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We always try our best to make sure that your newsletter is available promptly at the start of every even month. If you would like to contribute to the October issue, please inform us with details by the 1st of September to allow us adequate time to plan the issue. Contributions should reach us no later than 15th September.

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Editorial

A huge Hello to all, to say that I have big boots to fill, I fell is an understatement - but I'm looking forward to the challenge! Originally hailing from Edinburgh, it wasn't long before I felt I didn't belong in a big city. I am (proudly) a country girl at heart. Moving into the village just over five years ago, I have come to know many of the villagers, helped along by having two ~~monsters~~, children at the primary school.

I have become very proud to belong to Glenfarg. Not only are its villagers friendly and helpful, but it has a lot of hidden history to BE proud of. There was the Crafts winner in the last issue, but in this one, we have:

- The prize winning chickens.
- The longest rail line in the UK.
- The attraction of Glenfarg over London!

- A growing football support,
- And a community ready to support and nurture all who bide within its boundaries, and then some.

Having children gives me a somewhat different look on many things, brighter, happier, and I hope to inject some of the fun that life in our little village has to offer.



The Aardvark, whom is yet to be named (see competition on page 24) is my gift to the Glenfarg kids. He will take shape in a seasonal section looking at local wildlife, plants and with photos, drawings and articles from and too the kids. Aside from the Aardvark, I hope to showcase all that is great in this little village that has come to be so very much my home. I look forward to hearing from you all and live up to expectations.

Deborah Widley

Letters to the Editor



Glenfarg's Romin' Folks

Saturday 4th of June dawned cool, but dry, and bode well for some of our older residents from the village to depart on their annual bus run. This year's destination was Braemar and High Tea at the Fife Arms Hotel. The bus left the village at 10.30am and headed for Brechin Castle Garden Centre where there was the opportunity to have a bite of lunch as well as browsing the garden centre and shop. The journey to Braemar took us through scenic Aberdeenshire via Banchory and Stonehaven arriving in Braemar in time for an excellent meal at the Fife Arms. The final portion of the day found us returning through Glenshee and Blairgowrie arriving back in the village at around quarter to eight in the evening. All in all an excellent day encompassing the beautiful Scottish countryside, Highland hospitality and best of all a rain free day.

Judith Stake

Summer Holidays SCREAMS!

Dear Editor,
It has come to our attention that on some streets the older children seem to be creating a lot of noise in the evening time. Shouting, screaming and being very disrespectful, please let us have our evenings peace, not to cancel the fun but to bring back a little respect for others.

Anonamous

Village Life For Us

Dear Editor,

This is just a little letter to say how much I am enjoying village life. Myself and two young children moved here a little over a year ago and have been struck by the friendliness of the locals. It's a completely different life from the center of Perth and I hope we shall be here for many years to come.

Abbie Ross

Questionnaire Winner Collects Prize

Annette Eadie returned from holiday to the pleasant surprise that her completed newsletter questionnaire form had been drawn to win the £25 shopping voucher. She was equally surprised to see that the anonymously donated prize appeared to be a bank note from a little known bank called the Bank of Glenfarg which is legal tender in the Glenfarg Village Store. The photographer left Annette browsing the wine and Champagne shelf.

Kate Armstrong



Dates for your Diary

Your at-a-glance guide to events of interest in and around Glenfarg over the coming weeks and months. Let us know what you think of this brand new feature!

Date & Time	Event	Place and other information
Monday 15th August 7-8pm	Knit & Natter	Church Hall
Tuesday 16th August 9:15am	Kids Back To School	Arngask Primary School
Wednesday 17th August 9:30-11:30am	Glenfarg Baby & Toddler Group	Village Hall
Sunday 21st August	Sunday Club Resumes	
Monday 22nd August 8pm	Ladies Badminton Resumes	Village Hall
Sunday 28th August 12.00 Noon	Duck Race! BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Candy Floss, Pop Corn & Much More!	Glenfarg Hotel
1st September	Kids competition deadline!	Editor@ glenfargnewsletter.org.uk
Thursday 8th September 7:30pm	The Rural' Glenfarg SWRI	Village Hall
Wednesday 21st September 6-7pm	Rainbows and Brownies Resumes	Village Hall
Friday 25th September	Back to Church Sunday	
Saturday 24th September 2011, 9am	Glenfarg Charity Bike Ride	Leaving from Glenfarg Hotel

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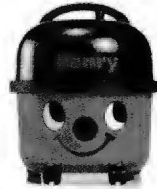
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Scout Camping Competition

Douglas Wood

After the school concert, Andrew took four scouts through to Douglas Wood campsite, Dundee to represent Glenfarg at the district camping competition. The other troops at been there for several hours by the time Struan, Calum, Cameron and Malcolm arrived and the scouts had the tents pitched in record time.

It was the first time Glenfarg had been represented at the camping competition for several years and the scouts learnt a lot about what the judges were looking for. Next year they will all have note books and pencils to record the feed back at inspection, not just the patrol leader.

Their ability to pitch the patrol tent impressed the judges as the other patrols were sent to see how to pitch the tent properly.

Unpacking the kit was a revelation – either they hadn't used any of the cooking equipment (but the food had gone) or they know the standard of cleanliness of cooking equipment expected by their leaders and had everything spotless. The tent was packed with all the guylines tied up and all the

pegs had been scraped to remove the ground. We were very impressed by the excellent condition the kit came back in – keep up the standard.

The scouts all enjoyed the competition and are keen to participate again next year. They have learnt not to go helping other patrols too much, as that allows the opposition to take advantage of your skills and win the competition.

Christine Morton



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SEE THE CHANGES FOR YOURSELF

Take the opportunity of our new courtyard bus.
24 hours notice required.

A Village "Hall for All"

The editors' quick guide to regular village hall organisations. Does anything take your interest? Why not come along!

Regulars:

Day	Time	Organisation (contact details if known)
Mondays	9.30am-10.15am	Zumba
	6pm - 7.30pm	Cubs (Christine Morton christine.morton1@tesco.net)
	8pm-10pm	Ladies Badminton (Annette Eadie - 830 547)
Tuesdays	5.15pm-6.15pm	Beavers (Jacquie McMillan jacqueline.macmillan@tiscali.co.uk)
	7.30pm-9pm	Yoga (Caroline Waring - cswaring@yahoo.com or 830 239)
Wednesdays	9.30am-11.30am	Baby & Toddler Group (Claire Silcock - cmqs1@btinternet.com or 830 781)
	6pm -7pm	Rainbows & Brownies (Emma Roe - emma_j_roe@btinternet.com or 830 586)
	8pm-10pm (in Winter)	Badminton (Ced Wilkins cedric.wilkins@gmail.com)
1st Wed of month	12.30pm-1.30pm	Soup and Chat (Lindsay Kinnaird - 830 337)
	7pm-11pm	Accordion & Fiddle Club (Stewart Smith isobelsmith45@btinternet.com)
Thursdays	4pm-6.15pm	Tap (Rachel Webb geowebb@btinternet.com)
	7.30pm-9pm	Scouts (Andrew Vaughan andrew.vaughan@upm- kymmene.com)
Saturdays	9.30am-10.15am	Zumba

SANDY IS COCK-A-HOOP!

In the last newsletter we brought you the story of Jet, the Glenfarg dog who won this year's Crufts. In this edition we bring you yet ANOTHER local supreme champion!

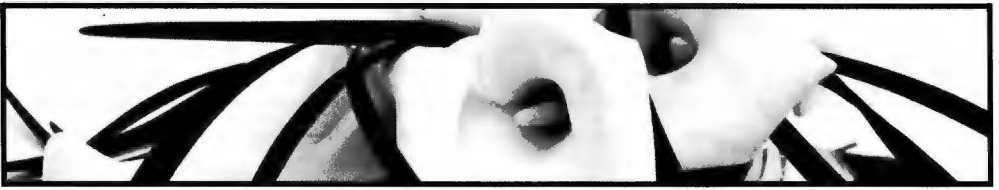
Sandy Cumming, who lives in Duncreevie, won, together with his son John, the top prize of Supreme Champion with a Scots Grey at the Scottish National Poultry Show in January beating over 3,500 other entries. Since then he has also triumphed at the regional shows held in the Borders and Fife. These are just some of the many wins for Sandy over the years; last year for instance he took some of his Scots Greys, Scots Dumpies, Wells Summers and Old English Game birds to the Poultry Federation Show in Stafford which attracts over 7000 birds from all over the UK and abroad. There he won several Best in Class awards. Sandy's birds are highly sought after and past customers have included Princess



Anne, the Princess Royal. (A Royal Warrant has yet to appear on the side of Lilac Cottage!).

Sandy has been involved in poultry breeding for over 40 years and this is now his main focus since retiring as a timber contractor some 16 years ago. He works in partnership with his son, John, who lives nearby and, of course, his wife, Margaret. When he is not exhibiting his birds, he is much in demand as a judge at poultry shows so keep an eye out for him if you visit an agricultural show around the UK.

Dave Arnold



What's In A Name?

I is for jolly good fun ... always ready for a jaunt ... kept her garden like a jewel box ...

Expert driver ... elegant lady ... embroiderer extraordinaire ...

Accomplished & artistic ... auburn hair in a gleaming cap ...
aeroplane excitement with Alistair ...

Neighbour par excellence ...

Comforting in a crisis ... container plants ... children ...
crossword puzzles ... cakes (ah, those coconut macaroons!) ...

Letterwriting - long ones ... love of music walking, swimming,
scrabble, dogs - especially boxers ... laughter (often
hysterical) ...

Abroad with Harold - amazing travels & adventures ...
autobiography? they should have penned their life story! ...

Reading ... racing TT history and Formula One enthusiast ...
roses ... relaxing at Barley Mill ...

Keys! frequently mislaid ... kindhearted ... knitting genius ...

A little bit of whats in a name,

Remembering Jean Clark 1928 - 2011



Jeans Marvelous Macaroons

Ingredients

3 cups (lightly packed) sweetened shredded coconut*

3/4 cup sugar

3/4 cup egg whites (about 6 large)

1 3/4 teaspoons vanilla extract

1/4 teaspoon almond extract

9 ounces bittersweet (not unsweetened) or semisweet chocolate, chopped.

6 tablespoons heavy whipping cream.

Preparation

Mix first 3 ingredients in heavy large saucepan. Cook over medium heat until mixture appears somewhat pasty, stirring constantly, about 12 minutes. Remove from heat. Mix in 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract and 1/4 teaspoon almond extract. Spread out coconut mixture on large baking sheet. Refrigerate until cold, about 45 minutes.

Preheat oven to 300°F. Line another baking sheet with parchment. Press 1/4 cup coconut mixture into pyramid shape (about 1 1/2 inches high). Place on prepared sheet. Repeat with remaining coconut mixture. Bake cookies until golden, about 30 minutes. Transfer to rack and cool.

Set on rack over rimmed baking sheet. Stir chocolate and cream in heavy medium saucepan over medium heat until melted and smooth. Remove from heat. Mix in remaining 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract. Spoon glaze over, covering almost completely and allowing chocolate to drip down sides, or dip bottom into the chocolate. Refrigerate until glaze sets, at least 2 hours. (Can be made 1 day ahead. Transfer to airtight container and keep refrigerated.)



Finalised Waste Management Plan



(available online)

The finalised Perth and Kinross Waste Management Plan for 2010 to 2025 is now available from the Council website.

Developed by the Council to provide a clear direction for managing household and commercial waste, the plan was approved at the Council's Environment Committee in November 2010. As part of its development, a public consultation exercise was carried out to gather views on how waste should be dealt with in Perth and Kinross in the future.

An online version of the finalised plan is now available on the Council website to view or download at www.pkc.gov.uk/wasteplan. Further information about the plan and details of the consultation exercise are also available from this page.

For more information, please call the Customer Service Centre on 01738 476476 or email recycle@pkc.gov.uk

New system for callers to Parking Services

A new system is being put in place to record telephone enquiries made to the Council's Parking Services.

From Monday 20th June 2011, anyone making a call regarding parking fines or Blue Badges will hear a new message advising them that their calls will be recorded.

Callers telephoning the new service number, 01738 477211, will also be advised to have their reference number ready and that if they are calling to appeal a fine, they must put their grounds for appeal in writing to the Council. During busy periods, an answerphone service will operate asking people to leave their name and number.

The recording system has been introduced to help with the administration of complaints and appeals, and in addition reflects the Council's ongoing zero tolerance policy regarding abusive behaviour against its employees. This approach has also been supported by the introduction in 2009 of high-tech mini-cameras worn by parking attendants.



GLENFARG FOOTBALL CLUB

Saturday 25th June saw the culmination of the 2010/11 season for Glenfarg FC at their dinner dance presentation evening held at the Glenfarg Hotel.

The Club President, Mr Jimmy Gourlay welcomed players, their partners, club officials, and guests. He extended that welcome to Kevin and Liz Whyte representatives from one of the clubs shirt sponsors, Lochleven Windows.

The club honours were presented by Liz to the recipients;

The PPOY trophy was donated to the club by Ms Bobbie Davidson in memory of her nephew Callum who played for Glenfarg in the eighties and



Rab McCaish with the MPOY trophy

past away with cancer at an early age. We are sure the trophy will sit proudly on Andy Knowles mantelpiece for the coming year.

Following the presentation the evening concluded downstairs in the Terrace Bar where revellers danced away into the early hours. A huge thank you to the hotel staff for looking after us so well.



Andy Knowles receives the PPOY trophy

Jimmy thanked everyone in his speech that has helped make the rebirth of the football team such a success. Whilst there is still a long way to go both on and off the field it was felt that firm foundations have been established in such a short space of time.



Ali G, most improved player

The plans for 2011/12 season on the field are to strengthen the squad and push for promotion, off the field external work on the changing rooms is required and the gent's toilets need attention.

Busy times lay ahead for the committee and players, who would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of the village for their support throughout last season and look forward to the same degree of support next season.

Andrew Leeds



Carol Fairweather head of laundry

The changing rooms have been refurbished along with new shower facilities and the funds from the village fate of 2010 allowed us to put the ladies toilet block into a more comfortable state, including new toilet pans, repairs and repainting.

Silver Surfers Support

Libraries throughout Perth and Kinross will be continuing their support for Silver Surfers' Day, which this year is being held on Friday 20th May.

Silver Surfers' Day is aimed at helping older people to develop digital technology skills.

Participating libraries will provide the opportunity to surf the web for the first time, see what the internet has to offer and send emails.

Some libraries will also be offering help in areas such as researching family trees, beginning digital photography and using social networking sites like Facebook and Twitter to keep in touch with friends.

The free, one to one sessions, which are usually one hour long, can be booked in advance by telephoning your nearest



participating library, listed below. Staff will be happy to advise on what they have to offer. If you have yet to take that first step into the wonders of the internet or if you want some help with something a little more advanced, please give us a call:

AK Bell Library: 01738 477060
Auchterarder Community Library: 01764 661435 (please note the Silver Surfers sessions here will be held on Tuesday 17th May)
Blairgowrie Community Library: 01250 872905
Loch Leven Community Library: 01577 867205
North Inch Community Library: 01738 454406
Strathearn Community Library: 01764 657705

Adaptive technologies for people with visual disabilities will also be available in some libraries - please ask for details.

Computer and internet taster sessions for beginners are available at selected libraries throughout the year. For further information contact your local library.

Restarting Clubs

Ladies Badminton

Resumes fully on Monday 22nd August in the Village Hall from 8pm. New players are always welcome to come along and play, whether you have not played for a long time, or at all, or are very good, there is room for players of all abilities. Contact Annette Eadie.



Knit and Natter

Will be back on Monday 15th August. This group meets in the Church Hall on Monday evening from 7-8pm. Knitters of all abilities are welcome to come along. If you are new to the craft, you can learn and receive help if needed. See the range of projects being tackled by others, share wool, patterns and ideas, and enjoy a bit of a natter. Contact Inneke Watt if you would like to know more.



The Glenfarg Baby & Toddler Group

The Glenfarg Baby and Toddler Group recently enjoyed their summer outing to Noah's Ark in Perth. The kids had a great time playing in the ball pools, climbing, running, sliding and jumping while the parents had an even better time drinking tea and coffee and enjoying cake!

The group has now officially ended for the summer but instead we will be meeting up in the park each (dry) Wednesday morning at 9:30, so please feel free to come along and join us for a chat while the kids play.

We will be starting again in the village hall from Wednesday 17th August, 9:30 - 11:30. If you want to find out more please call Lucie on 01577 830801.

London to Glenfarg

Our little shops evolving story!

Now that we have just passed, our six-month anniversary as your local shopkeepers, I felt that we would like to check in with a progress report.

When we arrived at Glenfarg in mid December 2010, we didn't really know what to expect. I can honestly say that the few weeks prior to that move were some of the

most stressful in our collective lives.

As we were buying an ongoing business, the handover had to be quite precise, the plan was to move into the house on 17th December, take over the shop at close of business on Saturday 18th after we had carried out a stock take and agreed a stock purchase figure, piece of cake right?

The problems started when we heard the long term forecast was for severe snowstorms all over the United Kingdom for that weekend.

I called Grant, (previous owner) and he very kindly said that we could move in early to try to beat the snow. Next we heard that there had been some issue with the solicitors who weren't happy with some of the 50 year old boundary details. The sign over would now be



delayed until after the holidays! We were homeless, and desperate. Again Grant came to the rescue, told us to move in, take over the business and proceed as if the shop were already ours. Those of you familiar with Scottish property law will know that this is absolutely unheard of. We eventually signed over mid January.

I use the above point to illustrate the unbelievable generosity of spirit that we have encountered since moving to Glenfarg, having spent so much time in a city where people would step over you if you were lying unconscious on the street; this incredible kindness was such a breath of fresh air.

London living teaches you to be very insular and self reliant, it's impossible to be like that here. Glenfargians seem to embrace life; everyone seems to be busy all the time, long term residents must be very well accustomed to it by now, but from an outsiders perspective the positive mental energy of the villagers is quite astonishing!

We feel that we are still complete novices as far as running a local shop is concerned still only been in the job for

six months, we rely upon your constant input to let us know if we are providing, and where we can improve on the existing services and products you require.

We have recently applied for a 10pm alcohol licence, this does not mean that we want to open till 10, just that the licence is in place should we, in the future, want or need to.

Work will be starting soon to re-open the door from the shop into the house, and we are planning some more structural work on the house and store rooms at the back of the shop, this should cause minimum disruption to our customers but we ask for your patience just in case there is a bit of dust and noise. We will be re-painting and tidying up the outside of the shop at the end of the building work Davie Meldrum, local master carpenter has recently completed our new community notice board and it looks brilliant! The lettering was kindly donated by our celebrity artist and all round good guy, Mr Jimmy Douglas. The dynamic duo are also responsible for the new village shop signposts you will see on main street, we are so grateful for their help, not only with these projects but also their ongoing support and encouragement.

The notice board fills nearly the entire window; we would ask that posters are kept where possible to A5 size (half of A4). Also we have been having a lot of people from neighbouring villages asking us to put posters up advertising their businesses we have started refusing to put these up, partly because of the space issue and partly because Glenfarg has its own Gardeners, Electricians, Window cleaners etc. We would like to

keep the Community notice board for community notices.

Our Pay point machine has been operational for a couple of months, and we wanted to make sure that everyone knows about the services we are now able to offer.

The terminal not only provides phone top ups, but all other household bills can be paid through the machine, Electricity, Telephone, Council tax, T.V Licence. We have also signed up for a scheme where we can have parcels dropped off and collected.

By the time this goes to print our newest purchase should be in place, it's a double door upright freezer. We listened to your requests for us to stock fresh fruit and vegetables and we did try, but found that we had a lot of waste, so we thought a compromise would be that we would continue to stock fresh potatoes, carrots and onions but also provide you with frozen Cauliflower, Broccoli and other Vegetables, we also want to increase our range of ready meals, frozen pastry and desserts.

Just in case any of you were not aware, we recently introduced 'Fresh Cream Cake Fridays' and it has proved to be so successful that we have been upping the order nearly every week. We can also pre-order any of your bakery needs, birthday cakes etc. Just give us a few days notice and we will take care of it.

Once again, we just wanted to say thank you for making us feel so welcome. We look forward to being your local shopkeepers for a very long time to come.

Mark T. Crossey



Stronachie Whisky

It was 1890 and Bain was his name, a hero of sorts was his claim. In almost impassable decimated roads of all weathers, it was his job to drive the cart to Milathort railway station, to introduce the country to our little glens amber secret, Stronachie whisky.

Grown from the wilderness of our fair glen, the distillery was built by Alexander and Macdonald.

Yet it was a far cry from the big business as we know it today. Water from the burn, peat dug locally by the distillery staff and local farmers supplied most of the barley needed. It was very much a community endeavor all the way.

He was eventually replaced by a steam tractor engine which pulled laden carts along the already weary worn roads to the railway. However in the 1920's the village revolted as their roads were by now unusable, a solution was needed!

Bill Pascoe, a Devon born man, was their answer. He drove the specially built a new petrol engine Guy tractor along a purpose built track for the distillery. Although only to a farm two miles from the distillery at the time it was considered Britain's longest private distillery line, from the farm it was loaded onto trucks and traveled the roads to all corners of the United Kingdom.

In the first three decades, the whiskey industry was plagued by troubles, plight after plight, it left the scotch whiskey industry battered and bruised, unable for most to recover. The distillery was dismantled in the 1930's with such great sadness, felt by the whole community.

Today all that remains of the once impressive bonded warehouses, mill-wheel and distinctive round bricked chimney are only a few large stones and small walls. A legacy brought back to the wilderness from which it began.

The name Stronachie lives on. After finding a 1868 bottle with unparalleled taste, Dewar Rattray picked up the mantle and it is still in production today, sold all around the world!

For a small village in a little glen, lost in the vastness of Scotland's countryside - how mighty acorns grow!

Glenfarg, proud to belong.

Deborah Widley

Give your feet a Treat



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"Hopefully summer will have arrived by the time this article is published, and we can all sit outside enjoying a refreshing glass of wine.

There is nothing better than a well chilled glass of rose or a crisp chilled glass of white wine whilst taking in the summer sun.

In recent years the quality of white wine has increased in leaps and bounds, in the past it was sometimes a total lottery to find a white wine that tasted lovely and fresh and not like paint stripper!

But thankfully today we can buy good quality white wine at a reasonable price that will nearly always have a pleasing effect on our taste buds.

The wines that are particularly suitable for drinking on their own are Sauvignon Blanc from New Zealand and Chile, Fiano from Sciliy, Gavi from Italy, Grenache Blanc from France and Verdejo from Spain. Serve them well chilled, and try some smoked almonds and dried fruit as accompanying nibbles. Its worth noting that these types of wines should be drunk as young as possible, none of them are suitable for laying down for future drinking.

The same rules apply to Rose wines, but try and buy varietal wines such as Grenache, Syrah (Shiraz) and Carignan, you will find the taste a lot more intense than blended Rose.

If you fancy a BBQ and are undecided which wines to crack open, then if you are having meat try slightly chilled Red wine.

Whilst it is generally thought that red wine should be only served at room temperature, try slightly chilling for 30 minutes or so before drinking, The effect can be quite surprising. This works particularly well with Pinot Noir, Gamay (Beaujolais), Corvina, Tempranilo (Rioja) and Cabernet Franc.

I was once sitting in a bar in Toulon, and I was given a jug

of ice to go with my carafe of red wine!

So all we need now is the sun to show itself and we can relax and enjoy ourselves with a glass or two, and good company to help it go down!

This month, I recomend Villa Maria Cellar Selection Pinot Noir from Marlborough in New Zealand.recommend Villa Maria Cellar Selection Pinot Noir from Marlborough in New Zealand. Its full of Strawberry and Bramble fruit, and is definitely one for chilling before drinking. (from Majestic Wines"

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Craggan Cub Camp May 2011

Grant, Elliot, Jack and Aidan



Joyce volunteered to take Grant, Elliot, Jack and Aidan to the district cub camp at Craggan, the scout and guide campsite near Muthill. There were more than 100 cubs from all over Perth and Kinross at the event. Heather, who helped transport the cubs and equipment to the camp, reported back that the boys just got on with the job and by the time she left had their tents pitched with one pair sitting reading their books and the other two sorting out their beds. The cubs participated in four different activity bases on the Saturday, pitching and striking a patrol tent, backwoods cooking, bridge building and ceramic painting. Evening activities started with a camp fire. Each pack had to perform a short entertainment. The boys had been practising at Jack's house and Grant led them through a

very successful "wee cock sparra". Campfire was followed by supper then a "night hike" and four very tired cubs crawled into their tents and slept all night.

On Sunday there were a variety of games. Jack said that the best thing about the camp was sleeping in the tent on the Saturday night. Grant, Elliot and Aidan thought that backwoods cooking on the fire was best and the rugby was good. Joyce says that the cubs were well behaved and gave her no problems and that she would take them again.

Christine Morton



Waiting to go home!

Glassart Den Camp



Six scouts, 5 explorers and 4 leaders headed off to camp in Glassart den the last Friday evening of the school holidays. Squeezing all the kit and bikes for the weekend into the trailer and cars took a bit of doing. The explorers were trying out their new tents, vango chinooks, purchased using a grant from the cash back for communities fund. Once it was starting to get dark the whole camp went off to play signal sardines where Michael

Cameron and graham watching Struan and Calum cook tea.

Cummings was the only one brave enough to wander the forest on his own to find where the sardine was hiding.

Firelighting at breakfast time was easy as there was plenty of kindling to collect and the wood was dry. Inspection and flag break followed breakfast.

The explorers unloaded the bikes from the trailer and checked they



David riding in the forest.

were in working order then they were off mountain biking in the local part of Pitmedden forest with their mountain bike leader Alasdair. He showed them how to move their weight around the bike to maintain maximum stability. Jordan was the only one to not stay on his (borrowed)bike.

The scouts worked on their forester badge in the community woodland with Andrew and Graham, pruning the trees by taking the branches off cleanly



Struan supervising Niall's technique .

and identifying the trees they were working on.

After lunch Alasdair took the explorers further into Pitmedden and Robert and Andrew checked over the scouts bikes to ensure



Andrew working on Gavin's bike.

they were road worthy before taking them mountain biking in the forest. Struan and David managed to cycle up the field to the gate. Cameron said he had never ridden on anything like those trails before and was keen to do it again.

After tea the camp played rounders until it was dusk. They were sent out in their tents



Michael, Sarat and Liam in one of the Cash Back grant tents.



The explorers, Sarat, Liam, Michael, Jordan and Niall.

groups to complete an orienteering course. Niall and Jordan were the only group to complete the course with no assistance. Graham and Michael



David, Michael and Gavin cooking tea.

went round last collecting the punches and the glow sticks.

Sunday morning was more leisurely as there was no mountain bike leader arriving. After breakfast the scouts showed the explorers how to clean the dixies properly,

returning them in a condition ready for storage until the next camp. Following a short game the camp went to do some serious tree pruning in the adjacent community woodland to make the area lighter and more accessible.

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Arngask Church News

Arngask Church

The Church has a number of plans to do strengthen its position. We will undertake a stewardship programme in September which focuses chiefly on using our time, talents, and skills. The old model of the faithful few doing most of the work is now failing. We need new energies and new talents to do new things as well as the established things. We need to keep a constant and realistic watch on our finances. We believe there is more scope for giving more effectively, especially by gift aid which has never been easier or simpler. Most people who don't go to church say it is because no-one asked them. The greatest loss of church members is people moving house and forgetting about, or slipping out of, the church. Both of these can be remedied on Back to Church Sunday, the 25th September. In the Earn valley area, church people will be encouraged to ask someone to come to church. That way the difficult first step is a great deal easier. That Sunday will also be Harvest Thanksgiving and I propose to have a Songs of Praise service that night in the

Village Hall. This has proved to be a popular venue.

Sunday Club will resume on Sunday the 21st August, and there may be a weekend Holiday Club to precede it if helpers are available! So keep eyes and ears open.

As you can see our plans for Arngask Church are only positive.

Rev Alec Wark

Sunday Club

It was nice to see the children and their parents turn out in full for the Prize Giving Service on Sunday 19th June and the taking part in the service. In the afternoon the children and their parents had a most enjoyable summer outing to Active Kids at Stanley, and the sun did shine!

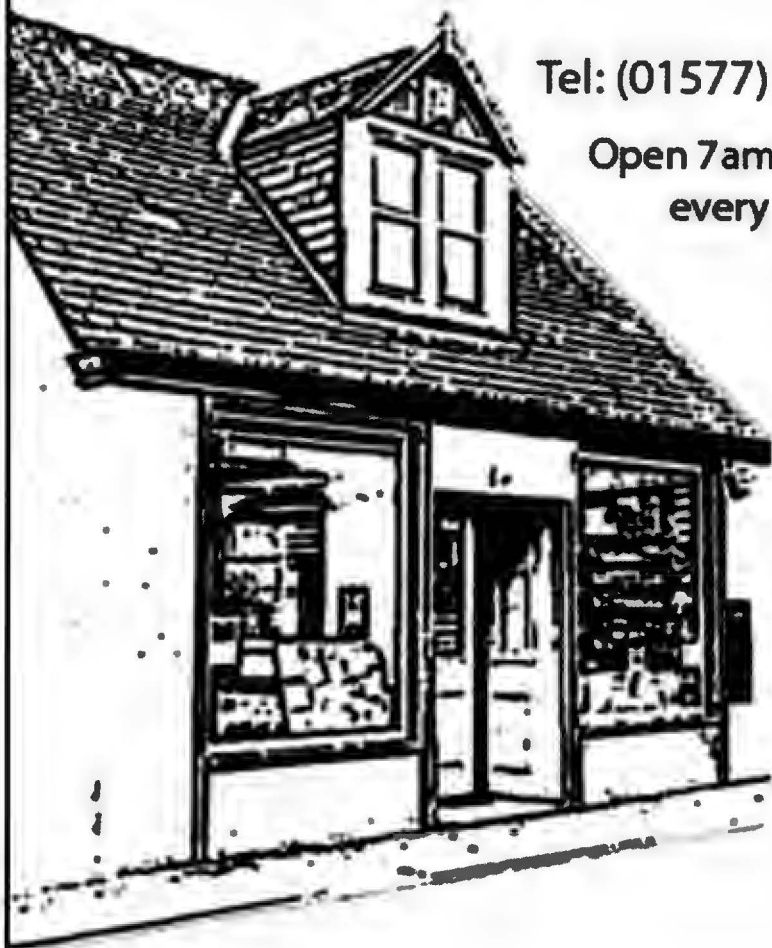


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Explorer Scouts Kayaking Lochore Meadows June 2011



Ben, Ally, Scott, Liam , Duncan, Sarat, Scott.

Seven explorers and two leaders kayaked in the cold water of Lochore one Sunday morning. There are no photos of the event, cameras and water don't mix very well and trying to capsize your explorer leader is par for the activity. The group with two instructors set off for the deep water channel between the island and the shore. We were split into two teams to play canoe polo, four against five was a bit unbalanced when the four were Ali, Ally, Christine and Sarat.

Duncan paddled around trying to fill the other's boats with water. We all ended up on the beach emptying the water out the boats before continuing round the island. We pulled the boats ashore on the far side of the island and practised seal launches from the bank. Not wearing spray decks for seal launches isn't good, some of the boats took in a lot of water as they dropped off the bank nose first into the water. Some were a creditable imitation of a submarine. One of the

instructors had persuaded us to lie back on the boat and try paddling. A very disorientating experience. Ally and Scott persuaded the other Scott to try leaning over to the side. The instructor showed Scott that it was possible. Unfortunately Scott didn't spot the spray deck and tried to copy the instructor – the next thing he knew was he was swimming.

We tried paddling with our eyes shut, none of us could keep the boat in a straight line as we headed towards the jetty. Paddling backwards was much easier than with eyes shut. With Ben holding onto the marker bouy we rafted up. One person had to get out of their kayak run along the other kayaks and back to their boat. At least that was the object of the exercise. First to try was Duncan. He progressed slowly along the back of the boats, dipping everyone's cockpit into the water as he went before falling off. Liam changed the technique going quickly along the front of the boats before going in off the end – he successfully kept his glasses on.

The rest of the group followed Liam's example with varying degrees of success. Ali tried to do a front flip of the last one and managed to get half way round. With most of the group in the water we headed back to the shore pulling or pushing our boats. Ali almost managed to climb back into his without assistance. It was noticed that Ally was the only one who hadn't be in the water – that was soon rectified. The boats were pulled onto the shore with water spilling out of the cockpits. Once emptied the explorers refloated the kayaks and tried the pirates of the Caribbean trick of walking under the upturned canoe. The kayak has very little space so they borrowed a Canadian canoe and found this far more successful. The session ended with the instructor holding the upside down Canadian balanced on the end of the jetty and the explorers using it as a slide to enter the water.

Thanks to Ben and his mum for booking the session at Lochore meadows.

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Some of you may well have been aware of Tayside Police's Social Media pilot scheme that had been running at the beginning of the year. As a result of our reshuffle in May which has led to PC Euan Mitchell being posted as the Community Officer covering Glenfarg again, anyone that was following

PC Nicola Ward at @GlenfargPC should now change to follow **Euan at @BridgeofEarnPC** for updates on the Glenfarg area.

Although the pilot scheme has now finished, and whilst the review of this is still being carried out, Euan is still regularly 'tweeting' information and advice relating to his area. For this free and extremely useful and informative service log on to Twitter.com to find out more.

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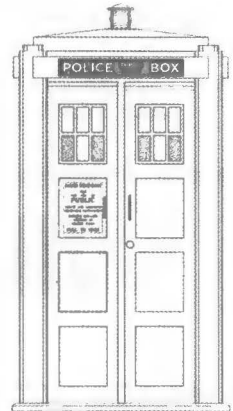
In recent months there has been an increase in thefts from insecure vehicles. Portable satellite navigation equipment and in-car entertainment equipment such as MP3 or 4 players have become increasingly popular with motorists - however they also become very popular with criminals.

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In offering general security advice, Tayside Police would urge people to ensure that their cars are always locked when left unattended – no matter how short or long a time that is. Very few cars nowadays are locked manually, with most being locked remotely. Nevertheless, drivers should double check their doors to ensure that they haven't inadvertently "double-clicked" the fob remote or pressed the wrong button. Always ensure that windows are fully closed and that any items of value or personal belongings are not left within an unattended vehicle and certainly never left in open view.



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On behalf of fete committee
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The cute and fluffy side of the fete!



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Saturday 18th of June at Wallace Park saw an uncertain fete bloom with the support of its community regardless of what mother nature threw at it! Compared by our smiley faced clown (pictured above), the village fete complete with the fancy dress parade, dancers, ice creme, popcorn, archery, plants, books, tug-a-war, a delicious BBQ, a well stocked bar, and so much more was witness to villages from all around come and enjoy themselves in good company!

Tess, Frazer and Ellie show off their Circus skills!





Regardless of how much was sold over the counter, there had to be some consumed on the other side of the bar! Perhaps that might have led to grown ups determined to beat the kids at tug-a-war, alas it did not bode well in their favor!



If you ever wondered how many people could fit in a marquee, you just waited until the rain returned and all that sat outside the bar, were sheltered within its walls until it was safe to sit down outside once again.

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Jungle Rock!

What a challenge for P 5 – 7 at the Primary School this month! With Mrs Gordon having been away on secondment since August, the usual after school drama club had not taken place, so with only a few weeks left before the summer the question was... could the pupils still put on a show?

The answer turned out to be yes!

In one week only, working every day, and with the help of assistant director Kirstin Doran, the upper primary pupils managed to put together a fantastic show including music and dance numbers. The story focused on groups of lions, rhinos and monkeys, fighting over the jungle and unable to live together peaceably once some lumberjacks arrived and started cutting down the trees, forcing them all close together. Disagreements grew into arguments, which then blew up into fights. All seemed lost until the intervention of Eddie, a strange hybrid creature who introduced them to the delights of the committee system. Even then they struggled until he agreed to be chairman, but in the end, of course, the animals learned to share and get on, and the final chorus saw them finally seeing off the evil lumberjacks.



The evening began with a great start by Primary 1 – 4 who, in the same one week timescale, had prepared 3 jungle-related songs with the help of Dave Watt, who does so much for the school. Their two-part singing of “Wimaweh” left the audience not only humming along but smiling broadly. What an amazing achievement by such young children in such a short time.

The music and dancing were incredible considering the songs and routines had been put together in only 5 school days. Acting in the show was of course up to its usual brilliant standard. In all the pupils provided an extremely entertaining show which had the audience laughing in the aisles. Cameron, Fraser and Erin’s “Chariots of fire” I am sure will never be forgotten!

Sue Gordon



Lumberjacks Rock Too!

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A seasonal taser for all to try!

At this time of year there should be lots of summer berries around to make a simple Summer Pudding for a change. It tastes delicious and is well worth making at least once per year. You can vary the proportions of fruit as long as the total weight is 450g. The availability of frozen fruit mixtures would let you adapt the recipe any time of year. Shops, and possibly a few Glenfarg gardens, will have summer vegetables available to make this tasty vegetable soup.

Janet Little

Simple Summer Pudding

230g raspberries
140g black currants
80g red currants
100g sugar
3 or 4 slices white bread, crusts removed

1. Lightly butter or oil a 500ml round bowl.
2. Rinse all the fruits, remove stalks and any that look musty. Place in a saucepan with sugar and a tablespoon of water and cook gently until all the sugar has dissolved and the juices start to run. Don't overcook because that spoils the fresh fruity flavour. Try to keep the fruit as whole as possible.
3. Put the first slice of bread in the base of the bowl, then arrange alternate fruit and bread layers, finishing with a slice of bread; keep back a couple of tablespoons of juice for later. Cut small pieces of

bread to fit the gaps so that the whole of the top is covered. The bowl should be almost full to the top. If needed use a spatula or knife to ease around the inside of the bowl to ensure there are no trapped air bubbles.

4. Cover the top with a saucer or small plate and place a weight on top e.g. a small can of sweet corn. Make sure there is a large plate under the bowl to catch any overflow and when the fruit has cooled, put it all in the refrigerator overnight.

5. To serve – turn the pudding out onto a serving plate, pour the reserved juices on the top and cut into slices. Lovely with cream or thick yoghurt.



Provençal Soup

- 1 medium onion – chopped
- 2 small leeks – sliced
- 2 small carrots – chopped
- 175g courgettes – sliced
- 175g stringed green beans 2.5cm slices
- 225g tomatoes – skinned & chopped
- 6 tblsp olive oil
- 1.2l hot water
- half tin haricot beans – drained salt and pepper
- 50g macaroni
- small jar of green pesto

Heat oil in a heavy pan. Cook onion and leeks until soft, pale golden. Add hot water and carrots, bring to boil, season and simmer 20 minutes. Add courgette, sliced beans and tomatoes then simmer a further 15 minutes. Add the macaroni and haricot beans and cook another 10 minutes until tender. Adjust the seasoning before serving, placing half to one teaspoon of pesto in each bowl before adding the soup, stir. Serves 4.



Gone to Lunch (or dinner)

First let me say that it's not only ladies who lunch - sometimes us menfolk are allowed to indulge ourselves with some fine food, and it is on such occasion that I find myself drawn to The Roost Restaurant in Bridge of Earn.

It is now 3 years since chef Tim Dover and his wife Anna took over The Roost and introduced a fully licensed, a la carte quality dining experience with extensive use of fresh local produce and last but not least great service. Tim and Anna are great enthusiasts when it comes to taste and quality with Tim making his own bread as well as sumptuous cakes, scones and pastries, for which I can frequently find myself having morning coffee in Bridge of Earn. The lunch menu manages to cater for all taste buds but the smoked haddock, lemon & chive risotto is to die for, especially with its drizzle of one of Tim's own infused herb oils.

When it comes to Dinner it gets even better, if that's possible, and I've had the pleasure of going along to several wine tasting dinners when Tim, working with his wine supplier, creates a 5 course set menu dinner with complimenting wines. Rumour has it that he is considering hosting a whisky tasting dinner in the future. I've certainly got my name down for that one.

Plaudits for The Roost have come from many Scottish press restaurant reviewers in addition to all food guides. I could ramble on all day about The Roost but the Newsletter doesn't have enough pages so check out www.theroostrestaurant.co.uk or better still don't take my word for it, pay a visit and see for yourself.

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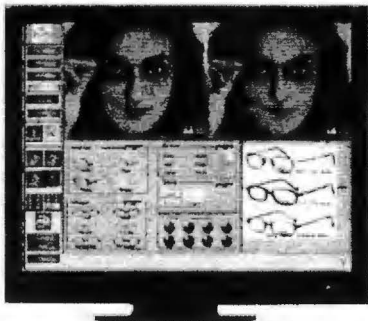
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No sooner had I finished writing the GDIB article for the last newsletter when a cheque for £50 was received from a lady who moved from the village several years ago but who still keeps in touch with all that happens in Glenfarg. We were delighted to thank her and to tell her about the new area being developed next to the school. GDIB will be contributing £500 plus a further £500 in kind to this project which, by the time you're reading this newsletter should be well underway.

The wet Saturday of the fete did not put off the plant buyers and the wonderful donations of vegetable plants, flowering plants and even tree saplings were soon snapped up.

Catriona's Plant Creche was certainly well used as buyers opted not to carry their purchases around with them for the whole day. Monty, the watering vehicle, made a guest appearance and even managed to recruit some people who would like to receive regular e mail updates on what GDIB is up to and how they may join in. If you would like this service just give your address to Sybil or Donald and you'll be added to the list.

GDIB would like to thank the Fete committee and Glenfarg Community Council whose approval of our application will fund 3 cuts of the verge grass by Brian Todd, our local landscape man.

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Rainbows & Brownies*

This is just a little note from Emma McLoughlin.

Emma will be taking over from Tricia Mulrine in September and just wanted everyone to know that Brownies and Rainbows will be staying open as usual, but they are looking for more young girls to join the ranks!

So if your up for fun and friendship, why not get in touch?

Emma looks forward to hearing from you.

Brownies are aged 7-10 and Rainbows are aged 5 -7, and that we will still be meeting in the village hall on Wednesdays between 6 and 7 (apart from the 1st Wednesday of the month).

The first session after the summer holidays will be on Wednesday 21st September at 6pm until 7pm.

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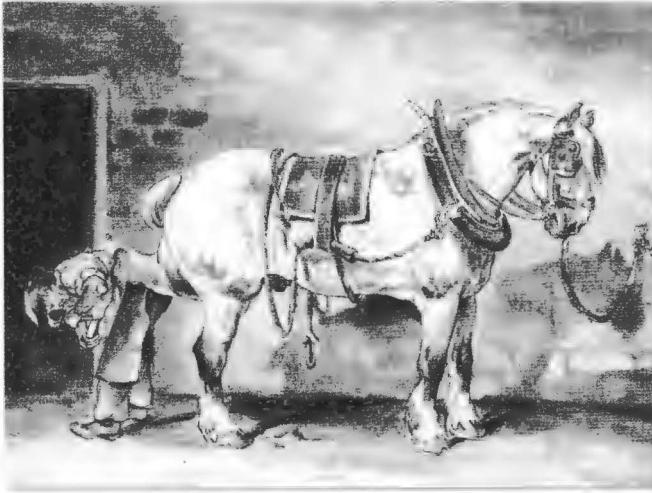
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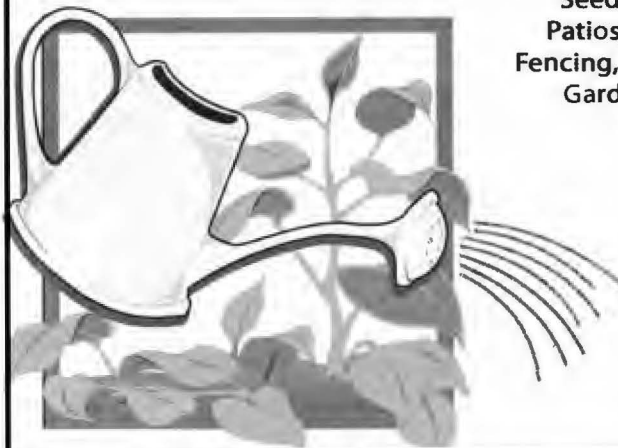
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Our President is Mac Stewart, -830469- and she will be delighted to give you any information that you require.

We hope to have a varied programme to suit everyone and welcome old and new members to our 2011-12 session. We have been asked to entertain at two other Rurals and will take part in various activities in the greater organisation from craft classes to the ever-popular "Ruralympics" and the various social events that crop up during the year. We are a friendly crowd and don't bite so please, if you are interested, come along and join us.

See you all in September and best wishes for Kinross Show!!



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Help Perth and Kinross hit the 50% recycling target

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With a current recycling and composting rate of 47% (subject to verification from the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency) for the year 2010-2011, hitting the 50% target by March 2012 is achievable: but only with the help of all local people. By setting the recycling challenge at the start of Recycle Week 2011, it is hoped that householders will embrace the idea and, whether they are already avid recyclers or just the occasional recycler, make a real effort to reduce waste where they can, and recycle as much of their waste as possible.

So what can you, as an individual, do to help meet the 50% target?

For households who receive the Kerbside Recycling Service, making sure your recycling and food/garden bins are used to their full capacity is an easy way to help increase recycling rates. At this time of year, residents with gardens can make full use of their brown-lidded bins for their garden waste as well as food waste. Studies carried out by the Council over the last few years have confirmed that food waste remains the largest single waste type found in householders' green-lidded (general waste) bins, so there is still plenty of scope to put this into your brown-lidded bin instead.

With a wider range of materials now accepted in blue-lidded bins such as aerosol cans and rigid plastic containers e.g. fruit punnets and yoghurt pots, it is now even easier to recycle even more at the kerbside.

89 Recycling Points are located throughout Perth and Kinross, most of which offer glass, paper, cans and cardboard recycling. There are also eight larger Recycling Centers where residents can recycle all these materials, plus electrical equipment, garden waste, timber, scrap metal and many other kinds of household waste. Textiles can also be recycled at all Recycling Centers and most Recycling Points, ranging from bed linen to shoes to old and unwanted clothes.

To help residents keep up with the latest news, campaigns and information on ways to reduce, reuse and recycle their waste, as well as updates on progress towards our 50% recycling target, Perth & Kinross Council has established an email alert system. It's easy to sign up to, just go to www.pkc.gov.uk/emailalerts and select Waste and Recycling News.

For further details on recycling in Perth and Kinross including Recycling Centre opening hours and Recycling Point locations, please contact the Customer Service Centre on 01738 476476, email recycle@pkc.gov.uk or visit www.pkc.gov.uk/recycle



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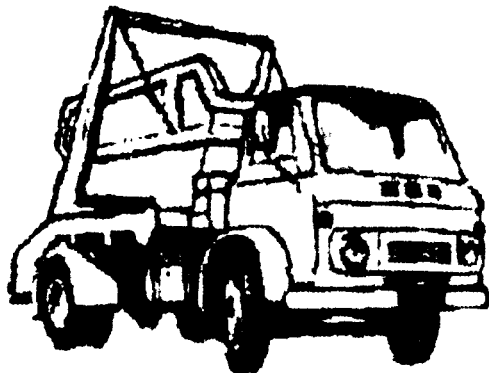
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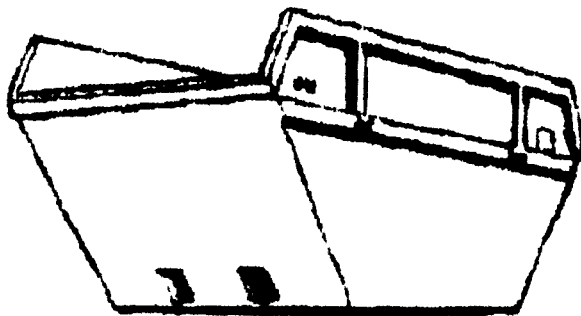
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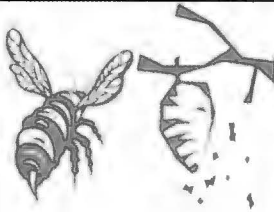


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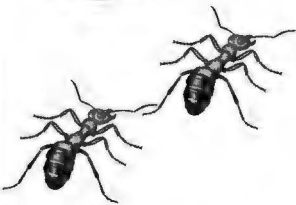
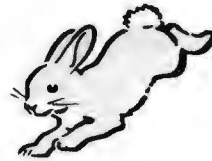
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Glenfarg Community Council

Glenfarg Community Council Draft minutes of meeting held on 27th June 2011

Present

CCLlrs Armstrong, Arnold, Campbell (Chairman), Connolly, Johnston, Macpherson, Murison, Watson & Vaughan

By Invitation

J Lockhead (AJ Stephen) & PC Mitchell

Apologies

Cllr Baird, CCLlrs Mackenzie & Ponton

Previous Minutes

Proposed by CCLlr Johnston & seconded by CCLlr Connolly

Matters arising not covered elsewhere in agenda

1. Oil Buying Syndicate - GCC will have no direct involvement in this.
2. Community Spirit Award sign – no update
3. Train Stop landscaping – work to commence in July

AJ Stephen Development

Jim Lochhead of AJ Stephen gave an update on the plans for the development of the site south of

Wallace Park. He highlighted the current downturn in the building industry and indicated that it is unlikely that site will be developed in the near future. It is now required that a development of this scale (40 houses) has a public consultation prior to submission of planning application and it is envisaged that such consultation may take place late 2011.

Police report

There have been 3 crimes in area since last meeting namely theft of diesel from landfill site, break-in at garage in Elm Row and attempted break-in at BP site.

Bogus workmen have been reported in the Bridge of Earn area and PC Mitchell stressed the need for all to be aware of this risk.

There has been many reports of “Asian/Indian” telephone calls seeking computer details or other personal details. Several of the CCLlrs present had been targeted and PC Mitchell again stressed that this was a scam and could lead to fraudulent activity.

Neighbourhood Watch – The village shopkeepers have agreed to become the NW Co-ordinator and will be point of contact for police. A request is being made for refurbishment of all signs and a new supply of information for residents.

Chairman Campbell thanked PC Mitchell for his involvement at the fete and the Street Sports for All stages, namely the formation of a programme. It was very successful and enjoyed by many at the fete.

Treasurer's report

School Prize Fund balance £9.41 after paying £100 for this year's awards.
GCC account £7220.18.

All monies have been transferred to the one account as HBOS gave wrong information and no longer offers investment accounts or treasurer accounts to organisations such as Community Councils.

CCllr Vaughan, after considerable effort, obtained £125 compensation from HBOS.

It was agreed by the GCC that accounts be transferred to Clydesdale Bank and Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary will have meeting with bank to make necessary arrangements.

P&KC have accepted the submitted accounts 2010/11 and will be sending GCC the administration grant of £498.
Newsletter balance £1178.69

Planning

1. Hilton of Duncrievie – CCllr Johnston attended the committee hearing and reported that the conditions relating to passing places have been re-instated. Permission for 4 houses has been granted and 10 trees can be felled. The bulk of the trees will not be felled.
2. Drunzie – has not yet appeared on decision list but it is believed

that permission has been granted.

3. Berryfield/Easterton – Retrospective planning consent has been granted.
4. Lomond Hotel – no new information – developer has permission to demolish.
5. New applications
Turbine at Cuthill Towers (outwith our area) – no objection
Easterton Buildings – extension – no objection
Wester Deuglie – farmhouse & steading develop to 1 dwelling – no objection

Community benefit fund

On the 18th May CCllrs from Glenfarg met with Earn CCllrs in Bridge of Earn and after presentations by both groups and separate discussions it was unanimously agreed that Scottish Community Foundation be appointed as the Administrator of the Lochelbank CBF. The next panel, setting criteria and application process, will now be co-ordinated by Npower, SCF and the 2 community councils. It is hoped that receipt, processing and granting applications will be possible by the end of 2011.

Fete Funds

The bad weather on the day of this year's fete did affect the overall proceeds and the amount (16%) available for disbursement for 2011 was £666.

There were 6 applications from

village organisations & clubs and it was unanimously agreed by the GCC that the following amounts be awarded -

1. GDIB - £240 – hire of local contractor to cut grass verges
2. Arngask PS - £200 – contribution towards playground markings
3. Glenfarg United AFC - £150 – towards refurbishment of toilet block in Wallace Park
4. Explorer Scouts - £76 – towards purchase of cooking pots and stoves

2 applications were unsuccessful but GCC will be advising them, and others who require additional funds, of what CBF funds may offer and that it may be opportune for these organisations to start preparing their case.

Newsletter update

Deborah Widley has been appointed lead editor.

Of the June issue only 137 copies have been collected from the shop. The collection box has yielded £174 this issue which is almost double that collected from the previous issue.

Five advertisers are to be dropped for non payment even after reminders and follow up phone calls. It was agreed that the print run for the August issue be cut to 200 and that the publication title (The Glenfarg Newsletter) be in bold print as current issue may be being

missed through its lack of visual impact.

Dargarvel Visit

CCllr Johnston reported on his visit to the gasification plant at Dargarvel. Whilst this plant is not identical to the one proposed for the Binn Farm site there were similarities in the operation. CCllr Johnston explained the processes and the handling of the end product. The inert residue, which can be used in road bottoming or landfill, from the proposed Binn Farm site would equate to approximately 1 lorryload per week. Overall CCllr Johnston was impressed with the system and indicated that in his opinion it was much better in all aspects to the Energy from Waste proposal with a much reduced level of toxic waste.

AOCB

1. It was agreed to not join Michael Gallacher's rejection of incinerators campaign.
2. No attendee available for Zero Waste planning forum
3. CCllr Watson has agreed to take on the management and update of GCC website.
4. CCllr Armstrong indicated that she would like to hand over the post of secretary to another CCllr before October.

Meeting closed at 10pm
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