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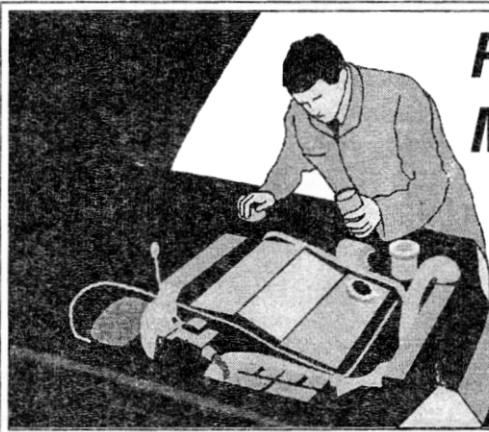
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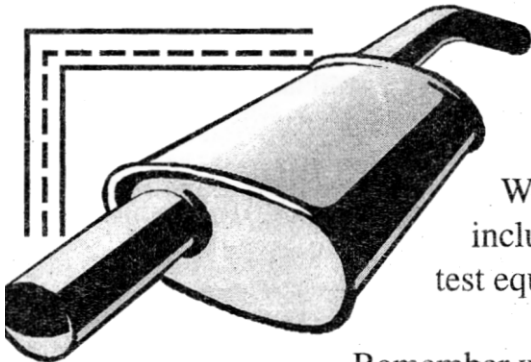
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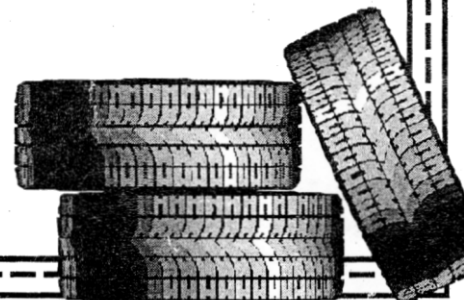
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Editorial

The cover picture is of The Bank House and water feature in the snow, fairly apt I thought for the first months in 2004. I'm pleased to be able to include a couple of cartoons that take a light hearted look at village life. The talented artist has decided to remain anonymous although I trust this is not due to the risk of nasty repercussions! It's great to get a lot of material to work with so keep it coming.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Jimmy and I wish to say a big 'Thank you' to all friends and neighbours, who have been so kind to us over the past weeks - this is very much appreciated.

All good wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely

**Jimmy and Madge Lindsay,
2 Lomond Bank, Glenfarg**

Dear Editor,

2003 was a very rewarding year as regards to my art work. In January I was invited to judge a song writing competition for the T.M.S.A at Aberdeen University followed by another invitation to be their guest at an all day event staged at Garlogie near Echt. In the Summer I exhibited at the Scottish Mining Museum, Newtongrange and the same exhibition was at the Kelty Branch Library until the end of January. A large mural entitled Kelty at Work and Play 1900 - 2000 which was part of the exhibition will remain as a permanent feature at the library. In November and December I also exhibited at Buckhaven Community Education Centre. This consisted of numerous paintings depicting Scottish life in general. Winning the Sandy Watt Quaich at the Glenfarg Folk Club was a real bonus though many friends and relative still refuse to believe I have won my first singing competition ! - generally thinking I have a voice like a bird - a crow.

The highlight of the year of course was finally bringing out the illustrated poetry book, Dugs, Doos and Dancing.

I would like to thank the community of Glenfarg for the great support at all of the aforementioned events and especially pertaining to the poetry book where over ninety copies have been sold locally due to the efforts of Grant Smith and staff at the Post Office and the Glenfarg Folk Club. I am indebted to all of you. best wishes for 2004

yours aye

Jim Douglas Burnbank Ladeside Glenfarg

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank all the staff, children and parents for my surprise collection, (no I am not leaving) this was very much appreciated. With the vouchers I bought a new telephone answer machine, DVD player and a digital box the only problem being we can't get any BBC channels!

May I wish all of you the best for 2004 and many thanks again.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M McAinsh. Arngask Primary School



Dear Editor,

I am very pleased with all the money that is being collected for the Newsletter at the Post Office. In particular, I would like to thank the person who put a very large donation in last time.

Charlie Murison, Treasurer

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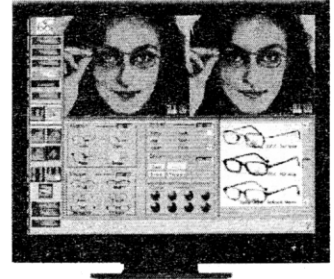
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Proposed Glenfarg / Lochelbank Windfarm

As regular readers of the Newsletter will know it is probable that National Windfarms Limited will shortly lodge a plan to develop a windfarm at Glenfarg/Lochelbank. The full details of the proposed project have still to be finalised, but at the time of writing it seems likely that it will be for 17 turbines each approximately 110 metres high. In the event of a plan being lodged, there will be a consultation period and the Community Council has already agreed that a public meeting will be held in the village. Details of the meeting, which will probably be held in the Village Hall will be placed in the Post Office window and the Community Council notice board. The Community Council also plans to circulate a questionnaire which it hopes will be completed by all those living in the Glenfarg community and who are included in the current Electoral Register. Only by this means will it be possible to ascertain the views of the community as a whole. Replies will, of course, be treated in confidence.

Community Council

Glenfarg Community Council

The following is an extract from the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 5th January 2004.

Present Cllr D Cameron (Chairman), Cllr C.Campbell, Cllr A Curtis, Cllr L Godsell, Cllr. C. Meldrum, Cllr. C Murison (Treasure), Cllr. T Nicol, B Patterson, (Sect.) Cllr. J Sutherland, Cllr. J Stake, Cllr. S Reid, Cllr. J McHardy, Cllr K Baird.

Apologies Janet Croft.-(Tracks)

By Invitation Sgt Graham, Tom Surman and one colleague. (Windfarm Project)

Members of the Public 6 Members of the public were present.

Matters Arising.

Recycling; - Cllr C Campbell reported that after 6 months of looking at recycling there has been very little support from the village. Therefore it was agreed that the topic should be put into abeyance.

Binn Land Fill; - Cllr Campbell drew attention to the number of vehicles using the site and the resulting problem of mud and litter on the surrounding roads. It was agreed that it would be useful for members of the Council to visit the site and Chairman agreed to contact the site to see whether this could be arranged.

Sect. Position;- Cllr B Patterson was resigning due to other commitments and Cllr Nicol had offered to take on the role. He was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr McHardy and was unanimously elected. The Council recorded its thanks to Cllr

Patterson for his work over three years.

TRACKS; - Unfortunately Janet Croft was unable to attend the meeting; the plan which had been circulated would be placed in the Post Office and Newsletter. Cllr McHardy proposed that A & J Stephen Ltd should be approached in due course to see whether they would give financial help towards other projects in Wallace Park.

Wind Farm Project; - The Chairman gave a brief update on the current situation. No plans had yet been lodged and Mr Tom Surman National Windfarms Ltd indicated that the application would not be lodged until late Jan/early Feb.

The Chairman received a round robin letter asking for an extra-ordinary meeting to discuss the N W P proposal.

He made it very clear that as soon as the planning application is lodged there would be a public meeting in the village hall where all can voice their concerns. He had spoke to Mr Ian Graham (Wind Farm Awareness Group) and explained how the Council proposed to take the matter forward. Cllr K Baird spoke of a P & K Council meeting on the 15th of January when the Councils policy and guidelines on windfarms would be considered.

The chairman went on to explain that once the plans are lodged - in this instance, not with the local council but with the Scottish Executive under Section 36 - timing would be critical. He had provisionally booked the Village Hall on the 6th, 20th and 27th of February, the only dates available being Friday

nights, in case a public meeting was required before the next meeting of the Council.

The Chairman also outlined his ideas on how the matter should be taken forward. It was important that as far as possible the views of the whole Community should be sought and he proposed that a document be prepared (including a short factual introduction, the plan as lodged with sketch map, a short supporting paper by National Windfarms Ltd, a short paper by the Windfarm Awareness Group and a questionnaire) and circulated to all eligible voters in the Community Council area.

This approach was agreed in principle and it was decided to set up a small sub committee made up of Cllr's Cameron, Campbell, Godsell, McHardy and Sutherland to finalise the details.

Chairman of the Bridge of Earn C C attended the meeting and suggested that the two councils team up and save costs where possible in such areas as advertising, printing etc.

It was felt however that the problems of the two Communities differed considerably and would make a joint approach difficult but that close liaison should be maintained.

N W P offered to pay for any costs incurred in the production of the document the chairman thanked N W P for their offer which would be considered by the

Sub Committee.

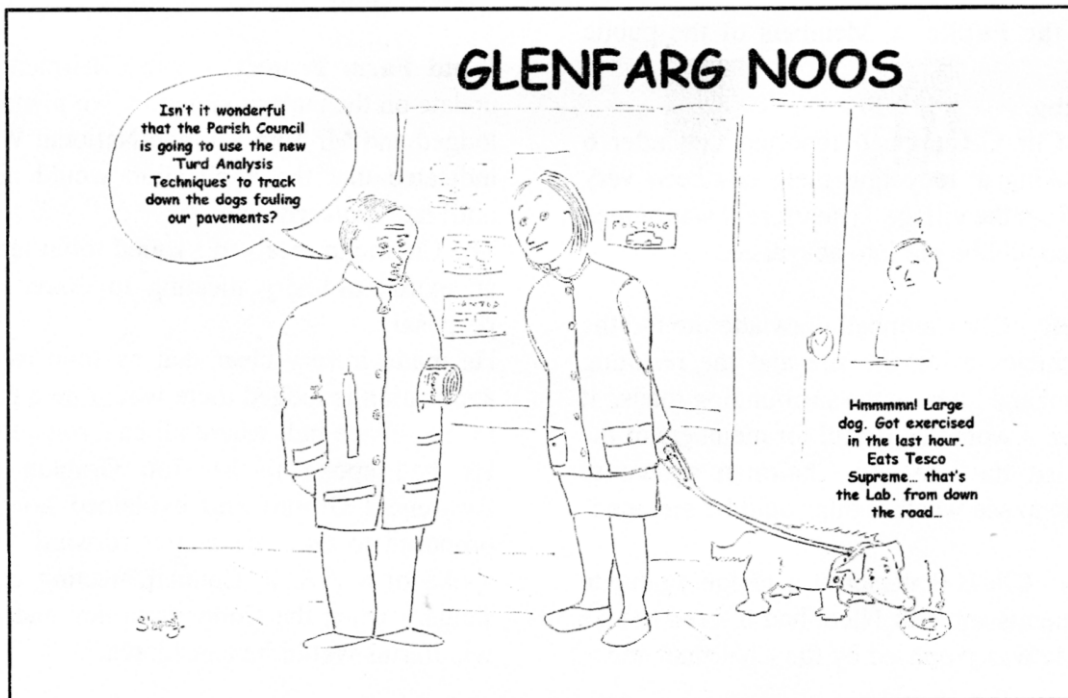
A.O.B. The Chairman raised the issue of the dangerous state of the roads and pavements over the New Year period with particular reference to Greenbank Road and Ladeside Road.

Cllr. Baird explained the difficulties faced by P & K Council. After further discussion, Cllr Baird said that if the situation recurred she should be informed and that she would come and look at the conditions.

Village Hall Cllr. Reid, who is also on the Village Hall committee, informed the Council that there is a meeting with the Education Dept re the future of the hall. She was asked to keep the Council informed of developments.

Lomond Bank. Cllr Reid drew to the attention of the C C that Lomond Bank is a private road, and due to the number of cars that use the entrance to the road for turning or parking the surface had deteriorated seriously. P & K Council could not adopt the road and the residents could be faced with considerable repair costs. Cllr Baird agreed to investigate the problem. It was hoped it might be possible to resurface the entrance.

Next Meeting - Monday 1st March
Date for Diary A.G.M. 22nd March.





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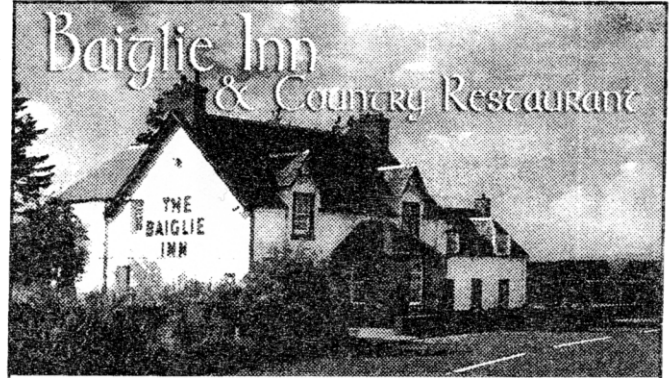
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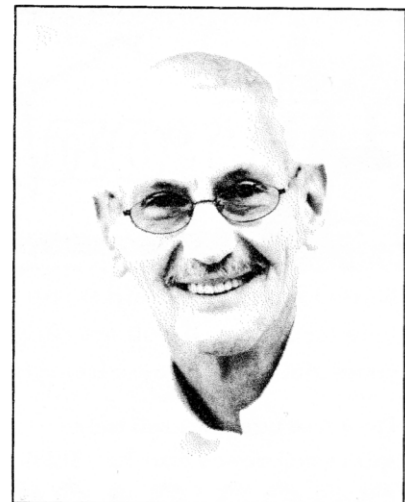
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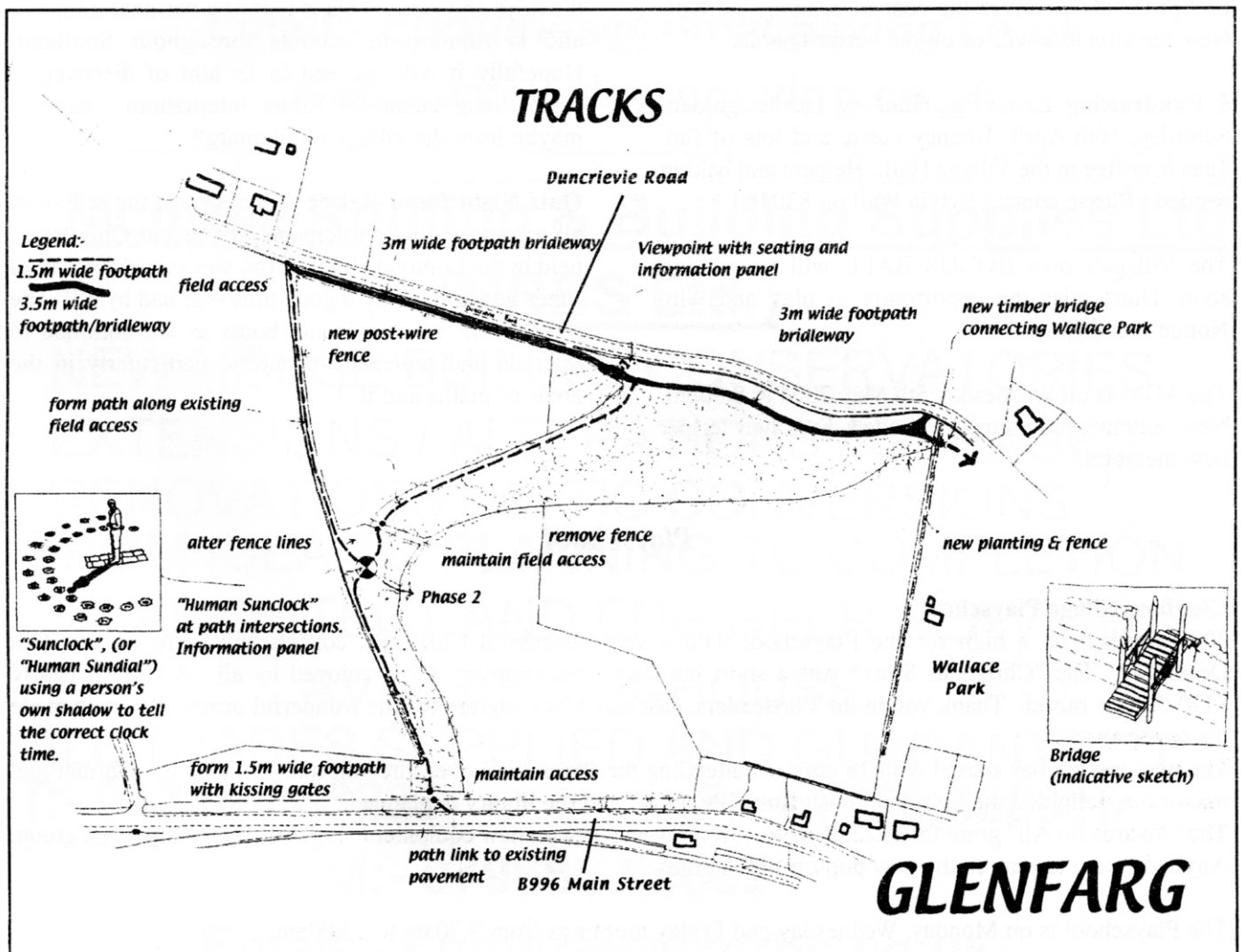
Village Projects

Glenfarg Path Project

TRACKS - The Rural Access Committee of Kinross-shire, is working in association with the Glenfarg Community Council and local landowner, A&J Stephens, together with support from local Councillor K Baird and the Perth and Kinross Council, to promote a safe, off-road footpath link between Duncrievie Road and the B996, Main Street, Glenfarg, on land located immediately to the East of the Wallace Park, Glenfarg. In addition to the footpath linkage, which will create an enjoyable circular walk through maturing woodland, the project will also incorporate innovative design features such as a viewing point, footbridge over the burn into the Wallace Park and a 'sun clock'. A multi-user track will also be incorporated, located adjacent to and parallel to the north side of the Duncrievie Road, between the Wallace Park and the 30 mile speed delimitation sign on the approach to the hamlet of Duncrievie. The multi-user track will facilitate a safer access for the local community, linking the communities of Glenfarg and Duncrievie, separate from the increasing volume of motorised traffic on the narrow and twisting public road.

A plan of the proposed project is below. The project has been unanimously approved in principle by the Community Council, but if anyone wishes to comment on it, they should get in touch with a member of the Council. It is hoped that work on the project will start in 2005.

TRACKS would like to thank the Glenfarg Community Council, A&J Stephens, Cllr Baird, the Perth and Kinross Quality of life Trust, the Perth and Kinross Council, the Perth and Kinross Countryside Trust and others for their support during the preparation of this project.



Village Hall

Glenfarg Village Hall

The following is an extract from the minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2004.

1. Property Improvements New heater installed in kitchen and two new photo-sensitive lights to be installed outside of hall to improve safety of entry/exit from the hall. New hand rail on left side at the side door to be installed.

2. Fundraising contributions Mr.Lambie's Dancing Evenings and Kinnaird Hogmanay party £164.00

3. Extension plans A final questionnaire will be distributed early March through each door and collected a day later by volunteers. PLEASE RETURN THE QUESTIONNAIRE. This is decision time.

4. Hall Lets Hall lets will be increasing from the first of April 2004 to cover the cost of running the hall. New fee structure will be on the notice boards.

5. Fundraising Easter Egg Hunt in Lascelles garden, Saturday, 10th April. Bouncy castle and lots of fun. Teas & coffee in the Village Hall. Helpers and baking needed. Please contact Sylvia Wall on 830480

The Village's own BONUS BALL will be coming soon. Don't miss the opportunity to play and win. Notice will follow.

The AGM is on Wednesday 5th May 2004 at 8.00pm. New, enthusiastic members needed. Free hall let per new member!!

Primary School

Arngask Primary School

Here is a summary of recent events.

Class Shield Winners — Effort and Progress Shields were awarded for the months of November and December to the following pupils; P.1-2, Haydn Todd and Lisa Braid, P. 3, Suzy Scordecchia-Wilson and Lillian Swanson, P.4-5, Alistair Reid, P.6, Liam Swanson and Robbie Milne, P.7, Kelly Watt and Jill Hunter. Deuglie House were the winners of last term's Positive Behaviour House Championship. The trophy was presented to the P.7 captains at a special school assembly on the last day of term.

Football Coaching Primary 5 pupils have the opportunity this term to take part in the Scottish Football Association's community coaching scheme. St.Johnstone community coach, Steve Baxter will be in school for weekly sessions designed to introduce and improve a wide range of footballing skills with the boys and girls. This is part of a national initiative and is running in schools throughout Scotland. Hopefully it will succeed in its aim of discovering new, young talent for future international teams — maybe from the village of Glenfarg?

Quiz Night Fund-Raiser Thanks from the school to all organisers and participants in a recent Quiz Night held in the Lomond Hotel. £160 was raised for school funds and apparently a good time was had by all! The money will be a welcome boost as we continue to upgrade and replenish resources, particularly in the areas of maths and ICT.

Playschool

Glenfarg village Playschool

2003 finished on a high for the Playschool with a very successful Christmas concert and fayre on the 20th December. The "Christmas Story" was a short but very sweet nativity show enjoyed by all. A sum of nearly £170.00 was raised. Thank you to the Playleaders, cast and Joyce Ingram for the wonderful props. We even made the newspaper!

The new session has started with 18 children attending the Playschool over three mornings. Visits by a farmer and tractor has delighted the kids and a visit from "PC Plod" and the library is planned.

The "Awards for All" grant for £922.00 have now all been spent on new equipment, targeting the younger age group. Anybody want to play in the new pop-up fire engine?

The Playschool is on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9.30am to 12.00am.

Any new children between 2-5 years are welcome to come and visit. Contact Joyce on 830353.

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President Mrs Helen Quartermaine hosted a Christmas Party in the village hall on Thursday 11th when members and guests, Mrs J. Paterson and Mrs. R. Hatton from Milnathort, enjoyed a buffet supper and lively entertainment. Powmill Milk Bar were the caterers and the excellent music was provided by Neil Paterson and Gail Cumming whose varied programme was a delight.

Mrs Quartermaine proposed the vote of thanks and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Competition winners:

Flower of the Month:	1. Allison Messenger	2. Helen Quartermaine	3. Sheila Harley
Christmas Card:	1. Ursula Stewart	2. Allison Messenger	3. Edith Oswald
2 Mince Pies:	1. Ursula Stewart	2. Catherine Fairweather	3. Jean Grigg

Mrs Helen Quartermaine, President, welcomed a good turnout of members to the January meeting and introduced Mrs Euna Scott of Perth in Bloom who gave an informative and entertaining account of the varied work of that organisation. She accompanied her talk with slides of the various exhibitions undertaken by Perth and Bloom and an encouragement for Glenfarg to join the other villages in the area in making a feast of flowers for everyone to enjoy. Is anyone interested in forming a committee for this purpose?

Mrs Margaret Cummings gave the vote of thanks.

Competition winners:

Pot Plant:	1. Liz Yull	2. Helen Mair	3. Helen Quartermaine
Real Rock Buns:	1. Ursula Stewart	2. Liz Yull	3. Jean Grigg
Paper Flowers	1. Margot Moran	2. Ursula Stewart	3. Liz Yull.

The next meeting on 12th February includes a talk (and sampling) by Thornton's Chocolates. Visitors very welcome.

Old Folks Association

Glenfarg Old Folks Association

It is the above associations year for the fete and we will be having a meeting in the Church Hall on Monday 9th February at 8.00pm. We would appreciate if each organisation would send a representative to this meeting hopefully with lots of new ideas. The date for the Fete is Saturday 19th June.

We have had a successful year and would like to thank everyone who has given raffle prizes and donations over the year.

Our Summer Outing is on 5th June to North Berwick. The whist drive is on 22nd October and our Christmas party is on 7th December which will be back in the hall this year.

Scouts

The Bums night held in the village hall recently was a very successful evening and raised £840.00. This will be split between the Scout Group and the Village Hall Extension Fund. A big thank you to all involved. The tickets for the next Bums night go on sale on the 3rd January 2005!

The Guild

Arngask Guild Dates to Note:

2nd March	7.30pm	Mrs Sheila Hay	Tracing Your Family History
5th March	7.30pm	World Day of Prayer	Abernethy Church
16th March	7.30pm	Rev. Ray Gaston	Church of Scotland in Europe
19th March	2.00pm	Annual Council Meeting	St Matthew's Church Hall Perth
27th March	10.00-11.30am	Guild Sale and Coffee Morning	Church Hall
3rd April	10.00am	Coffee Morning	New Church Hall
6th April	7.30pm	Closing Meeting	Countdown

Summer Outing - *to be arranged.*

A warm welcome is extended to anyone wishing to join us in the Church Hall on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 7.30pm.

For more information please ring Jean Connolly on 830200.

The Church

Arngask Church

Church Fayre - the Kirk session would like to thank all those who helped on the 29th November at the Fayre. Also those who contributed to the stalls etc and to everyone who came and made this a very successful morning. £1349.00 was raised for Church funds.

Morning services now start on Sunday at 11.00am. Anyone requiring a lift to church contact Charlie Kinnaird on 830337.

Dates for the diary:

Wednesday 17th March	7.30pm	Church AGM
Thursday 8th April	7.00pm	Maundy Thursday Joint Service Arngask Church
Sunday 11th April	7.00am	Dawn service, Abernethy.

Sunday School

Arngask Sunday School

We are back in full swing again after a busy but very enjoyable Christmas period. The Sunday services now start at 11.00am and the children will be learning favourite bible stories and carrying the theme on with suitable songs, stories plays and craft work. We will soon be working towards Mothers Day by learning new songs and making a special gift.

The Sunday school staff are delighted that Pat Doran has decided to join in and be responsible for a new Youth Group that will meet once every 2 weeks at the usual Sunday School time. Anyone of secondary school age will be made very welcome - do come along! The youth group will be focussing on things that are important to young people - discussing how these issues affect them, thinking about things in different ways and learning how to act upon things they feel strongly about. Please phone Pat on 830283 for more information.

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Folk Club

Glenfarg Village Folk Club

Here is an update for all that is going on at the 'Glenfarg Village Folk Club' We hope to see you sometime soon.

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| Monday 2nd Feb | Kent Duchaine | With his beloved Leadbessie a 1934 National steel guitar, playing in his own powerful style. Singing Delta blues and his own music he'll blow you away. |
| Monday 9th Feb | Dave Gibb | Singing his own songs from the sublime to the ridiculous and with his distinctive style of guitar playing we welcome Dave back to Glenfarg. |
| Friday 13th Feb | St. Valentines Dance | in the village hall starting at 8.00pm.
Come along and bring all your friends, also your own snacks and drink. |
| Monday 16th Feb | Singaround/ Session | Always a good night in the friendly atmosphere of our club come and play, sing, tell jokes or stories or simply listen. |
| Monday 23rd Feb | Ben Sands | We look forward to another visit from Ben, one of the famous Sands family from Newry Co. Down. Playing guitar and mandolin he delivers his self- penned and traditional songs in his own inimitable style and with a wicked sense of fun. |

Dates for your diary

The 26th Folk Feast 16, 17 & 18 April 2004

The Glenfarg Village Folk Club meet every Monday night at 8.30pm in the Terrace Bar, Glenfarg Hotel. For further information please contact Philip Ponton - Secretary Glenfarg Village Folk Club
philip.ponton@cnh.com

Music Group

Glenfarg Pre-school Music Group

"WE ALL JOIN IN"

This group has been running since July 2002. We have had three or four regular families and numbers have fluctuated from four up to the last session when we had at least nine families. The children have been aged from 6 weeks up to 4 years.

The music group was started by Pat Doran, based on her experience of running one previously and has been fun for adults and children. We sing songs, play instruments, do plenty of actions, and incorporate useful skills for the children like rhythm, loudness, speed, changing the words and have enjoyed any musical contribution that adults can bring. We always have coffee/tea and a snack of fruit after the singing. Everybody takes part and not all of us are great singers!

The group will continue at the same time each week during term time, and sometimes during the holidays. Everybody is welcome and we'd like to see a few more Glenfarg faces — at least half of those attending come from further afield. Please don't be put off if you can't sing — the aim is to learn a few songs and that you and your children enjoy the music and social side of the group. We meet on Wednesday afternoons from 1.30 — 2.30pm in the Church Hall. Please bring £1, some fruit, a soft toy and an instrument.

If anybody in Glenfarg has spare time and can play an instrument to accompany us, we'd make you especially welcome! For further details, please contact Tara Winterton, 830879

Babies & toddlers

Glenfarg Babies & Toddlers Group

The group meet in the Church hall on the last Monday of each month from 9.45am to 11.45am to give our children the opportunity to play with a wide selection of toys in a safe and unrestricted area. We can meet more often if there is enough interest. Open to all children from birth to 2 years. Guest speakers will be invited to give a short talk about topical issues regarding child development.

Coffee, cakes and a friendly face are there for all parents and carers.

For further information contact: Tara (01577) 830879 or Carol (01577) 830851

Horse Racing

I hope to be able to make this a regular update of events, news and happenings from the racing yard at Duncricvie. I have been meaning to write something for ages and every time I see the newsletter I realise that I have missed another edition. Having a yard full of racehorses to run as a business and a child who is now very active and mobile seems to take up all the hours in the day. However as Ben is asleep in the back of the car just now I have started to write some notes on the inside of an old cheque book, all I can find to write on.

Being a National Hunt yard, that is to say we train horses for jump races, we are at our busiest from August to May and the peak would be during the really cold wet winter months. A good pair of waterproofs makes it much more enjoyable, although there are times when an office job seems like a good idea, although this reverses in the summer.

We have about twenty-seven horses in the yard that are all in training to race. This means that most of the day is taken up with mucking out, riding out, feeding, grooming, mucking out and feeding, and twenty-four hours in the day hardly seems long enough. Not to mention all the paperwork that is involved with finding races, making entries, finding jockeys, speaking to owners, updating the website and all the usual boring accounts etc. It seems that there is hardly any time left to go racing. We do have a very good team of staff who enable us to keep everything going, with a mix of full time and part time staff and a husband who is full time but unpaid.

We had a great start to this season, and what better way to start it off than a winner at Perth Races in September. There is no nicer place to have a winner than the local track, with lots of friendly faces and only a short drive home, which makes a change. The horse Vandas Choice is owned by a Perthshire business man, who may have mentioned it was worth a bet to a friend or two - I think that the local bookies had a bit of a tough time. The same horse then gave us our biggest win so far, a very valuable hurdle race at Down Royal, in Northern Ireland. With a quick ferry journey and not too much driving it took less time to get there than many 'northern' tracks and the prize money is very encouraging, not to mention the hospitality. Therefore it was no surprise that Alan and Steve were not seen this side of the Irish Sea for a couple of days after the race! Those of you who see them in the pub on a regular basis will know what I mean.

If any of you would like to visit the yard, you would be more than welcome, please contact us to arrange a convenient time.

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Carol Singing Thank you to all the villagers who gave so generously to the carol singers who 'sang' around the village last December. A healthy £70.00 was raised and will go to the Stroke Unit at PRI.

Thank you

Jenny Adam. Larchgrove, Main Street, Glenfarg would like to convey her thanks to everyone for the many cards, flowers, letters and good wishes sent to her. She was very touched and is making a good recovery.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lisa Gourdie and John Allison on their engagement on Christmas Day.

Congratulations to Carolyn Murison for receiving a Certificate of Commendation from the General for exceptional contribution to the coalition mission.



Carolyn is pictured with Tony Blair during his visit to Basra, Iraq.

Carolyn is in the Territorial Army and has been out in Iraq since early July. She was initially based in Basra and expected to be in Iraq for 6 months but she has had her time out there extended to the end of February and has now moved to Al Amarah assisting with water and sewage problems.

Musical Events

Swing low sweet carols

Approximately 10 musicians and 20 singers squeezed onto the Glenfarg Village Hall stage on 9 December to be greeted by a standing room only audience to celebrate the reason for the season in a **Big Band Christmas Worship**.

Musicians from Edinburgh, Glasgow, Perth and Dundee joined to make the swing band under the direction of Les Dalziel from Perth.

'The musicians are very professional' he explained. 'One is on the reserve for the SCO.

another studying Music and Performance and others have simply played jazz and swing for years. We love playing together and take any opportunity to make it happen'.

The singers are drawn with a few exceptions, from Perth Baptist Church and solos included Derek Alder and Anne Dalziel. The evening was presented by Dugald Campbell with dramatic interludes from husband and wife team, Roland and Jackie Bean.

With an audience made up predominantly of Glenfarg folks, the youth group from Kinross Parish Church plus a few people from outlying villages like Crook of Devon and Kinnesswood, everyone sang their heart out.

*'We are so glad we didn't miss it',
'wall to wall sound – couldn't believe the noise we made!'
'couldn't fault it – fantastic'
'are we having one next year?'*

The band were as complimentary about their audience:

'They were so responsive – we loved it'

'The Glenfarg evening was something else!'

'The young people made it for me – they were really into it'

'You wouldn't like to organise a tour around village communities would you?'

Although the evening was free a donation of £1.50 was suggested and donations of £210.00 were given to Tear Fund (an international relief agency). John and Anne Sutherland and Anthony and Pam Drew would like to thank the Jack family, Fiona Braid, Rich McHardy and Lexy Tulloch for all their help with the organisation. Phil Lidstone and Production House Scotland for the highly professional sound system and all those who participated in making the evening memorable, including the audience!

For anyone who has a computer and can play an mpg file there is amateur video footage. The CD can be borrowed from either Anne and John (St Clair Cottage) or Anthony and Pam (Damson Cottage, Drunzie).

If you want to catch up with the band, they hope to be playing at an Easter Celebration in Kinross Parish Church – look out for details nearer the time.



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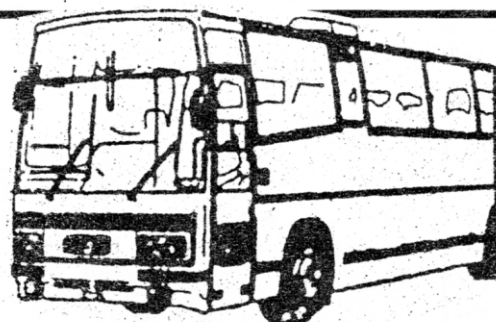
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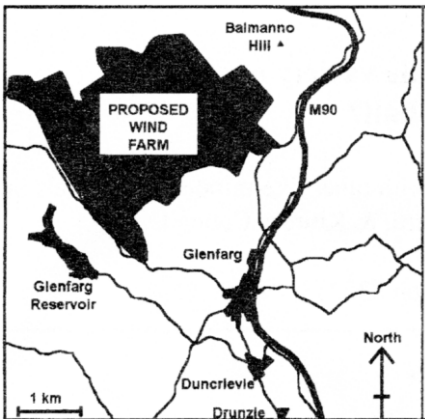
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- ❖ Windfarms may devalue nearby properties by up to 20%.
- ❖ Your electricity bills could increase significantly as a result of widespread wind power over the coming years.
- ❖ Construction traffic may be routed through Glenfarg village.

The Windfarms Awareness Group was formed some months ago by local people who are concerned about the lack of true facts regarding wind farm developments in this area. A committee was formed whose aim was to look into ways of obtaining and circulating pertinent data about wind farms. To date a large amount of information has been accumulated which is freely available to those who are interested. So far:-

1. We have met with several similar groups and are continuing to exchange information with them.
2. We have printed circulars giving basic information and passed these around in the Glenfarg and Bridge of Earn areas. If you have not received these please contact us for a free copy.
3. We have produced banners (6' * 3') and are seeking suitable locations for their display. If you know of any appropriate sites please contact Alison on 01577 830595 or Callum on 01577 830613.
4. We have organised and held public meetings to discuss wind farm developments in Glenfarg and Bridge of Earn.
5. We have, attended wind farm debates at the Scottish Parliament, written to Ministers, local MPs and newspapers, prepared submissions to the Renewable Energy Committee in the Scottish Parliament.
6. We are assisting in the Geological and the Hydrological surveys in the Lochelbank area of Glenfarg.
7. We are attempting to correct any misleading statements by wind farm developers to ensure the public are properly informed.
8. We are pressing the local Community Council to hold special meetings to discuss wind farm developments in this area.
9. We consider it essential that the public be made aware that incorrectly placed wind farms may:-
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 - c. have damaging visible impact and affect road traffic.
 - d. cause increases in our household electricity bills.
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 - f. seriously devalue local property.

If you would like to find out more, or come along to any of our meetings, please contact, either Alison Grave on 01577 830595 (windaware@aol.com) or Callum Bruce on 01577 830613 (callum.bruce@ukgateway.net).

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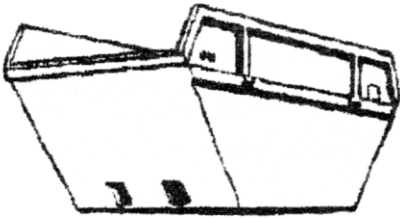
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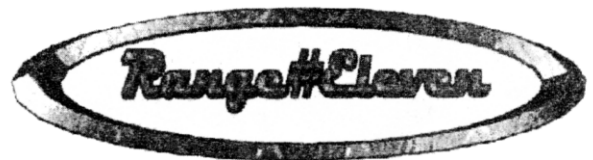
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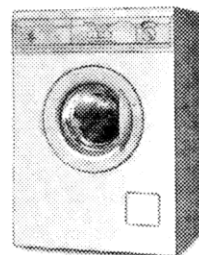
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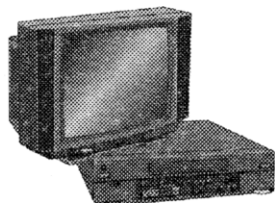


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