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Editorial

Many apologies for any omissions in the last edition of the Newsletter. There were a number of “technical hitches” resulting in the newsletter being produced rather hastily at the last minute. I know now that some items which were intact at the beginning “disappeared” before publication, and there may have been others that I do not know about. Sorry if anything of yours was missed.

I expect many villagers will remember the old tennis courts in Hayfield Road, as pictured on the cover of this edition. The original was kindly loaned by a villager.

May I refer all those people (they know who they are!), who have complained to me about the weather this summer, to the Arngask Primary School report: “17th June was bright and sunny”. What do you mean – that was only one day! Isn’t that enough?!

Letters to the Editor

The following poem, which may be familiar to some readers, was submitted by Ruby Peace, although she pointed out that it isn’t her own work.

I’m very well thankyou

There is nothing the matter with me, I’m as healthy as I can be
I have arthritis in both my knees, and when I talk – I talk with a wheeze
My pulse is weak, and my blood is thin, but I’m awfully well for the shape I’m in
Arch supports I have for my feet, or I wouldn’t be able to be out on the street
Sleep is denied me night after night, but every morning I find I’m alright
My memory is failing, my head’s in a spin, but – I’m awfully well for the shape I’m in
The moral is this – as my tale I unfold, that for you and me who are getting old
It’s better to say “I’m fine” with a grin, than to let folks know the shape we are in
How do I know that my youth is all spent? Well my “get up and go” has got up and went
But I really don’t mind when I think with a grin, of all the grand places my “got up” has bin
Old age is golden I’ve heard it said, but sometimes I wonder as I get into bed
With my ears in a drawer, my teeth in a cup, my specs on a table until I get up
‘Ere sleep overtakes me I say to myself, is there anything else I could lay on the shelf?
When I was young my slippers were red, I could kick my heels right over my head
When I was older my slippers were blue, but I could still dance the whole night through
Now I am old my slippers are black, I walk to the shop and puff my way back
I get up each morning and dust off my wits, and pick up the paper to read the “Obits”

**If my name is still missing I know I’m not dead
And so I have breakfast and - go back to bed**

Glenfarg Old Folks’ Association

The above committee would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who helped in anyway to make the Fete such a huge success. A special thanks to Nicky and Rachel and the children who gave us such a delightful display of dancing and marching, to everyone who gave raffle prizes, bottles and donations, and to the following businesses:

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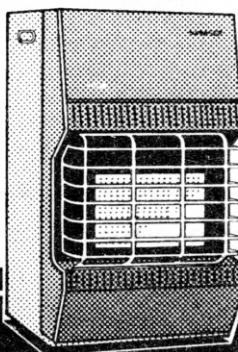
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The school mag. 1998 was published at the end of term. All the classes had contributed, and P6&7 had made an excellent job of compiling it. Here are some extracts:

A weather poem by Jamie P3

Wet, wet all day
East west windy
A gale is blowing
Trees are down
Horrible, horrible weather
Everywhere puddles
Ripple, ripple, ripple

Friends by Katie P3

Friends are fun to play with
Real friends are great
I like my friends so much
Exciting friends are great
Never kick your friends
Don't leave your friends out
Sit and watch television with your friends

As warm as a sunny day by Janey P2

As warm as my bed
As warm as my dog's fur
As warm as my coat
As warm as my teddy
I like the sun because it is hot

Loyalty by Lauren P5

Love your friends
Offer your friendship to people
You can have special friends
Always be kind to your family
Laugh with your pals
Trust each other
You should be loyal every day

Accordion and Fiddle Club

At the meeting in June Alexander Lindsay was guest artist, and a vintage night was held in July. There was a good turnout on both occasions.

The following should have appeared in the last edition of the Newsletter. Apologies — Ed.

There was a good attendance at the meetings held in March, April and May when guest artists were, respectively, Ray Carsie, Gordon Pattullo and the Ian Anderson Trio. The members of the Club are all very sad to have lost two of their players: Willie Mann from Forfar, and Jim Brown from Bridge of Earn.

Loyalty by Callum P5

Let me help you
Our friends need each other
You're a good friend to me
A good friend doesn't let me down
Listen to me, I'm your friend
Try, try
You're a loyal friend

The Can Bank by Adam Whyte P6

You put your cans in the can bank
At Arngask P. School
It's big, bright and yellow
And plus it's very cool
Coke cans, Tango and Irn Bru
They can all go in it too
Oh, but I must appeal
That we do not want any steel
So come along and pop them in
It's much better than in the bin

Conservation Poem by Richard P6

Recycling is good, it keeps the world clean
Earth is our home, let's keep it tidy
Can we keep the world tidy
Yes we can keep the world clean
Clean and tidy that's what we like
Leave the world clean
In the world there shouldn't be any litter
Nice and tidy earth that's what we want
Good for people who recycle

Rain Forest by Laura-Anne P6

I can just imagine seeing a rain forest
All the lovely colours
The greens, the yellows the allsorts
And it would be so lovely hearing the birds chirp
It's beautiful, it's fantastic
It's the sound of the rain

**Congatulations to
Susan (Murison) & John Twining
on the birth of their son
on the 24th July 1998**

Theatre Group

The new season of Theatre visits starts on Saturday 15 August. The coach leaves Glenfarg at the usual time – 1.30pm. The cost of the theatre ticket is now £5.50, and the coach fare is £2 providing sufficient numbers attend each performance. This will give a total cost for each performance of £7.50

The success of the Theatre Group is, I am sure you will realise, dependent on maintaining a good number to spread the cost of the coach. When numbers are small the outing runs at a loss and this obviously cannot be sustained in the long term. We do have room to welcome a number of new members. If you are interested, or know anyone who may be interested, please get in touch with me – Sylvia Wall 830408

Provisional arrangements are in hand to visit the pantomime Aladdin on 9 January 1999. Other dates are as follows:

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| 15 August | Tonight at 7.30 |
| 12 September | Pride and Prejudice |
| 10 October | The Nerd |
| 7 November | The Innocents |
| 28 November | Women on the verge of HRT |

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Where is Banana Island? Why Mashed Bananas?

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If you would like your child to join us in **GOING BANANAS!** you can obtain a registration form beforehand from Lindsay Kinnaird, 830337, or Ken Hamilton, 830490, or at the start of any of the above sessions.

Congratulations to

Mark Lambie, who graduated in June 1998 MB.BS. from St. George’s Hospital Medical School. It is 25 years since Sarah started at Arngask Primary, so it is a relief to the Lambie parents no longer to have any children in the education system, but to have one lawyer and three doctors in the family.

John Learmonth, who, with three other Orkney Police Officers, jumped into the chilly waters of Kirkwall Harbour in the early hours of New Year’s morning to rescue an unconscious seaman, who had fallen into the narrow space between his ship and the pier. The low temperature and cramped rescue area made the rescue particularly difficult. At a ceremony attended by relatives and colleagues, the Northern Constabulary Chief Constable presented John and his fellow officers with Royal Humane Society Life Saving Awards.

Anna Macpherson who graduated BA in Hotel Services Management from Napier University.....

And all those other new graduates out there about whom no-one has told me.

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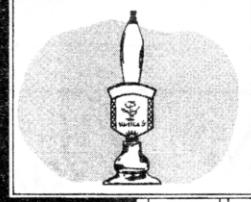
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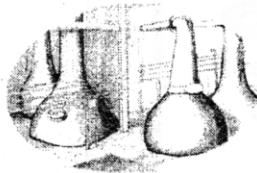
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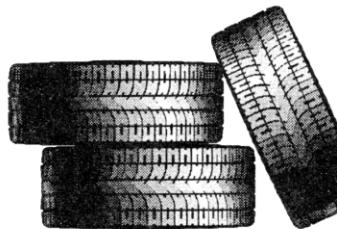
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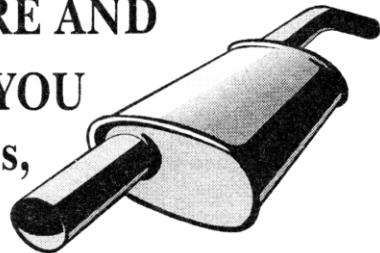
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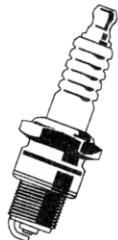
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Community Council

The following is an extract from the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6 July, at which six members of the public were present.

PLANNING The proposed visit by Mr. Lochhead has been postponed until the September meeting.

POLICE PC West referred to a break-in at the Glenfarg Garage two nights previously. One person had been charged, but many hours could have been saved if the sound of breaking glass heard by a member of the public had been reported immediately. PC West urged the public to assist the police whenever possible, thus saving valuable time and money. He stated that an incident such as a break-in constituted an emergency, and it would be correct to dial 999. In other cases dial 863571 — Kinross Police Station. Calls are automatically diverted to Perth when the station is not manned.

GOLF PRACTICE IN WALLACE PARK

Although no Bye Laws are now in force, there are Management Rules governing the use of, and activities in, the park. There was a discussion about the hazard posed by youngsters practising golf, and it was agreed that a notice should appear in the Newsletter to the effect that golf practice is not permitted in the Park. It was hoped that, following discussions with P&K Council, a designated area could be marked out exclusively for golf practice.

DROP - OFF POINT FOR ARNGASK SCHOOL
Cllr. Mrs. Law explained that, although the custom had been to drop off and collect children at the rear of the school, the land belongs to the Housing Department, and technically only the residents of houses in Greenbank Crescent have a right to be on the land for the purpose of access to their garages. In winter the Education Dept. would instruct that a path be cleared from the school to the nearest public road (Main Street), in order, also, for lunches to be delivered. It was pointed out that this steep path is lethal in icy conditions, and this access is dangerous for children without the protection of a barrier at the edge of the pavement. This, however, would prevent vehicular access to the front of the school. It was agreed that perhaps the designated access should be changed, in which case the car park would have to be upgraded. It was agreed that this was an issue for the School Board to take up with the Education Dept.

TRAFFIC CALMING - ENDS OF VILLAGE
Cllr. Mrs. Law undertook to contact the Roads Dept. and ask them to consider some traffic calming measures e.g. red strips or warning signs.

TRAFFIC CALMING - WITHIN THE VILLAGE

The possibility of a one way system in Greenbank Road and Ladeside was discussed, but it was decided to leave the situation as it is.

DOG FOULING A request had been made for dog fouling boxes along Main Street, but these are only available in parks. The Dog Warden made a strong plea for members of the public to report anyone allowing their dog to foul the pavements or Wallace Park. Although this would be difficult in a small community, it is unacceptable that selfish and irresponsible dog owners should spoil the environment for other villagers. The Secretary will write to the Local Authority asking for signs to be erected.

OVERHANGING TREES There are a number of these affecting pavements in the village. Cllr. Mrs. Law undertook to discuss the matter of poor drainage etc. on the far side of the foot bridge.

ROADS It was agreed that the state of the roads in the village is abysmal. The Chairman pointed out that the contractors have now left the reservoir, and still the roads have not been repaired as promised. Cllr. Mrs. Law said that repair work could not be started until completion of various works, such as drainage on Church Brae. The repair work was scheduled for this financial year, but putting pressure on the Roads Dept. would lead to patching, which would make the problem worse. The Chairman had received a letter from the Director of Roads, requesting comments about the degree of satisfaction with the regular roads maintenance in the area. It was agreed that a brief report should be sent back itemising each problem area.

GLEN FARG There was unanimous condemnation of the dumping of rubbish in the Glen, by contractors unwilling to pay the fees at the landfill site. Plans should be drawn up for a joint exercise between the village and the landowners involved to tidy and clear the Glen. Grants and assistance of various forms would be available from a number of organisations.

LAND BESIDE VILLAGE HALL A letter had been received regarding the possible fencing of this area, but it was felt that this should be delayed until the top-soil was in place, after weedkiller had been sprayed on the ground in the autumn. Once planted with grass it would be cut by the Local Authority.

GO-KARTING TRACK Planning application had been successful, subject to conditions relating to fencing, lighting, opening hours and loudspeaker systems. Consent had been granted on a temporary

basis, providing an opportunity for complaints in the event of problems.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION This will take place on Tuesday 11 August, and this year Duncrievie would be entitled to enter in its own

right. Villagers were encouraged to tidy up their gardens and create as good a show as possible.

NEXT MEETING Monday 7 September Church Hall 8pm

Arngask Woman's Guild

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| 15 September | 7.30pm | A floral treat by Ann Munro, showing the best way to arrange flowers for display in the Church. Open meeting. |
| 4 October | 11am | Dedication Service in Church |
| 6 October | 7.30pm | Talk by the International Rescue Corps from Stirlingshire on their interesting, rewarding and demanding rescue work |
| 12 October | 7.30pm | Presbyterian Council Meeting in St. Matthew's Church, Perth.. Speaker – Mrs. Keston |
| 20 October | | A visit to Police Headquarters in Perth. We expect to bring everyone home again! |
| 3 November | 7.30pm | Helen and Ursula will spin us a tale |
| 17 November | 7.30pm | All are welcome to a Musical Evening in the Church by the Canticum Group, who gave a very entertaining concert last year. |
| 28 November | 10am - 12noon | Annual Chrsitmas Sale in the Village Hall. Come and buy some presents. |
| 1 December | | Rev. K. Anderson will talk on the theme "Good News to the Poor". |
| 15 December | | Ending the year with our Christmas Party, which is usually greatky enjoyed by members. |

Arngask Primary School

The school term finished on 2 July, and the weeks beforehand were full of extracurricular activities.

On 28 May, in the Village Hall, the Drama Club presented a musical entitled "Noah and his Animals" under the expert guidance of Mrs. Gordon. P4-7 made up the cast, and P1-3, dressed as animals, two by two, provided musical support.

During June P7 had a visit to Perth Academy or Kinross High School to familiarize themselves with what lies ahead. At the other end of the scale next year's P1 spent two happy afternoons in Mrs. Milne's class for a taste of school life.

Despite persistent rain before and afterwards, Wednesday 17 June was bright and sunny, as was fitting for the school Sports Day. Much speed and ability was displayed, and Fordel were the deserving winners of the cup.

The weather did not hold out quite so well on 26 June for the Family Fun Night. However, despite intermittent rain, the races were fast, the food was delicious and the company excellent! Thanks to

Binn Farm and Steve Whiting for their generous sponsorship of the event. The sum of £272.90 was raised for PTA funds.

Summertime is the time for school outings. P1,2&3 enjoyed a trip to Verdant Works Museum and Camperdown Park in Dundee. P4&5 did a project on "The Riverbank", involving a few visits to the bank of our local river. P6&7 had a field trip to the landfill site at Binn Farm.

The prizegiving was held on 1 July:

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| Good Fellowship awards | Kirsty Campbell, Tom Norris |
| Sports Champions | Melissa Hendeersn, Kenneth Morton |

Shield winners for May were:

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| P1 | Stephen Hamilton | P1 | Jeff Hannah |
| P2,3 | Jamie Webb | P2,3 | Ross Nicoll |
| P4,5 | Aimee Gourlay | P4,5 | Daniel Knowles |
| P6,7 | Richard McHardy | P6,7 | Jenna Ritchie & Kenneth Morton |

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| | 10 | Sangsters (Kirkcaldy) | One of our favourite trios has just become a quartet! Come along and enjoy the usual brilliant sound, allied to much hilarity, and sample the difference of an additional guitar and voice. |
| | 17 | Open Stage | For the third year running we offer a full half hour spot to anyone who would like to try out a short set in front of a supportive and knowledgeable audience. Phone Athole to book your spot! |
| | 24 | Loobie (Leeds) | The first of what is certain to be many visits to Glenfarg by this excellent group from Yorkshire. A blend of traditional and contemporary music played in a style to enthrall any audience. Don't miss them! Note: non-members £4 |
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Dates to remember

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| AUGUST | 21-23 | Going Bananas! | See text for details |
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| 15 | | | ITEMS FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER PLEASE |

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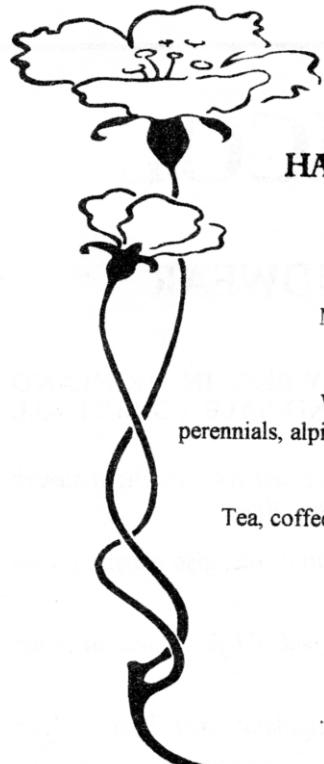
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