

# THE GLENFARG Newsletter

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## DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

We always try our best to make sure that your newsletter is in the shop promptly. If you would like to contribute to the June issue, please inform us with details by the **1st of May** to allow us adequate time to plan the issue. **Thank you.**

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Joe Norris from Glenfarg, a contender for BBC's Young Musician of the Year 2010 (full story pages 30-31)

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# Editorial

Isn't it nice to see the sun? After a rather relentless winter, it appears Spring may at last be upon us. As I write, it's a tad cold but bright and the Spring flowers are beginning to blossom, albeit a little later than usual this year.

Speaking of Spring, and the emergence of plant and animal life from winter rest, has anyone had the pleasure yet of spotting two unlikely animal companions in the village? It seems that 'the rabbit and the hen' (sounds a bit like the title of an Easop's fable, doesn't it?) have developed a bit of a fondness for each other. Just take a look at these best friends snuggling up together in the Church Brae area of the village! I urge you to keep your eyes peeled for this rather wonderful sight if you are down that neck of the woods.



This issue is once again packed with news, memories of years gone by, details of upcoming events and much more, reminding us all of Glenfarg as a community that we can be proud of. Please enjoy reading and keep your articles and letters coming. If you fancy turning your hand to some editorial duties, please do get in touch with one of us. We need all the help we can get, especially as we're soon to be a 'man' down while Lynsae Tulloch takes a sabbatical! We wish her well as she does so.

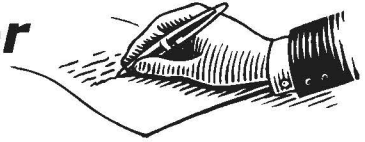
Happy Easter to you all from the Glenfarg Newsletter team.

## **NOTICE - GLENFARG BROWNIES**

Further to our article in the last newsletter unfortunately we do not have enough members to continue with a Brownie Unit and it will therefore temporarily close. The Rainbows group is large enough to operate and Brownies will be reinstated once these girls are old enough to move up.

**Emma Roe**  
**01577 830586**

# Letters to the Editor



## **Dog Fouling**

This blight on our village may be perennial but I hope that somehow, someday we will get the message across to the irresponsible minority of dog owners, that their actions are unacceptable to the majority of us. Blame is frequently placed on children taking their dogs out for a walk but I know that the culprit who walks a dog on Church Brae is a mature person. There are dog waste bins positioned throughout Glenfarg & Duncricvie so if one can't carry the bag of waste all the way home, then use the bins!! Your council tax funded them - so use them!! It should also be noted that allowing your dog to foul public footpaths is a criminal offence and if you are identified you will be reported to the police.

**Kate Armstrong** Thank you again.

## **Windlestrae Hotel Fundraiser**

I would like to thank all those who actively supported both the Ceilidh at the Glenfarg Village Hall and the Beauty Swapshop Bazaar at the Windlestrae Hotel, Kinross. Between both events over the last weekend in February a grand total of £1953 was raised in aid of the Kinross Curling Trust. A previous Curry night has put us over the £2100 mark and well on our way to our target.

It is important that people understand what a boost siting the National Curling Academy at Kinross will be for the local community in terms of tourism, business opportunities and activity for all age groups.

**Annette Bennie**



## Abernethy and Dron and Arngask Parish Church of Scotland

### Church News

The Church is coming to an important phase in its development. Two things are going to happen soon. First, we have a visit from representatives of Presbytery to see how we are doing, a bit like a church MOT. This is an opportunity to take stock of things. This is sometimes treated as a routine formality. I doubt if we can afford a routine formality these days, however, given the serious difficulties facing the Church nationally. There is likely to be an acute shortage of Ministers very soon, for various reasons.

This is a problem that will affect every church sooner or later. It will not do to see your own Minister as an insurance policy against this. No church can afford to wait until this affects them directly.

We need to think about the overall context of church life - resources (finance, people), skills (ways of doing things, training, retraining, rethinking), culture (how society has changed).

To give a specific example, the Guild at Arngask has to consider its future. The basic reason for this is that society has changed in relation to women's roles. Young women are more likely to work and have a demanding career. There is less time, energy, and attraction for young women for the Guild, which is often seen as a venerable institution.

The expression 'it's aye been' no longer applies and may be part of the problem. This brings me to the second point. The elders will have a day conference soon about the way forward for the church ('Future Focus' is the title), and one of the themes will be to bring the church and the village closer together. This is a time for bold and positive thinking. We simply do not have the luxury of playing safe, being negative or keeping quiet. We need to be candid, adventurous, and positive.

This is not simply my personal preference but what is required to give the Church any future at all, nationally and herein Arngask. This is not to say that all is proverbial doom and gloom. On the contrary the report to the Stated Annual Meeting will refer to various signs of progress. This is encouraging. This year I intend to consolidate that progress, and think ahead to next year (Future Focus!).

Among the plans for this year is to learn from the mistakes of last year's Holiday Clubs. There will be a Holiday Club for Secondary School pupils on Week beginning the 12 July, and for Primaries on week beginning the 19th July in the Village Hall.

There are three phrases perennial in church life - 'we've always done it this way', 'we've never done that before', and 'we tried it before and it didn't work'.

These are the mantras of a dying church. As we approach Easter, Christians think about what Jesus sacrificed for our forgiveness. A bit of forward planning and clear, positive, thinking is not much to ask in return.

Rev Alec Wark

**Diary Date** Communion will be celebrated in Arngask Church on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 11am.



## Church News S Club and Sunday Club

### Pudding Night

The Church S Club group held a pudding night in the Glenfarg Village Hall on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> and raised an amazing £924.50.

In the midst of all the winter weather the Glenfarg residents showed their true colours and rose to the occasion bringing along a feast of delicious puddings that would truly have impressed Gordon Ramsay and Nick Nairn.

### *The hall positively buzzed with goodwill.*

No palette was uncared for with hot puds ranging from whisky and marmalade bread and butter pudding, crumbles, hot waffles, plum puddings, sticky toffee puddings and apple pies to a sumptuous display of cold puddings carrot cake, meringues, trifles, cheesecakes, jellies, various chocolate delights and not forgetting Sadie's surprise pudding! The hall positively buzzed with goodwill, spoons clinked while the cream and custard flowed. The S club girls plus friends did a brilliant job of serving to an eager crowd, and many of the girls had spent their afternoon and Saturday in their kitchens preparing their own puddings for the night. It was lovely to see a stream of young people and children bringing in their home made delights. A heartfelt thanks goes to all generous residents who eagerly provided puddings, or gave donations towards the fund.

Thank you to the Wine Club especially Steve and Alice for encouraging people to line their stomachs with pudding before their monthly meeting, and for adding the £55 raised from their raffle that night to add to the total. A big thanks to Heather who gallantly battled through a never ending pile of dishes; fuelled by a Pavlova she entered the Guinness book of records with "nae hot water and only one kettle!" and to the background fairies who having transformed the hall to a cosy café'8e, then replenished the custard, cream, teas and coffees and tidied up during the evening. The media coverage of the Haiti earthquake has touched us all and it was evident on Sunday that Glenfarg folk are more than happy to do their bit for such a worthy cause.

### Send A Smile Appeal

This year the Sunday school and S Club have been decorating gowns to send to a Blue Peter Appeal called Send A Smile. Send a Smile campaign provides hospital gowns for children who through Operation Smile receive life-changing surgery to repair childhood facial deformities including cleft lips and cleft palates.

The Blue Peter Appeal asked children to turn unwanted t-shirts into hospital gowns. Every gown sent will saved approximately £3 in costs. Operation Smile will uses the gowns during future medical projects.

The money saved helps pay for 300 surgeries in Guwahati, India.

We are grateful to Jean Andrew's Mum for providing some of the gowns for the children to decorate.

We are planning to continue to send gowns to the appeal so donations of new plain T shirts all sizes for the children to decorate would be gratefully received.

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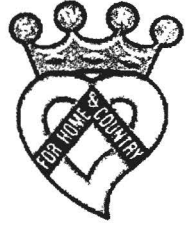
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# **GLENFARG SWRI**



## **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February meeting**

President Mrs Ursula Stewart welcomed Stewart Skinner from Sands the Ironmonger, Kinross who gave a witty and very enlightening account of the organisation that goes into the annual T in the Park at Balado.

Mrs Lesley Murison gave the vote of thanks.

Competition winners:

### **Flower of the Month:**

- 1) Liliias Johnson
- 2) Sheila Harley
- 3) Liz Yull

### **Tea Loaf:**

- 1) Jean Connolly
- 2) Helen Quartermaine
- 3) Allison Messenger

### **Tea Cosy:**

- 1) Margaret Scott
- 2) Helen Quartermaine
- 3) Allison Messenger

## **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March meeting**

President Mrs Ursula Stewart welcomed Sheila Simmers and Marion Smith from Fife whose demonstrations on savoury dips (Sheila) and an ingenious doll's cot (Marion) combined with an off the cuff comedy routine were highly entertaining and much appreciated.

Andzia Scott gave the vote of thanks.

Competition winners:

### **Flower of the month**

- 1) Margaret Cummings
- 2) Jeanette Kirkland
- 3) Sheila Harley

### **Lavender bag**

- 1) Jean Grigg
- 2) Ursula Stewart
- 3) Margot Moran

### **Dish of pate**

- 1) Allison Messenger
- 2) Catherine Fairweather
- 3) Jean Grigg

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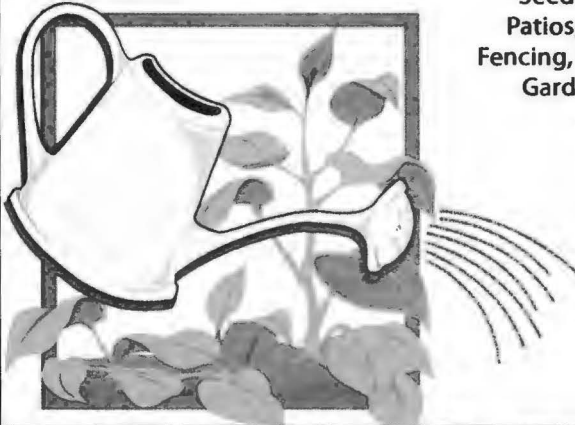
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All ages and abilities are welcome. So whether you're a dab hand at complicated socks, or just want to try something new, bring a set of needles, a ball of wool and pop in to find out more.

You can follow us on Facebook (just search for 'Glenfarg Knit and Natter'), where you could also find some snapshots of knitting projects as they develop and join our discussion boards!

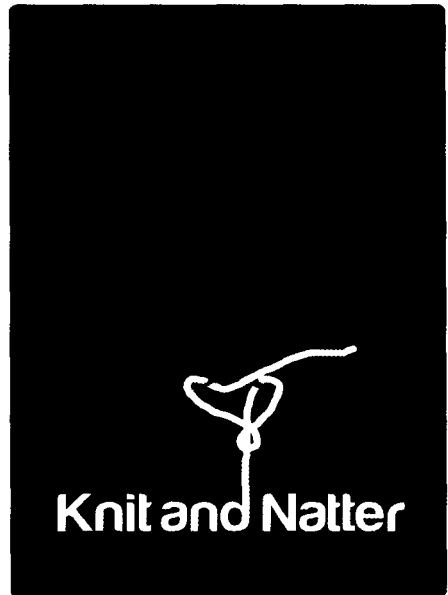
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## **CRIME REPORT**

There has been the theft of 2 signs from within Glenfarg Green. These were the two aluminium "A WALK THROUGH GLENFARG GREEN" signs that were located on the notice boards in the Green and have been stolen between Tuesday 12th and Saturday 30th January 2010. Should anyone have any information that might assist with enquiries, please contact your local Community Officer Euan Mitchell. Euan can be contacted at Kinross Police Station, by telephone on 0300 111 2222 or by email on:  
**[euan.mitchell@tayside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:euan.mitchell@tayside.pnn.police.uk)**

## **SAFETY OF GARDEN TOOLS AND OTHER ITEMS**

Now that the clocks have changed and we have more daylight hours, hopefully with better weather in store, many people will be spending more time in their gardens. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you about the security of items such as gardening tools and other garden items. In recent years, gardening machinery such as lawnmowers and strimmers have been targeted and those stored in garden sheds have been the most vulnerable. A few simple modifications may be all that's required to prevent such thefts, for example a more secure lock or a simple to use shed alarm may be all

that's needed. With regard to other items such as garden furniture, children's toys and bicycles, etc, try and ensure they are kept out of sight or preferably locked away at the end of each day and not left in full view of any opportunist thief who might be in the area. If anyone requires further information or advice in relation to any matters of security they should contact Donald Campbell, Crime Prevention Officer, Tayside Police on (01738) 892937 or your local Community Officers listed below.

## **BOGUS WORKMEN/FLY TIPPING**

Continuing on the gardening theme, we would like to remind you to be diligent in relation to bogus workmen who will call, often on our elderly more vulnerable neighbours offering to do gardening and other work. These particularly unscrupulous characters will more than likely carry out sub-standard work for vastly inflated costs. We would ask you contact Police immediately you suspect any such individuals who may be operating in your area. Another problem we have experienced in recent years, particularly in the more rural areas, is caused by people fly-tipping large quantities of garden refuse and other rubbish at the roadside. We would ask you to report any such behaviour and where

possible obtain the makes and registration numbers of the vehicles involved.

### **“TAYSIDE POLICE – MAKING A DIFFERENCE”**

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### **PUBLIC SAFETY (KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE)**

The attention of the public is drawn to a pilot project being run by Tayside Police, known as the Keeping Children Safe Sex Offender Disclosure Pilot. This is a process where if a member of the public has concerns about a person who has access to a child, they can ask the police for disclosure of their previous convictions. Disclosure of information will only be made when the individual causing the concern is a Registered Sex Offender with convictions relating to children and there is a risk. The project commenced at the end of September

and has had 25 enquires to date. There have been many productive outcomes in relation to child protection, which includes generation of useful intelligence in relation to sexual and violent offenders, which has in turn led to improved safety not only for the children directly involved but to all children in the community. Leaflets are available at all police, housing and social work offices. For further advice contact Tayside Police on 0300 111 2222, or to speak to the staff at the project on 01382 596746. The project will run until 31 May 2010. Thereafter a full evaluation will take place and a decision will be made if the process is to continue.

### **MOBILE COMMUNITY OFFICE**

The Mobile Community Office service will be available in the village between 1300 and 1630 hours on the following dates:

Tuesday 20th April 2010.

Thursday 13th May 2010.

### **CRIME STOPPERS - Telephone Number 0800 555 111**

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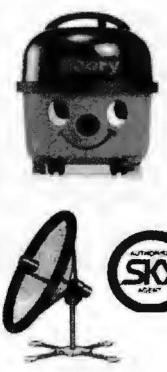
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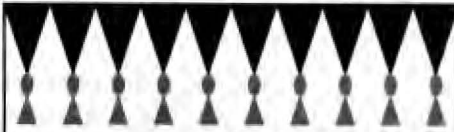
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# ***Glenfarg & Duncrevie In Bloom***

Despite the snow and the frozen ground, GDIB is still making the news. Primary 1 made their first trip to the food garden to unveil the new sign on the Green Tardis in Veg World (that's the shed to us old foggies). The sign features cartoon vegetables lead by a runner bean and was designed by Arngask children. We had a visit to Glenfarg Green by MSP Rosanna Cunningham and Parliamentary Candidate Annabelle Ewing, both of whom have expressed an interest in the work and achievements of GDIB, so we're even being heard of in Holyrood and beyond.



Readers will be tired of me rambling on about fundraising but it's all part of keeping the organisation going and thus keeping our village something that we are all proud to support. The Fun Quiz in January netted £196, and despite the complaints I've had, I didn't think the questions were hard



but then I did have the answers in front of me.

The Sponsor a Planter fundraiser is going great guns with Judith Campbell, Baxter Cooper, Bobbie Davidson, Ruby Peace, Jimmy Lindsay, Jayne Morgan, Sheila Harley and Kathleen Baird all signed up, along with the Vaughan, MacKenzie, Andrew, Swanson, Johnston, Armstrong, Parkinson, Lambie, Doran, Connolly, I Fairweather, McInnes, McLaughlin, Arnold, Brown, Clark, Rutherford, Elphinstone and Marsden households. Remember you can still sponsor a planter for as little as £1 - just contact me on 830343.

April is traditionally Spring Clean month so you can help keep your village litter free by joining GDIB's Tidy Up Days - watch Shop window for details AND you can help all year round by not dropping any litter and encouraging others to do likewise.

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### **Glenfarg Village Hall News**

Thank you to hall whom supported and helped at the Burns Supper. £1100 was raised and will be divided for Hall funds and the Scout group. It was a great evening and a 'variety' of entertainment enjoyed by all!

£150 was received as a donation from the Kinnaird family for Hall funds from the Hogmany party. Thank you.

The hall was used on the 29<sup>th</sup> January for a Pudding Night to raise money for The Christian Aid Appeal for Earthquake Victims in Haiti. The hall committee decided to pay the hall rent for the night, as their contribution to the disaster fund.

A sub committee is continuing to pursue options regarding the piece of land at the back. As an interim measure the front area (up to the cement path) will be grassed for children to play on. Beyond it to the pump station will be levelled and prepared for parking of cars. Please do use the different areas as indicated, as cars have made a terrible mess of the ground over the past months.

Emma Roe is starting a new job and we would like to thank her for help with the hall. She has kindly agreed to stay on and help with all the bookings and website. Karen McGregor is starting on the 15<sup>th</sup> February and we welcome her on board.

The hall committee continues to work on completing the snagging list of the extension and general maintenance of the main hall. A full action plan can be seen in the minutes on the notice board

The AGM is on the 10<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm. The proposed changes to the constitution will be discussed. New members to hall committee also needed and welcomed!

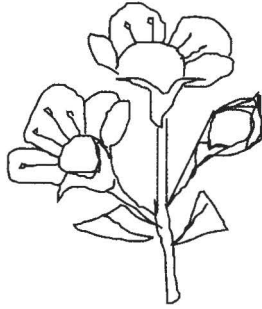
# AGM

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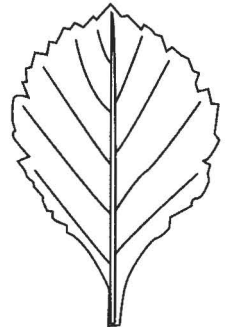
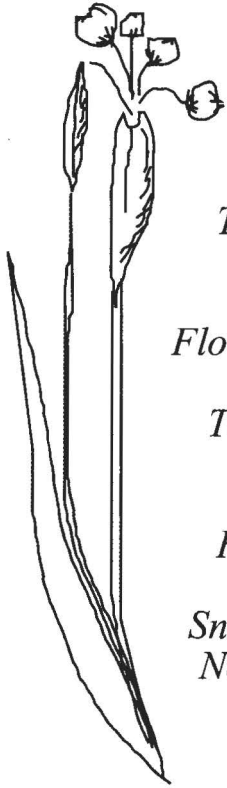
## **SPRING**

*The days are getting longer  
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What lies beneath the lair*

*Flowers will soon their heads lift high  
Up from the cold dark soil  
To cheer us up and make us smile  
As we plan our daily toil*

*For new life appears this season  
This will lift the spirit high  
Snowy winter will soon be forgotten  
Now that springtime days are nigh*

C.Fairweather



# Arngask School News

## **Book Fair**

The school, with support from the Parent Council, organised their annual Book Fair in March. The aim of the Fair is to raise additional funds for the school and a huge £510 commission was raised. This money will be used to update the school's library and reading resources.

This year the Fair coincided with World Book Day. Pupils had a special "World Book Day" assembly and were invited to dress as a character from their favourite book. All children received a "World Book Day" voucher towards a new book.

## **Fair Trade**

The school has spent time finding out about Fair Trade.

Everyone has enjoyed learning about why Fair Trade is important. The P2/P3/P4 ran a Fair trade Cafe on 5<sup>th</sup> March and all contributed brilliantly and were very attentive to their customers. They managed to raise £45 which will be split between the Fair Trade charity and the school's "Eco School" Fund.

## **2010 Year of Biodiversity**

The Green Club (formally The Gardening Club) has started again for P2 – P7 pupils. As the weather is not always reliable the pupils will have other "Green Activities" for inside when the weather is bad!

The Drama Club is busy rehearsing their play "Who Wants to be a Millipede". This will be showing during Term 4 in Scottish Biodiversity Week. Keep an eye out for ticket details.

P1/P2/P3 pupils had a visit from "Generation Science" who presented "Little Giants – Bee Show" to help the children learn about the importance of bee in biodiversity.



*P1/2/3 had a visit from 'Generation Science'*

### **BBC School Report**

This year, for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, the P7 pupils took part in the annual BBC School report and was a great experience for them all. The school plans to take part again next year with plans already in hand to improve their technical skills over the coming year.

The school report can be found at [www.arngask.pks.sch.uk/schoolreport](http://www.arngask.pks.sch.uk/schoolreport)

### **Big Bird Watch**

The P1s took part in the Big Bird Watch. They observed wild birds and have sent the information they gathered to the RSPB

### **Heartstart**

The pupils took part in the British Heart Foundation's Heartstart Programme. The P7 pupils have now completed the whole programme, including how to give CPR. They all received certificates and Helen Brady from BHF thought they were "excellent and amazing".

### **The Travel Team**

The Travel Team is part of the Eco Committee which is made up of pupils within the school assisted by Ms Strachan Eco Co-ordinator and Parent Helpers. The Travel Team worked hard to put on two assemblies. One

about wearing bike helmets and walking safely to school, the other one was "Be Bright, Be Seen!". The school has received their Cycle Friendly School Award.



*The school has received a 'Cycle Friendly School Award'*

*Vouchers currently being collected:*

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Nestle cereal box top tokens.**

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## **ARNGASK SCHOOL NEWS**

For the second year, the school/PTA Burns event was a great success. Last year's Burns Supper was followed this year by a Family Ceilidh and the school kids parents really made it a family affair.

The evening raised £380 which directly funded a visit to the school by a travelling theatre group; a most worthwhile accomplishment!

M/C for the night and the man who made the whole thing flow sweetly was Euan Dunn and he started by introducing Glenfarg's own poet laureate, Jimmy Douglas who entertained kids and adults alike with his poems and dogerell. The Girlings, Mary and Alexander both, just created the most wonderful atmospheric music on their accordians and the ceilidh band was completed by the village Von Trapps, David and Lotte. Moray Swanson mesmerised us with a virtuoso fiddle solo, while willows were stripped and sergeants dashed (not to mention Gordon!) to a remarkable standard due to the choreographic tuition of Mandy Arthur and Mrs Anderson. What a difference they made!

There were great stovies conjured up by our two chefs in residence, Pete Vincent and Neil Clarke, piped in by the chieftain of the bagpipe race, Ralph Hepburn.

It's great to see so many adults willing to involve themselves in school and after-school activities. It's the spiral of success; the more people participate, the more fun it is!

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# **Glenfarg Charity Walk**

Taking part in the Edinburgh Moon Walk last year was great fun but we couldn't help thinking that the £100 sponsorship which the organisers recommend you raise in addition to the £40 entrance fee is a significant amount for people to find, particularly with many feeling the effects of the credit crunch.

What's more, on reflection it was the training walks in the countryside around the village that we all particularly enjoyed about the whole Moon Walk experience. It got us thinking that with more and more villagers participating in the Moon Walk or similar Charity Walks, wouldn't it be great if Glenfarg could hold a Charity Walk of its own. By organising our own local walk, people could simply pay a fee to enter and all the proceeds would go to our nominated charities – no need for expensive administration costs and no need to find all that sponsorship money.

So that's just what we've done!

The Glenfarg Charity Walk will take place on the same date as the Moon Walk but it will be more of a Sunrise affair. There will be 3 different levels of walk that people can enter, each with its own entrance fee to reflect the distance walked:

20 miles – Entry £40 (Start time 6am)

10 Miles – Entry £20 (Start time 6am or 9am)

5 Miles – Entry £20 (Start time 9am)

This year the proceeds will go to:  
**British Heart Foundation and  
Dementia Care**

We're delighted that we've already had a healthy number of people registering for the Walk but we could really do with some helpers on the day. So if you don't feel you can manage the Walk, why don't you help out by manning the route. Any volunteer First Aiders would also be much appreciated!

To celebrate everyone's achievements, we'll be joining up with the Wine Club later that afternoon for a Barbeque. Starting at 4pm the Barbeque will be held in the garden & cellar bar of the Glenfarg Hotel. Tickets are £10 and available from the village shop.

So, if you can help in any way with the Walk, please contact one of us:

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**Elaine Maclaughlin** - Tel: 830525 -  
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# Young, British and Outrageously Talented!

That is how BBC producers Humphrey Burton and Walter Todds described their search for young musicians in 1978 when The Young Musician of the Year Competition was conceived. Thirty years later it has become a national institution, every 2 years, and this year Glenfarg and Duncricvie are very proud that Joe Norris, who is in his sixth year at Perth Academy reached the UK finals in the Woodwind Category.

BBC Young Musician of the Year has no lower age limit for entry but competitors must be under 18 when they apply. Joe had to impress a panel of judges firstly in the Scottish heats, then off to London for the UK-wide round. The five best performers were chosen

to contest the woodwind category final, which is televised. His 15-20 min performance on the clarinet in the BBC Hoddinott Hall in Cardiff is to be broadcast on Friday evening, May 7th. To give some

background a BBC film crew also took some film footage of Joe at home, at school and playing the sax with friends Lillian, Rachel, Bob, Alex, David and family Marguerite and Graham, at Glenfarg's Burn's

Night Supper in the village hall. Many of you were there and were filmed by the BBC crew, so watch out for yourselves on the 7th May. Of his experience in the category final, Joe said "It was terrifying under the studio lights... the waiting around was the worst bit though. However, I loved it and felt I did myself justice - I didn't want to make a fool of myself on national TV and was happy with the way I played'. So, what happened next? "You'll need to watch on the 7th'. Would you do it again, Joe? "No, definitely not'. Why not? "I'll be too old!"

Joe is now working hard towards his final school exams and hopes to follow in the footsteps of his brothers and study music at University next year.



**Anne Sutherland**

# Cat Stane

When I was attending junior school in the village I envied the boys whose parents had 'The Wireless'. They listened to the dance music of Henry Hall and the BBC Dance Orchestra and were able to sing or



whistle the songs performed by the crooner of the day (without body language).

We had to be satisfied with an old gramophone and about four records – *A Shanty in Old Shanty Town*; *Tiptoe through the Tulips*, *Handel's Largo* and *Tales from the Vienna Woods*. I can remember every word of the Shanty song to this day. The gramophone was a one foot square wooden box, a turntable and pick-up on top and front doors that opened and closed to vary the volume.

With little or no indoor entertainment we looked outside for interest and amusement and were taken up by nature's icons or by man-made wonders of the age.

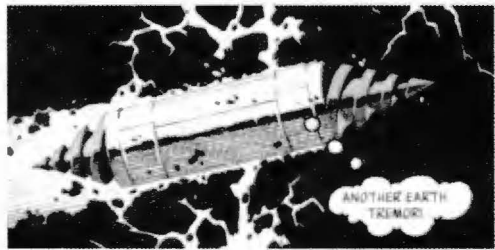
I remember the Seasons being marked by sowing and harvesting and visiting the large rocking stone which could be rocked by the hand of a child like me and the Cat Stane of the Farg with its pools, waterfalls and fish. I also remember the mechanical wonders of the Old Mill, the waterwheel turned by the water of the Farg, through shafts and belts to turn the circular saw of the joiner's shop.

We had no windmills in Glenfarg but we did have wind pumps where the whirling blades did not drive a mill but pumped water from an underground source upwards to serve the farm. It was said that Laird Elder of New Hill abandoned his wind pump replacing the power source with a petrol engine. When

asked, 'But does it work?' he replied, 'It's there and it works but how it works no man knows'.

If you scan an old map of Glenfarg or Damhead circa 1890, you will see it clearly marked about half way up on a line drawn from Arngask Steadings to the top of the hill behind the lip of the old quarry known by some as Bramble Brae. I was about 7 or 8 years old when I first set eyes on the stone but the image has remained with me since. I have to guess about size but it must have been about 5 feet long, 3 feet across and roughly 2 feet high. On its rough surface were three quite deep indentations. The first conveyed nothing to the observer, the second was the rough outline of a large animals paw mark, but the third was a perfect pug mark of a very large member of the cat family. Each pad was clearly defined, deep and smooth to the touch. I ran my fingers into the cups and marvelled at its perfection.

Bill and Bunt Deas from Hollybank Sawmill got the tuppenny schoolboys weekly storybooks and they passed them to me - *The Rover, Adventure* and the *Wizard* - so I was familiar with tall tales to fire the imagination. They featured tales of 'daring-do' around the earth, from Pole to Pole and outwards to the planets. Giants, ants the size of dogs threatening the world, the Black Sapper who had a mole-like



machine (a cylinder with a corkscrew either end which enabled the Sapper to jump inside, pull a lever and burrow deep into the soil and rock emerging just in time to rescue the maiden in distress). The stories spanned the ages from prehistoric man to an incredible future so it was not

difficult for me to imagine the world a million years before and a sabre-toothed tiger standing on the hill watching watching Woolly Mammoths walking in line down the valley where the motorway now lies.

The stone did not lie on a well-trodden path to any place of interest so it did not catch the attention of passers-by or wandering boys.

I do not recall a second visit until I returned to the village when the war ended in 1945 so I viewed it for the first time as a man.

I scanned the stone's surface expecting to experience again the thrill of my childhood but the stone had given up its secrets and there was no recognisable feature to be seen. I felt cheated. Perhaps my memory had not served me well. A moment's reflection however made sense of the change. In the twenty years or so since my first encounter with the stone it had suffered from

summer's heat and winter's wind, frost and snow. If the rock had remained within the quarry's walls the footprints that had thrilled me, would have remained intact, perhaps forever.

I expect the stone will be still be visible today and with 60 years of wear it will be smaller, perhaps sunken and certainly not worthy of a second glance.

I wonder why I did not ask the village elders how the stone came to be there. Was it blasted far into the air, landing on the quarry's rim? Was the railway there and did it help in the removal? Was the stone dragged to its resting place by a team of horses rolling it along on logs? Did it feature in the news of the day? Is there any mention in historical records? Somewhere, I'm sure these questions will be answered...

**Bob Bell**



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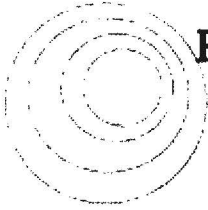
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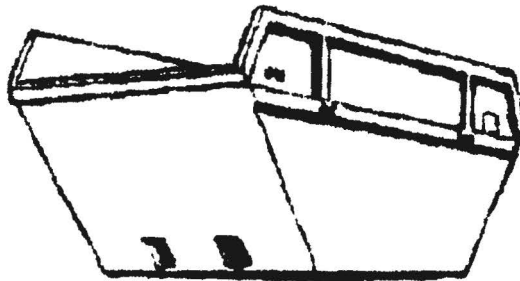
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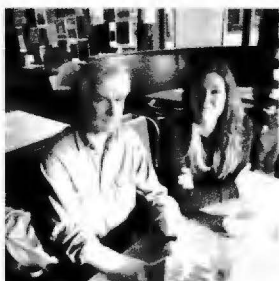


# **Glenfarg Village Folk Club**

Unless otherwise stated, events take place in The Glenfarg Hotel, starting at 8.30 pm

## **Monday 5th April**

**Members £5, Non-members £8**  
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## **Monday 12th April**

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## **Other upcoming events:**

**April 26<sup>th</sup> Alan Taylor**

**June 7<sup>th</sup> Joe Topping**

**June 14<sup>th</sup> Les Barker**

**June 21<sup>st</sup> Mike Silver**

## **Contact details:**

**David Aird: 01577 830370**

**Doris Rougvie: 01337 831403**

**Glenfarg Hotel: 01577 830241**

**Email: [info@glenfargfolkclub.com](mailto:info@glenfargfolkclub.com)**

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Doris Rougvie 01337 831403  
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Hugh Hoffman 01337 831403 or  
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# **RED CROSS APPEAL WEEK**

**2 - 8 MAY 2010**

It's that time of year again when our thoughts turn to The Red Cross Appeal and, as usual, we hope to collect throughout the village during the week of 2nd - 8th May. Last year we raised over £900 locally through your generous donations and we are hopeful that we can match, or indeed better, that total in 2010.

Sadly disasters and emergencies around the world are a fact of life and The Red Cross is on hand to help meet the ever growing humanitarian need in crisis hit areas at home and abroad.

However, here in Glenfarg, **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

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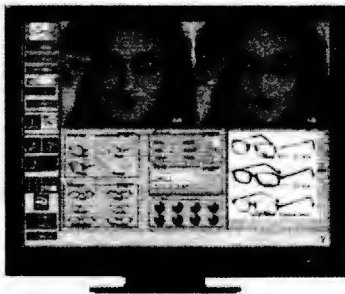
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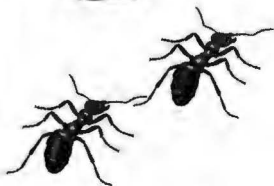
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# **Glenfarg Community Council**

## **Draft Minutes of Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2010**

### **Present**

CCllrs Armstrong, Bruce, Connolly, Doran, Johnston, MacKenzie (acting Chairman), Murison, Quartermaine, Vaughan and co-opted CCllr Grave

### **By Invitation**

Cllr Baird, George Lawrie (TRACKS) and Joe Richardson (Convention of P&K CCs)

There were no members of the public present.

### **Previous minutes**

Minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> Jan proposed by CCllr Johnston, seconded by CCllr Connolly

### **CPKCC**

Joe Richardson outlined the role of the Convention and indicated how it may help CCs in their work and in areas of IT.

### **Matters arising from previous minutes**

Lomond Hotel – appeal has been upheld. Council agreed that Chairman write to developers

expressing a desire that work on clearing site etc. may now proceed in the very near future.

TRACKS – CCllrs Campbell, Johnston & co-opted CCllr Holt Brook met with George Lawrie at Hilton. TRACKS keen to adopt path from Smiddyhill to Hilton and to viewpoint. Plans are to improve Smiddyhill end exit subject to negotiations with landowners.

Path at Deuglies ongoing.

Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator – Clarification of “job spec” required from police.

Binn eco Park – Presentation at Arngask school was reasonably well attended by public and 4 Cllrs.

### **Police Report**

No police officer present. No report.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Bank balance of £514.97 includes Administration grant increase.

External examiner/auditor to be appointed following constitution clarification

School fund to be topped up by interest of maturing investment

bond.

Website invoice – clarification being sought before payment

### **Planning**

Drunzie – outwith our area but letter of objection lodged on grounds of road safety fears.

### **Windfarm Sub Committee**

Letter being sent to Press highlighting our difficulties in obtaining co-operation from P&KC in ensuring that Inquiry reporter's conditions are met. Cllr Bruce updated those present on correspondence and lack of response from all levels, including Chief Executive, of P&KC.

Community Benefit Fund – Cllr Baird is to seek advice from other CCs in receipt of such funds on determining amounts and handling. Glenfarg CC to continue to work with Bridge of Earn CC and a joint meeting will be arranged as convenient after Cllr Baird's report.

### **Correspondence**

NSPCC literature & poster - not relevant to Scotland. Appropriate information already available in Tayside

### **Sent Correspondence (non planning)**

Chairman to Quality of life Trust – Letter appealing against refusal of grant for Clock tower Restoration  
Secretary to Newsletter editorial team – letter of thanks for their service to community

### **AOCB**

Nominations – No nominations have been received. Date extended to 15<sup>th</sup> March. All CCllrs have nomination form

M90 roadworks – Resident's complaint that queues on M90 for over 8 weeks has resulted in many regular users of southbound carriageway diverting at Bridge of Earn and travelling through village before rejoining M90 at Mawcarse. Excessive speeds also being noted. Secretary to contact Police and Bear Scotland.

Dog Fouling – this blight on our footpaths continues. Article again to be inserted in newsletter stressing that this is a criminal offence and dog owner may be prosecuted.



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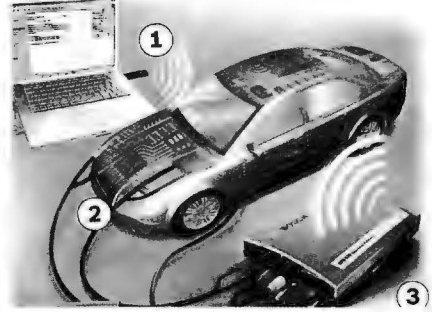
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### Library

The van visits the village on alternate Wednesdays:

14th & 28th April; 12th & 26th May; 9th June

And stops at: The School: 09:30-10:15

Hayfield Road: 10:15-10:30

Ladeside : 10:30-11:15

Main Street: 11:15-11:30

Duncrievie: 11:35-11:50



Bank of Scotland: Stops at Glenfarg Hotel every Tuesday 10.45-11.00

Mobile Post Office: Stops outside The Old Joiners workshop, Ladeside, Glenfarg on the following days and times:

Mon 11am-12noon; Tues 12.45pm-2.15pm ; Thurs 11am-12noon; Fri 12.45pm - 2.15pm

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## Recycling

### Recycling Points:

**Glenfarg:** Arngask School car park for cans, paper and glass

**Kinross:** Causeway Car Park, Sainsbury's, Station Road for cans, Glass, Paper, Textiles.

**Milnathort:** Thistle Inn, Black Loan for cans, Glass, Paper.

**Perth:** Tesco, Edinburgh Road, For Cans, Glass, Paper, Textiles & Books.

### Skips:

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**Perth (Friarton Recycling Centre):** Open Mon -Fri 9am-7pm, Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

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## New kerbside recycling service: Waste collection dates

### Glenfarg

Green lidded bin (*Non-recyclable waste*): Mondays 5th & 19th April; 3rd, 17th & 31st May; 7th June

Blue lidded bin (*Paper, cardboard, cans, plastic*): Mondays 12th & 26th April; 10th & 24th May

Brown lidded bin (*Garden & food waste*): Thursdays 8th & 22nd April; 6th & 20th May

### Duncrievie

Green lidded bin (*Non-recyclable waste*): Thursdays 8th April & 22nd April; 6th & 20th May

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Brown lidded bin (*Garden & food waste*): Saturdays 3rd & 17th April; 1st, 15th & 29th May

