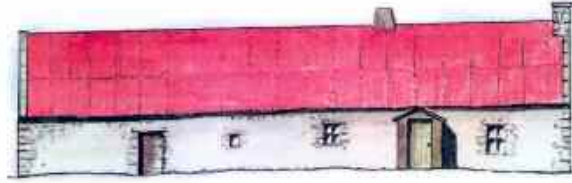
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Owned and managed by the National Trust for Scotland, the Longhouse offers a unique opportunity to visit a traditional rural home, virtually unchanged since its last inhabitant left in 1968.

For the project's lead, Amy Liptrott, Associate Director of Pitlochry Festival Theatre, Moirlanich Longhouse is a time capsule. "It really felt like the outside world had been paused when I went inside. I knew immediately I wanted to create a soundscape inside the house to bring the sense of the hustle and bustle a busy, working house would have had."



The installation, which was created by sound designer Fraser Milroy features the voices of three actors: Eleanor Turner, Iain McRae, and Fergus Munro. Visitors can hear residents going about their daily lives, minding the fire, laughing, talking, singing, milking, praying before bed, and hinting at the world outside. We are always in need of volunteers to open the house and tell its stories. The Longhouse is open on Wednesday and Sunday afternoon, from 2-5 p.m. during May to September and our volunteers typically cover one or two openings per month, supported by staff.

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# Walk in the Park

All Groups Walk Held in Killin

Killin was the destination for this year's Countryside Trust joint All Groups Walk In The Park, bringing together the Callander Ramblers and the Trust's six walking groups that stretch across the National Park. The long-anticipated event which took place on the 16th March was the first time since 2019 the groups from Aberfoyle, Arrochar, Balloch, Drymen, Callander and Killin have all been able to get together. Hosted by the Killin Health Walk group and under the safe guidance of their walk leaders, over 60 walkers had the opportunity to choose from two walks to explore the village and its beautiful surroundings whilst immersing themselves in some of it's rich history.

Walkers of different and varied abilities had an opportunity to choose from either a shorter 2 mile Health Walk exploring familiar sites like the old railway line, Finlarig Castle and the head of Loch Tay or the longer 'Next Steps' 4 mile walk extending to the Kinnell Estate with views over Loch Tay. A few inquisitive walkers added on a detour to visit 'Victoria's Tree' supposedly planted by Queen Victoria.

In true tradition and keeping in the spirit of Walk in the Park, walkers rejoined to enjoy a social chat and refreshments in the Capercaillie Restaurant and Shutters Cafe afterwards – both lovely stops to take a well-earned break.

The Countryside Trust would like to say a huge thank you to the Killin Walk in the Park group and everyone who attended! A big thank you also goes to the Walk Leaders who are the most integral part of a health walk, many who have recently undergone their Emergency First Aid Training. With their hosting and help with organising, it made the 'All Group Walk' an extra safe and happy event!

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16 Mar	McLaren Hall Car Park	ALL GROUP WALK		
23 Mar	McLaren Hall Car Park	NCR7 at Strathgryre		
30 Mar	Capercaillie	River Dochart/Old Railway		
6 Apr	McLaren Hall Car Park	Glen Ogle to Viaduct		
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20 Apr	McLaren Hall Car Park	Balquhider Lochside walk		

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An increasing number of our groups are meeting in person and our 109<sup>th</sup> edition of Chatterbox arrived in our inboxes recently.

Our March speaker, Professor Chris Huxham, delivered an excellent presentation which included photos, video and film clips and gave us some glimpses of the awe-inspiring mountain scenery and offered an insight into the history and culture of 'Dolpo - The Hidden Kingdom.' Dolpo, Upper Dolpo in particular, remains one of the few truly remote areas in Nepal. This year will be the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Callander and West Perthshire U3A, which was established in 2012.

The U3A has created a social revolution in Callander and surrounding villages', one member was heard to remark at the time. We plan to hold a celebration some time towards the end of May/beginning of June.

U3A members, look out for this event.

We continue to welcome new members.

Please see our website to find out what opportunities there are for those no longer in full time work to come together and learn for fun.

## Local Democracy - Perth and Kinross Council

Anyone in the PKC boundary seeking more information, or to become more involved in local decision making should email [mail@glenlyonandlochtaycc.org.uk](mailto:mail@glenlyonandlochtaycc.org.uk) requesting they be added to the distribution list.

This will provide them with copies of minutes, dates of meetings etc. Further information can also be obtained from PKC's website at [pkc.gov.uk](http://pkc.gov.uk)

## Killin Heritage Society

### Open Day on the Shops and Traders of Killin

Killin Heritage members enjoyed an excellent talk in December on the Natural History of Killin. Due to the Covid pandemic, John Holland had to use Zoom to deliver his presentation of the plants and animals seen around the village, and many of us felt it would have been better if we had been able to meet up in person. We hope we can do just that on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April. Subject to any Government restrictions, we will meet at the NTS meeting room at Lynedochat at 2.30pm for an OpenDay on the Shops and Traders of Killin. We began gathering the history of the premises in the Main Street which were shops in the "old days" or where people who supplied various services lived - everything from shoes to petrol and dentistry. With a display of many old and new photographs and some questions to test your memories, we want to expand the records of the village for the future. We will begin the meeting with our formal AGM for 2021; as activities were restricted last year that should not take long. Full details and requests for nominations for office bearers will be sent out a couple of weeks before the meeting.

**Keith Mayo**  
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## Holy Week

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**Maundy Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April**  
**The Last supper of Jesus**  
**7.30pm St Columba's Crieff**

**Good Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April**  
**'The Cross' service**  
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**Easter Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April**  
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## Strathfillan Community Development Trust

### Bike Skills Park

We are just about to launch our fundraising campaign for the Tyndrum Community Bike Skills Park. We will be encouraging as many people as possible to donate the price of a cup of coffee, £3, to help make this park a reality. We are in the final stages of preparing the campaign materials and we will be promoting it locally and with the mountain biking community in Scotland. We are also trying to get mountain bike training started in Strathfillan and we hope to have more news on this very soon. All the information about the Bike Skills Park can be found at

<https://www.strathfillancdt.org.uk/projects/tyndrum-community-bike-skills-park>

We are very keen to make sure all parts of the local community and the biking community are involved in the development of the project. We will be contacting organisations and businesses with more information soon and please get in touch with [seona@strathfillancdt.org.uk](mailto:seona@strathfillancdt.org.uk) if you have any questions.

### Community Garden

Our volunteers have been doing a great job getting things moving for the community garden, and we have recently contracted MacLennan Gardens to support us in its maintenance. We have ordered materials and got permission to install a gated pedestrian access from the main road. We would like to thank Morgan Sindall for their kind donations, including materials to create an access track and raised beds. We have had our first visits

from the Primary School who will be working with us for one of their projects. We will be starting monthly garden days and we hope to see lots of people there.

We would like to thank Linda Roberts for her very kind donation of bulbs and plant pots - it's very much appreciated.

If you're interested in getting involved either contact Kelly at the details below or Dawn at [dawnaskelton@gmail.com](mailto:dawnaskelton@gmail.com)

### Tyndrum Facilities Improvements

Our Feasibility Study into improving toilet facilities, including a Changing Places Toilet, has come to an end. Alan Jones Associates have done a great job investigating in depth the possibility of installing these facilities in Tyndrum and we are looking forward to the results. We will formally launch the results in the next couple of months, so please keep an eye on our website and Facebook page.

### AGM

Our AGM was held on February the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm via Zoom and was well attended. We would like to thank all our members who made it. We sadly said goodbye to two of our longer standing Trustees, Ellen Cattanach and Kelda Platt. They have both made a fantastic contribution to the Trust over the years and will be very much missed by all of us. Luckily, however, they are still willing to be involved in some of our on-going projects. As a result we had two new vacancies for the Board, which were luckily filled. We would like to

welcome Vesna Podrzaj and Rena Baillie to the Board. Our elected Trustees are: Theresa Elliot, Billy Ronald, Dawn Skelton, David West, Margaretanne Browne, Vesna Podrzaj and Rena Baillie. We have co-opted Colin McGeoch to lead on our fishings.

### Wild Strathfillan

Some of you might have heard a little about this project but not be fully aware of what it is. It is a large-scale landscape project led by the National Park and other partners to bring together nature and culture, focusing on improving the environment and access to heritage across the area. The Trust is working with these partners to help improve access to and understanding of our local heritage. We are in the process of applying to the National Heritage Lottery Fund for a grant to hold a two-pronged heritage project: An Oral History and Archive Project and an Archaeological Project. It is very early days but if you are interested in the heritage of Strathfillan or have something you think would help, whether stories, photos, documents, books etc, then please get in touch.

### Getting in touch

You can contact the Trust directly by emailing Kelly at [kelly@strathfillancdt.org.uk](mailto:kelly@strathfillancdt.org.uk) or phoning 07707044484. For updates on projects and activities you can check out our website <https://www.strathfillancdt.org.uk> and our Facebook Page.

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## Crianlarich Primary School



This term we have been very outdoors focused at Crianlarich



P5 & P6 had 2 fantastic days of skiing at Glencoe Ski Centre in February



We have been maintaining and developing the school grounds, by planting hedging, cleaning up our sandpit and developing our outdoor learning space.



We have been visited by Gareth Kett from the National Park who has been teaching us about native trees and helping us plant some in the school playground.



Pupils also enjoyed dressing up for World Book Day



### Book Review

I am reading 'How to Write Really Badly' by Anne Fine. It's about a boy called Joe who isn't very good at writing. I am half way through and am really enjoying it.

**Andrew, P5**

I am reading 'What the Ladybird Heard' by Julia Donaldson. It's about a ladybird and two robbers who try to steal a prize winning cow. It is very funny especially when the animals make noises to trick the robbers.

**Thomas, P3**

Our class are reading 'One Dog and His Boy' by Eva Ibbotson. It's about a boy called Hal who really wants a dog so his parents hire one for the weekend from Easy Pets Dog Agency. When the dog is sent back, Hal runs away with Speck the dog and that is when the adventure begins.

**Kara, P7**



### World Book Day

On World Book Day we all dressed up as our favourite characters from books and had a parade. We had a puzzle scavenger hunt and took part in a live online lesson with lots of other schools and we had a Harry Potter themed maths lesson.

**Finlay, P7**



**Class 1**



**Class 2**



**Class 3**

## Killin Prim

### Planting Trees with Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park

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## Crossachs

planting trees in Finlarig Estate, with Gareth from Killin, as part of the COP26 Legacy Project. We learned the types of creatures that use them as their homes and are going to be learning about tree maintenance.

**Jamie, P6**



## Grounds Day

This Grounds Day we were very busy. We put up the new polytunnel, we organised all our loose parts play and den equipment, we weeded all the tubs, we tidied up the playground and we helped prepare the ground for planting our new secret garden! After all that hard work we got treated to hot chocolate and biscuits!

**Grace and Olivia, P7**



## Red Nose Day

Fun and games on Red Nose Day. We raised £64.73. Thank you to everyone who made a donation.

**Alice, P7**



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# the Big Shêd

"Singing the Land, Enchanting the Voice" is the intriguing title of a workshop to be led by Joanna Spence on the weekend of 5th – 8th May at the Big Shed.

Simple vegan food will be provided and participants will camp in a beautiful level and grassy spot overlooking Loch Tay.

Joanna is a singer, musician, choir leader and Buddhist within the Triratna tradition. She wrote her Masters thesis on the experience of enchantment through ritual practices of the body, and is interested in the convergence points between these themes and voice work. The participants will explore how harmony singing and vocal play can help them to come into deeper relationship with themselves, one another and the land, and how singing with an awareness of active participation in the environment can support them to develop a greater awareness of the vibrant aliveness of all things.

Joanna says "As well as singing a variety of songs in 3 and 4 part harmony, including arrangements of folk songs from the British Isles and elsewhere, songs will be taught by ear, so you don't need to be able to read music. For longer songs, lyric sheets will be provided. All experience levels are warmly welcomed! We'll also have exploration and play sessions, where we may not learn songs but will instead explore aspects of the embodied voice. We'll sing outside wherever possible, and there will be plenty of space in the programme for swimming in the loch, going on walks and exploring, building friendships and community. We'll have fires in the evenings, so please bring any instruments! On the final evening, we'll gather for a traditional ceilidh, where everyone will have the opportunity to share something – a song, poem, story or something else".

The cost ranges from £100 - £160 depending on ability to pay. For more information about the workshop, please email Joanna herself at [joanna.spence91@gmail.com](mailto:joanna.spence91@gmail.com) or check out this page on the Big Shed's website. <https://www.bigshed.org.uk/joanna-spence/>

The regular Friday Yoga session with Emma Burtles at McLean Hall Fearnan, starts at 10.15 and finishes at 11.30.

If you're interested in joining the class or finding out more, please do get in touch with Ros Grant on 07802 874867 or Wendy Graham at the Big Shed [websitecontact@bigshed.org.uk](mailto:websitecontact@bigshed.org.uk) and at [www.facebook.com/theBigShedToMBreck](https://www.facebook.com/theBigShedToMBreck)  
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## New Youth Groups

Hopefully you'll have noticed that there have been some new activities for young people getting up and running over the past few weeks. This has been the culmination of a lot of hard work behind the scenes, driven primarily by local volunteers.

At the moment, this involves fortnightly youth groups run by Callander Youth Project (CYP) and volunteers, as well as fortnightly multi-sports sessions being run by Active Stirling.

These projects are being run in partnership, dovetailing neatly on alternate weeks. You can find details on all of these sessions in the 'What's On' section of this issue of the Killin News.

Alongside CYP and Active Stirling, KAT have successfully applied for funding from the National Lottery Community Fund to create a new Youth & Volunteer Co-ordinator

Role. Part of this role will be to help to cement the long-term future of youth provision in the local community. It also gives a local voice to help coordinate these existing projects.

Active Stirling were already delivering multi-sports sessions in Killin back in early 2020. Participant numbers were increasing each week before the block had to be cut short due to the start of the pandemic. They're looking forward to welcoming everybody back again, along with some new faces for these new, free-of-charge sessions.

Youth group sessions are being overseen by CYP, but a large part of the delivery is being led by local volunteers. They were responsible for pitching the idea and securing CYP's support, while they've also already given up time to complete their child protection training and undergo PVG checks in preparation

for sessions getting underway.

A big priority for the groups has been to create something that is sustainable and benefits the young people of Killin and the surrounding area over the foreseeable future.

These youth groups have been made possible by support from various funders, including the Souter Charitable Trust and The Conundrum Trust.

Feedback from the initial sessions has been really positive and we're looking forward to sharing more updates (and photos!) from all these projects over the coming months.

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# THE KILLIN CONNECTION

## In Their Own Words: The Story of the Gaelic Bible, Part Two

The landmark success of the Scottish Gaelic New Testament and unreserved credit given to its principle translator, James Stewart, casts a long shadow over the making of the Gaelic Bible. Stewart's obelisk in Killin serves to remind us of this and yet, the achievements of those who followed - namely Stewart's son, John - have been all but written out of the village history. Not only were the practices of the 'worthy translator' (to quote Samuel Johnson) continued, but to some degree bettered by John Stewart, a jack-of-all-trades and, apparently, master of all.

As a clergyman, he was responsible for the translation of the Old Testament and completion of the first Bible into Gaelic. As patron and editor, he helped preserve hundreds of Gaelic poems from oral recitation, and as a scientist, gave much to the study of botany in Scotland. In effect, he was the median of two cultures, religious and secular, and a strikingly modern thinker of his time.

Born and bred in Killin, John Stewart studied natural history and botany at Edinburgh University under Professor John Hope. Unsurprisingly, his early activities are tethered to the Enlightenment and like his father he was familiar with the publishing world. As well as editing and printing the first works of Gaelic poet Duncan Ban MacIntyre, Stewart contributed botanical entries and Gaelic etymologies for Thomas Pennant's groundbreaking travel book *A Tour in Scotland*, 1772. He later worked with a fellow botanist from the tour, John Lightfoot, to produce *Flora Scotica*, a pioneering survey in that field. After graduating from Edinburgh, Stewart entered the ministry and was ordained at Arrochar in 1774. He was translated to Weem in 1776 and then to Luss two years later. From here his greatest undertaking began: a three-decade long labour to finally bring the Gaelic Bible to light.

In the fertile era of translation, the mid-eighteenth century, there were an estimated 289,798 Gaelic speakers in Scotland out of a total population of 1,265,380 (22.9%).

This was also the period in which evangelical societies like the SSPCK attempted to bring literacy, and with it the word of God, to the Highlands. Gaelic was proscribed in schools after the '45 Rebellion but by the 1760s the society's position was less rigid, seeking to strike a balance between English in education and Gaelic in preaching and worship - the end goal being the reformation and 'civilising' of the region. Some society schoolmasters took standards of reformation to brutish extremes, flogging children for speaking Gaelic in the classroom, but many, like



Dugald Buchanan, were undoubtedly sympathetic. The expansion of Gaelic literacy took place in this context, with the Gaelic New Testament as a principle textbook. In a largely oral culture without grammars or dictionaries, the vernacular style of this text could be easily understood all over the Highlands.

As with the New Testament, the colossal task of translating the Old was very much a team effort. Stewart had various assistants, two of whom stood on opposite ends of the class divide. The first was Rev. James MacLagan, Stewart's brother-in-law; a former chaplain in the Black Watch and veteran of the Pontiac War in North America, later minister of Amulree and Blair Atholl. As a graduate of St Andrews, MacLagan was a keen Gaelic scholar, collecting poetry from his school days, and was the main reviser of Stewart's translation of the Book of Proverbs. Incidentally, he is most famous for saving over 600 Gaelic texts, known as the 'MacLagan Manuscripts' which he gathered from every region in Scotland.

The other clerical helper was a local

farmer called John Walker, who had never seen the inside of a university and was largely self-taught, but could read and write skillfully in Gaelic, English and Scots. Very little is known of his life; his headstone in Luss churchyard lists neither birth nor death date, while his exact role in the Bible translation remains a mystery. The only tangible legacy he has is a book of poems published by Stewart in 1817, most likely as a gift for overlooked services. Buyers included Sir Walter Scott, James Watt and David Wilkie, and copies were even sold in the West Indies. The Gaelic Bible might have been the big showpiece, but these clergymen and their humble assistants were also revolutionising Gaelic expression through other printed forms - song and verse.

By 1796 Stewart had revised his father's translation of the New Testament, and along with the translated Old Testament, the complete Gaelic Bible appeared in print for the first time in 1801.

*Leabhraichean an t-Seann Tiomnadh* had a total run of 20,000 copies, double that of *Tiomnadh Nuadh* *arn Tighearna* thirty years earlier. Its lean, vernacular style, while

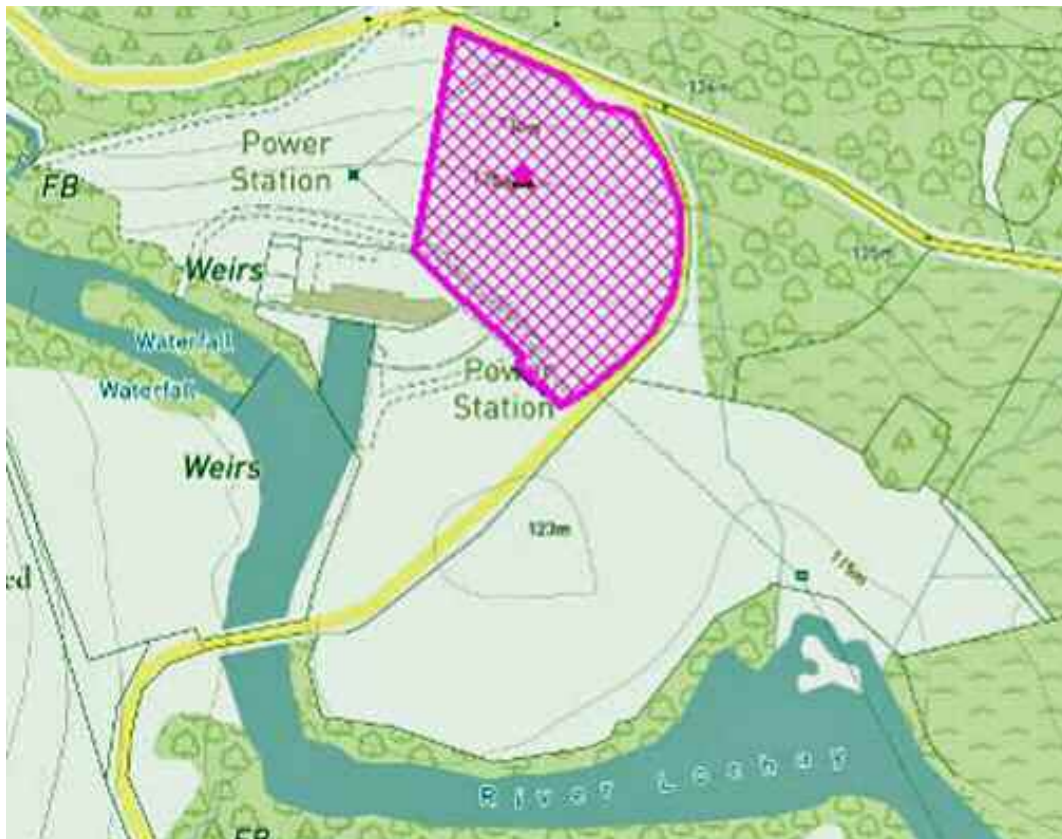
reflecting the natural variations of the original Greek and Hebrew prose, is very different from earlier Classical Gaelic translations. Of its many beneficial effects - wider readership, the spread of literacy - the greater purpose of the Gaelic Bible was to open the door for other Gaelic mediums: poetry, sermons, journals, magazines, dictionaries, and virtually all domains of literary activity.

A final word must be reserved for the man at the centre of all this. John Stewart reverted to botany in later life, dedicating much of his time to collecting rare alpine plants and Asian redwoods; at least one of these species is still growing in the manse garden at Luss. Across the way, in the old kirkyard, is his final resting place. The gravestone bears an inscription: "Born at Killin in 1743 and successively minister of Arrochar, Weem, and Luss, whose Genuine Piety and Amiable Temper endeared him to his Family and Flock." It also records his greatest achievement, the first translation of the 'Holy Scriptures into his native language' of Gaelic.

**Michael Gardiner**



# Glen Lochay Hydro Power Station Planning Update



Councillors have approved plans for the upgrade to the hydro-electric power station compound near Killin.

Located on land next to the existing Lochay Hydro Power Station in Glen Lochay, the development will include two new grid transformers, a single storey control room and the upgrading of existing access roads.

The decision to approve was taken at a meeting of Council on the 10th March.

In a report presented to Councillors, Council Planning officers stated that the proposals were in accordance with the provisions of the Local Development Plan. Three representations were received in objection to the proposals.

The development was approved subject to a number of conditions. These include:

- a) Measures to ensure the protection of important wildlife and trees and to provide enhanced landscape planting.
- b) Submission and approval of a Construction Environmental Management Plan that will protect the local ecology and manage construction traffic.
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# The Reuse Shop & RecyKillin

On Friday 18th March the community gathered at Morenish Place to celebrate the grand opening of The Reuse Shop and RecyKillin. The shop unit has been empty for four years since the Post Office moved to Dreadnought Place, and many locals commented on the day how nice it was to see the unit being used again. It's a far better location for both projects meaning they can take advantage of passing trade, as well as creating another 'stepping stone' through the village. Complete with a wheelchair ramp and plenty of room to manoeuvre inside, the shop is accessible to all. Moving the thrift shop and tool library from the Old Mill to the new premises was made possible thanks to Scotland Loves Local Funding. Project Manager Raina Jones said, "This is going to be a whole new



happened without you!" With Evelyn Tweed MSP and Councillor Martin Earl in attendance, the ribbon was cut and first through the door were the children of the Killin Primary School Eco Committee. They were impressed by the selection of toys and games, with many bringing their parents along after school. The project volunteers are looking forward to working closely with the school on

shop, and fondly recall bright displays of fruit and vegetables. One person described it as "the heart of the village." Gordon was very generous and helpful during the setting up of the new shop and we're all incredibly grateful for that, and for him sharing his memories with us - particularly about the competition that was won in the year 2000, when staff had a full makeover and new uniforms! Other people spoke about the shop when it was a fishmongers. In fact, the back shop area still displays a sign for the old coldstore. Of course, most villagers remember MacGregors and The Post Office. There is a painting of a post office van in the back shop that we've kept as a nod to that part of the building's history. For people like myself, though, who only moved to the village in the past few years, all we remember is an empty shop. The Reuse Shop and RecyKillin certainly have some big boots to fill! High street shopping may never again be what it was, but we can create vibrant, fun spaces that serve the community and offer a place to come together and share these memories of the village. As well as the shop offering a new life to preloved items and RecyKillin offering a library of tools to borrow from, 'Together For our Planet' funding from The National Lottery means we can offer a variety of upcycling workshops and activities too. This funding also allows us to explore how the community thinks climate change might affect Killin, and have conversations about how we can tackle this. All of this will feed into a climate action plan for Killin.

Everyone is welcome in The Reuse Shop, we hope to see you soon! Please pop in or contact [raina@killincdt.co.uk](mailto:raina@killincdt.co.uk) if you're interested in volunteering. If you'd like to view the RecyKillin tool catalogue please head to [recykillin.myturn.com](http://recykillin.myturn.com) and if you have any questions about membership just pop in or email [recykillin@gmail.com](mailto:recykillin@gmail.com).

**Helen Lear-Grant**



phase for the Reuse Shop, and a great opportunity for RecyKillin to grow and really contribute to our community. It's brilliant to be using a previously vacant shop on the main street and to feel the buzz around this project. I look forward to the creative remake activities we are planning and exploring climate change with the community over the summer. I'd like to thank all who've shown support for the project, and everyone who showed up for our 'Grand Opening', including councillors Evelyn Tweed and Martin Earl. Most of all, a huge thank you to all the volunteers for their hard work and enthusiasm on this project. It would never have

issues surrounding climate change, and how the shop and RecyKillin are helping tackle it!

It was a fun and busy day with volunteers Ruth, Janet, Cheryl, Eleanor, Kirsty and Helen staffing the till and restocking the shelves and rails as they emptied. Cakeology by Erin provided fantastic tray bakes and cupcakes that went down incredibly well, as did the home-baking from volunteers.

In the run up to the event, and on the day itself, it's been fantastic to take part in conversations about the shop unit and it's history within our beautiful village. Many people remember it as Gordon Webster's



# Tool Library - Grand Opening



Thanks to funding from Love Local and the Killin and Ardeonaig Community Development Trust, our Recykillin Tool Library can now be found at the Reuse Shop, Morenish Place, Main Street, Killin. Opening hours are Mondays 3-4pm and Saturdays 11am-12pm. Pop in for a chat. Membership remains at £10 per year. We have a range of tools for crafts, gardening, DIY and cooking: you can take a look at the catalogue at [recykillin.myturn.com](http://recykillin.myturn.com)

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# Frost Report



## Hope Springs

It is mid March and Spring is well and truly sprung. Each day we are cheered by the birds singing once again in response to the lengthening days.

At the end of this week it is the Spring equinox and in a couple of weeks the clocks change.

Not that clock changing will be of any interest to the wildlife who will just go about their business as usual.

But an old gillie in Sutherland used to swear that the hinds "went all to pot" over it. He was probably worried about getting one in his own pot and couldn't realise that it was his routine which had changed.

While the song birds are chirruping to each other the pigeons are on the fence trying to look extra attractive to their prospective mates and every male pheasant in the field thinks that he is the best looking.

As we move into April we should be able to see the returning ospreys hunting over the loch. Sea eagles are readying to nest near Loch Lomond. It is an excited story in the newspapers but some locals have known of their return for months.

On evening journeys along the road we seem to be seeing a good few owls, mainly tawny but the odd barn owl too. Maybe they are busy thinking of beginning families too. Colin is taking dead mice from the fence post at night. I should add that Colin is the local tawny owl, (why he is called Colin is a long story.)

Of course, we are careful to only use the products of a mouse trap as poisoned mice will poison the owl. Frogs have reappeared croaking their lustful way around our pond and are two weeks later than last year. Two albino ones are reported in Glasgow. I wonder if they will last long as they will be more obvious to predators.

Anytime now hedgehogs will be coming out of hibernation. Apparently they carry a fungus on their spines which secretes antibiotics to kill bacteria also on their spines. This process has been discovered to be over 100 years old. So we weren't the first to discover

antibiotics! Wee hedgepigs have had them for ages.

The fishermen are out in their boats though 'catch and release' regulations are still on. The good news is that The Atlantic Salmon Trust and Fisheries Management Scotland are being backed by the Scottish government to the tune of £400,000 to carry out tagging to research the movement of the fish in an attempt to investigate its decline.

Lambs have been around on lower ground for some time but they will soon be appearing around here, always a welcome sight.

Good news for them and their farmers is that there is a new initiative to make dog owners aware



of the increased penalties for allowing pets to worry, kill or injure sheep and lambs. The maximum fine is now £40,000 and/or imprisonment.

Another bit of research to put a spring in your step is that golden eagles are thriving and in the south they have reached new heights.

Presumably that's the numbers not the actual eagles flying extra high! Another iconic species, the red squirrel, is also being helped.

A further £1.1m has been given to extend the 'Saving Scotland's red squirrels' project to enable it to continue for another two years.

I can almost see the little fellows sitting on the feeders and cheering. We are so fortunate to have so many around here.

And at long, long last it has been recognised by NatureScot that the main way to prevent the iconic capercaillie becoming extinct in the

near future is predator control! Good news at last for true conservationists and gamekeepers alike. Foxes, pine martens and crows prey greatly on the eggs and young birds. I hope the RSPB sometimes remembers that the 'B' stands for birds and the 'P' for protection.

One of the few positives in a dire situation at the moment may be the realisation that, even in today's world, we need to be less reliant on other countries for our staple foods. Think again back to wartime Britain when money and pride were put into our farming. Maybe it may help to end the dentists all girding themselves ready for the results of us trying to eat trees.

Speaking of eating trees and rewilding (was that ever really a word?) beavers are annoying golfers on Moncreiffe island by felling trees and leaving them lying. It's not known if the animals enjoy a game of golf privately at night and want a wider swing down the fairway. Mr. Fox must stand aside this time for the skilled dogs which are now trained to sniff out exotic diseases entering the country at airports, ports and parcel hubs. They detect (PoAO)s Products of animal origin! Not something that you would really want to bring from your hols is it?

Another animal more wily than Mr Fox is the African honey badger. We have been lucky enough to see them a couple of times as they are quite elusive. Also quite dangerous. Apparently the only thing worse than a honey badger is a drunk honey badger. The story goes that one entered a camp kitchen and drank 5 litres of cooking wine, fell asleep and the returning staff drew straws in the morning to see who would be unfortunate enough to carry him outside. The story can be found on a delightful website - [mulberrymongoose.com](http://mulberrymongoose.com) who sell jewellery made from confiscated snare wires etc. it's worth looking up.

Finally, remember Magawa the giant rat who detected over 100 Cambodian land mines? He has died in retirement at the age of 9. Even all rats aren't bad.

**Tim Frost**





The S.O.S., Save our Steamship public funding appeal, has entered a crucial phase with a final push to raise the outstanding funds required to restore the historic Steamship Sir Walter Scott which is one of Scotland's most important maritime heritage treasures.

The 122-year-old Steamship Sir Walter Scott has been out of service on Loch Katrine since 2020 following the discovery of cracks in the previous boilers. £330,000 of the £500,000 required for the restoration has now been secured by the Steamship Trust, who are custodians of the Steamship Sir Walter Scott on behalf of the nation.

As James Fraser, Trustee and C.E.O. of the Steamship Trust explains this success is mainly due to the enormous public support for the appeal and the goodwill of businesses and many volunteers who have stepped forward to help.

"Almost every day, we're receiving public donations large and small, often accompanied by messages showing their deep affection for the Sir Walter Scott Steamship.

We are therefore much closer to being able to save, restore and bring back into service Scotland's much-loved and oldest passenger carrying steamer.

We are now refocusing the appeal with a mission to raise the outstanding £170,000 in the next 100 days to get Sir Walter Scott Steamship sailing again later this summer. We believe that ambitious target can be met with further public support and would welcome any donations and sponsorships to help

fund new decking and other important restoration works."

The 100-day campaign begins today (18th March 2022) and concludes on Sunday 26th June, when if the remaining funds have been secured, the Trust should be able to reintroduce Steamship Sir Walter Scott sailings on Loch Katrine.

Members of the public can support the appeal via the special website [www.saveoursteamship.com](http://www.saveoursteamship.com) or by post with cheques made payable to Steamship Sir Walter Scott Trust, Trossachs Pier, by Callander, FK17 8HZ. There are also donation points at several locations at Loch Katrine for visitors to use and it is hoped businesses, local communities, and individuals will help organise additional fundraising activities to help achieve the final total.

Sir Walter Scott is Loch Katrine's fourth steamer. Built during 1899 at William Denny & Bros. in Dumbarton, she was dismantled after trials and

breaking green hydrogen and vegetable oil fuel to replace biodiesel would reduce CO2 emissions by over 90% and contribute to the Steamship Trust's net-zero ambition.

The historic Steamship is a popular symbol of Loch Katrine which, when operational, glides quietly through its pure waters. In 1859 the loch became a reservoir supply water to much of West and Central Scotland. Through ingenious Victorian engineering, 23.5 miles of aqueducts and tunnels carried clean water for the first time to the city of Glasgow, transforming the health of its vast population.

Still in operation today, up to 120 million gallons per day can be extracted from the loch through this system, with the famous Tennant's Lager brewed with water from the loch.

The restoration appeal will not only save a National Maritime Heritage Treasure but bring benefits to a wide



transported in sections by barge up the River Leven and Loch Lomond to Inversnaid. From there, teams of horses lugged the Steamship up the steep hills to Stronachlachar; there, she was reconstructed and launched into Loch Katrine in 1900.

The original steam plant remains intact, with a pump that draws feedwater from the loch for the boiler. However, in 2008 the Steamship moved from coal power to biodiesel. With a return to operation this year, introducing a new ground-

range of people as the Steamship can carry 220 passengers and is accessible for all mobility and sensory needs. She also plays a crucial role in supporting the wider Trossachs economy, providing and helping to, directly and indirectly, sustain many jobs.

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# Musings From The Manse

I was sent a copy of a recent sermon by the Rev Marcus Walker who is Rector of Great St Bart's in the City of London. I enclose it here for a reflection on Ukraine.

## WH Auden. Epitaph on a tyrant

*Perfection, of a kind, was what he was after,  
And the poetry he invented was easy to understand;  
He knew human folly like the back of his hand,  
And was greatly interested in armies and fleets;  
When he laughed, respectable senators burst with laughter,  
And when he cried the little children died in the streets.*

The little children are dying in the streets.

Four days into this war and we are seeing horrors on the streets of European cities that we thought we had left behind in the twentieth century. Kindergartens, bombed. Cruise missiles, fired on residential tower blocks. Indiscriminate shelling of cities.

*And when he cried, the little children died in the streets.*

But Kyiv has not fallen. Neither, as we speak, have any of the major cities of Ukraine. Despite four days of terror since Vladimir Putin resolved to unleash Hell on his neighbour, there is still hope.

But it is hope in the midst of much darkness.

And I don't know about you, but the darkness has been difficult to watch, difficult to bear this week. And difficult to understand. A Christian, Orthodox, leader has unleashed unimaginable death and destruction on a Christian, Orthodox, nation. He has seen the Gospel of peace and heard the words of love, given to us and to him, by our God, and he has kissed the icons of the mother holding her child, and he has decided to trample untold numbers of children in the frost and mud of Ukraine, and see how many mothers weep at the sight of their dead children.

*And when he cried the little children died in the streets.*

It is difficult to know how, as a Christian, we should respond to this.

It is tempting to wish to reply to darkness with darkness, to render evil for evil. But another set of images has struck us too this week. The videos of terrified eighteen year old conscripts captured by the people they have been sent to kill, crying and shaking, calling their mothers and telling them they are alive.

Calling their mothers.



This is one of the most astonishing sights of this war, and has lit a lamp of hope which shines more brightly even than the survival of Kyiv. The treatment of the Russian soldiers, captured in war by the Ukrainians, has been truly Christian beyond measure. As one Christian nation reminds us that loving the Prince of Peace does not incline us naturally towards peace ourselves, another Christian nation has reminded us of the words of that Prince of Peace.

*Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you.*

This is the rough end of being a Christian. This is what it means to love your neighbour as yourself. To love your friends and hate your enemies? That's the easy way.

Anyone can do that. The publicans – the tax collectors – can do that, and they, as I'm sure you remember, were the cruellest, most brutal arm of the Roman state.

Love your friends and hate your enemies; that is what leads us to kindergartens being bombed and cruise missiles being fired into tower blocks. Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you? That is what leads to offering your mobile phone to a captured conscript who would have shot you an hour before, and helping him call his mum.

But this does not mean you do not have enemies. The men sent over the borders from Russia and White Russia are the enemies of the people of Ukraine, and are there to do violence on a scale and in a manner that can justly be called a war crime. They are enemies and must be fought as such and be beaten.

But they are still human. And in the face of the young conscripts, we see the face of Christ. In the face of his mother, desperate for news, we see the face of Christ. In the face of the men and women defending their homeland, choosing to love their enemies, to bless them that curse them, to do good to them that hate them, we see Christ. We see Christ shining through brightly and clearly.

This war has reminded us that man's inhumanity to man is never far from being unleashed, that our basest instincts are there for us to feed. But it has also reminded us that to feed them is a choice. And that we can say no.

There is light in the darkness this morning. Light, in the midst of children dying in the street. Light that doesn't just come from the survival of a free people in free cities despite four days of hell, but light that is coming from the way those free people have heard the message of their saviour and have prove themselves by their actions to be children of their father, which is in heaven.

Even as the little children die in the streets.

Amen.

**Russel Moffat**

# Local Planning Applications

## National Park

**09 Feb 2022**

Proposal: Alterations to gable end dormer window and addition of three new roof windows

Location: Tigh Muileann Main Street Killin

Applicant: Mr Michael Chennells

Application Type: Householder

Planning Permission

Decision: Current

**31 Jan 2022**

Proposal: Proposed single storey side extension and internal alterations

Location: Dorrnan House Killin

Applicant: Mr Patt Hayes

Application Type: Householder

Planning Permission

Decision: Approve 02 Mar 2022

**31 Jan 2022**

Proposal: Erection of new dwellinghouse

Location: Land At Maragowan Allt Fulleach Killin

Applicant: Mr William Stitt

Application Type: Planning

Permission in Principle

Decision: Current

**12 Jan 2022**

Proposal: Erection of dwelling (for holiday use)

Location: Laburnam Villa 1

Craignavie Road Killin

Applicant: Mr G Easingwood

Application Type: Detailed Planning

Permission

Decision: Current

**07 Feb 2022**

Proposal: Change of use of guesthouse (use class 7) to residential dwellinghouse (use class 9)

Location: Cruach Lodge Crianlarich

Applicant: Mrs Mary Anderson

Application Type: Detailed Planning

Permission

Decision: Current

**07 Feb 2022**

Proposal: Proposed display of advertisement (Projecting Sign)

Location: TJS Diner Tyndrum

Crianlarich

Applicant: Mr Fraser Henderson

Application Type:

Decision: Current

**23 Dec 2021**

Proposal: Construction of temporary floating access road and associated infrastructure

Location: Ben Lui / Glen Falloch

Land East of Meall Nan Gabhar

Applicant: Mr Stephen Jack

Application Type: Detailed Planning

Permission

Decision: Current

**10 Dec 2021**

Proposal: Formation of lay-by and new access road to Crianlarich service reservoir

Location: Off A82, South-West Of Crianlarich

Applicant: Scottish Water

Application Type: Detailed Planning

Permission

Decision: Current

## Perth & Kinross

**13 Dec 2021**

Proposal: Installation of air source heat pump (in retrospect)

Location: Mill House Morenish Killin

Applicant: Largo Leisure

Application Type: planning

permission local

Decision: Awaiting decision

## Stirling

**22/00101/FUL | Application under Section 42 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act to vary Condition 2 of planning permission N/91/1077 to amend the wording from 'The consent being granted relates to the use of this building for recreational purposes ancillary to the operation of the associated Ardeonaig Outdoor Centre only' to: 'The consent being granted relates to the use of this building for recreational purposes ancillary to the adjacent Brae Lodge' | Ardeonaig Outdoor Centre Ardeonaig FK21 8SY**

**21 Feb 2022**

Proposal: Change of use from outdoor centre to dwellinghouse

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Decision: Awaiting decision

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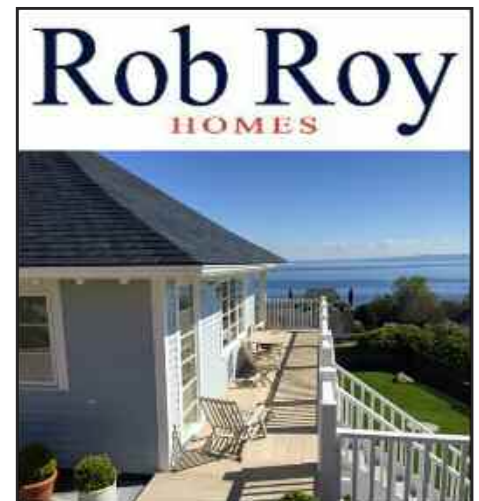
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Some good news: you only have to wait 5 minutes after vaccination.

We don't have the vaccines or a date for the clinic yet - please be patient, we will be in touch.

Covid has caught up with us at the surgery and there are periods when we are potentially running on reduced capacity, so you may be asked to move or reschedule appointments at short notice. Thank you for your understanding during these times.

Dr Alex Fullbrook is a locum GP working for us on Mondays for the next six months, Dr Fullbrook is a GP partner at Crieff Medical Centre, Blue Practice. We are very lucky to have him to help.

**Ann Massey  
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# Killin and Crianlarich Nurseries



The children in the 0-3 room have been becoming increasingly independent. Educators have been supporting children during their daily routines to become more confident in their own abilities. Some of the children have begun their transition visit in preparation for their move to the 3-5 room. We have learned about World Book day and loved using The Gruffalo and The Monkey Puzzle story sacks. We are looking forward to supporting Red Nose day too.

The 3-5 room in Killin are working towards getting their green flag and have been learning about bio-diversity and recycling. This has been supporting us learning about animals and their habitats. We held a grounds day which involved us working together to spring clean our garden. Currently, we are planting seeds and vegetables and have made our first bird box with the hope to create many more. Our links with the retirement home continue and we celebrated World Book Day together by sharing stories with one another.

Crianlarich Nursery are beginning to develop the garden area. We have some exciting new resources due to be delivered soon and we plan to create literacy and numeracy areas, a water play area and a loose part area. The children continue to discuss their ideas on how they would like their garden to be. The children and staff have been learning together how to use fixing tools and have built new shelving units to display our resources, so that the children can access them freely.



Thank you to all the parents for their contributions to their child's E-Learning Journal. The children have really enjoyed sharing these entries with their peers, and we are thrilled to read these as parental involvement helps educators to support childrens learning and interests.

**Kayleigh MacDonald**



# Newsletter

April 2022



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The project has a dedicated website, please scan the above QR code to be taken to the project website or use the following URL  
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Construction works continue on SSEN Transmission's Killin VISTA project which will see a total of 7.8km of overhead line removed, including 32 steel lattice towers, between Killin substation and Lix Toll.

Safety is always our first priority at SSEN Transmission and with this in mind, we ask that you please remain vigilant of signage or direction around the construction works and do not enter our working areas. Users of the access tracks are asked to obey signage and are reminded that large vehicles and construction traffic are also using the tracks.

## Works to date

### January

Throughout January all site access upgrades across the cable corridor to facilitate safe access/egress to work locations were completed along with construction of the site compound and laydown area, which are now fully operational.

### February

Excavation works to install cable ducts along the east side of the A827 carriageway north of the village were completed in February. The horizontal directional drilling (HDD) works for two of the four circuits that are installed under the River Dochart were also completed in the month.

### March

During March, excavation works to install cable ducts across the A827 carriageway south of the village were completed and HDD works for the remaining two circuits under the River Dochart were completed. All temporary access tracks to facilitate the works are now also complete.

## Upcoming works

### April

Excavation works to install cable ducts along the west side of the A827 carriageway north of the village will continue. There is a planned power outage scheduled on one of the 132kV circuits which will enable construction works to commence within Killin 132kV substation. New cable sealing end towers will be constructed at the remote ends of the circuit within Acharn & Dochart Forrest and cable installation and jointing works will commence along the cable route.

### May

During May works to permanently reinstate the A827 carriageway to the north of the village are planned to be completed with the new 33kV underground cable circuit scheduled to be commissioned and energised.

### June

There is a planned power outage scheduled on the second 132kV circuit to complete cable termination works ahead of final commissioning and energisation in early July.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Community Liaison Manager:

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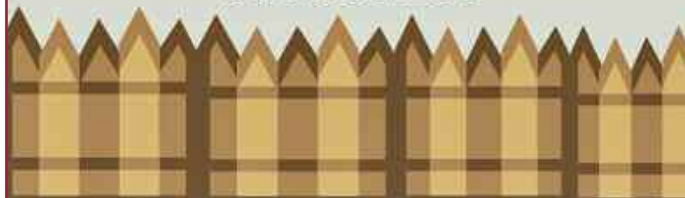


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## Ukrainian Appeal

Thank you to the Killin Church and community for the amazing response to the Ukrainian Appeal. On the 2nd and 3rd March the church was open for prayer for Ukraine, to light candles and to write in a book of condolence that was sent to the Ukraine Embassy. More than 60 bags and boxes of clothes, food, toiletries and baby items were brought in to the church. These were taken to a drop off point in Callander for onward transit to Ukraine. £550 was also collected on these days and more added at the church service making a total of £748. This has been donated to Siobhans Trust to support David Fox Pitt of Ardtalnaig and a team from Perthshire who are in Poland a few metres from a crossing point with Ukraine. David has taken a pizza oven and is dispensing soup and pizzas and much else to all who need it.

Please have a look at Siobhan's Trust ([siobhanstrust.uk](http://siobhanstrust.uk)), there is a video of David on arrival, on the page At the Border.

All this has been such a generous effort by everyone in the community. Thank you



## Easter at Killin and Ardeonaig Parish Church

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April – 10am Service

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April – 7.30pm Prayer Study Group

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April – 7.30pm Service with communion

Good Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April – 7.30pm Service

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Daffodil Tea

Easter Day – 6am Sunrise Service at Lochside /  
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# Obituary

**Lindsey Mary Campbell**

1938-2022

Lindsey was born in Joppa, Edinburgh, where she spent her early childhood during the war years. She moved to Wakefield when she was eight, attending Wakefield Girls School and writing a novel, *Horse of Air*, when she was 15. She attended St Hugh's College, Oxford on a scholarship to study English Literature and went on to become a teacher of English, working at a number of schools south of the border.

In 1971 she married Bob Nesbitt in Reykjavik and had three sons, then moved back to Scotland and ran the Ben Lawers Hotel for a few years before moving to a farm along the lochside. She retired to Stag Cottage in Glen Lochay where she spent over twenty years enjoying the peace of the glen and working occasionally as a healer and general wise woman, and even held a few drama classes at Killin Primary. She enjoyed tending her



garden, avidly reading whodunnits, and keeping animals, having had everything from stick insects to horses and most things in-between.

She passed away on the 10th of January 2022 after a relatively short illness and is survived by her

sons, Stefan, Mark and Sean, and her two grandchildren Amelia and Sterling.

Ever young at heart, with a ready wit, she always had time for people, a gentle listening ear and will be greatly missed by many.



## The Troubadour

by Lindsey Mary Campbell

Once I was a troubadour  
Upon the dusty road.  
Ragged was the robe I wore  
And little was my load.  
Rough vagabonds my trusted friends,  
Companions of the ways and waves.  
Men strung us up to feed the crows  
We danced upon our graves.  
The times are gone, the tunes abide;  
Love-longing is the horse I ride.  
The friends I lost will live again,  
Laughing in the wind and rain'  
And I shall be a troubadour  
Upon the roads for evermore.



# Obituaries

## Lesley Syme

1955-2022

Lesley passed away suddenly at home on Monday 28 February.

She was born in 1955 in Melton Mowbray to parents from Leith. Like many children in military families, she had an itinerant upbringing and travelled around for much of her childhood. After a short spell in the Civil Service she studied at the University of Edinburgh, where she met Dave. They moved to Killin and settled into village life in 1982.

Lesley cared deeply about the village and its community. She was involved with the Mother and Toddler Group, Killin Traditional Music & Dance Festival, MacGregor's Market and Killin and Ardeonaig Community Trust. She was at her happiest working behind the scenes, making sure that things were done properly.

Killin Drama Club was reformed in the early 1990's and Lesley soon became part of the club's foundation.



Lesley's family, Dave, Jamie, Rory, Liz and Kelly, would like to thank everyone in the village for their kind words and support during a difficult time.

It was heartening to see so many friends and family gathered in the garden for the funeral. The collection raised more than £1,000 which will be divided between the PDSA and the Scottish Community Drama Association.

Thanks are also due to Ross Anderson & Sons, celebrants Irene Gardner and Gillian

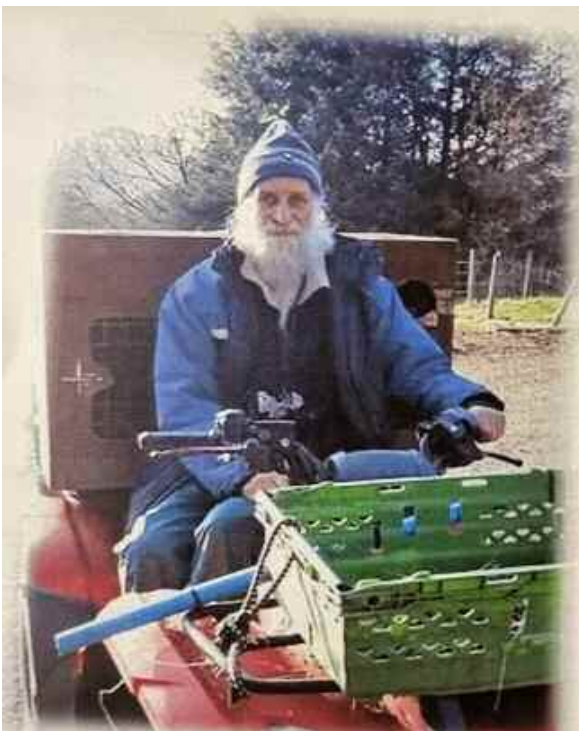
Robertson, and the team at the Killin Hotel for their compassion and professional services.

As a writer, stage manager, assistant director - as well as occasionally appearing onstage as 'the ghost' - she was a pivotal part of the village pantomime for the last 27 years, and she took many plays 'on tour' as part of the national one-act play festival.

Lesley will be remembered for her love of good food and drink, her love of travel, and for a wickedly dry sense of humour.

## Iain Kelly

24/5/1953 - 19/2/2022



Our Dad passed away suddenly in Oban hospital. Dad was born on the small island of Colonsay and spent his childhood and early working life there. Eventually he settled in the Killin area and spent many happy years at Bovain.

Dad had a reputation as a great stockman and dog handler and this is where his passion lay. He had a great fondness for a wee dram and was one of the village characters.

We thank the ambulance crew and staff at Oban hospital. We would also like to thank everyone who came to celebrate his life with us, raise a glass and share stories. The collection for RSABI raised just under £500 in his memory.

Dad leaves behind his 3 children, 8 grandchildren, wife Kathy, and his brother and sister, Andrew and Mary. He will be greatly missed.

**Fiona, Malcom and Stuart**

# 2nd Killin & District Scout Group Stirling & Trossachs

Our Scout sections here in Killin are really getting back into the swing of "normality" after a strange year or two. We continue to give our young people the opportunity to learn new skills, have amazing adventures, make friends and lifelong memories. Whilst our volunteers dedicate their time and talents, they also reap many of the same benefits. Here's what we've been up to and how you can get involved:

## Beavers

It's been an exciting term for us with lots of new Beavers joining our colony in January taking us back to the highest numbers we've had in the last few years. As a result of this we have re-introduced our Beaver colonies and been working more in these small groups. Some of the activities we've done in our lodges include building a lodge mascot robot using lots of junk recycling. On our last evening in March, we made Easter cookies rammed full of mini eggs which proved to be a real big hit! We also had Rachel telling us all about her role as a Geologist at Scot gold up in Tyndrum – for obvious reasons we can't go on a trip there but she had made us a special personalised video tour inside it. They also got to see some of the rocks of special interest and try on some of the miner's gear which was great fun. As part of her role Rachel uses lots of maps and we spent an evening learning a bit more about how to use maps too. In the term leading up to the summer holidays we hope to be mainly outside enjoying the light warm evenings with lots of adventures and activities. We're also hoping to join lots of Beavers from all over the Stirling area on the District sleepover and activity day in May. If your child is 5 1/2 you are welcome to email and have their

name added to the waiting list.  
Beavers 6-7pm fortnightly Tuesdays  
**Laura Bathgate**  
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[killinbeavers@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:killinbeavers@yahoo.co.uk)

## Cubs

Since the last Killin News, the Cubs have been meeting weekly and this has made a real difference to what we have been offering. The leaders



have felt the Cubs have been on great form with loads learnt plus lots of fun along the way!



Some of the highlights have been the games played, learning about navigation and maps, some astronomy fun, having a pancake day bake off (dropped scones/scotch pancakes won over crepes on taste) singing campfire songs around a fire and showing off how much the Cubs know about bicycle maintenance! We have been grateful to parents when we have needed help. We hope

to be outside a lot more next term so will likely have a parent rota in place. I also hope this helps with planning for parents. Our camp in May has had to be postponed so may be a summer holiday camp now. However, we are looking ahead to lots of adventurous activities. Finally, the leader team are looking for any individuals or groups who would like to bring a subject of interest to any of our evenings. Whether it is history of the village, gardening skills, recycling opportunities, do please let ourselves know. We are open to all ideas!

The Cubs hope to meet weekly on Tuesdays between 7pm and 8.15pm in the Lesser Hall, Killin. (ages 8 to 10.5 years).

**Stephen Rawlinson**

Cub Leader

[2ndkillincubs@gmail.com](mailto:2ndkillincubs@gmail.com)  
07742 886918

## Scouts

Unfortunately we discovered this term that we will be losing our other Scout leader, David West, for possibly the next 12 months. His sabbatical will be solely felt by all as he has been instrumental in keeping the Scout section running as I am also running the Cubs section too. We wish him and his family well during this time and hope to see him back as soon as possible.

Our small group of leaders in the village, as well as the Stirling District Scout team, will be helping as much as they can but we also need the communities and parents help to keep the Scout section going. As they say, every little helps! If you have anything that you can bring to an evening meeting or a weekend morning that you feel the young



# Scouts



people of Killin would be interested in do please make contact with ourselves.

Highlights this term have been a quick hike up Sron a'chlachain, photography morning around Killin (comment: "wow, Killin is so good in pictures!"), burns supper, and a dungeons and dragons introduction evening. Looking ahead we are looking forward to getting outside and doing as many adventurous activities as we can.

To end on a positive note though, the Scouts have been great this term with their energy, understanding and patience. They show a real maturity and interest which makes our job as leaders far more enjoyable! Given limited leader availability meetings are ad-hoc and flexible at the moment.

(ages 10.5 to 14 years).

**Killin Scout Leader; Stephen**  
[2ndkillinouts@gmail.com](mailto:2ndkillinouts@gmail.com)  
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2nd Killin & District Scout Group is looking to strengthen the Team.

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## Graduation



Robbie Dingwall, Auchlyne, graduated from Strathclyde University with a master of science in Diplomacy and International Security with Distinction, November 2021 .

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# What's On In Killin And District

## Regular Activities

### Monday

- Flow Yoga, 7-8pm, Community Rooms
- Gentle Yoga, 8.05-9.05pm Community Rooms
- 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 (winter months only)
- Outdoor Green Bowls, 6.30pm, Bowling green (summer only)

### Tuesday

- Bee Creative, 10am-12pm, Community Rooms
- u3a Art, 2-4pm, currently being held in Lochearnhead Hall
- Beavers, 6-7pm, Lesser Hall (every other Tuesday)
- Cubs, 6-7.30pm, Lesser Hall Tuesday Club, 2-4pm, Community Rooms
- CAB drop-in session, every 2nd Tuesday: 1pm-3pm, Killin Library

### Wednesday

- Walk in the Park, 10.20
- Strength & Balance, 2-3pm, Killin Parish Church- see p32
- u3a French, 2.30-4pm, online
- Highland Hustle, 6.30-7.15pm, McLaren Hall
- Scouts, 7-9pm, Lesser Hall
- Explorers, 7-9pm ( last Wed of month ), Lesser Hall
- Youth Club – Wednesdays (Fortnightly), P6/7 6-7pm S1-3 7.30-8.30pm [Sign-Ups: [alasdair@cyp.org.uk](mailto:alasdair@cyp.org.uk)]
- Multi-Sports Session - Wednesdays (Fortnightly), P5-7 5-6pm S1-3 6-

7pm [Sign-Ups: [mckennac@activestirling.org.uk](mailto:mckennac@activestirling.org.uk)]  
 • Note that the multi-sports sessions and youth clubs run on alternate weeks.

### Thursday

- Running Club, 6pm, Acharn Forest carpark
- SW1, 7.30pm (1st Thursday of month, Lesser McLaren Hall)

### Friday

- Yoga, 10.30-11.45, The Big Shed

### Saturday

- Football in the Park, 12-17 years, 12-2pm

### Sunday

- Football in the Park, 8-11 years, 6-8pm
- Killin Gun Club, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun of month March-December. Contact Stuart Ogston 07999 510014 Henry Paterson 01567 820354

## Church Services

### • Parish Church

- Sunday 10am, Morning Worship, Killin Parish Church
- 2nd Sunday of the month, 3pm, Falls of Dochart Retirement Home

### • Episcopal Church

- See [www.strathearn-episcopal-churches.co.uk](http://www.strathearn-episcopal-churches.co.uk) for details

### • Roman Catholic Church

- Saturday Mass 3pm 1st Saturday of the month Services held in the Tin Church.

- Regular Sunday Mass in Callander at 11:30am.

## Coming Soon !

### April

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- 18 Walk in the Park, p9
- 25 Walk in the Park, p9

## Killin Library

Has now reopened to collect books, DVDs, dog waste bags and hearing aid batteries.

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<b>Tuesday</b>	10-1pm 3-7pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	2-5pm
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**Tyndrum**  
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**Glen Lochay/Ardeonaig Fortnightly Mondays**  
 Apr 11th, 25th, May 9th, 23rd  
 Glen Lochay 11.45-12.30  
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 Apr 12th, 26th, May 10th, 24th  
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23rd Apr 30th Apr

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