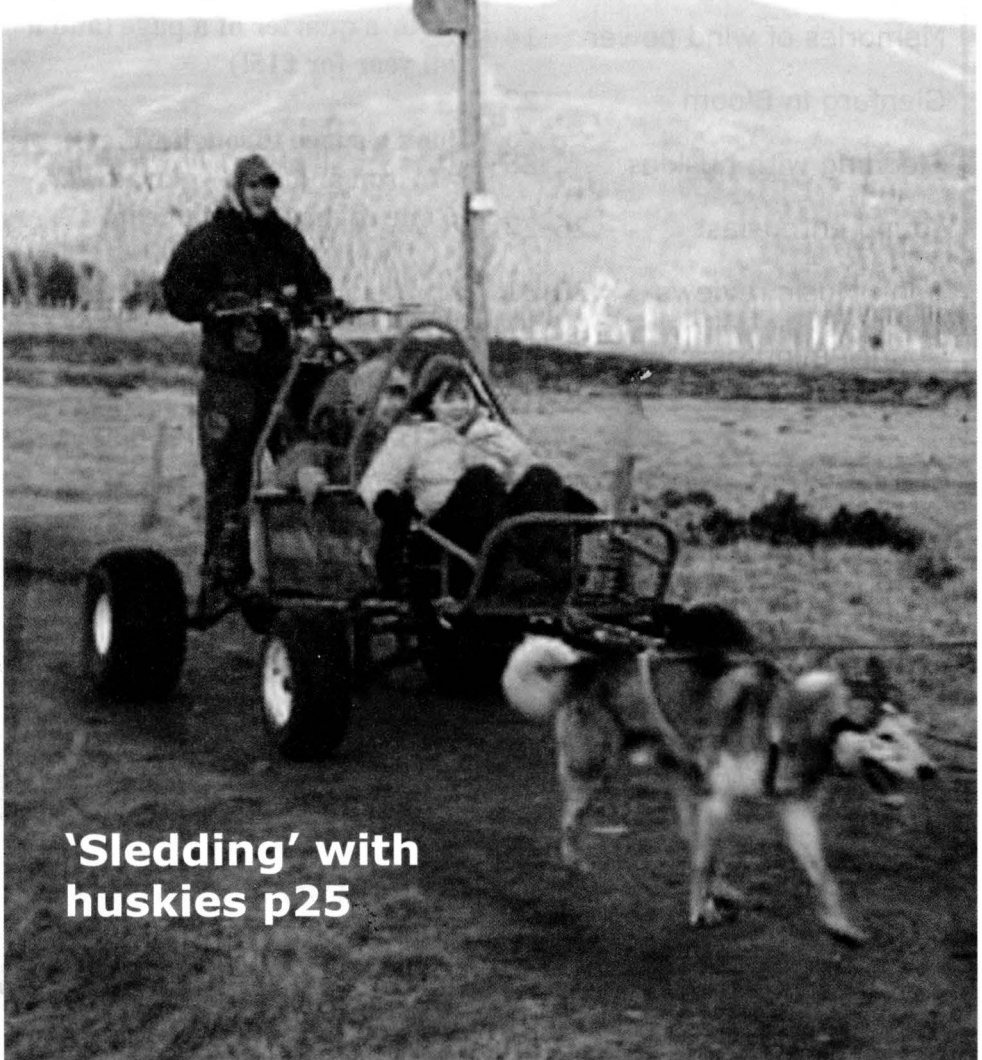


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Editorial

I'm excited by this issue! We are proud to have several articles written by teenagers and hope that it will add a different dimension to the newsletter. Keep it comin'!

We're particularly thrilled that teenager Matt Gorrie has joined the editorial team and are determined to give him some dangerous assignments for his next issue. How does The Women's Guild sound Matthew? His first editorial meeting was a revelation. Apparently he went home and told his mother that 'They're all mad'. Amongst the ideas aired for this issue was a spoof article for April 1st on Charlie Murison's new chicken farm and his pioneering genetically modified hens

with four legs. We could have spun out the whole thing over several pages but we thought Charlie might think there was money to be made and others might contact *The Daily Mail*.

An article by teenager Scott Andrew tells us about his mum's adventure sledding with huskies, the village school have been doing a tour with their drama club performance of 'A load of rubbish' and all in all it's a great all-round read. Well done everyone!

And there's more! Last issue Cree8 who produce the Newsletter, decided they would update production and the result is a much better quality newsletter. We think we can just balance the books and hope that readers will appreciate the 'new look'.

Anne Sutherland

Meet Matthew...

The editors made a plea last issue looking for fresh new talent keen to join our team, and were delighted when 15-year-old Matthew Gorrie showed interest.

As you might imagine, we wasted no time in putting him to work! Matthew joined us for this issue's editorial meeting and immediately offered some fresh new ideas, which you will see in evidence in this issue, including a revamped Kids' Zone.

We chatted to our newest recruit to learn a bit more about him and to find out just *WHY* he wanted to join us!

Matthew, you're still at school which keeps you busy, but what are your interests in your free time?

'I am quite a keen rock climber, both indoor and out, and I like the occasional game of rugby or football. I also like to play computer games and enjoy a book now and then.'

It's great to welcome someone with fresh ideas and enthusiasm onto the team. What interested you in joining us, and have you had experience of similar projects in the past?

'Yes, I was editor for my junior school magazine for 2 and a half years. When I moved up the school I left that position but I just wanted to pick up my interest again'.

Did coming to your first editors' meeting not make you want to change your mind?!

'No, not really. It was a new experience, but it was a good laugh and good fun!'

What are you most looking forward to about being part of the editorial team?

'Just having a chance to give my input into the community issues and helping to develop different parts of the newsletter.'

I'm sure all our readers are happy to welcome a new 'face' onto the newsletter, and look forward to reading what Matthew has to offer over coming issues.

Your letters

Stealing from the dead

I would like to let the people of Glenfarg know that some time between the 21st -25th February some low life stole a robin ornament from my sister's grave in the Glenfarg cemetery. I suppose this is a sign of the times that people are prepared to stoop so low that they steal from the dead.

I appreciate that the graveyard sits well out of the village but if anyone has information as to who the perpetrator is, or where the robin is now, I would be most grateful.

Even Glenfarg cannot escape this type of activity and it's so sad.

Mrs Norma Crawford

Glenfarg Scout Group

The Glenfarg Scout Group Annual General Meeting will take place on the 9th May at 8.00pm in the Glenfarg Hotel. Parents of any boys in any of the sections are encouraged to attend and hear of the activities



that the other sections of the Group enjoy. You won't be forced onto the committee – although volunteers are certainly welcome!

The Scout Group has a problem with storage. It is difficult enough to store the equipment in regular use, which is kept at the Village Hall but it is the really big stuff like camping tents and marquees, tables, billie cans, etcetera that is much more of a problem. Tents are vulnerable to mice and mould, so can't just go anywhere, but if anyone knows of anywhere in the local region that we could store such things, please help us we are getting desperate. One possibility that has been suggested is the use of a container, such as go on ships and as I write this are in danger of floating into the English Channel from the beached

container ship. These seem to be available to buy second hand, so if anybody knows of a place we could put one, please get in touch with any of the Scout leaders or committee members. Any suggestions will be most welcome.

The Big Puddle

Wendy Brown and everyone who used to drive through the huge puddle at the bottom of Duncrievie Road would like to thank Carine McGregor for being the drive and inspiration in getting the puddle dealt with by the water authorities. Thanks again Carine.

Wendy Brown



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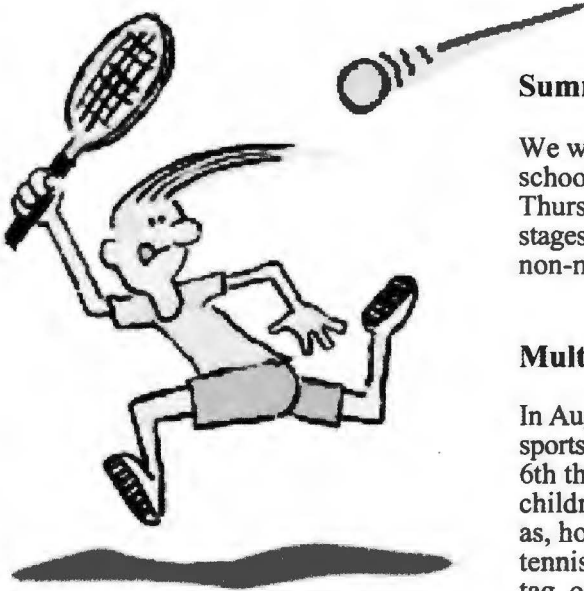


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We are having our annual duck race on Sunday 15th April at the Glenfarg Hotel from 1pm onwards. There will be a BBQ, bar, music, face painting, an Easter treasure map and plenty more to entertain the whole family. Come along and cheer on your ducks.

We are having an Open Day on Saturday 21st April from 2pm, for anyone who would like to try out our new courts and experience tennis at any level and any age. There will be members and coaches to give advice and information on all this years activities. Please come along and see for yourself how much fun tennis can be.

Our tennis coaching courses are starting again the week beginning 16th April, for children, teenagers and adults. Phone Sue 01577 830349, for more details.

Summer tennis school

We will be running a summer tennis school from Monday 23rd July until Thursday 26th July, for all ages and stages of children. Open to members and non-members.

Multi-sports camp

In August we are running a weeks Multi-sports camp for 7+ year olds, on Monday 6th through to Friday 10th, where the children will learn to play games such as, hockey, netball, cricket, football, tennis, rounders, basketball, American tag, orienteering, athletics etc. This is a five day course (single days are an option), starting at 9 for 9:30am until 3:30pm. For more information contact Sue on 01577 830349.

This year to try and encourage new members we are running a pay and play night on a Wednesday evening, from 7pm onwards, for adults, so new comers can come and try the facilities before they join the club, or if they only wish to play occasionally.

There is a pay and play for children, from 5 ~ 16 year olds, on a Friday evening starting in April through to October. This session will be supervised by adults and they will get coaching, games, advice and lots of fun!

For any information on the above or for membership, please phone Sue on 01577 830349.

We Welcome New Members.

VILLAGE HALL

GLENFARG VILLAGE HALL IS LOOKING GREAT!

At last the work on the main hall has been completed and it is now looking splendid. It took a real team effort by a number of people to achieve everything and it involved a lot of work.

Initially Sue and I spent a lot of hours last summer drafting and then re-drafting the application to the SITA Environmental Trust taking great care to see that we managed to hit all of the essential criteria. We decided to apply for an energy efficient project which would stand alone from the major refurbishment planned.

As part of this process we had to call on Pierette for various documents, Jean for her accounting skills, Graeme for technical advice and costings and Bill for estimates from various contractors.

All of this took an amazing amount of time.

After phone calls, emails and re-drafts to SITA we managed to hit all of the buttons and were promised £17,817 for work on the heating system, double glazing, roof insulation, re-wiring and re-decoration. The Committee had to fund an additional £1800.

The energy efficiency project has been supported by SITA Trust which makes awards through the Landfill Communities Fund. SITA Trust provides funding to improve community life around landfill sites owned by the waste management company, SITA UK.

Bill was kept very busy dealing with the tradesmen as the work progressed and at times when it did not. The group was really glad to have Bill "keeping on top of the case".

As the work began to near completion we called upon the services of Elspeth, Helen and Jan to select a colour scheme and they chose a lovely delicate shade of cream teamed with terracotta.

The work may have taken longer than anticipated but the result is really well worth the effort.

Special thanks to Tim Corcoran for bringing it all together in the end and Edith for the several times she had to clean after the painters!!

The Glenfarg Public Hall Committee sub-group hope that the community is pleased with the effect. The next stage will be the major extension and regeneration of the hall if the Lottery money comes through.

Alison Elphinstone

ARNGASK CHURCH



Dates for your diary

25th March Abernethy 11am AGM after morning service (No Arngask Service)

5th April Arngask 7pm Maundy

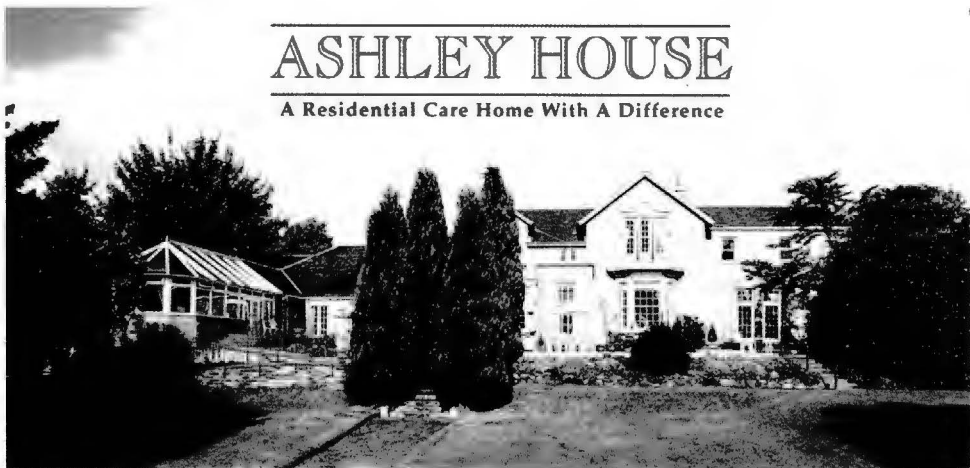
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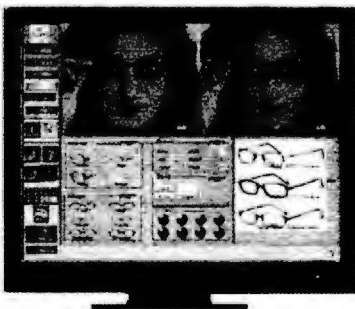
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Wind Power!

The debate surrounding Lochelbank Windfarm in our local community reminds *Bill Connolly* of his own encounter with wind power of a very different nature!

Writing the article for the last newsletter brought back some of my own experiences with wind power, and all in a day's work!



It is 1959 and I'm serving as Second Officer on a tanker, chartered to Shell. Orders from London are to load at Fao in Iraq, and discharge in Yokkaichi Japan, and return to Singapore.

The cargo safely loaded, we set sail, and drop the pilot at the mouth of the Shatt al Arab, through the Gulf and into the Arabian Sea. Sparks (Radio Officer) has been copying the weather forecast from Bombay (Mumbai) Radio as we clear the Gulf. Nothing to worry about, as the weather forecasted is what could be expected for that time of year. Half way across the Arabian Sea the weather is not behaving as forecast. In fact the wind is increasing and from a direction not mentioned.

Sparks sends off a message to Bombay, that we think a storm is brewing. The reply is don't be silly, and everything is normal. Over the day the barometer drops, the wind increases to about force 12, and we are fighting mountainous seas. The weather at last abates a day or so later, and in daylight we can see the damage.

The Engine Room ventilators, which have about 36 inch diameter openings, look like giant mouth organs with openings of about 12 inches but about 4 foot long. There is other damage, which requires us to seek urgent repairs at a port.

Sparks sends off a message to Bombay, that we think a storm is brewing.

So a message is sent to London that we require to stop at Singapore for a survey and the necessary repairs. As we are sending off the messages about the damage, Bombay Radio sends us a request from the Weather Office; could we please tell them where the Cyclone is.

Singapore sees the necessary repairs carried out, and a list of damage, which could be put off until the ship's next dry-dock.

The passage from Singapore to Japan does not go without incident because of more bad weather. As we clear the Philipians Islands, north bound, Sparks receives a Typhoon warning that a storm is brewing somewhere off Guam, away to our east. There's nothing to worry about. It will head west towards the Philipians, or Hong Kong. Anyway we have to get to port and discharge the cargo, by which time the Typhoon will have passed.

Cargo discharged, we head back to Singapore to see where we will load and for what destination. The weather reports now contain the warning that the typhoon, which has started near Guam, and has gone for a wander, is now heading west towards Hong Kong. Speed of advance would put the storm crossing our course, about three or four days ahead of us.

The next warnings put the Storm heading West North West, still passing ahead of us. During the next day the forecasters lose the storm.

We find the storm during the night, and once again we are battling

mountainous seas and winds gusting to force 12. At noon the weather eases, blue skies, wind about force 4 to 6, sea and swell moderate, in other words a lovely afternoon. By 8 p.m. it is a different story, the



wind has increased to force 12 plus and the noise is horrendous, but at midnight it starts to ease and by breakfast we are out of the Storm.

On looking back, we had passed through the "Eye" of the typhoon.. We put into Singapore to record the damage, and carry out necessary repairs, and load the next cargo. The next passage was more peaceful.

Bill Connolly

Thank you

To everyone who inquired about my health, or sent good wishes following my recent operation. For the continued support given to Sheila and myself, thank you all.

Your kind thoughts and deeds have helped greatly in my recovery, and are very much appreciated.

George Clark

ARNGASK SCHOOL SHOW "A LOAD OF RUBBISH!"

Arngask Primary after school drama club recently presented their latest production, "A Load of Rubbish", a comedy musical with a strong Eco theme.

Notable starring roles were a Tesco Carrier Bag, very ably played by Adam Bisset, and a copy of the Courier Newspaper (Moray Swanson) who entertained the audience by merrily quoting statistics like how many kilograms of rubbish are produced per person per week. The remaining cast - including a duster, mobile phone, Coke tin, an empty ink cartridge, two balls of wool, a wilted houseplant, some old vegetable peelings and a dessert pot -

supported well and provided a good night's entertainment as well as an important message about recycling. Unusually, after performances to the rest of the school and evening shows for parents, the play then went "on tour" for a day in an Earnside bus to perform to Guildtown and Balbeggie Schools in Perth, where it was really well received by both children and staff. The trip was very exciting for all the young actors and the playtime and lunchtime at Guildtown gave them a great chance to mingle with their audience (and, believe it or not, sign autographs!)





Costumes were unusual to say the least (and sometimes rather tricky to move in!) but they looked very effective, and greatly added to the success of the production.

Some good singing performances included, "Better than all this Riff Raff" by Beth Doran (Wed) and Lillian Swanson (Thursday) as the snooty but very amusing French perfume bottle and "Don't throw any Glass Away" by the Olive Oil Bottle (Suzie-Scordecchia Wilson) with backing vocals from a ketchup bottle and jam jar. Also a mention must be made of a particularly funny performance and some great singing by Ben Whiting as the Beer Can.

A final mention and huge thank you is due to Sue Gordon who wrote, directed and produced the show for the school drama club.



Kinross Learning Centre launches varied spring programme

If you're a keen amateur photographer, but feel that you and your digital camera are capable of a whole lot more, the Digital Photography courses on offer in Kinross Learning Centre later this month could be just what you're looking for.

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The spring programme also

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And of course, the ever-popular beginners computing course Welcome to Computing is available twice each week to suit those who have free time during the day as well as those who can only commit to study in the evening.

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Floral Art:: Spring into Summer	Wed 25 Apr	2-4pm	5 weeks	£30
French 8	Tue 24 Apr	10.30am-12.30pm	10 weeks	£52
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Introduction to Homeopathy	Thu 26 Apr	9.30-11.30am	6 weeks	£35
Italian 3	Tue 24 Apr	2-4 pm	10 weeks	£52
Patchwork and Quilting	Tue 1 May	9.30-11.30am	5 weeks	£30
Self Hypnosis	Thu 26 Apr	1 – 3 pm	6 weeks	£35
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Spanish 6	Fri 27 Apr	9.30-11.30am	10 weeks	£52
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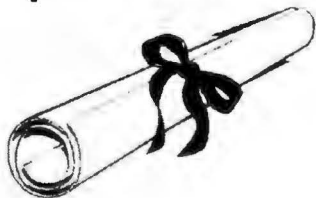
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Our refurbishment programme is continuing and will finish with a large garden decking area, opening in the Spring

Glenfarg in Bloom

The month of March already and the gardening jobs are piling up – well in my garden anyway – but with the warmer days and longer daylight I'm confident that again Glenfarg and Duncricvie gardens will be beautiful again this summer.

The In Bloom volunteers have been out already, tidying up verges, a wee bit of weeding and topping up the mulch on the permanent planted area at the north end of Main Street. The footpath from Duncricvie Road end to the 40mph sign has also been partially cleaned following the messy tree felling and pruning work and we were able to make use of our recent acquisition of high visibility vests.

The bulb planting at the end of the year certainly appears successful and there should be quite a display at both

ends of the village, maybe even by the time you're reading this the yellow daffs will be "fluttering and dancing in the breeze".

We are delighted that this year we have five new sponsors from our village business community. Earnside Coaches, Glenfarg Garage, Glenfarg Hotel, Robert Doig of Old Fargie and Alan Normile of Normile Racing have all agreed to sponsor the five large displays on the south verge. Watch this space for full details of these displays and the links to our sponsors. There's still plenty of "vacancies" on our volunteer list and the tasks are always light and can be fun as well, as was proved on several occasions last year but we'll not go into that!! Phone Kate 830343, Sybil 830347 or Donald 830225 and join in.

T4 Two

A few weeks ago we visted Heaven Scent in Milnathort to find a new coffee shop layout and **homemade carrot cake** back on the menu! Hooray!! We enjoyed a really tasty lunch

All soups, cakes and food are freshly made to order and the skinny option on coffee would be appreciated by the dieters among us! We were accompanied by an under five year old, who received a friendly reception along with a choice of crayons, colouring books and reading books.

There is a colourful selection of paintings available to purchase by

local artists and a selection of jams, biscuits, gift cards and gift bags too. Heaven Scent have a varied everyday menu and a specials board. We sampled the panini with chicken, brie and cranberry and from the specials board the mango chicken baked potato which we thoroughly enjoyed. All in all, Heaven Scent is bright and comfortable and definitely worth a visit!

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Cairngorm Sleddogs

For Jean Andrew, this year's birthday present was a bit different!!

It was a warm day on the 3rd February 2007 when we set off for the Cairngorm's Sleddog centre in Aviemore. We arrived at a forest and then we got taken to the centre by an ancient land rover. The first thing we noticed when we got there was the barking!!! Then also the smell hit us!!! It was dreadful!!! There were about 30 dogs which were a mix of breeds and they were all barking like crazy. We got a talk by the centre owner, Alan Stewart. He looks after the centre for the Scottish heritage and also lives there. He only uses the dogs for a few months of the year, because they cannot cope in the heat. We then got a very long tour and were introduced to all the dogs and shown a small museum. After that we all had to harness up the dogs to the sled which was like a buggy. The dogs only go out once a day, so they were so excited. There was a lot of barking then we also heard a yap as one the dogs had bitten it's mothers ear. Then Mum and Carol got in the buggy and before I could even switch the video camera on, they were off!!! They got taken round a track in the forest and were shown

some wildlife and beautiful scenery of the Cairngorms.

When they got off the buggy, Mum and Carol looked windswept and wet but had smiles up to their eyebrows!!!

I would advise any one who likes a good adventure to go to the centre as it is a day you'll never forget!!!



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Young Enthusiast

Jeff Hanna is this issue's Young Enthusiast for his new found dirt biking skills.



I went to visit Jeff and he managed to take a quick time out to answer a few questions.

Q) When did you begin to ride a motor bike?

A) I started about 1 year ago.

Q) What or who inspired you into dirt biking?

A) I used to love watching Ricky Carmichael on TV and I also used to BMX quite a lot.

Q) What type of bike is it that you have?

A) I have a Sky Team 125cc Yamaha Replica.

Q) What is your favourite type of bike?

A) I have always liked the Yamaha YZ025

Q) Have you ever had any injuries whilst on the track?

A) Thankfully no, but whenever I have fallen of I have always got back onto my bike.

Q) Have you ever been in any competitions?

A) Yes I have been in one it was just a small one.

Q) How many bikes have you had so far?

A) So far I have only had one.

Young Enthusiast

Q) Have you ever been over any really big jumps?

A) I have been over quite a few high ones, the largest have been between 3 - 4ft and they are pretty hairy.



Q) Before you can start racing what safety precautions or checks do you have to do?

A) Before you set off you have to do a few quick checks. You start by pulling the front brake. Make sure it's not loose, then make sure your clutch is working. Check the back brake, make sure that the kick start is not broken, then finally check your throttle is not stuck.

Q) What do you have to wear when you race?

A) You need to wear boots to protect your ankles, padded trousers and top and a kidney belt and helmet with goggles, to prevent stones going in your eyes.

Well, thanks Jeff, that has been a great insight into dirt biking and I wish you all the best.



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Kids Zone

Music Zone

Kaiser Chiefs RUBY. This is the new album from the well know Kaiser Chiefs they have now been in the radio 1 chart show for 4 weeks and disappointingly only been number 1 once.

It is a good album and over a group of about 5 people they averaged about 7½ out of 10



MIKA Grace Kelly. This was the hidden dragon of the new year's music. MIKA took the music industry by storm. This album has been in the charts for 8 weeks now and been number 1 for 6 of the weeks and still within the top 5

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Kids Zone

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Mortal Engines by Philip Reeve. This is an old book and is the first in the series of fantastic novels. The story is concerned with London which is on the move, the city has been lying low, hiding from the bigger faster hungrier cities, but due to events within the walls of London trouble has occurred so it is time to move



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Movie Zone

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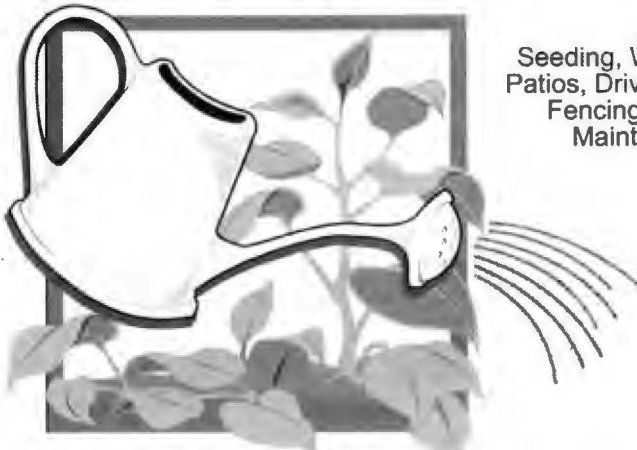
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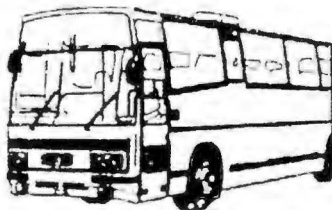
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Present

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CCllr C. Campbell, CCllr P. Doran, CCllr A.
Grave, CCllr L. Godsell, CCllr A. Johnston
(Secretary), CCllr C. Murison (Treasurer),
CCllr R. Quartermaine, CCllr S. Reid.

Apologies

There were no apologies

By Invitation

P&K Cllr K. Baird, Sgt. Steel, Constable
McLuckie, Margaret Roy (P&KC Public
Transport Unit), Lynne Kinnersley (P&KC
Community Learning Base, Kinross High
School).

Members of the Public

7 members of the public were present

01/03/07 Previous Minutes

The minutes were proposed as accurate by
CCllr Grave and seconded by CCllr Campbell.

02/03/07 Matters Arising

Bench for the Arngask Walk: The Secretary
advised that the cost of a bench of the same
type as that used on the Hilton of Duncreevie
walk was £384.64p + installation + VAT.
These benches were made of recycled
industrial plastics and were totally
maintenance free. He had also had a quick
look at benches from another company. These
were made of galvanised metal and were also
claimed to be maintenance free. The price was
unknown. It was pointed out that money for
this project might be available from Awards
for All, although 3 estimates would be
required. The Secretary was asked to pursue
this and to obtain a quotation for the
installation of the bench.

Glenfarg Postbox: The new box has not yet
appeared. The Post Office will be allowed until
the end of the month to install the box. If it is
not in place by then the Secretary will pursue
the matter.

Dog Litter Bins: Cllr Baird reported that the
details had been passed to the appropriate
department at the Council, but had been
informed that as there was no money left in
the budget for this year, the matter would be
held over.

Glenfarg Green: The Secretary reported that
the legal representatives of the parties
involved are pursuing this matter.

Glenfarg Notelets: Mr Douglas was not happy
with the quality of the scanned copies
produced by the printing company.
Accordingly this project has been shelved until
Mr Douglas has produced the 4 new drawings
that he offered, later in the spring.

Yellow Lines on Main Street at Junction with
Ladeside: The Secretary has contacted the
management of the Glenfarg Hotel who
maintained that the problem had been caused
by people attending the windfarms inquiry
and, since this had now finished, they saw no
need to put up a notice. It was agreed that the
situation would be monitored.

Community Council Website: The Secretary
reported that this should be available in
skeletal form within the next couple of weeks.
The contact details for Gavin Barwick, who
will be maintaining the site, are to be
circulated to all Community Councillors in
order that they can send him details of
forthcoming events etc., as they become aware
of them.

Letter to Mr & Mrs Kirkland: The Chairman
reported that he had written to Mr and Mrs
Kirkland to thank them for their long service
to the Senior Citizens Committee and to the
community.

03/03/07 Police Report

Sgt. Steel reported that Glenfarg was quiet as
far as crime was concerned and that most
police time in the village was spent on road
traffic matters.

The matter of the recent fly tipping in the
layby on the B996 just south of the village
was raised and the police said that they would
be investigating the matter.

The Chairman reported that he had been
approached about a wreath being taken from
the cemetery. The police knew nothing of this
but noted the incident.

It was reported that quad bikes had been
using the open piece of land at the top of the
avenue and an 8-year-old girl had written to
ask if the Community Council could do
anything about it. Sgt. Steel said that the

riders should have written permission from the landowner and that they should also have public liability insurance. The Secretary is to check with the landowner to see if such permission has been given. There were also some reports of minors being seen riding quad bikes on some of the country roads around the village. The police said that any further instances of this should be reported to them at the time.

Finally the police reminded the Council of the new penalties for using a mobile phone when driving and stated that they were running a campaign to stop this practice.

04/03/07 Treasurer's Report

CCllr Murison updated the meeting on income and expenditure since the last meeting. In response to a question from CCllr Grave he said that Community Council funds now stood at £2,359.63p.

05/03/07 Bus Services:

The Chairman introduced Margaret Roy from the P&KC Public Transport Unit who was standing in for her manager, Andrew Warrington, who was unwell. Ms Roy started by apologising on behalf of her unit for not replying timeously to the correspondence from the Community Council. Tender documents had been sent out for a proposed Tuesday and Friday service between Glenfarg and Milnathort via Duncreevie, but the one for a wheelchair bus got no response and the other for an ordinary bus came in with a quote of £14,000p.a. With the budget available to the Council this was too expensive. She also explained that the cost of retiming buses around 4pm to suit school times was also very expensive. Dedicated school buses are funded by a budget held by the Education Department and the Public Transport Unit had no control over this. The companies operating these services often registered a route to allow them to get from the depot to the starting point of the school route. These services received no subsidy from the Council and therefore the Council had no control over the timings.

Ms Roy announced that a new Number 56 timetable would operate from 16th April. This timetable would contain a new 12.34 service to Cowdenbeath and a new 11.30 service to Perth each weekday. Further, the timetable would now indicate that services starting from the village would leave from the school.

Finally she reminded members that when the last new timetable was introduced in January this year a new departure from Perth at 22.50 on Friday and Saturday evenings was featured. It was hoped that this service would allow members of the public to enjoy a night at the cinema, theatre or the Concert Hall and still be able to get public transport home. The Chairman thanked Ms Roy for taking the trouble to come to our meeting and explaining how our comments had been dealt with.

06/03/07 Community Profile

The Chairman introduced Lynne Kinnersley who is a student at Dundee University currently on attachment with the Capacity Building Worker at the Community Learning Base at Kinross High School. She has been working on the Glenfarg Community Profile and was at the meeting to explain the purpose of the document and to receive feedback. She explained that the profile was used to help enable community projects and was also used for business reasons. It was important that the information contained in it was accurate. The Community Profile could be made available via the Community Council website. She suggested that a small group be formed to identify possible community projects and get them started. The Council decided to leave a decision on this until a later date. CCllr Campbell pointed out that sports were not mentioned in the Profile and that the area hosted field sports and the village had a very active tennis club. It was also suggested that the issues around the planned Binn Farm developments could be covered. Individual councillors were asked to contact Lynne direct with any other comments that they may have.

07/03/07 Village Shop

The Secretary explained that it was most likely that the Post Office, in its present form, would be closed. However he believed that a Post Office service in the village would be maintained via one of the 3 options identified by the Department of Trade and Industry. Two of these options, the Hosted service and the Partner service, could perhaps benefit the shop. The Hosted service would be a limited hours service operated by visiting PO staff which would offer a full service including, for example, renewing of Road Tax Fund licences. The Partner service would be operated by the shop owner and would be available whenever the shop was open. It would, however, only



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Grant Smith has not yet given a clear indication as to what his intentions regarding the shop are, but if he decides that he wishes to give up the business, the community will have to consider what it wishes to do. One option is to start a Community owned shop. There is a lot of help around for doing this and there are also several sources of funding to get such a project started. There is also an example of a very successful Community owned shop nearby in Gartmore in Stirlingshire. Mr Graham, the Senior Capacity Building Worker at Kinross, pointed out that this is the type of community project that they could help with.

It was agreed that nothing more could be done until Grant Smith had made his decision on the future of the shop, and that that would probably not happen until the Post Office announced what type of service it intended to provide in Glenfarg.

08/03/07 Core Paths

The Secretary distributed copies of a map showing the area that it is proposed by P&KC be designated an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV) and included in the draft Perth Area Local Plan. Members were in general agreement with the proposal and they were asked to let the Secretary have any detailed comments by 12th March.

The Secretary tabled a map showing the public paths that Mr C Stewart plans to create on his land at Hilton of Duncrervie. This was seen as a valuable input to the Core Paths planning process.

CCllr Grave was appointed as the Core Paths representative for this Council. She will liaise with the P&KC Access Officer and will provide him with a list of landowners across whose land members of the public already walk or would like to walk.

CCllr Grave stated that she had been in touch with TRACKS concerning progress with the planned path network between Glenfarg and Duncrervie. TRACKS have been quoted a price of £75,000 for the work and are asking if the local community could organise a small

fund raising event to demonstrate that the community is behind the project. CCllr Grave would appreciate any ideas for a fundraising event. It was also mentioned that this project could be another candidate for funding from Awards for All.

09/03/07 Planning

Windfarm Appeals Update: The Chairman advised that the conjoined sessions of the Public Inquiry had now started in the Salutation Hotel in Perth and were scheduled to last until the end of the month. Thereafter we will have to await the Reporter's decision, which will probably not be given before the last quarter of this year.

Tillyrie Wind Cluster Application: The Secretary advised the meeting that P&KC had written to the applicant asking them to agree to a 6-month delay in the determination of this application. The purpose of this is to await the decision of the Reporter on the other Ochils applications.

Energy from Waste (EfW) Plant and Materials Recycling Facility (MRF): CCllr Quartermaine informed the Council that he and CCllr Campbell had attended a meeting with members of Abernethy, Earn, Newburgh and Auchtermuchty and Strathmiglo Community Councils. The meeting agreed that a letter should be sent to the Minister responsible in the Scottish Executive requesting that they call in the application. Fife Council have also written to the SE to protest that they were not consulted by P&KC on this application. The SE have agreed to delay their decision as to whether or not they should call in the application for 3 weeks to allow Fife Council to present their case.

Glenfarg Recycling Facility: The Secretary reported that this application came before the Development Control Committee of P&KC on 14th February. P&KC Cllr Baird and Mrs E Carswell addressed the committee and conveyed the community's views that the chosen site was not the best place for a Recycling Facility. The Secretary was refused permission to address the committee and this matter is being taken up with P&KC by the Convention of P&K Community Councils at their half-yearly meeting on 15th March. By a large majority, the committee decided to defer making a decision until Environmental Services had looked at other possible locations. The Secretary has written to P&K

Cllr Barnacle, who is convener of the Environment Committee, inviting him to come to Glenfarg to see the proposed site and the other possible sites. To date he has not had a reply.

Other Planning Applications:

The Secretary reported that he had received notice of an application to replace the house at Fernbank, Deuglies Road, with another house. He advised that, in his view, there were no grounds for the Council to object since the new house would be largely contained within the footprint of the existing house and it was approximately the same height. The Council agreed.

The Secretary stated that he had received details of an application to re-design the house at Plot 1 on Church Brae. The main effect of this re-design was to turn the house through 180 degrees. The Chairman stated that whilst he realised that neighbours may well have grounds for objection, he believed that there were no grounds upon which the Council could object. The Council agreed.

THE SECRETARY DECLARED A NON-FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM AND WITHDREW TO THE PUBLIC SEATING.

An application has been lodged in outline to demolish the buildings in the Hilton of Duncricvie Farm steading, fell an area of trees and build 4 houses and garages on the site. The Chairman asked Mr Johnston to give the Council his views. Mr Johnston stated that he was totally opposed to the proposed development, as were several other members of the community. A major concern of everyone was the ability of the single-track road to absorb the increased traffic bearing in mind that there are no passing places on the road. He also stated that, in his view, the proposal ran contrary to policies 1 and 32 of the Perth Area Local Plan and to the Policy on Housing in the Countryside (Dec 2005). After discussion the Council voted by 6 votes to 1, with 2 abstentions, to write a letter of objection on both policy and traffic grounds.

THE SECRETARY REJOINED THE COUNCIL

10/03/07 Correspondence

The Secretary advised the meeting of correspondence.

One item of correspondence concerned a Planning for People workshop being run by Planning Aid for Scotland and P&KC. CClr Doran will be attending and CClr Murison is on the waiting list.

11/03/07 Any Other Business

Community Council Elections: There will be no need for an election this year. CClr Cameron is not standing for re-election and CClr Godsell has submitted her resignation. Completed nomination forms have been received in respect of CClrs Campbell, Grave and Johnston and of Messrs. William Connolly and Donald MacKenzie and Mrs. Jenny Holt Brook. This means that we will have 11 councillors on the Council, leaving one vacancy to which we can co-opt a person if we wish. Because there is no need for an election the AGM will be held on Monday 26th March at 7.30pm.

Loch Leven Health Centre: CClr Campbell, as the member appointed to liaise with the Health Centre, reported on progress. Friends of Loch Leven Health Centre has been formed and is to meet every 6 months. The planning and design of the new health centre is well advanced. It is to be situated across the road from the present centre and will be bigger, have more facilities and more rooms. Building work is due to start early in 2008.

YMCA Bus: CClr Doran intimated that Mrs Lyndsey Kinnaird is organising the YMCA bus to visit the village. She is looking for volunteers to assist with manning it.

Relocation of 30 mph sign in Church Brae: Cllr Baird stated that this is now in hand with P&KC.

British Association for the Advancement of Science: CClr Quartermaine intimated that this Association was holding an open meeting in Perth High School on 17th March

P&K Cllr Baird: As this was the last meeting which Cllr Baird would attend before the Local Government Elections, the Chairman expressed the thanks of the Council for her diligent attendance at our meetings and for the hard work that she has put in on our behalf.

The meeting closed at 10.15pm

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 8th May 2007



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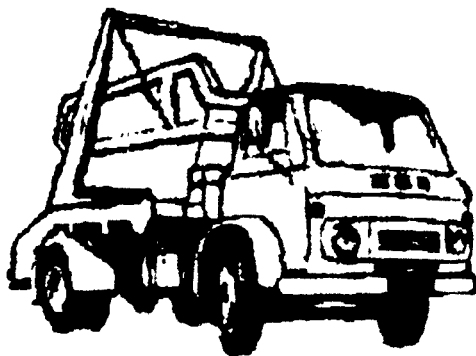
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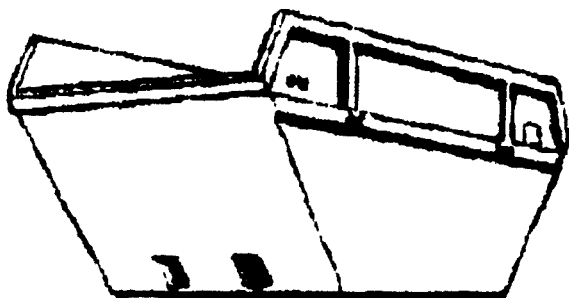
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'Certainly', said the young executive. He turned the machine on, inserted the paper and pressed start. 'Excellent' said the Chairman as his paper disappeared. 'I'll just need one copy'.

In his next job the young executive invited his new Chairman back home to dinner to impress him and show off his wonderful family. The executive had a very lively 3 year old daughter who gazed intently at the Chairman as he was trying to eat. He checked his face, his tie, his hair but could find nothing out of place. Finally it was too much and he asked her why she was staring at him. The whole room went silent as the other guests awaited her response with bated breath. 'I just want to see how you drink like a fish', said the little girl.

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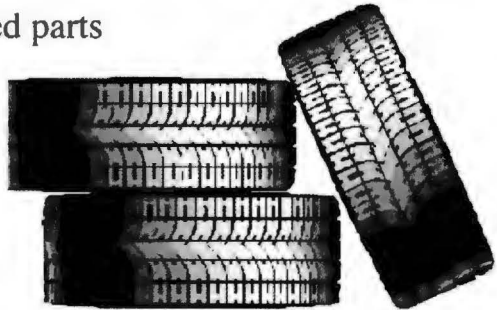
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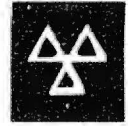


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Mobile Library

The van visits the Village on alternative
Wednesdays: 4th, 18th Apr & 2nd, 16th, 30th, of May
And stops at:

The School: 09:30-10:15

Hayfield Road: 10:15-10:30

Ladeside (P.O.): 10:30-11:15

Main Street: 11:15-11:30

Duncricvie Road: 11:35-11:50



Kirkgate Park works get underway

The first phase of a major upgrade for Kirkgate Park in Kinross gets underway this week (Tuesday 27 February) To include the provision of an extensive new children's play area, an earthwork performance amphitheatre and a labyrinth. There will also be an extensive new network of footpaths, increased areas of biodiversity with tree and shrub planting in several areas.

Mobile Bank of Scotland

Stops at Glenfarg Hotel
Tuesdays : 10:45-11:00

Glenfarg

Garden Waste Collection

Brown Lidded Bin

Friday: 13th, 27th Apr also 11th, 25th May

Paper Collections

Blue Lidded Bin

Thursday: 26th Apr & 24th May

Recycling Points:

Kinross: Causeway Car Park, Somerfield, Station Road
for cans (aluminium & steel), Glass, Paper, Textiles.

Milnathort: Thistle Inn Black Loan
for cans (aluminium & steel), Glass, Paper

Perth: Tesco, Edinburgh Road
for cans (aluminium & steel), Glass, Paper, Textiles & Books.

The deadline for the next newsletter is the 1st May
All enquiries to the Editor@glenfargnewsletter.org.uk

Duncricvie Garden Waste Collection Dates

Sat April 7th and 21st Sat May 5th and 19th Sat June