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Editorial

Welcome to another edition of the Newsletter which I hope you will enjoy! There appears to be increasing interest in village affairs, with a passionate letter to the Editor about the Hotel and a new initiative in the Village called 'Glenfarg in Bloom!' Bob Bell gives us an insight into the village heritage and although the leaves may be starting to fall I feel an upsurge of pride within Glenfarg itself! With two new columns, it may be time, to get yourself a coffee, put your feet up for five minutes and reacquaint yourself with 'your village!'

Angela Prescott

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

There is a strong possibility that the closed Glenfarg Hotel could be sold to either a property developer or a care home owner. This would be a complete and utter disaster for the village!

The Hotel has been at the fore-front of village life for over a hundred years, and is a vital and integral part of the community and the village. The contribution it gives is far ranging, such as Social Inclusion, Economic Development, Tourism, a vital resource for local clubs and organisations plus of course the major employer in the village. Where can the village teenagers find work? Over the years untold numbers of villagers have found much needed employment in the Hotel and without it the only solution is to travel out with the village. I dread to think of my children asking me to pick them up from work in Perth at midnight on a snowy January evening!

Every village needs to maintain its identity, and to do this it needs 1) a school, 2) a village hall, 3) a shop and post office and 4) a hotel. With these four essentials the village is alive and sustainable, and house prices will continue to rise, without these the village starts to decline and house prices and standard of life will follow.

A campaign has started to make Perth & Kinross Council aware of the concerns of most people in the village, and that should a change of use application be submitted, it will be fought to the bitter end. During the next few days, a team of volunteers will be knocking on doors with an objection letter and petition to urge the Council to reject any possible application to take away our much needed heritage.

Steve Mee

Letters to the Editor

I would like to thank everyone who, over the past few years, has given me ink cartridges etc. for recycling for Guide Dogs. Unfortunately we are no longer in a position to take these direct to Forfar. I do, however, have a supply of envelopes in which I send our own cartridges, so I would be happy to continue collecting them, or if you prefer you could contact Guide Dogs (01307 463531 e-mail Lisa.fairweather@guidedogs.org.uk) for your own supply of envelopes.

Please note that I do not have an outlet for toner cartridges, so please leave me ink cartridges only, with the exception of Epson, which Guide Dogs cannot accept.

Many thanks for your support,
Jan Macpherson

Something new for the Newsletter

Two new columns have been added to the newsletter! Let us know what you think! They are the 'T4Two' column and 'Gardeners Patch!'

Please let us know your Gardening tips and we'll do our best to publish them! Some would-be gardeners would be only too pleased to receive help through the newsletter! This editions contributor gives lots of handy advice!

Glenfarg in Bloom

Like so many people in the village I have admired the wonderful displays of flowers in surrounding towns and villages and dreamt of similar in my beloved Glenfarg. We are so lucky to have Mr and Mrs Lascelles gardens at our centre but can we do a bit more? Yes, we can!

With the input of villagers, young and old, gardeners and non-gardeners, we will put Glenfarg back up there in the 'Best Village to Live' category. All we need is a united front with a common goal. We need teenagers, the primary school, local businesses, the retired, the talented, those with a little spare time, and the craftsmen working together.

But hey, we need to walk before we can run so the first stage is a meeting with Una Scott, Perth & Kinross Perth in Bloom co-ordinator, which will be held in the Ante Room, Village Hall on 6th Oct at 7.30. Everyone is welcome.

Call me anytime to find out more.
Kate Armstrong 830343

Thought for the day!

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VILLAGE NEWS

Arngask Guild News

The winter session will probably have started before you get your Newsletter, so here are a few more dates for your diary.

4th October

Mrs. Kirkland will give us some early ideas about getting ready for Christmas.

18th October

Mrs. Lee (from Tear Fund) will speak on the subject 'Silent Hunger'. This year the Guild is supporting Tear Fund's effort to help villagers in remote parts of Guatemala to form and build homes. It is also training midwives.

1st November

Reverend Liz Brown will tell us of her experiences as Moderator of Perth Presbytery.

15th November

Open night. Entertainment by David Watt and some of his friends. A warm welcome is extended to everyone who would like to come along. This meeting will be held in the church instead of the church hall, as we are expecting a large turn-out that night.



Arngask Church News

BAPTISMS

Ciara Isla, infant daughter of Anna and Mark MacNeill of Abernethy, was baptised on Sunday 14th August. Ciara is the Granddaughter of Jan and Bill Macpherson, Ladeside.

Nicole Catherine, infant daughter of Susan and Les Crockart of Perth, was baptised on Sunday 21st August. Nicole is the Granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Scott, Marinden Park.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

This will take place in the village hall at 10am on Saturday 26th November. There will be tea and coffee, all the usual stalls and the Christmas hampers. Any donations for the stalls or hampers will be gratefully received. A box for items for the hampers will be in the church vestibule during November.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 13th November 9.30am
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday 20th November 9.30am
COMMUNION

Anyone can do it!

Tai Chi that is! Increasingly popular up and down the country, there is now a class in Glenfarg.

Tai Chi is a pattern of movements known as Form which are done slowly and in the standing position with emphasis on relaxation and breathing.

Morag Morrison (teacher) studied Infinite Tai Chi, Chi Kung and Meditation with Jason Chan for three years qualifying as a teacher in July 2001. She is also a registered therapist working with Clinical Hypnotherapy, Reiki, Therapeutic Massage, and Craniosacral Therapy.

If you want to experience your own body in motion and feel the joints of the body function more freely, the muscles stretch and contract with a feeling of ease, posture improving and the mind learning to let go, why not go along to a class?

Infinite Tai Chi

A beginner's group now meets each Wednesday afternoon in the Glenfarg Village Hall between 2pm and 3pm (cost £4.00)

Why not come along and find out if this is the slow and gentle exercise you have been looking for? The classes are small, relaxed and friendly and are suitable for all ages and levels of fitness. And all are welcome to come along to a demonstration on Wednesday 5th October between 2.00 and 3.00pm in the Village Hall (refreshments will be served).

Please telephone **Morag Morrison on 01337 840 269** for further details.

(Classes are also held in Newburgh and Abernethy).

Inspiration and Giggles!

Never try to out-smart a woman!

here was a man who had worked all his life, had saved all of his money, and was a real miser when it came to his money. Just before he died, he said to his wife, "When I die. I want you to take all my money and put it in the casket with me. I want to take my money to the afterlife with me."

And so he got his wife to promise him with all her heart that when he died, she would put all of the

money in the casket with him. Well, he died. He was stretched out in the casket; his wife was sitting there in black, and her friend was sitting next to her. When they finished the ceremony, just before the undertakers got ready to close the casket, the wife said, "Wait just a minute!" She had a box with her; she came over with the box and put it in the casket. Then the undertakers locked the casket down, and they rolled it away. So her friend said,

"Girl, I know you weren't fool enough to put all that money in there with your husband." The loyal wife replied, "Listen, I'm a Christian, I can't go back on my word. I promised him that I was going to put that money in that casket with him. You mean to tell me you put that money in the casket with him!!!!?" "I sure did" said the wife. "I got it all together, put it into my account and wrote him a cheque. If he can cash it, he can spend it."

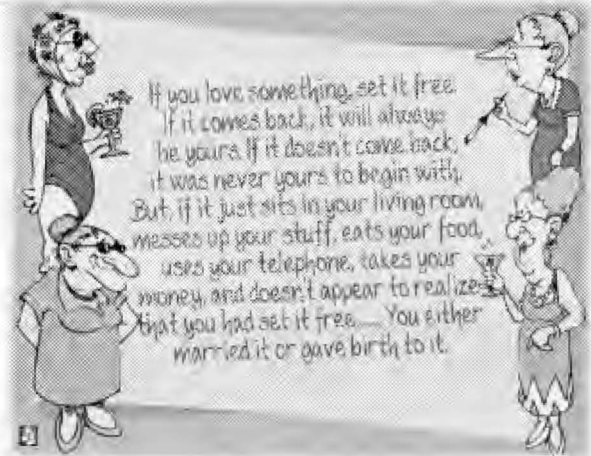
The Beast

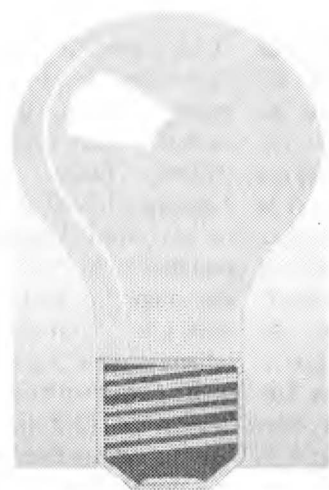
Husband and wife were in the midst of a violent quarrel, and hubby was losing his temper. "Be careful," he said to his wife. "You will bring out the beast in me." "So what?" his wife shot back. "Who's afraid of a mouse?"

'Inspiration for Today

'Grief can take care of itself', but to get the full value of a joy you must have somebody to divide it with'

The bible according to Mark Twain





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School News



6 New Starts at Arngask Primary School

With the summer holidays over, the children are back to a new term and a new year at the primary school in the village. The primary 7 class of last year have gone to their new high schools in Perth and Kinross and there has been a new intake of children at the other end of the school in primary 1.

6 children started in primary 1 – 4 girls and 2 boys. Pictured above is Mrs Moonie, the class teacher, welcoming the new primary 1 class and the primary 2 class on the first day of term. Also pictured is Lara, one of 6 new Primary 1 children.



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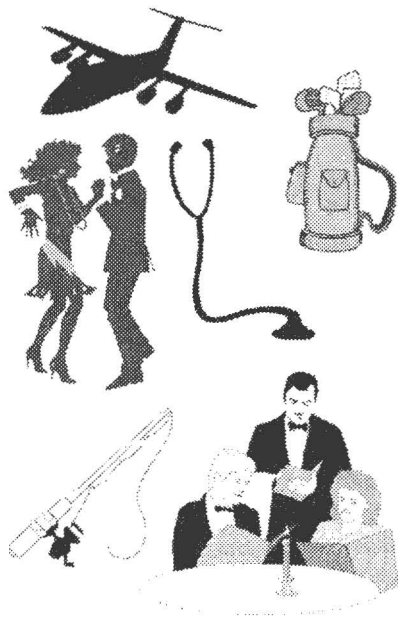
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Fond Memories of Glenfarg village life by Bob Bell



When I was a child in Glenfarg the village elders often referred to the village as 'Damhead.' This was not through a desire to impress, but from habit or nostalgia because they would have been in their teens or older when the village bore that name.

I was always puzzled by the name itself, not just because it lacks appeal but there seemed to be no good reason for the choice. I knew all the dams in the district but none that suited the bill. We called the reservoir at Deuglie 'The Dam' but it was not built until 1912. There was a small man-made dam on the burn that trickled out of Loch Whirr and it supplied the village with its drinking water, but that was built about 1901. There was a well-constructed dam at Fordel which probably provided water for Fordel House and farm but it too was a newcomer.

"It would not be surprising if the village name originated here at the mill which was destroyed by fire in 1864

On the west side of the village by the sawmill, about 100 yards from the house where I was born, was a dam which created the head of water destined to fill the mill lead and ultimately drive the mill wheels at Hays mill after wandering some half a mile. The water in the dam was about six feet deep and it was held back by a wall of huge boulders. I remember the night of the storm which destroyed the wall and the dam forever. Such a botched up job was hardly an icon for the village name. I searched my Scot dictionary to see if the word 'Dam' was used to describe anything other than a body of water held back by a wall, and sure enough it offered alternatives of 'Mill Pond' and 'Mill Lead.' To my surprise there was also an entry for 'Dam-head' which was 'the upper embankment of a mill pond.' The quiet mill lead turned the wheel for the large and important Hays Mill, but it was built on the rushing River Farg and I am sure that the water from the Farg would have been used to make a substantial mill pond as was common in such places. It would not be surprising if the village name originated here at the mill which was destroyed by fire in 1864.

Memories.....

Once there was a beautiful peaceful glen with only a burn singing through it; it was violated by the Great North Road, then by the railway line and its great smoking locomotives and finally disdained by the M90 which turned westwards coming over the Wicks O' Baiglie close to the route of the old drove road of the eighteenth century.

It is true that the centre of the village was at one time to the East, besides the Auld Kirk and the village school must surely have moved westwards not only toward the Great North Road and the railway but closer to the route of the old turnpike road which came across the hill from Dron and Lochelbank. It went through the village and onwards through Duncrievie, Middleton and Milnathort to the markets of Edinburgh.

“On the bridge on the west side of the village, it is said that one could stand there with one foot in Perthshire, one in Kinross, and give a “Scud on the Lug” into Fife.”



At this time the village would still have been Damhead. The Punchbowl Inn was located beside the present day Institute building, and would have refreshed the travellers.

I have extracts from the diary of one, James Fyffe circa 1840 when he drove cattle along the route from Powmyre near Kirriemuir. He stopped at one of the village Inns, in Damhead and travelled on to Edinburgh, a five day trip each way. On the bridge on the west side of the village, it is said that one could stand there with one foot in Perthshire, one in Kinross, and give a “Scud on the Lug” into Fife.

The only Police Station I knew was the one on the Great North Road going South.

It is difficult to know how one accumulates information like this. Some of it is from memory, some from listening and much from exchanging views and writings with others sharing this interest. One of these people was the late minister Dr Jack, not just a preacher but a wandering scholar, gentleman and friend. The other is my late good friend of a lifetime Ian Hume, a great collector of memorabilia.

Gardener's Patch

As the summer draws to a close, and we reflect how lucky we have been with the weather this year, each warm day in September is an extra bonus to be taken advantage of; savouring the late harvests of fruit and vegetables, enjoying the bolder colours in the herbaceous border and using the last of the good weather to prepare for next year.

“Gardeners are optimists, always looking forward to the next season.”

Now that we have had some rain and while the soil is still warm, this is a good time to sow new lawns or refurbish bare patches. To encourage young converts to gardening, get youngsters to take cuttings from geraniums you are clearing out of outside planters. Four or five cuttings round the edge of a small pot of gritty compost or vermiculite placed inside on a windowsill will strike easily; free plants for next season and children love them. They might also like to try collecting a few seed heads from your garden, sowing the seeds on the surface of some damp compost and seeing what comes up (poppies and tobacco plants work well). If you have grown herbs outside, harvest them before the frost; chopped and frozen in ice cubes or made into pesto they will liven up winter soups and stews.

Gardeners are optimists, always looking forward to the next season. This is the time to plant spring flowering bulbs; choose bulbs which are firm and plump, avoiding those which are too dried out, and plant as soon as possible after purchase, as they will appreciate the time to make good root growth in early autumn. Plant in groups or drifts generally at two to three times the depth of the bulb and about the same distance apart. The exceptions to this are snowdrops and other “woodlanders” like anemones and erythroniums which will probably do better if planted in the spring “in the green” just after they have flowered. These bulbs should be planted at the same depth as they were before lifting. This is also a good time to divide herbaceous plants, which have outgrown their space, so that they have a chance to re-establish before the ground becomes too wet and cold.

Nurseries will soon have bare rooted fruit trees, hedging plants and roses for sale (more economical than container grown plants) and you might want to think ahead about which of these to plant later in the autumn or just sit down and start pouring over seed catalogues, dreaming about next season's stunning colour combinations or bumper vegetable harvest.





WHAT'S ON?

Please Note: —Due to the closure of the Glenfarg Hotel we will be Meeting in The Bein Inn at 8.30pm.

Upcoming Gigs

Monday 12th September

Jay Smar

Jay Smar visits from Philadelphia and plays traditional and original music. Jay is a virtuoso guitarist, plays banjo (claw hammer style) and is a very fine fiddler. He began playing old timey music and has now won first place honours in song writing competitions. Tom Paxton remarks, 'there is fire in his fiddle and it'll spread to your heart'. Catch him if you can.

Monday 19th September

Bruce Molsky

Bruce is an excellent singer and arguably the best old time fiddle player in the world, superb guitarist and banjo player. He has won many fans at Celtic Connections festival on previous visits to Scotland and has toured worldwide. His high spirited music melds the archaic mountain sound of Appalachia, the power of blues and the rhythmic intricacies of African music. A spellbinding performer without a doubt.

Monday 26th September

Jerry Epstein

Born in New York and singing from the age of five Jerry is widely known for his powerful voice and his consummate mastery of the older traditional styles of singing. He is among the best English concertina players around and is also a skilled guitarist. Jerry has toured extensively and has published arrangements of traditional and early music, he brings a very entertaining style of performance to his set.

Sunday 2nd October

Table top sale in Glenfarg village hall

10 am-3pm hall open 9 am

A chance to bring all your unwanted stuff and buy someone else's! Books and bric-a-brac, kilts and quilts, crocks and frocks, whatever you fancy selling. Book a table now and have some fun. Tasty refreshments will be available throughout the day. Cost per table £8. To book a table please phone Doris 01738 583698

Monday 3rd October

Sandy Watt Quaich

Annual Open Singing Competition for the Sandy Watt Quaich. The winner gets to keep it for one year, and also wins a pair of tickets for next year's Folk Feast.

Sandy Watt sang all kinds of songs from Bothy Ballads, traditional and humorous songs to music hall ditties. Anything goes. Come along and give us a song, it might be your lucky night. To be judged by a well known local personality whose name will be revealed later.

POETRY CORNER

This poem survives from one of the SWRI concert nights many years ago - the author is described only as "J.J.H". The poem was contributed to the Newsletter by Ruby Peace.

4th, 5th & 6th November Weekend Away

At Milton Morenish Luxury Chalets on beautiful Loch Tay near Killin. There are still three places available. The cost is £55 for three nights. To book please phone Lilian 01577 830499

Forthcoming attractions include
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New Celeste
Muldoon's Picnic
Kristina Olsen

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Answers to Harry Potter crossword puzzle!

ACROSS

4. Dumbledore 9. Hedwig
10. Gryffindor 13. Slytherin
14. Muggle 15. Weasley
16. Quidditch

DOWN

1. Dobby 2. Dursley 3. Voldemort
5. Longbottom 6. Hogwarts 7. Diagon
Alley 8. Gringotts 11. Hagrid
12. Snitch

In the name o' the wee man

Whit dae yi think yer daein'?
Wur ye awe boarn in a park?
Ah ken am jist a crabbit face
An' yi awe caw me a nark;

Bit, the blood is gettin' thinner,
It dis when wan gits auld,
A' wi' awe they draughts that's swirl-
ing roon,
Ah really feel the cauld;

So, if yu dinny mind awe yi fresh air
fiends,
Afore am frozen tae the core,
Come in, get oot, or something,
Bit shut the bloomin' door;

If yer gaun tae talk an' blether
Cam back, and sit ye doon,
Dinna staun there in the doorway
Wi that cauld wind swirling roon;

Ah canny staun they daft folk,
When they're ready fur tae go,
They've goat their coats an' scarves
oan,
Then, their words awe start tae flow;

An the hoose, whit wis sae nice and
warm,
isn't any more;
So, come in, get oot, or something
Bit, shut that bloomin door!

Glenfarg Curling Club

The Annual Dinner and Prizegiving was held in the Glenfarg Hotel in April
Prizewinners : -

Ladies - *Hamilton Cup* Debbie Knox, Maria Tait, Irene Findlay, Ann Farquarson

Wooden Spoon Lora Hannell, Ann Galbraith, Alice Bogie, Jean Andrew, *Bette Pirie* Margaret Jenkins, Jillian Milne, Valerie Gaudin, Kate Armstrong, *Jessie Deas* Valerie Anderson, Christine Melville, Elspeth Buchan, Mel Bradley

Pairs High Road

Jillian Milne, Sheona Reid

Pairs Low Road

Lora Hannell, Gwen Poole

Points

Lora Hannell

Ladies Challenge

Arthur Jenkins, Allan Taylor, Stuart Smith

Bishopshire Challenge

Glenfarg won

Friendly v Orwell Ladies

Glenfarg Won

Friendly v Kinross Ladies

Kinross Won

Loch leven Province

Glenfarg Men won & Glenfarg Ladies were highest up ladies club.

Glenfarg Men

Colin Campbell

Mike Guild, A Taylor, Cameron Gaudin, Sandy Smith,

Willie Murray

Mary White - Cameron Gaudin - Sheona Reid

David Miller

Points

1st David Rutherford - 2nd Gary Rutherford
-3rd Arthur Jenkins

Gold Medal

David Wylie- Lorne Findlay -Bill Melville -
Cameron Gaudin

Blair Struie

Bill Melville - Arthur Jenkins - Alan Taylor -
Bruce McNaughton

Pairs

Keith Sime and Sandy Taylor

Piper Cup

Cameron Coutts- John Swan - Bruce
McNaughton - Stuart Andrew

The AGM was held in the Glenfarg Hotel in April - Office Bearers :-

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Vice P

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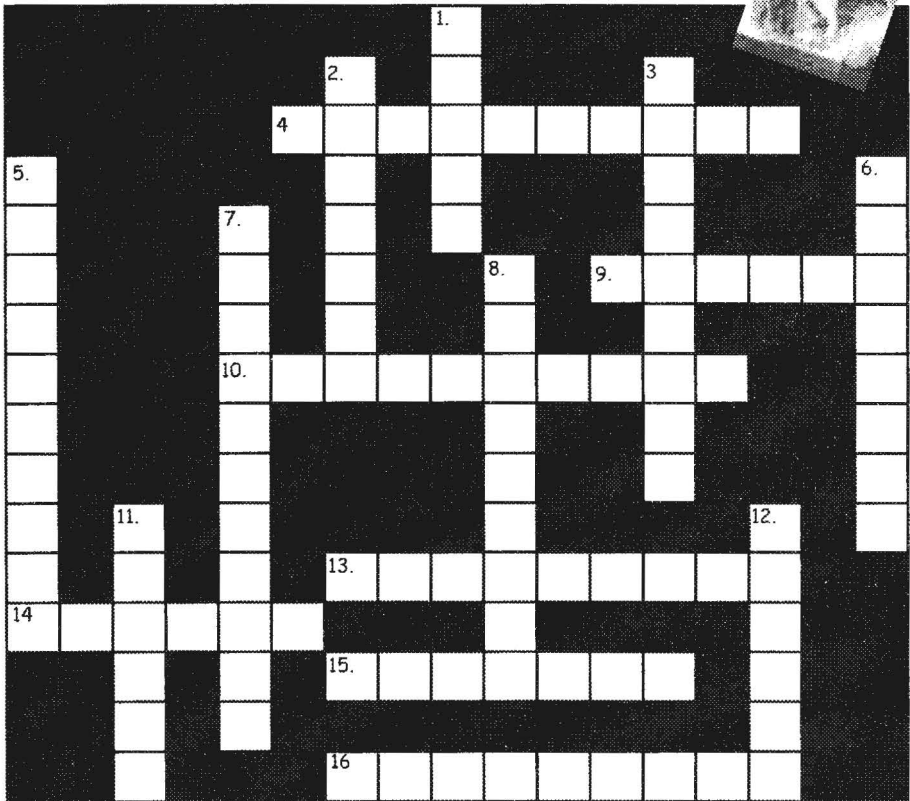
Committee

Annette Bennie, Maeve Clark, Helen McInroy

KIDS' ZONE

Harry Potter Crossword-use the clues to complete the puzzle!

(Find the answers on the What's On pages.)



ACROSS

- 4. The current Headmaster at Harry's school. (10)
- 9. Harry's owl. (6)
- 10. Harry's school house name. (10)
- 13. The school house Harry's arch-enemy Malfoy is in. (9)
- 14. The wizard word used to describe a non-magic person. (6)
- 15. Ron's family's last name. (7)
- 16. The sport Harry plays at school. (9)



- 2. The last name of Harry's horrible aunt and uncle. (7)
- 3. You-know-who, the Lord who killed Harry's parents & tried to kill Harry. (9)
- 5. Neville _____ who goes to school with Harry. (10)
- 6. Harry's school. (7)
- 7. The street to buy wizarding goods from (6, 5)
- 8. The wizarding bank. (9)
- 11. The giant school groundskeeper in the Harry Potter books. (6)
- 12. The golden _____. The team that catches this wins a Quidditch game. (6)



DOWN

- 1. _____ the house elf. (5)

BOOK REVIEW

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

'Harry has yet again spent the summer holidays at the Dursleys'. He has had plenty to think about though - from the death of his beloved Godfather Sirius Black, to the terrifying chase through the Ministry of Magic by the Death Eaters, to the fierce duel he witnesses between Professor Dumbledore and Lord Voldemort. Now he is waiting nervously in his bedroom at the Dursleys' for a visit from his Headmaster. Harry can't think why Dumbledore would want to visit him now. What is it that cannot possibly wait until the beginning of term? He is also not quite sure how the Dursleys will react to the Headmaster's sudden appearance in their own home....'

Book six in this series, *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*, picks up shortly after we left Harry at the end of *Order of the Phoenix*. Lord Voldemort is causing chaos in the Muggle and Wizard worlds, a war has started and people are living in fear.

Harry is approaching his late teens now, and in amongst the chaos of war, he and his friends are still going to school as normal, sitting exams (OWLs and NEWTs!) and getting up to all sorts. There is a new teacher and other new characters, and some

interesting discoveries about past characters and events.

The book is darker in places than the earlier Harry books, but it still has all the fun and excitement you expect in a children's book. It is longer than the others too, and maybe a little bit slow to get going at first. But if you persevere with it, the last few chapters are worth waiting for. They are as spectacular and nerve-wracking as you would expect from Harry Potter novels! Without giving too much away, near the end you find out who the Half-Blood Prince is, and Harry finds out more about his and Voldemort's pasts.

The last chapter ends by hinting at what's still to come, but leaves some loose ends to be answered, for the final installment, book seven. It's definitely compulsive reading for children and adults alike, and I can't wait to read the last book!



If anybody loves reading and has a book they'd really like to try reviewing for kids, please send it in to one of the editors!



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SWRI Press Report

GLENFARG Institute, Perth and Kinross Federation.

Mrs Helen Quartermaine, President, welcomed a good turn-out of members to the first meeting of the new session on Thursday 8th September

The speakers for the evening were representatives from Simon Howie, Butchers, Dunning, who demonstrated the various products that could be made from one cut of beef and talked about the changing face of the industry over the years. There was a very full question and answer session which was much appreciated by the ladies.

Competition winners:

Flower of the Month:

1. Jeanette Kirkland 2. Allison Messenger 3. Elizabeth Patterson

Favourite Plate:

1. Sylvia Wall 2. Margaret Cumming 3. Liz Yull

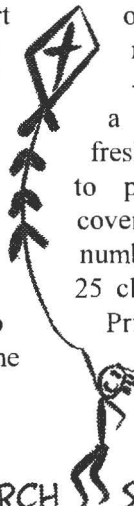
Meat Loaf:

1. Sheila Harley 2. Liliias Johnson 3. Allison Messenger.

Allison Messenger proposed the vote of thanks.

Arngask Church Sunday School

We are into a new term and have had a few changes. Firstly, Pat Doran has decided to have a break and might come back to help after the new year. Many thanks for all the work she has put into re-establishing the Youth Group and for all her enthusiasm and effort over the past year. Secondly, the Sunday school has got a new name - Sunday Club! and the Youth Group have renamed themselves - S Club! The 'new look' Sunday school was launched with a breakfast morning (yummy warm croissants and orange juice freshly squeezed by the children themselves). The S Club are going to produce a quaterly newsletter called 'S Club Update' which will cover issues that interest the youth in the village and beyond. Our numbers have increased 25 children! Our this term and one recent Sunday we had Primary six and S Club along to Arngask Church from 9.30 - 10.30 to join in the fun!



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YMCA bus in Glenfarg?

Wesley Hands of the Perth Branch of YMCA attended the last community council meeting to explain the work with young people carried out by the YMCA from their converted double decker bus in various communities in the area. The target age range is 13 - 18 and the activities offered include Football, Handicrafts, First Aid, Use of Computers, Photography and Film Making and a Coffee Bar. The aim is to give young people something interesting to do in a safe environment. The matter will be discussed further by the Community Council at their next meeting.



School Prizewinners

Perth Academy

Merit Award - **Joe Norris, Amy Munro, Amie Gourlay, Lyndsey Craigie**
English & Computing - **Lauren Brookes**

Edward Smart Award for Chemistry - Perth Academy Award for Music - Duchess of Atholl Award for Music and Charles McDonald Award for Dux of Fifth Year - **Ben Norris**

Kinross High School

Effort & Commitment - **Amy Peacock and Maggie Henderson**
History and Modern Studies - **Adam Whyte.**

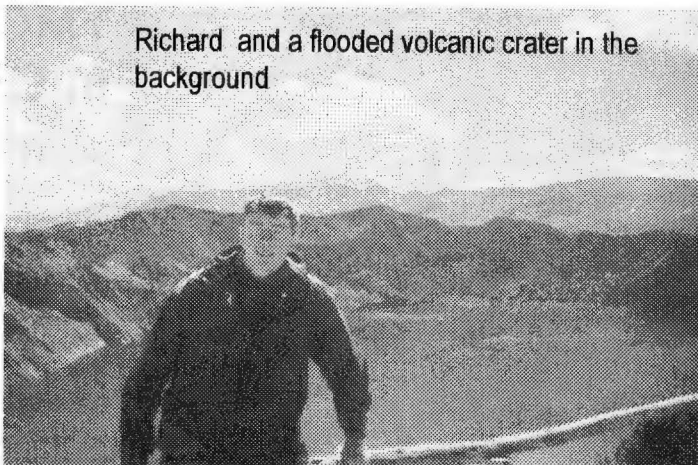
CONGRATULATIONS TO

Mhairi Smith, daughter of **Stewart & Isobel Smith**, Montaza, Ladeside, Glenfarg on her engagement to **Stewart Middleton** they are to be married in August 2006

Mathew Dover, Barley Mill, Glenfarg - on gaining First Class Honours in Music at RSAMD, Glasgow.

‘I would love to do it again’ says Richard MacHardy who returned in August from a month in

Richard and a flooded volcanic crater in the background



Equador. ‘There were 11 of us from the Academy plus a group from St Ambrose School in Manchester and two leaders’ – 30 of us altogether.

‘The idea is that we’re given a variety of experiences – doing a community project, a volcano trek and a jungle trek. We had to do some training and a fitness test before we left as most of our trekking was to be at high altitude’. It was no real problem for Richard who was awarded Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award earlier in the year.

‘Our community challenge was painting a kindergarten school in a village called Benitez. Some of us painted one wall with a giant mural (not me – I’m not good at art!) and we’d raised some funds to buy a few extras for them too – basics like a gas canister for cooking, CD player, white board and pens, big steel bins and a rug. We even painted the toilet block and cleaned their loos! We played football with the kids too and when we left it was very

emotional. The headteacher was in tears – outside of the big towns things are very simple and people don’t have very much.

‘Most people live off the land. In smaller villages there’s no running water and no electricity and the buildings are pretty flimsy. They cultivate hillsides and keep sheep and llamas. The people were really friendly and we took Spanish phrase books and got by with a few basic words.

‘Camping was OK although the two girls who came wore all their clothes inside their three-season sleeping bags and their survival bags on the outside of that! It was cold. The moisture inside the tents froze although it melted in the early morning sun. We cooked for ourselves – a staple diet of boiled rice and chicken. There were apples and oranges and sometimes we had yuka which is the root of a plant which is boiled



and mashed – a bit like potato. It's also fermented into a local brew!

'I would like to explore more of Ecuador – the scenery was incredible. We trekked up a very old extinct volcano named after an Inca general and translated "Face of Stone". It only had three peaks left and much had already been eroded. It was a hard scramble (we had to wear hard hats!) and climbed to the 4,700 metres summit.

'We also spent some relaxation time at the very edge of the jungle where it was very humid. Here we explored the rainforest for two days, panned for gold, went fishing with a net (caught one tiddler!) and learnt about medicinal plants. Although we stayed in huts at night there were hammocks outside and they were very comfortable!'

Richard has now left school and is exploring training opportunities to become a commercial airline pilot. Meanwhile you'll find him in Tescos earning some cash!



A reminder of Scotland. One of the painted kindergarten walls.

World Challenge Expedition

Richard McHardy, Elm Row was one of five senior pupils from Perth Academy who set off in July for a month long World Challenge Expedition to Ecuador to experience the South America's amazing diversity in its topography and people.

Their packed trip involved working on a community project at a school, as well as trekking through the Andes and Amazon Jungle.

After arriving in Ecuadorian capital Quito, the party spent the day preparing for their journey to the project destination at a school in Benitez, south of the capital. The project spanned six days, when the youngsters got to know people in the community. Their stay in Benitez also gave them a chance to acclimatise to altitude in preparation for their three -day Andes trek to the village of Chuchilan, across mountains, through valleys and past waterfalls, setting up camp each night. Two days spent based in Chuchilan were followed by volcano trek and then the youngsters explored on foot and by river one of the best preserved rainforest areas in Ecuador. During their final few days of the trip the pupils rested their aching feet and enjoyed activities such as whitewater rafting, sightseeing and shopping. The trip of a lifetime is the culmination of an 18 month programme of fundraising where each pupil had to raise £3,000.

The Wine Club

It's show time!! Hot on the heels of last year's hugely successful 'Wheeltappers & Shunters Social Club' and 'Stars in Your Eyes', the Wine Club is planning to take the best from both and have another 'Home Grown' entertainment night on 21st October in the Hall.



At the time of writing plans are at an early stage. But look out for posters/notices. As with the previous events, the idea is to provide funds for the Hall re-development.

Already a number of people have said they want 'to do a turn'. But there's room for more. This request is aimed at people aged 16 and over – because adults get more embarrassed and that makes it much better fun for everyone else!!

If you want to put your name down to help raise funds for the Hall and entertain your friends and neighbours at the same time, then give Sadie Allan a ring on 830807.

In the meantime, the Wine Club carries on apace. Plans are now well in place for the club's second 'expedition'. Twenty people are signed up, so far, for a week-long wine-tasting trip to Italy in May 2006. Based in Tuscany, the group will be close to Florence and Sienna, as well as the wonderful countryside that makes up one of the leading wine producing areas of Europe.

And the programme for club evenings for 2005-2006 is now in place. Highlights include a trip to Dundee, in November, to the newly opened warehouse and tasting rooms of Scott's Wine World. There's also a deli and a chocolate counter -- just to cater for all tastes!

So, the Wine Club is still the 'place to be at'. If you're thinking about it, then pencil in 25th September, 30th October and 27th November. Keep an eye out for notices in the post office for details of venue. And carry on enjoying good wine!

NORMILE RACING

It seems now that lazy days of summer are gone for another year. With all the horses having enjoyed some good summer sunshine and nourishing grass now is the time to try to get it all turned into muscle. For this they do about six weeks of roadwork, which starts with walking for about half an hour and builds up to walking and trotting for about six miles.

This builds muscles up slowly and in the correct places. We are fortunate in that there are plenty of hills around us and this does allow us to give the horses a good workout and also helps with their balance. After about six weeks they are ready to start cantering up the all weather gallop, again they are started off by just going up once, slowly, and then their progress is monitored weekly and the work is adjusted accordingly.

“we are really looking forward to a busy and successful season.”

Once they are working up the gallop four to five times each morning on a regular basis they are fit enough to go the track. Before they go racing they will also have schooled over either fences or hurdles, depending on what they will be racing over and how much experience they have.

Even the most experienced horses have a chance to get their eye in before they go racing, some of the younger horses will start off by jumping over logs and tyres before they go over baby hurdles and then progress to hurdles and fences. Most horses are natural jumpers who really enjoy themselves when jumping but there are a few who need to be taught what to do and sometimes this can take a bit of work.

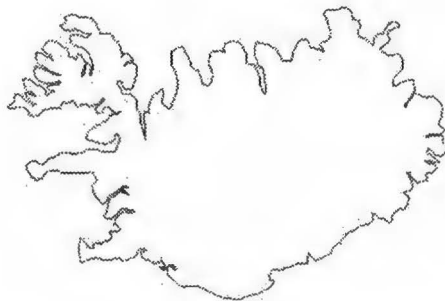
With our stables full and the horses having done their roadwork and plenty of work on the gallops we are ready for the forthcoming season and are really looking forward to a busy and successful season.

Answer to WHERE IS HERE?

Too easy this time! -Detail on the gate at the bowling club.



Glenfarg Scouts visit Iceland.



In July the Glenfarg Scouts went on an expedition to Iceland. We went from the 17th – 31st July. It was great and we all enjoyed it. The first 2 nights we spent in a campsite just outside Reykjavik, next to the main sports facilities and a youth hostel. There we explored Reykjavik, Iceland's Capital and went swimming. It was public campsite we were staying in.

For the next week we went to A National Jamboree, which was next to Lake Ulfjotsvan. There the theme was 'EARTHS ENERGY.' We watched campfires, watched shows, went to discos and much, much more. To represent Scotland, on the open day we danced the 'Dashing White Sergeant', with Etienne playing the bagpipes. Also there we did activities such as rock climbing, rafting, woodcarving, hikes and loads more. The Jamboree was amazing and we wanted to stay longer, but we had more adventures to have.

At the end of the Jamboree we went to see the Glacier and Gulfoss. The Glacier is a Hot Spring that explodes every so often. Gulfoss is the biggest waterfall in Iceland. They were both really cool.





For the next 2 nights we stayed at 'Skatafell National Park,' next to a huge Glacier. The older scouts went hiking up the Glacier while the younger ones went just a few metres away from it. During our stay there we visited a lagoon with icebergs that had fallen of the Glacier running to the sea. The icebergs were really cool and amazing. We all got to touch a bit of one. The lagoon was where they filmed the latest James Bond film.

“The icebergs were really cool and amazing.”

When were left there we spent a night in Sulfoss and then travelled to the airport. On the way to the airport we stopped off at the blue lagoon. It is a geothermaly heated outdoor lagoon. It was nice and relaxing.

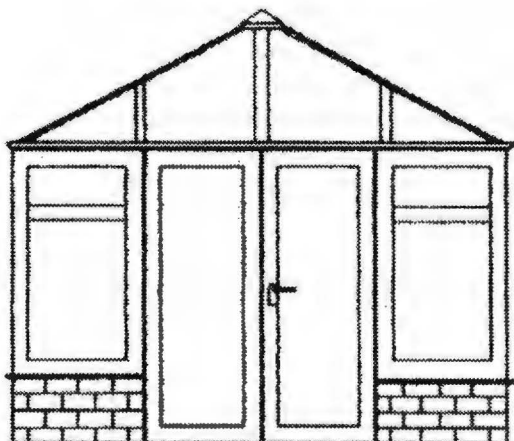
Before we went on the plane we spent a night at the local church hall.

Overall it was a great experiece for all of us and we all really enjoyed it. Thank you to Robert, Christine, Robert G, Andrew and Gillian for taking us!!!

Scott Andrew



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'T4Two'

Welcome to a new column! In this column, two roving reporters, Angela Prescott and Lindsay Kinnaird, (an expert where coffee is concerned!) will be visiting a local tea shop, coffee shop or venue for a wee coffee and a chat! (This is unlikely to prove difficult!) We will then publish a small review on the location, menu, service, suitability for children etc in the Newsletter! We will then give the experience a 'teacup' rating!

The rating will be out of 5, with 5 'teacups' being the highest recommendation!

For example:

We recently visited the newly opened Jamesfield Organic Centre located on the A913 near Abernethy. It has a large car park, good disabled access and a organic-farm shop selling produce. It also has a licence to serve alcohol. There are views over open farmland with comfortable seating. We enjoyed very hot soup and a beef and mustard sandwich, all made with organic ingredients! Even the tea and coffee were organic! The crockery was lovely, with prompt and polite service. Our verdict ! Well worth a visit! We can highly recommend the soup!



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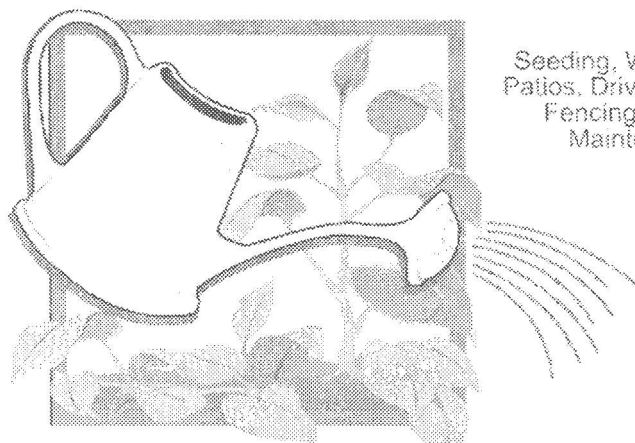
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Farandole anyone?

‘Would you teach some children some Historic dances?’ they asked me.

I currently teach Glenfarg village children for the Tayside Day of Dance each year, so I thought that would be just fine. I was used to P4 upwards, and knew what country dances they could manage, so I felt quite relaxed about doing the same thing in a Historic Dance context. No problem, just get the dances chosen and find some music for them.

It is funny how reality is often quite different to the expectations. The venue? Well, it wasn't exactly a ballroom. It had been a prison, so think of a solid earth floor, and none too even at that, although it was covered with matting. The other necessities were all to hand; such things as music system, changing room, and of course wherever children are involved, toilets – so I am all set to go.

... Then I am told that the children are to be a little younger than expected. Yes, P1 for the first lot. Crikey! That's a bit on the young side, but I suppose I will be able to cope with the situation. I re-plan the schedule of dances, cutting out the last two as being too complex, but as the simpler dances would take longer to teach, the end result would take



the same time. After the brief panic, equanimity, or at least something close to that, is restored and the pulse rate goes back to normal.

Oh, and the second lot are pre-school, the nursery class. You have to be pulling my leg. I've never done music and movement, it hadn't been invented when I was a boy! The nearest help my experience of life could produce was thinking back to my own children's parties, and that was a long time ago. So this was going to be a challenge! Planning wasn't going to help, all I could do was start and see what happened, doing whatever seemed to be a good idea at the time.

Then the children arrive, and we make a start. The "Education Officer" gives out costumes, and the children struggle into them. Some of them fit, as they are not size specific; things like tabards and aprons. Other things are more of a problem, like the lovely long skirt that one little girl has, which is about a foot too long (30 cm to the moderns). I know that nowadays an old man like me

simply can't assist in a situation like that, so the teacher has to sort it out as best she can. It is the same in all the classes, but the pre-school children take longer to get ready as they need a lot more help. The girls look lovely in their long skirts - real princesses, and the boys just look like little boys of any period - scruffy!

We start with a farandole, the nearest modern dance being a conga, where I lead the children around the room, winding the line into a spiral, and out again, and ducking under joined hands of the line and so on. With the pre-school children I am helped by the unfortunate Education Officer, who leads another line of children, and fortunately the lines are interspersed with parents and the teacher at intervals.

All the other classes of children went according to plan, and the last day was great, with top primary children, going right through the programme to finish off with a ceilidh / country dance to bring the story up to the present date.

I don't think that the very young ones had much appreciation of the historical aspects, though I think that they enjoyed the dancing. The dances I had chosen included carols, which would have been done by all ages at Christmas gatherings for many centuries, possibly even a millennium. What a pity they are no longer.

Historical dance

Most people have no idea what my hobby – historical dance is. It involves doing dances from any period in history. The main limits are finding the dances – and reconstructing them from their description. They are not like

the solid structure of an old house for example – but there are similarities. It is very enjoyable to go and visit an old house, to see how life was when the house was in its prime. In the same way reconstructing an 18th century dance gives us an awareness of how people lived in their day.

Strangely the 18th century is one of the most difficult 'time travels' that anyone can do – it was an exceedingly civilized age. 16th century dance is a little easier to learn and is like a visit to an Elizabethan palace or manor house. To discover even more simple dances (and simple housing) we need to 'time travel' to the 14th century.

Much earlier than that and dances are rare. There is one possible contender for a truly ancient dance in the Book of Kells in the 700s, the 8th century, on the island of Iona. To have a 1200-year-old dance handed down is truly amazing!

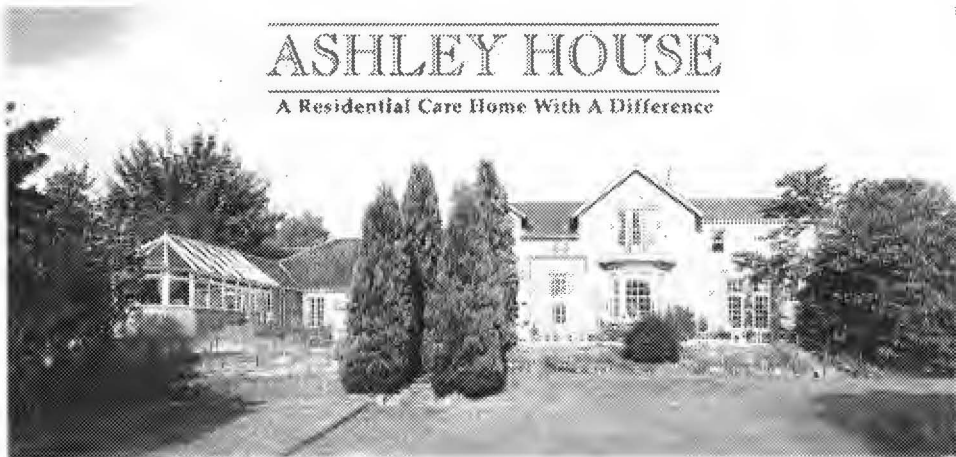
Once a degree of competence is gained in the chosen period, the next step is to dance in costume in a building of the period to the music of the period. It's about as near as you can get to time travel and that's what blew my mind when I visited an Elizabethan house in England.

If you like the idea of exploring this hidden aspect of history and want to find out more you can contact Scottish Traditions of Dance Trust who are running a taster session in October in Perth. They can be contacted by phone on 01786 849 247 or e-mail: info@stdt.org.

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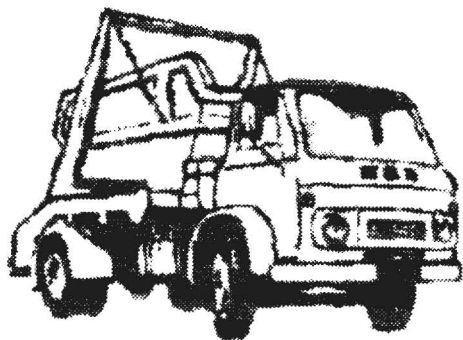
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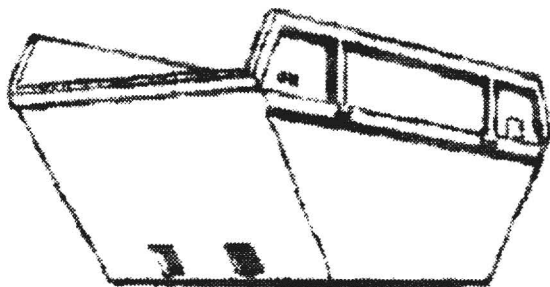
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Glenfarg Group Riding For The Disabled Association

At the RDA National Championships on July 23rd, 24th at Hartpury College, Gloucestershire, we qualified for the finals of the video competitions 'Story to Music' and 'Drill Ride' made at Glenfarg in May. We won 1st Place and 1st Juniors with our Story to Music: 'Bears amongst the Mulberries' filmed in the woods and performed by 4 riders from Tulloch School, Perth.

Our Scottish 'Drill Ride, Orange and Blue' was ridden by 4 riders from Butterstone New School, Dunkeld using the arena in the field and winning 2nd place and 1st Juniors. The children enjoyed making the videos and the judges enjoyed seeing our countryside and music (with lots of applause from the onlookers!).

We returned with lots of rosettes and trophies. Many thanks



Pauline Bryson
and "Merry".

to Dave Watt who composed our 'bears' music and to Stewart Smith who played our Scottish music to 'Orange and Blue' and to all our helpers and ponies.

We have also just returned from competing at Peterborough Special Olympics Equestrian Competition where 3 riders from the Glenfarg Group won 4 gold medals, 3 silver medals and 5th and 6th rosettes for dressage, prix caprilli, working trials and horse care and knowledge. A level riders were Claire Muckersie and Jenny Moug and B level rider - Pauline Bryson. We were able to use horses and ponies at Peterborough which was another challenge to the riders (who had not ridden them before) but saved taking our ponies down south. A very successful and enjoyable competition.



Pictured with some of the helpers from Glenfarg, Ewan Ivey on Storm, Connor Robson on Cobbie, Peter Ferguson on Timmy and Hollie Patterson on Tiffin. Centre is June Grainger, regional chairwoman of the Riding for the Disabled Association.

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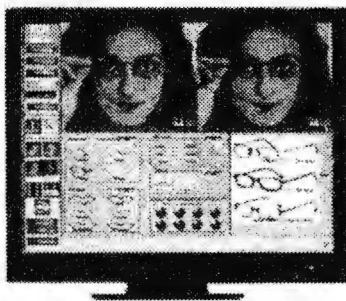
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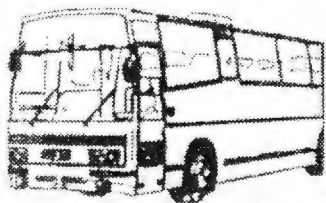
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Glenfarg Community Council

Draft Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 5th September 2005 at 7.30p.m.

Present

Cllr D.Cameron (Chairman), Cllr A. Curtis (Secretary), Cllr L.Godsell, Cllr C.Meldrum, Cllr C. Murison (Treasurer), Cllr J.Stake, Cllr J.Sutherland, Cllr R Quartermaine.

Apologies

Cllr C. Campbell, Cllr A. Grave, Cllr A Johnston, Cllr S. Reid,

By Invitation

Cllr K. Baird, Constable K. Miller, Wesley Hands, Kate Armstrong

Members of the Public

4 members of the public were present.

1/9/2005 Previous Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of 27th June 2005 were accepted as accurate by Cllr J. Stake and seconded by Cllr J. Sutherland.

2/9/05 Matters Arising

School Prizes: The Chairman reported that he had spoken to the Headmaster of the Primary School about a possible increase in the amount given by the Community Council for school prizes. He proposed and the meeting approved an increase of £10 to £60 per annum.

Glenfarg Hotel: The Chairman said that he understood that a closing date had been fixed for offers later in September. Mr & Mrs Macpherson informed the Community Council that there had recently been a meeting of about 12 local residents, concerned that the hotel might be sold to a purchaser who would apply for a change of use from hotel to some other use, such as flats, with the result that the village would lose a valuable amenity. They were keen to encourage individuals and community groups to object to such a change of use. The Chairman confirmed that if there was such an application for change of use the Community Council would be informed in the usual way, and there would

be the chance to make representations to the planners. Although it would have to be discussed and put to the vote at the time, he would think it reasonable for the Community Council to point out to the Planning Committee that the loss of the only remaining hotel in the village was not desirable. Cllr Baird pointed out it was possible that a buyer would simply not renew the licence when it came up for renewal.

Water Treatment Works: Cllr Quartermaine noted that there was still no sign of any planting of screening, although he understood that this had been a condition of the planning permission. He also thought that they should now be taking down unsightly advertising boards. Cllr Baird agreed to investigate this.

3/9/05 Police Report

Constable K. Miller, who was standing in for Constable Pederson, confirmed that there was nothing of great note to report since the last meeting. He drew attention to the series of meetings to be held locally to explain Anti Social Behaviour Strategy. The nearest is to be in Kinross High School on 29th September. Cllr Sutherland said that there had been a number of incidents of people ringing doorbells at 4a.m. and driving cars fast through the village early in the morning. Constable Miller confirmed that the police knew about these. He also pointed out that ASBOs can cover incidents with vehicles, which, in certain circumstances, can be confiscated.

4/9/05 Treasurer's Report

Cllr Murison updated the meeting on income and expenditure since the last meeting. He confirmed that the income from the donations for the Newsletter was very encouraging.

5/9/05 Y.M.C.A. Bus

The Chairman welcomed Wesley Hands of the Perth Branch of YMCA, who explained to the meeting the work with young people carried out by the YMCA from their converted double decker bus in various communities in the area. The target age range is 13 – 18 and the activities offered include Football, Handcrafts, First

Aid, Use of Computers, Photography and Film Making and a Coffee Bar. The aim was to give young people something interesting to do in a safe environment. Local volunteers would be needed to help run the project, and his experience in other communities suggested that both volunteers and young people benefited. There was a charge, but some funding was available. The Chairman thanked Mr Hands, and suggested that the matter could be discussed further by the Community Council at the next meeting.

6/9/05 Glenfarg in Bloom

The Chairman welcomed Kate Armstrong, who explained that she had had a very positive response to her notice in the Post Office suggesting that a Glenfarg in Bloom group should be set up to improve the appearance of the village. Many people were concerned about the poor image of the village given to visitors, especially since the closure of both hotels, and the deterioration in the appearance of both properties.

A public meeting has been arranged in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on 6th October, at which Una Scott of Perth & Kinross Council will explain how the community can set up such a group and access funding and other assistance. All those interested are encouraged to come to the meeting. Kate is keen to involve the young of the village and will be in touch with the school.

7/9/05 Wind Farm Update

The Chairman confirmed that the proposed meeting of the Perth & Kinross Council Development Committee scheduled for 31st August, at which both the Lochelbank and Tillyrie Wind Farm applications were to have been discussed, has been postponed to a date yet to be decided, but likely to be in October.

Cllr Murison pointed out that the Community Council's objection lodged in respect of the Tillyrie proposal stated that there were 4 houses in the Community Council area which lie within 20hbt of one or more of the turbines. He disputed this. In his view there are only two. The Chairman stated that having measured the distances on the O.S. map the sub-committee had come to the view there were 4, but this was clearly a question of fact and the developer was obviously entitled to challenge the

point. He reminded Mr Murison that the objection went on to point out that it was understood that the owners of at least 2 of the 4 houses did not object to the wind farm.

8/9/05 Planning Applications

Alex Johnston was on holiday but had submitted a report on various planning matters which was circulated to Community Councillors before the meeting. He confirmed that P&KC has now received a report from a noise consultant re the West Blair Off-Road application which is to be considered by Environmental Services before the application goes before the Development Control Committee.

9/9/05 Any Other Business

The Chairman reported that Mr B Patterson had pointed out that the road-side benches on the Hilton of Duncruevie road are in poor repair. Cllr Baird confirmed that she would check whether these were owned by P&KC and if so, whether they would repair/replace them.

The Chairman reminded the meeting that the Secretary, Cllr Anne Curtis, had offered to carry out the Secretary's role for a year, and that this had expired at the last AGM. Cllr Alex Johnston had indicated that he would be prepared to take over as Secretary, provided a Minute Taker (not a member of the Community Council) could be appointed to record the Minutes during meetings. Cllr Quartermaine suggested that the minute taker might use a tape recorder. The Chairman said that he thought a minute taker should be paid a small honorarium. The Chairman proposed and the meeting approved this suggestion.

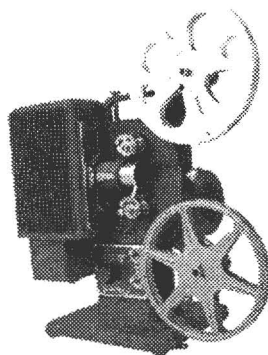
The Secretary confirmed that she had just received a consultation paper from Perth & Kinross Council re the draft amendments to their Housing in the Countryside Policy, with a request for comments by 21st October. She would circulate copies to the Community Councillors, who should pass any comments to Alex Johnston as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m. The Date of the next Meeting is Monday 7th November 2005 at 7.30pm

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Perth Film Society proudly presents the following films comprising the first half of the 2005 / 2006 season, held in the A.K. Bell Library Theatre, York Place, Perth.

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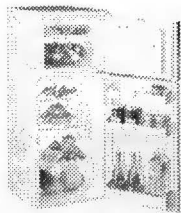
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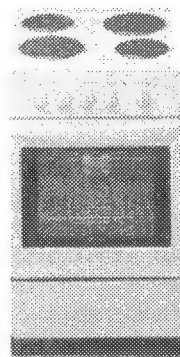
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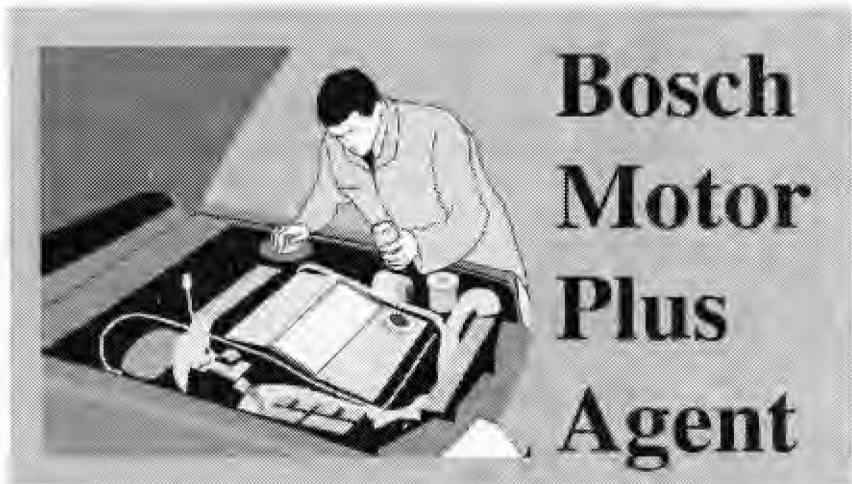


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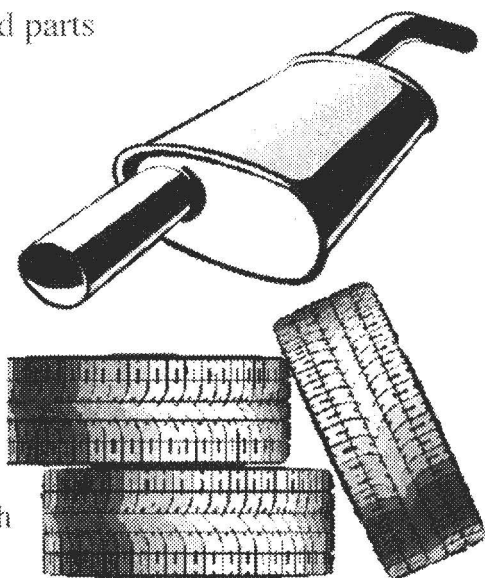
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