

THE GLENFARG NEWSLETTER

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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 August issue, please inform us with details by the 1st of July to allow us adequate time to plan the issue. Contributions should reach us by 15th of July.

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Editorial



Flaming June? I sincerely hope so as April and the beginning of May certainly did not set the heather on fire. So much is happening in June - the PTA fun night, the Fete, the Old Folks outing, the big planting of our floral displays - to mention just a few, so the sun had better shine on Glenfarg and it won't just be horses who are brave enough to paddle in the sea (see page 65).

As always there's plenty going on in Glenfarg and as you'll see in this issue there's been plenty already happened. So hectic has it been in the lead up to this issue that our regular recipe feature could not be squeezed in. However it will be back in August and I can assure you Janet has a cracker lined up for us to try.

Even though I read all the articles as they come in to the "newsdesk", it isn't until I sit down with the finished printed copy of the Glenfarg Newsletter that I realise just how much is going on and what an interesting and talented bunch reside in Glenfarg. The Newsletter covers not just the comings and goings of people but also that of our amazing wildlife and perhaps, like H R Oobit, you'll spot some rare butterflies in your garden this summer. Last issue we asked for information on our Red Squirrel

population and so far I've had reported sightings in Duncrervie, Church Brae, Hayfield Road, Wicks o' Baigle and Scarhead and just today I had a pair at the feeders in my garden. There are lots of photos on the Glenfarg website. www.glenfarg.org.uk

This issue welcomes 5 new advertisers viz. Senses, Think-a-head, Groomin' Marvellous, Woodlands B&B and Kinross Physiotherapy, and thanks our continuing advertisers. Please support our advertisers when you can.

The archive of the Glenfarg Newsletter is almost complete and will be available for viewing in the Church Hall. I've had great fun looking back over the old issues especially picking on a birth announcement followed 20 years later with a wedding photo of that same young lady!

I was told the other day that the Glenfarg Newsletter (with all its information on what goes on in Glenfarg) was instrumental in a recent house sale. If your house is currently on the market and you'd like to give viewers a copy of the Newsletter, I have a quantity of recent issues which I'm happy to pass on to you.

Kate

GLENFARG VILLAGE FETE SATURDAY 16TH JUNE 2012



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The Fete Committee respectfully request that only alcohol purchased in the Beer and Wine tent may be consumed there. Visitors are also requested to refrain from drinking alcohol outwith this area and should not bring their own alcohol to the event.

Diary of Events

Date	Event	Where
June 1st(5.30-6.30)	Summer Fun Night	Arngask School
2nd	Old Folks Outing	10.30 Bus Garage
3rd	Big Planting Day	Green entrance
16th (2 - 5pm)	Glenfarg Village Fete	Wallace Park
17th 11am	Holy Communion	Arngask Church
22nd	Fete Funds Application return	to Secretary GCC
24th 11am	Family Service & S Club prize giving	Arngask Church
24th	Wine Club	Terrace Bar
25th 7.30pm	Glenfarg Community Council	Village Hall
27th 12 noon	Term ends	Arngask School
Every Mon	Folk Club	Terrace Bar
July 29th	Wine Club	Terrace Bar
July 30th - Aug 3rd	Tennis coaching with multisports	Tennis Courts
August 14th	Term starts	Arngask School
September 3rd	Glenfarg Community Council	Village Hall

A Village Hall for All

The editor's quick guide to regular village hall activities. Does anything take your interest? Then why not come along.

Day	Time	Organisation (contact details if known)
Monday	6pm - 7.30pm	Cubs
	8pm-10pm	Ladies' Badminton
Tuesday	5.15pm-6.15pm	Beavers
	7.30pm-9pm	Yoga
Wednesday	9.30am-11.30am	Baby & Toddler Group
	6pm -7pm	Rainbows & Brownies
	8pm-10pm (in Winter)	Badminton
1st Wed of month	12.30pm-1.30pm	Soup and Chat
	7pm-11pm	Accordion & Fiddle Club
Thursday	4pm-6.15pm	Tap
	7.30pm-9pm	Scouts

To check on the Village Hall bookings, go to the village website

www.glenfarg.org

and look at the on-line calendar under 'Hire the Hall'

Thank you. . . .

from the Baby and Toddler group to the Wine Club for our new giant beanbags.

The photo shows some of the children sitting comfortably and still(ish!!) The bags are also a great added dimension to the play area, the kids move so quickly over them though it could not be captured on camera!! The group meet every Wed., even through the holidays, 9.30-11.30 at the Village Hall, £2 + £1 for each additional child.

The morning consists of general play along with craft, a healthy snack, (tea and biscuits for carers) and songtime.

Feel free to come along with your little ones, even if you can only make it once in a while, we'd still be very glad to see you!



. . . and thank you

for the incredible sponsorship of my Zip Slide across the Clyde, helping me to raise a total of £625 for Alzheimer Scotland.

I managed to avoid falling in the drink and at the end I wanted to run back over the bridge and do it all again. If you ever get the chance to partake in this event in future years, I say go for it.

John Armstrong



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James Mitchell Lindsay 1914 - 2012

Jimmy, as his family, colleagues and friends knew him, died on the 13th April. As befitted a man of such spirit, generosity and love, a packed Arngask Church said farewell to a true gentleman with a service of thanksgiving.

So active was he in various Glenfarg organisations, that I, and many others, tend to think of Jimmy Lindsay having always been around in Glenfarg, but this could not be further from the truth.

Jimmy was born in Dundee, one of nine siblings, and at the age of 14 started work in his father's barbers shop. However Jimmy's ambition was not in hairdressing but in becoming a policeman and that he certainly achieved, going on to serve with the Dundee City, the Palestine, the London and the Malayan Police Services.

Jimmy's beloved wife, Madge, with baby daughter, Jennifer, joined Jimmy in Palestine and, after a brief spell back in London, the whole family travelled to Malaya, where their number increased with the arrival of younger daughter, Alison. Returning to London in 1957, Jimmy recommenced service with the Met before retiring for the first time in 1970, but ever active Jimmy then became Security Advisor at The Savoy and Claridges Hotels.

His second retiral in 1980 brought him back to Tayside and he and Madge settled in Glenfarg where he served as Chairman of the Glenfarg Community Council and played a pivotal role in many other village organisations. He was also instrumental in changing the format of this very publication from a couple of sheets of A4 to what you have in your hands today.

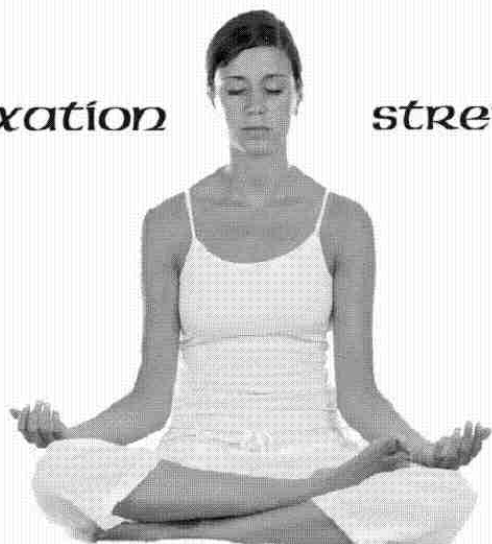
Glenfarg anecdotes about Jimmy Lindsay could fill this Newsletter and more, but suffice to say Glenfarg is a poorer place for his passing.



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Congratulations to Gary & Jenny Rutherford on the safe arrival of baby Max, a potential partner in crime for big brother, Finlay.

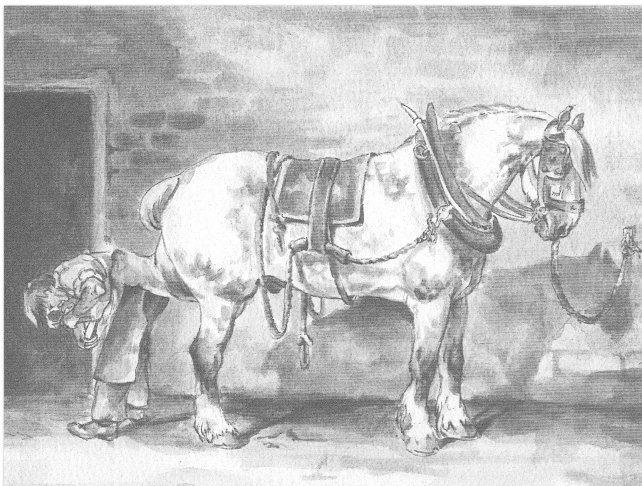
Congratulations to Glenfarg's Brownie leader, Emma McLoughlin, who has been chosen to be a bearer of the Olympic Torch as it makes its way through Perthshire.



Congratulations to our Community Policeman, Euan Mitchell, winner of Tayside Police Officer of the Year, recognizing his work with young people



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Arngask Church

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Let me introduce myself,
my name is Marc
Bircham, I am the
minister of St Madoes
and Kinfauns Parish
Church, and I have been
appointed by Perth
Presbytery, following the
transfer of the Rev Alec
Wark to Deeside, to
serve as the Interim
Moderator of Abernethy,
Dron and Arngask, and to
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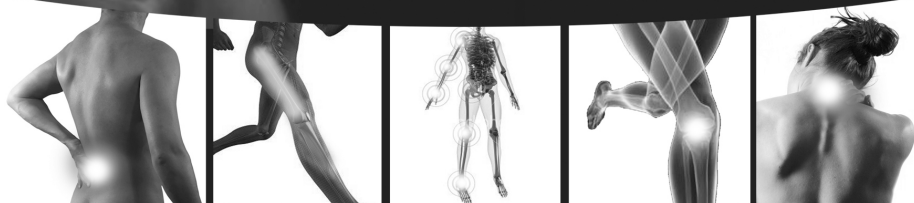
Most of my role will be carried out behind the scenes: chairing meetings, helping the nomination committee as it seeks to find a new minister, dealing with the paperwork between the Presbytery and the Session etc. However, I also see my task as being one, not only of 'moderating' but also one of 'motivating.' It is my intention to assist the Kirk session and the Nomination Committee, when it is formed, in their task to serve the community and to find a minister. I see this time of vacancy as a positive time – in my mind it's a time of opportunity, a time

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Arngask Church continued

to reflect on all the good things of the past but also to look forward to the exciting things that God has for us in the coming years. For this is a time of new beginnings, a time to look at the possibilities as we seek to call the 'right' individual to lead the congregation forward – an individual who will bring the love of God to all the folk of the Parish.

I am delighted to say that the Kirk Session has appointed Rev Duncan Stenhouse as locum. In Duncan you have a minister who will not only inspire you in your walk with God as he leads worship each Sunday but will also give wonderful pastoral care and support.

I am delighted to have this opportunity to serve and I pray that God continue to bless you all.

If you have any questions about the vacancy process please feel free to contact me at mark.bircham@btinternet.com

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Dear Friends,

As this is my first letter to “The Glenfarg Newsletter”, I thought it only fitting that I should write a few introductory words about myself. I was appointed “Locum Minister” at Abernethy and Dron and Arngask by the Kirk Session on 17th April 2012 to serve the parishes two days a week plus the Sunday services, until a minister is found to replace Rev Alex Wark.

I retired from the parishes of Dunbarney and Forgandenny over six years ago and have lived in Kinross since. Esther and I have been married for almost 48 years. We have one son, Angus who is married to Rosie, and they have two teenage daughters, Katie and Hannah.

My interests are quite simple: walking, the occasional cycle run round Lochleven, curling (that is **trying** to curl) reading, attending musical concerts, and last, but certainly not least, family.

With regard to ministry I have an open approach to people whether they are “church people” or not.

The fact that some people do not share my Christian faith is up to them; we all share the same humanity and we all have our views on the best way to live. I also believe strongly that the Church lives within the community to serve the community.

However, “serving” is a two-way process. The community needs to keep supporting the local church if there is to be a local church to serve the people.

Over the next few months I expect to get to know the congregation and wider community through the various activities and events which occur in what I know to be a lively community. There will also be the different individual pastoral occasions when I hope I may be of some help.

If you see a bespectacled 70+ man looking lost in Glenfarg either on foot or in a grey Skoda Fabia Estate car, that man will be me. I hope you won't mind being asked to point me to the address I intend to visit. I look forward to meeting you as the months unfold.

God Bless

Rev Duncan Stenhouse

Scout Easter Camp

The scouts, leaders and an explorer scout headed out of Glenfarg to our favoured site for Easter camps on the edge of Pitmedden forest. The field is sheltered by the forest and shape of the land from prevailing winds and faces the south so catches the best of the weather.

The roe deer fled from the field as Kiron headed down it to pitch his tent. The two other explorers had succumbed to one of the many bugs going round and weren't fit to camp. They had been going to try out one of the 3 man tents to be used in Iceland which was far too big for Kiron on his own – he tried out a single skin ultralite tent.

The scouts chose their site and got on with pitching the tent only needing assistance where they weren't tall enough to reach up to put the second ridge pole on for the fly sheet.

They then set up their kitchen areas and dug fire pits. The leaders pitched the other tents, trying out the new mess tent which is much easier to pitch when explorers aren't reading out the instructions!



Graham set off to organise signal sardines in the woodland and was so successful that no-one found him. After supper the scouts headed off to bed with instructions to put hats on and to make sure the door of the tent was done up.

It was not a warm night. The scouts were up and got Kiron up at 7:15 to help them collect fuel and light the fires for breakfast. Andrew added a new twist to inspection by getting the youngest scouts to help inspect the kitchen of the opposite patrol. Grant and Callum decided whether

all the cutlery, dishes, pots and utensils were clean and learned how the items should be stored when not in use.

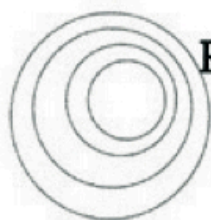
After flag break the scouts made some gadgets for their sites and found some suitable logs for seats. Callum and Grant were shown how to use a saw safely. Andrew and Robert went searching for pioneering poles for the afternoon project with Auchtermuchty scouts and explorers.

Auchtermuchty scouts walked up to the campsite in time to carry the last couple of poles onto the site. The Auchtermuchty scouts were divided into two teams by their leader Phil and sent to help each of the Glenfarg patrols build ballista. It was a race to see who could build the structure and fire water filled balloons at the opposing team. The leaders were also racing against time to find a suitable container to hold the balloons on the firing arm as one of the containers hadn't survived. Fortunately Auchtermuchty had brought 3 leaders with them and those not designing the holder were trying to put water into balloons and blow them up.

The two teams used different techniques to prevent the ballista collapsing when fired. Tighter lashings might have prevented the problem. Some of the explorers decided to build "the great wall of outer Mongolia" to take refuge behind when the other team were firing their balloons. The accuracy wasn't very high and the only person to be hit was one of the Auchtermuchty leaders who wasn't paying attention.



The scouts cooked their evening meal just before the leaders had their's cooked. The scouts did have a head start as they had fire pits and wood piles while the leaders had to start by digging their fire pit, and collecting wood.



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Three of the Auchtermuchty explorers opted to camp and the others headed home at 23:00. Those on site headed to bed planning to put on more clothes than the night before.



It was an even colder night and the Glenfarg scouts shouted Kiron out of his bed just as early on Sunday morning. There was a sleeping bag lying in the mess tent. Eventually one of the Auchtermuchty explorers admitted that he hadn't managed to find his sleeping bag so had spent the night wearing all the clothes he had with him and not slept very much.

With 6 leaders on site there were simultaneous inspections of the Glenfarg scouts and then flag break, after which Auchtermuchty went home. The scouts and Kiron practised tent pitching, lighting the Kelly kettles, first aid and navigation before lunch. After lunch we packed up camp and headed home.

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Train Stop Opening

Five year old Chelsea Ogston from Arngask Primary School, along with the oldest resident in the community who attended the school, Yona Scott, opened a new public space and garden in Glenfarg on Thursday 3rd May 2012. To mark the special occasion, the children of Arngask Primary School performed their version of Robin Lambie's dance, The Glenfarg Station, to the delight of the guests and spectators, on a beautiful sunny afternoon.



The garden, the idea of local voluntary group Glenfarg and Duncricvie in Bloom (GDIB) – reflects the important historic role the railway played in the growth of the community in the 19th century. A specially commissioned panel with historic photographs of Glenfarg explains the village's railway heritage.

But most importantly the garden provides a new focal point on Glenfarg's Main Street for everyone to enjoy as a space to meet and relax.



This is the latest of many GDIB projects to improve the village environment for everyone's benefit. It has been made possible by fundraising

and voluntary effort of GDIB as well as additional funding and support from the Take a Pride in Perthshire Association, Perth and Kinross Quality of Life Fund, SITA and Rural Tayside LEADER. Donald MacKenzie, Chair of GDIB said, "What we see here is an example of partnership work in action. With the support of key partners, the community of Glenfarg & Duncrichevie has created a place that both marks its history and promotes its future. We hope residents and visitors will enjoy this for many years to come." Mrs Helen McCann, Chair of Take a Pride in Perthshire added,



"We are delighted that GDIB has delivered another successful project which has made such a positive impact on the appearance and life of Glenfarg. It is an excellent example of what people can do for their local community."

For Perth & Kinross Council, Keith McNamara, Head of Environmental and Consumer Services, commented, "We are very pleased that this collaboration by local people and organisations has created such a wonderful new facility for the community to use and which also marks the village's important railway heritage".

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THE LITTLE SHOP WITH A LOT INSIDE

Glenfarg Brownies

The girls have been finding out about the history of the Brownies in Glenfarg and in April they had a visit from Sheila Harley and Mary Winton who took on the roles of District Commissioner and Brown Owl back in 1971 when they first set up the Glenfarg Brownie pack.



I have been given some old photos and a project book made by the Glenfarg Brownies in 1979. The girls have enjoyed looking at them but it seems a shame for them to stay packed away in a cupboard! Are there any former Brownies from 1979 who would be interested in them? They can e-mail me on glenfargbrownies@gmsil.com

Emma McLoughlin

Glenfarg Curling Clubs

Glenfarg Curling Clubs held their annual dinner and presentation of prizes at the Glenfarg Hotel on 20th April 2012 when a good time was had by all. Prize winners were:- (Skips names first)

Ladies Club.

Hamilton Cup:—

Valerie Inglis
Fiona Rutherford
Sheona Reid
Anne Farquharson
Helen McInroy

Wooden Spoon (Hamilton Cup):-

Jessie Deas:-

Christine Melville
Alice Bogie
Jean Andrew
Margaret Jenkins

Bette Pirie (Novice Skip):—

Jane Brewster
Annette Bennie
Margaret Jenkins
Linzi Sim

Pairs High Road:—

Lora Burgess
Maeve Clark

Pairs Low Road:—

Valerie Inglis
Christy McGregor

Points:-

Winner Janet Peddie

The Ladies Challenge:-

Highest-up rink:-

Ladies won 20 - 19
Caroline McGregor
Annette Bennie
Maria Tate
Gwen Poole

Gents Club.

Colin Campbell:-	Gents team won	Cameron Gaudin Arthur Jenkins Gary Rutherford Nigel Goody
Willie Murray:-		Sheila Swan Arthur Jenkins Jean Andrew Finlay Campbell
Piper Cup:-		Gary Rutherford Eric Poole Finlay Campbell Neil Drummond
Blair Struie:-		Cameron Gaudin Arthur Jenkins Finlay Campbell David Kettles
McLellan Cup:-		Sheona Reid Gordon Walker Margaret Jenkins Sandy Smith
Pairs High Road:-		Arthur Jenkins Bruce McNaughton
Pairs Low Road:-		Cameron Gaudin Lorne Findlay
Points:-	First Second Third	Finlay Campbell David Rutherford Arthur Jenkins

The Gents Club's claim to fame this year was that our youngest member Finlay Campbell skipped his team to win the Scottish Under 14 Slam, an excellent achievement.



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World Book Night

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Again the Glenfarg Village Store allowed the givers to set up “stall” in the shop. Recipients were asked to register their book’s unique number online with World Book Night and, as the books are passed on and re-registered, the success of World Book Night is tracked.



Margaret is pictured with some of the recipients.

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GLENFARG GOLF MASTERS TOURNAMENT



An inspired round of golf from seasoned performer Tim Corcoran (23) ensured him of a maiden green jacket at this year's Masters, which was held at Edzell Golf Club, on Friday 27th April. A large field of 23 village golfers took to the fairways in very blustery conditions, however the forecast rain never materialised and the weather remained dry for the vast majority of the day – much to everyone's relief.

'Steady as she goes' were the watchwords for Corcoran as he quietly accumulated a winning total, scoring consistently where other players were foundering on the tricky but excellent course. Ross Leeds playing off scratch came up just short - but for handicapping, he would of course win every year – and much of his golf was at a totally different level to other players. Other notable performances were put in by Alex

Swanson, Andy Leeds and Steve Mee, but there was to be no catching this year's Champion.

The expected challenge from 'Crusty' Eadie never materialised and he struggled in the conditions, as too did Mark Allan and Grant (to whom fatherhood is having an obvious detrimental effect on his swing..).

Thanks go to Ross and Turnberry Resort for the bulk of the prizes and to the Glenfarg Hotel for the delicious Presentation Dinner.

The Glenfarg Open will take place in the autumn, details will follow.

Steve Whiting

Bingo Feast Thank You

The sum of £300 was raised in Arngask Primary School Hall on Friday 11th May for the new maths scheme. Special thanks go to Binn Skips and the boys at the Village Shop for their kind donations for the raffle and special thanks to all the parents and staff for providing the food and raffle prizes and not forgetting those who turned up on the night and made it a most enjoyable evening.



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Glenfarg 34th Folk Feast - Another Winner

The 2012 Glenfarg Folk Feast was as usual a great success. The event took place between 13 and 15 April and attracted around 500 visitors to the village, approximately half from the local area and the remainder from further afield – other parts of Scotland, the rest of the UK, and even overseas (including visitors from Ireland, Gozo and Australia).



The main events were all sold out and the weekend also saw many informal as well as organised music sessions in around Glenfarg Hotel and at the campsite in Wallace Park. Everyone enjoyed great music and a very positive friendly atmosphere, and there was good informal feedback

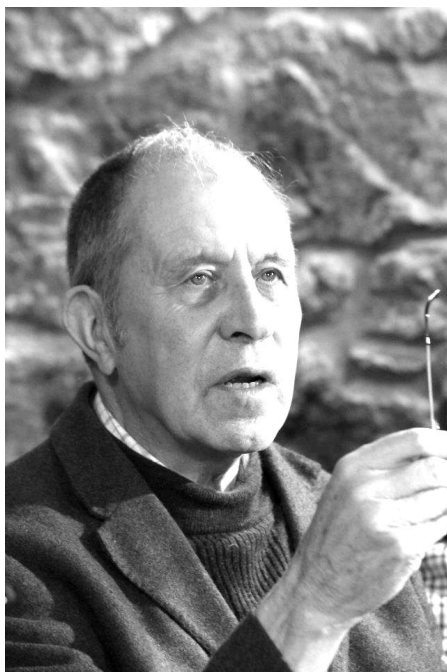
from visitors as well as excellent media coverage both in advance, during (a photographer from the Courier!) and after the event.

The weekend started with a ceilidh dance on Friday night when the 70 or so dancers enjoyed music from the Orwell Ceilidh Band interspersed with songs from several visitors and folk club members.

The Saturday concert opened with The Farg Folk – eight members of the folk club who offered great harmonies and got the audience singing along to a range of good-going chorus songs. They were followed by Perth-based singer songwriter Jim Malcolm, always a big favourite at Glenfarg. The evening was rounded off by top all-women group The Poozies with their mix of instruments and great voices.

The Sunday concert was kicked off by Shona Donaldson, singer and fiddler, and Paul Anderson, one of Scotland's top traditional fiddlers. Then we enjoyed Lori Watson and Rule of Three; with the evening finished off in great style by Mike Silver, another regular visitor to Glenfarg whose songs and performance left everyone wishing the concert could have gone on longer.

Margaret Bennett put on the popular Children's Event on Sunday afternoon, attended by 30 youngsters and their parents – and even a very lively centenarian! – who all joined in the songs, games and general fun.



The original song competition this year had the theme 'Always Look on the Bright Side' with proceeds from the event (over £200) being donated to The Visor Group, the Perth based support group for adults with visual and other disabilities who are regular visitors to the club throughout the year. The winner of the competition was George Machray, a visitor from East Lothian, whose winning entry "Hawkeye the Noo", about a man with mixed Scottish/Sioux parentage, had the audience in stitches. Our judge was Glenfarg resident and folk club member, Jim Douglas, well known writer, singer and painter to name but a few of his talents! There was a large entry to the original song competition including Pandamonium, a group of a dozen ladies mainly from the Kinross area who had been working on and practising their song during recent minibus trips!



The Puff-a-Box championship was great fun as usual as competitors did their best to puff the inner tray of a matchbox as far as possible, while staying within the boundary lines and avoiding the strategically placed chandelier hazards! Winner was David Clarke, with Ann Gardner as Ladies champion. Ron Gardner was runner-up, and junior champion was Buddy Clarke (after a puff-off with Beth Malcolm).

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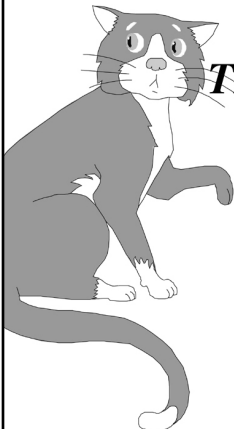
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There were three well attended workshops over the weekend - DADGAD guitar with Jim Malcolm, D Whistle with Neil Paterson, and Basic PA set-up with John Weatherby – all of which were both enjoyable and instructive. Some very young beginners are already showing promise with the whistle!

The folk club is extremely grateful to all the sponsors, advertisers and other funders whose financial support makes the whole weekend possible. Main sponsors were Red Barn Studios who have supported the Folk

Feast for several years. This year they brought along a dozen American relatives who greatly enjoyed their initiation into Scottish traditional music. Other sponsors were TMSA, Livingstone Builders and Firkin Express, while grants were obtained from Perth and Kinross Council, and from the Scottish Community Foundation on behalf of RWE npower Renewables.

The management and staff of the Glenfarg Hotel excelled themselves looking after residents and other guests over a very long weekend and somehow managed to appear smiling and efficient at breakfast time despite having been up till the wee sma' hours looking after the previous night's sessions. The support of the hotel over the Folk Feast weekend as well as for club nights every Monday through the year is greatly appreciated.

The Folk Club committee, stewards, other helpers and members will all soon have forgotten their exhaustion and will be hoping to put on an even more successful Folk Feast in 2013! We look forward to seeing you all there!



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and vocals and Hilary on bass, vocals and guitar. Mem £5 Non £8

25th June - Michael Marra
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GDIB Spring Clean

A spring clean of the streets and parks of Glenfarg was organised by Glenfarg & Duncricvie in Bloom and saw young and old(er) kitted out with tabards and litter pickers. Our youngest volunteer, Cara Muir, managed to find a rusty old hammer, a single trainer and one leg of a pair of camouflage trousers. Is Glenfarg's phantom litter lout a one legged carpenter? Maybe but let's hope we've seen the last of him/her and all his/her cronies.

Glenfarg is a far nicer place without litter!!!!



March Heatwave

Do you remember those years when summer weather consisted of long hot days and warm evenings? When you didn't think about whether to wear a jacket or not. It is probably selective memory, but those spells of calm sunny weather don't seem to come around as often these days. We did however have a taste of something similar during the last week in March.

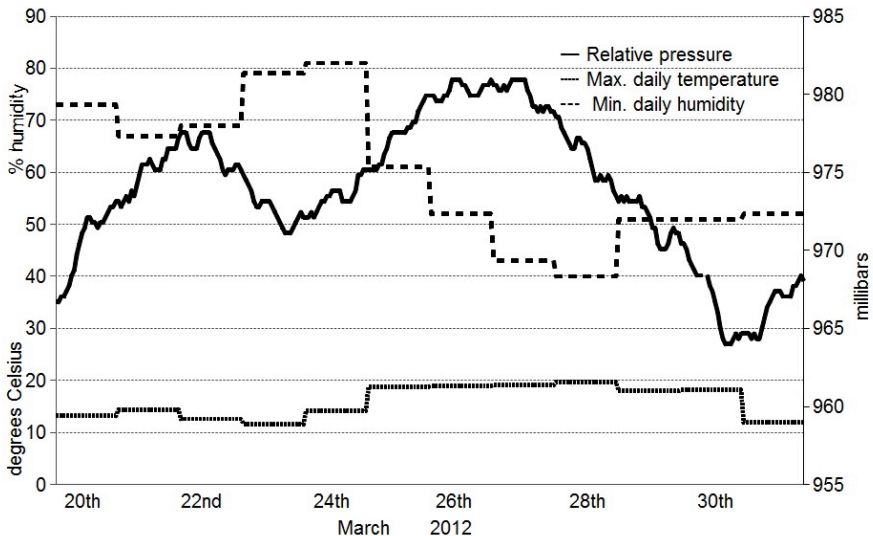
The reason for this fine spell was the jet stream. The jet stream is a high altitude wind, travelling at over 200 mph from west to east, some 6 to 7 miles above the earth's surface. Its path is not direct but weaves north and south. If its position is to the north of Scotland, then warm air is drawn in from the south. If it moves to the south of Scotland, well, we get the usual.

On the 15th March the jet stream was sweeping from the mid-Atlantic, north east over the north of Scotland and Scandinavia. By the 20th March it had tracked to the west and was located over Iceland and passing across Scandinavia. Here it stayed until about the 30th March when its path flicked south again over the UK and northern Europe.

While the jet stream was north of Scotland, our harbinger of summer was developing to the north west of Spain. This was an anticyclone moving north east, as far as eastern England, between the 15th and the 27th March. From there it crossed into the Atlantic and diminished over Iceland during the first week in April.

Anticyclones occur where high altitude winds converge, forming a column of descending air. They are recognised at the earth's surface as areas of high pressure. The solid line in the graph shows the air pressure rising from the 23rd to 27th March. As this line rises the broken line of relative humidity falls. Relative

humidity is a measure of how much water vapour is in the atmosphere. A warmer air mass has lower humidity than a cooler one for the same amount of water vapour. When an air mass starts to cool the humidity rises until the water vapour condenses forming clouds and eventually rain.



With an anticyclone, the column of air warms as it descends, the relative humidity falls and there is limited cloud formation. Under these clear sky conditions, the sun's energy warms the earth's surface sufficiently for the air temperature to rise significantly. After four days of heating, the air temperature in Glenfarg hit a maximum of almost 20°C on the 28th of March.

It didn't last for long, but phew, what a scorcher!

Old Foggie



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Mrs Ursula Stewart and Mrs Maureen Lambie demitted office and Mrs Margaret Scott was welcomed as the new President and Mrs Lynda Stuart as the new committee member.

Competition winners were:

“Join the SWRI” Slogan- Catherine Fairweather

Party Punch: Margot Moran

Flower of the Month:

1. Liz Yull
2. Catherine Fairweather
3. Irene Bettaney

Prize Giving Winners were:

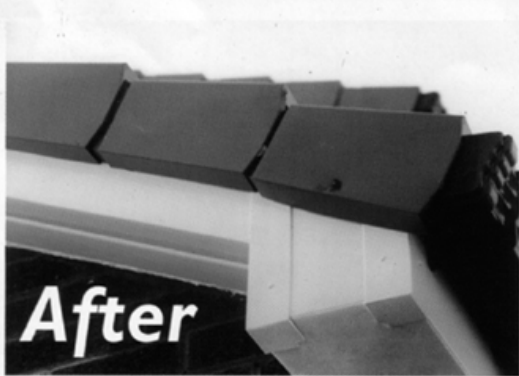
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The Tattie Howker's Strike

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“Like most farms in Scotland, Candy had one or two fields given over to growing potatoes and the local school children enjoyed their October holidays earning their first pay packets.”

“Farmer Gow was, I think, the first farmer in the parish to swap a pair of horses for a tractor and we all gathered round to gaze in wonder at the machine which heralded sweeping changes in farming practice in the future.”

“The drill was divided into equal lengths or ‘bits’. We had been accustomed to gather our bits in the time taken for a pair of heavy horses to travel the line and return again to the start. Potato picking was a back breaking job and we always needed, and enjoyed, a very short respite between the finish of one picking and the return of the digger with the next. But the tractor speed set a pace that denied us any rest at all. There was moans from everyone but we managed to hold out until lunch break. But we had had enough and left the site and travelled to West Blair where we discussed our plight.”

Farmer Gow was no fool and he knew word would soon get round and it would be impossible to recruit a new team. We were in a strong position, our action was sincere and our cause was just. He capitulated and agreed to set his throttle speed to that of a plodding pair of work horses. Farmer Gow heaved a sigh of relief as we returned peacefully to our labour.

The incident was not reported in the local paper and the words ‘strike’ or ‘Luddite’ were never uttered but surely we had been a small part of history.”

Bob Bell
(now Loughborough)

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Neighbour Disputes

These are something that the Police are regularly contacted about; however there are often a number of other avenues which should be tried first. Disputes could involve arguments over things like noise, planning permission, boundaries, fences and walls or high hedges. They are very emotive as our homes are the one place we feel territorial and protective about.

If you're involved in any sort of dispute with a neighbour, the first thing to try is talking to them and discussing the problem. This should be done before you make a formal complaint or get others involved. If you aren't comfortable about approaching your neighbour, you could write them a polite letter. Stick to the facts and explain the problem clearly.

You could involve other neighbours if the problem affects them as well. It may be easier to put forward a complaint if it comes from a number of people in the area then no one is singled out.

If you are unable to solve the problem by speaking to your neighbour, you could contact their landlord, if they have one. If your neighbour is a council tenant you can contact the local Council Housing Officer who may be able to contact them on your behalf.

Perth and Kinross Council offers a mediation service to everyone living in the area. Mediation is usually free and is a good way to solve a dispute without making a formal complaint or taking legal action.

You can also contact the council if you have a problem with noisy neighbours or suffer as a result of low level anti-social behaviour. Perth and Kinross Council has a Safer Communities Team who can deal with complaints such as these. If a neighbour is involved in serious anti-social behaviour or if a crime is being committed then you should contact the police.

If you are bothered by a neighbour's noisy dog or have other concerns such as dog fouling, you can contact the Council Dog Wardens for advice and assistance.

All of the above Council departments can be contacted by telephone on 01738 475000 or you can visit their website at www.pkc.gov.uk for more information.

If all else fails, you could think about legal action. You can get free legal advice from a law centre, advice centre or a Citizens Advice Bureau. Obviously this should be a last resort, as it can be very expensive and could make it impossible to patch up your relationship with your neighbour and let's face it you can't get away from them without moving.

Remember that unless you are prepared to move you will have to continue to live alongside your neighbours, and so it's in everyone's interest to come to an understanding and to get along if possible.

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Glenfarg Community Cinema

Love Film? After a hard week's work, do you sometimes feel like watching a good film on a Friday night, but can't summon up the energy to make it to Perth, Dunfermline, or that special film in Edinburgh? The other option has been to watch a DVD at home, with all the advantages of home comforts but none of the camaraderie of meeting friends or that feeling of starting the weekend with a night out.

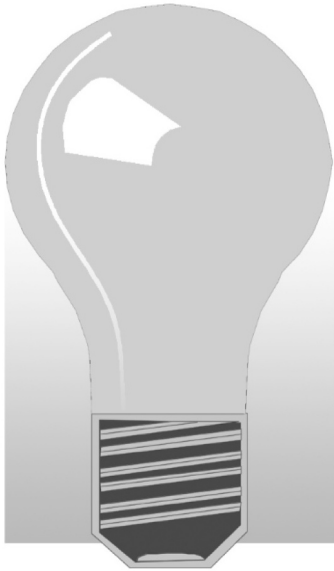
Well, some of us felt that a good alternative would be to bring the movies to Glenfarg, so that we could enjoy good films in the company of friends and neighbours. We looked into the possibility of this, and found that it would be surprisingly expensive and complicated. Fortunately, the British Federation of Film Societies was prepared to lend us equipment, and give us advice and encouragement to test the viability with a trial mini-season.

Consequently, the Glenfarg Community Cinema was born and the Village Hall has had one film show per month for three months in a row. If you were expecting a 'home movie' evening, then you were in for a surprise with a giant wide screen filling the back wall of the hall.

We advertised it as a local cinema but we encouraged our audience to make themselves at home – so, for each film, up to 40 or so people have turned up at the door carrying cushions, rugs, bottles of wine and other goodies. Even folding chairs are acceptable, if you don't like the chairs in the hall – but we might have to draw the line at sofas being pushed down the hill from Duncricvie! We have supplied tea, coffee, cake and biscuits, as well as the usual cinema fare of coke and popcorn. And as a special treat, Alice has promenaded the aisles with a tray of ice creams slung around her neck.



Each evening starts with an introductory item and a trailer for up-coming films, put together by Robin, and we have also started to highlight local movie-making talents. So far, we have shown several short animations by 13-year-old Calum Ingram - some humorous, some serious and some experimental. They impressed us so much that we have given Calum the commission to produce a short film asking people to turn off their mobile phones. If you know of any other local talents, please let us know.



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Glenfarg Community Cinema continued

We tried to pick three main features that we felt would have wide appeal, and settled on True Grit (the recent remake of the original John Wayne film), Made In Dagenham (full of humour and nostalgia, but also based on the true events which led to equal pay legislation), and The Third Man (a classic!). Our audience had the opportunity to rate each film, and here are the results . . .

	Awful	Poor	OK	Good	Fantastic
True Grit	0%	0%	18%	78%	4%
Made in Dagenham	0%	0%	5%	50%	45%
The Third Man	0%	0%	5%	64%	31%

There's a chance to talk about the film during the refreshment interval, and the discussion also continues in the pub afterwards!

With the showing of the third film, we now have to decide whether we should continue the Community Cinema with a new season starting in the autumn. To help with the decision, we asked the audience to fill in a questionnaire. Did they want us to continue? The answer was a unanimous 'Yes'.

Many people commented on the friendly social atmosphere, the choice of films and the benefit of having something different in the village. They told us what category of film they would like to see – Action Adventure, Thrillers and Comedy scoring highly, but half the audience also expressed an interest in World Cinema.

However, we are aware that there are problems with the venue. The heating has to be turned off during the film, due to the light it casts, so extra heaters had to be provided. A more serious problem has been the sound quality, which has resulted in the loss of some of the dialogue. The committee is taking advice on whether this is due to the hall's natural resonance, the quality of the equipment, the quality of the recordings, or a mixture of all three.

Let's hope that these problems can be overcome. The size of audience we have attracted so far, and their comments to us, certainly make us feel that bringing the movies to Glenfarg has been worthwhile.

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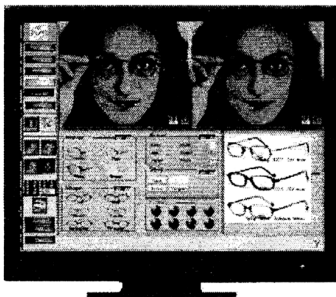
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Wildside.

H.R. Oobit

Butterfly days are here again, and with them an unsolved puzzle. Maybe a reader can help. Last summer a stranger turned up in my garden, not one of the usual crowd, the nettle-eating Reds, but a Northern Brown Argus. This is a wee gem of a beastie, with dark chocolate wings, each with a row of startling red spots and an outer fringe of white. The puzzle is where did it come from.



Our common or garden Reds get around a bit, whether it is the Small Tortoiseshell which spent the winter asleep in someone's broom cupboard or the big Red Admiral which comes to us from overseas but doesn't survive our winters. Our Glenfarg gardens also play host to Peacocks and the pastel-pink Painted Lady butterflies. All these are great wanderers and because the food plants of their caterpillars are thistles and nettles, they can find these wherever they go. But the caterpillar of the little Northern Brown Argus needs to feed on Rock Rose, and that is not a common plant.

Rock Rose is a low-growing plant of thin soils which are not too acid, and it bears papery yellow flowers and tiny tough leaves. Because the butterfly is choosy about where to lay its eggs and the Rock Rose is choosy about where it grows, it pays the butterfly not to stray too far from its food plant. The Northern Brown Argus is a stay-at-home.

Rock Rose is our native species of *Helianthemum*, but so far it seems that the butterfly has not developed a taste for our garden varieties. And it is possible that the tiny caterpillar needs ants to care for it and protect it from danger.

So when I spotted an NBA in my garden last year I was curious. Somewhere close to Glenfarg there is a patch of Rock Rose large enough, and which has been there long enough, to provide a home for probably a colony of a very pretty wee butterfly. With ants. But where? Can anyone help?



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GLENFARG WINE CLUB NEWS

The Club met on the 25th of March, when we welcomed Excel Wines of Perth to give us a presentation on some of their excellent wines.

On the 29th of April, we were delighted to welcome visiting guests from Meigle and Falkland who thoroughly enjoyed their first experience of the Wine Club's hospitality.

The wines were presented by Steve and Alice Mee and were aimed at trying types of grapes that we had not tasted at the Club before. (It is becoming more and more difficult to something different after nearly 12 years)!

We began with a delightful Rose wine Coteaux Marins from Provence which was typical of the area in being very pale in appearance, almost white and likened to pink grapefruit in colour which is one of the permitted colours of the Provence AOC

It was explained to members how Rose Wine is made by using red grapes but only allowing between 1 - 3 days in maceration before the skins are removed (in red wine production, the skins are left on). Depending on the time the skins are left on determines how red the wine will be. The cost of this very tasty wine is £7.75

The second wine was a Premium Torrentes from Argentina. Whilst most wines grown throughout the world can be traced back to an origin in France, Torrentes is unique to Argentina and produce a wine similar to Viognier with hints of peach flowers and orange citrus. It should be drunk young with smoked meats, medium to strong cheese and seafood, but as an added bonus goes well with spicy food and Thai food. Cost £7.00

Wine no 3 was a Marsanne from the All Saints winery in Rutherglen Australia. This winery is one of the oldest in Australia, and was founded in 1864 by two friends from Caithness who eventually built the wine buildings as a model of the Castle of Mey.

Marsanne is originally from the Northern Rhone region of France where it is used in the making of Hermitage, Croze-Hermitage and St. Joseph, but is now extensively used in Australia where it thrives on the climate there.

It is a crisp refreshing wine with hints of lemon peach & honey. Cost is £11.00

Wines No 4 and 5 were a direct comparison between what is the same grape with different names, one from Mexico called Petite Sirah, and the other from the All Saints winery in Rutherglen and named Durif.

In 1880, a certain Dr Durif crossed a Syrah vine with a Pelousin Vine at the University of Montpellier, and created a wine named after him as Durif. For some unknown reason, it also became known as Petite Sirah in Northern America.



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Wine Club continued



Both wines are inky black and very tannic, and both are 14.5% in alcohol. They are excellent wines, and despite being the same grape, were very different in taste, which gave a broad difference of opinion of which tasted the best. The Petite Sirah from Mexico cost £7.70, and the Durif from Australia cost £12.20. And of course this was a first for the club in having a wine from Mexico!

The grand finale of the evening was something really special! It was the biggest bottle of wine ever served at the Club, 5 litres (6.6 Bottles) This was Museum Reserva from a small area named Cigales next door to Rioja in Northern Spain. Cigales is a collection of 11 villages who grow wine from vines that are all over 60 years old. Tradition holds that many of the villagers go to tend their vines at the weekend, barbeque half a lamb, and drink some of their wines, a bit like going to the allotment! Whilst we have had this superb wine before, the opportunity rose for us to experience it from this giant bottle which had been made as a "gold edition" version in time for the London Olympics. (only 150 bottles made).

As the wine is totally hand produced, it was very easy for the wine makers to put on a gold coloured label and foil which gives a dramatic effect to the bottle in its unique wooden box.

The cost of this bottle is £98.00. although the normal bottle sized silver edition is £12.40.

The next meeting of the Club is on the 27th of May followed by the 24th of June. If anyone would like to join our merry band, come along at 7.30 in the Terrace Bar of the Glenfarg Hotel. You are guaranteed a very warm welcome, and it's only £8.00!

Also meet us at on our very popular stand at the Village Fete.



Steve Mee

Normile Racing

Lucy Normile

I was going to say that we have all managed to get through the winter relatively easily and snow free but as I am writing this in May, it's absolutely freezing and blowing a gale and there is snow forecast for the next day or so, but, let's hope that Spring/Summer comes along and is a scorcher, or at least a bit warm, we do live in Scotland after all.

We have had a good start to the year with plenty of runners and all seem to have run up to expectations and a few above, long may it continue. As long as the horses stay healthy and happy and are running as well as they can, it is up to us to place them in the right races to allow as many winning opportunities as possible, that's the hard part.



We have had some nice winners, especially Primrose Time, a real favourite in the yard, and she gave us and her owners, the Explorers syndicate, a fabulous day WINNING a high class steeplechase at Kelso. This was quite a step up in class for her and her jumping was fantastic, she ran a great race and won by at least eleven lengths and was pretty pleased with herself when she was in the winners enclosure. They really do know when they have won!! She was ridden by Zander Voy, who worked with us for the last two years, and was quite a regular in the Glenfarg back bar, but has since moved down to Middleham to



progress his career but it is great that he can still ride a winner for us. Parsons Punch, owned by Kenny McNicol from Kinross also WON at Kelso, on his first outing for nine months, and pretty impressive he was too, a really tough little horse who should be winning plenty more races this summer. Dickie Henderhoop, owned by the LBN racing club

has been running some good races in defeat and has been a bit unlucky not to have won yet this season, but he is an honest little horse who tries his hardest all the time, I am sure that he will be back in the winners enclosure again soon and in the top spot. Ross Wilson has been riding him and seems to get on well with him, Ross rode his first winner earlier this season, so it's great for him to be off the mark, hope plenty more winners are to follow, no more falls please !! Rinnagree Rosie finished a very pleasing third on her first ever run in a national hunt flat race at Newcastle and then ran a great race to be beaten a whisker at Hexham last weekend, a great race but frustrating to just be pipped at the post, a real star for the future. Old favourite English City is back in work after a small injury, it is so nice to have him back getting ready for action on the track. We have some more horses to run on the flat this summer so we will be busy busy busy – no rest for the wicked. The girls have also been managing to run in the Race For Life in early May and are all set for another in June, all this working towards the Big One, the Great Edinburgh Run in October - wow, what a great effort and all of this training after a hard day at the yard. You can donate at www.justgiving.com/normilerracing

We have a great team of very hard working staff, some nice new horses, new owners and new facilities so plenty to look forward to and I hope that the man who started this all will be looking down and pleased with what he sees.





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Glenfarg & Duncricvie in Bloom

Another Spring come and gone with successes, and some failures but we'll not dwell on them.

It's been hectic recently with our Spring Clean and the Train Stop opening, both of which you will have already read in this issue. So let's crack on with the next events for you to slot into your calendar.

First off will be the Big Planting Day **June 3rd** when all the plug plants presently being grown on by 9 greenhouse owners will be planted out in their summer homes (check shop poster for times and places).



The following weekend should see the delivery of the hanging baskets and this year we have the added brackets, or should I call them signals, at the Train Stop.

GDIB are again manning the Plant Stall at the Fete, and as we keep saying "You don't have to be a gardener to join GDIB", I will apologise now in case you happen to get one of us less informed individuals behind the counter.

Sheila has already started her watering rota for this summer (and let's hope we need plenty of watering) so if you can help out please contact her on 830225.

But there is somewhere every one of you can help this Summer. GDIB have re-entered the Pride in Perthshire competition. The judging takes place at the beginning of August and among the many items on which we as a community are judged are litter and whole community involvement. In previous years we picked up awards for Best Large Village, Best Youth Involvement and Best Community Involvement. Only your input will help our community achieve again. Keep our streets and parks litter free and if you can, even occasionally, join the Glenfarg Green volunteers who go along to the Green every Wednesday at 10am to carry out general maintenance. Again you don't have to be a gardener - there are tasks for all!! Contact Irene on 830441 for more information.

Here's to a great summer and colourful displays.

Kate Armstrong

Glenfarg Community Council

Draft Minutes of 35th AGM held on Mon 14th May 2012

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CCllrs MacKenzie (Chairman), Watson (Secy.), Vaughan (Treasurer), Armstrong, Arnold, Macpherson.

By Invitation

Cllrs Barnacle, Cuthbert & Robertson, PC Euan Mitchell

Members of the public

11 members of public present

Apologies

CCllrs Johnston & Ponton, Cllr Giacopazzi

Presentation to retiring Newsletter Editor

CCllr MacKenzie presented retiring Newsletter editor Cara Chalmers with a gift from the GCC with grateful thanks for her fantastic work in keeping the Newsletter going through some difficult times and her leadership of the editorial team.

Minutes of last AGM

Proposed CCllr Vaughan, seconded CCllr Armstrong

Minutes of EGM (Nov 2011)

Proposed CCllr Vaughan, seconded CCllr Arnold

Chairman's Report

CCllr Mackenzie opened his report thanking his predecessor Colin Campbell for his excellent work for the community. He went on to outline the roles and responsibilities of a Community Council and his aims for Glenfarg's future. His report may be read in full on the Glenfarg website and on the Community Notice board.

Treasurer's Report

CCllr Vaughan presented the Statement of Accounts for the 13 month period (in line with P&KC accounting date) to 31st March 2012. It was received and proposed by CCllr Watson and seconded by CCllr Arnold.

Office Bearers

Chairman – Donald MacKenzie proposed CCllr Macpherson, seconded CCllr Arnold
Secretary – Jane Watson proposed CCllr Macpherson, seconded CCllr Arnold
Treasurer – Gillian Vaughan proposed CCllr Macpherson, seconded CCllr Arnold
Minute Secretary – Kate Armstrong proposed CCllr Macpherson, seconded CCllr Arnold

Date of Next AGM - 13th May 2013

Glenfarg Community Council

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Matters arising

- 1 CBF cheque (Micro grant) has now been received
- 2 Wallace Park – Bollards to be installed. Flagpole will not be replaced by P&KC.
- 3 Hedges beyond Stables – landowner plans to hand-cut in May – ongoing report

Police Report

Chairman congratulated PC Mitchell on his award as Tayside Community Police Officer of the Year.

PC Mitchell passed on the thanks of Tayside Police to the public who volunteered information in 2 recent high profile cases in area. Charges have been raised in both cases.

In Glenfarg there have been 2 detected thefts from an unlocked vehicle and a property. A reported theft from a garden and an act of vandalism remain undetected. Speed checks and mobile phone use whilst driving on Main Street have been recorded and cautions issued.

Treasurer's Report

Balances at 14/5/12	GCC £4450.87
	Newsletter £3516.52
	School Prize Fund £941
	Investment £6000

Approval for £100 to School for this year's prizes proposed Cllr Mackenzie, seconded Cllr Watson.

Planning

3 applications currently being processed and 2 applications have been approved. Full details on Glenfarg website.

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Application for Share of Fete Funds

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Investment Fund

It was agreed that appropriate funds in the hands of the CC should not be held indefinitely for some possible requirement at an unspecified time in the future, but should be put to use for the good of the community. It was noted that the matter of a replacement for the marquee, currently cared for by the CC, could be addressed when the need arose, which may be many years in the future.

It was agreed that the processes and procedures, for receiving and making grants using these funds, will be decided at the next meeting of the CC.

CBF Micro Grants

It was noted that £1,000 from the Community Benefit Fund was being made available to the two CCs in the area (Earn and Glenfarg), each receiving £500. This is a micro grant with the monies to be distributed by the CC. This fund is for small items as is primarily for access by small, unconstituted groups and/or individuals. Whilst larger organisations are not debarred from applying, it is more likely that their applications should be directed to the main Community Benefit Fund.

It was agreed that the CC make it known that applications for up to £250 can be made by community groups and/or individuals. Awards will be made in September. Forms will be agreed at next meeting and will subsequently be available from GCC secretary.

Newsletter

A commemorative booklet is being produced. The archived copies will be held in Church Hall.

AOCB

1. Scouts will be cleaning up Community Woodland
2. Neighbourhood Watch – only 2 volunteers, neither in village. Attempt to resurrect failed.
3. Binn Farm Community Forum – The operators continue to explore options in terms of Energy from Waste and are holding on to the permission granted for two different types of process. A final decision on the type to be installed will be made at a later date.
The issue of lorries continuing to travel through Glenfarg on their way to Binn Farm, despite the operator having instructed them not to do so, was again raised. CClr will report this to the operator at the next meeting of the forum.
4. Request for road markings to be renewed, new signs for Wallace Park and potholes to be repaired to be made to P&KC by secretary.

Next Meeting – Monday 25th June



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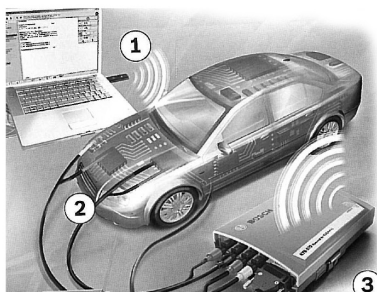
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