

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 next issue, please inform us with details by the 1st of November to allow us adequate time to plan the issue. Contributions should reach us by 15th of November. **Thank you.**

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Editorial

'Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness' as the poem goes. Autumn is upon us. In this issue we celebrate the Gold award which Glenfarg and Duncricvie won in the 'Take a Pride in Perthshire' competition and especially the award won by the subject of the front cover photograph, Irene Findlay. Irene won the prestigious 'Individual Endeavour' award. When I spoke to her she was insistent that she wanted no fuss. However I decided differently. For full details see page 25.

I had a wonderful night at the Glenfarg Community Cinema's return for the new season. The movie 'The Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out The Window And Disappeared' was a delight. See the Cinema page for the programme for the upcoming season. You will notice that the 13th October show is a night of short films. We are still looking for contributions. If you have any interesting footage that you think could be used let me know. We can edit and convert most formats.

Coming to the Village Hall on 30th October is Gillian Galbraith. Gillian is a crime writer who lives locally and describes many local places within her books. She will be speaking and signing books.

There are a few changes to note in this issue. The 'Grapevine' Facebook page has become a popular local communication source. The Grapevine email service, started by Dave Arnold, has been taken on by Mark Crossey and Alison Duncan. Many thanks to Dave and Kate for all their work in the past. Make a note of the new email address (page 18).

Other small changes are to be found on the back page. Every effort is made to keep this up to date so it is always worthwhile to check the latest issue.

Thanks once again to our regular contributors to the newsletter for their unflagging support. I'm always looking for interesting stories so send me some copy and get yourself published.

Robin Watson



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Diary Of Events

Date	Event	Where
2nd October	Deadline for return of Vision Questionnaire	
2nd October	Fair City Singers	Abernethy Church 7.30pm
3rd October	Street Party for Opening of Kinross High Street	Kinross High Street 1pm - 5pm
4th October	Harvest Thanksgiving	Arngask Church 9.30am
7th October	Soup & Chat	Village Hall 12.30
9th October	Cinema - Inside Man	Village Hall 7.30pm
12th October	Folk Club Steve Dan Mills	Downstairs @ The Glenfarg
19th October	Folk Club Ken Nicol & Betty Mills	Downstairs @ The Glenfarg
22th October	Deadline for feedback to Boundaries Commission	
26th October	Folk Club Carrivick Sisters	Downstairs @ The Glenfarg
30th October	Gillian Galbraith	Village Hall 7pm
8th November	Remembrance Service	Arngask Church 3pm
9th November	Community Council Meeting	Village Hall 7.30pm
13th November	Cinema Film Shorts & The Voorman Project	Village Hall 7.30pm
16th November	Folk Club Haggerdash	Downstairs @ The Glenfarg
23rd November	Folk Club Alistair McDonald	Downstairs @ The Glenfarg

A Village Hall for All

A quick guide to regular village hall activities. Does anything take your interest?

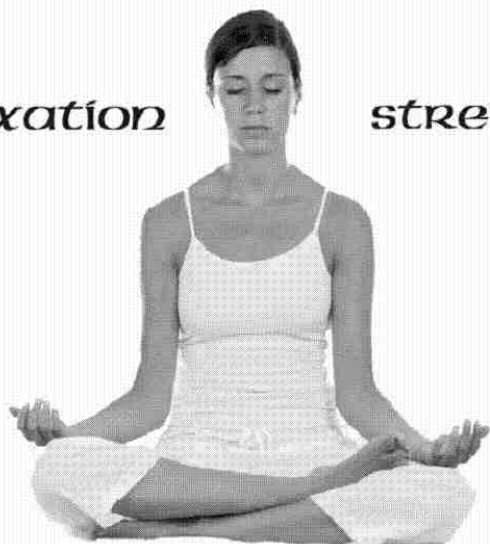
Day	Time	Organisation
Monday	6.00pm - 7.30pm	Cubs
	8.00pm - 10.00pm	Ladies' Badminton
Tuesday	5.15pm - 6.15pm	Beavers
	7.00pm - 8.00pm	Yoga
Wednesday	9.30am - 11.30am	Baby & Toddler Group
	6.00pm - 7.00pm	Rainbows
	6.00pm - 7.30pm	Brownies
	6.00pm - 8.00pm	Guides
	8.00pm - 10.00pm (In winter)	Badminton
	12.30pm - 1.30pm 1st Wed of month	Soup and Chat
	7.00pm - 11.00pm	Accordion & Fiddle Club
Thursday	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Scouts
2nd Thursday Sept to May	7.30pm	WRI
Friday	10.00am - 11.00am	Chair Exercise

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'

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ARNGASK CHURCH NEWS



Abernethy and Dron
and Arngask Parish
Church of Scotland

Arngask Church

Sunday Club

We extend a warm welcome to all children to come along to the Sunday Club and enjoy activities, singing, crafts and stories, every Sunday at 9.30am (during school term). All welcome to join in friendship and fun!

Fair City Singers

The singers will entertain on Friday 2nd October in Abernethy Church at 7:30pm. The concert will last approximately 90 minutes. Tickets priced Adults £5, under sixteen £2, which includes soft drinks after the finale. Tickets are available from Margaret Scott, Pat Miller, Elizabeth Taylor and Kathleen Baird.

Remembrance Day

A service to remember the sacrifice of the fallen in all wars will be held on Remembrance Sunday, 8th November. The Service will be in the Church at 3:00 pm and will then move to the War Memorial in time for the going down of the sun at 4:04 pm. All members of the community would be welcome to join in the Act of Remembrance at either location.

Christmas Sale

The sale will take place in Glenfarg Village Hall on Saturday the 5th of December from 10am -12noon. There will be all the usual stalls and Christmas Hampers. Tea, Coffee and Home Baking will be served. All welcome to come along and prepare for Christmas!



Diary Dates

Sunday 4th October - Harvest Thanksgiving Service in Arngask Church at 9.30am.

Tuesday 13th October - Kirk Session meets at 7.30 pm in Arngask Church Hall.

Sunday 25th October - United Service in Arngask Church at 11am

Sunday 15th November - Service of Holy Communion in Arngask Church at 9.30am.

Blythswood Shoe Box Appeal 2015

Give a gift and bring some joy. Leaflets are available in vestibule of both Abernethy and Arngask Church. Any suitable items can be left at the Church: hats, scarves, gloves, toothbrushes and toothpaste are always needed. Boxes to be completed by end of October. Any contributions will be appreciated.

Glenfarg Tennis Club

Stirrings down in Wallace Park these days. There are people who've never held a tennis racquet in their hands, spending hours just pit-a-patting balls back and forth. We have people playing for our teams who had never picked up a racquet this time last year! Tuesday afternoons look like there's been a Glenfarg-based baby-boom as over 30 under 10's are training with our excellent coach, Chris, and I'm not sure whether the tennis justifies it, but there are people actually going down to the courts just to WATCH!

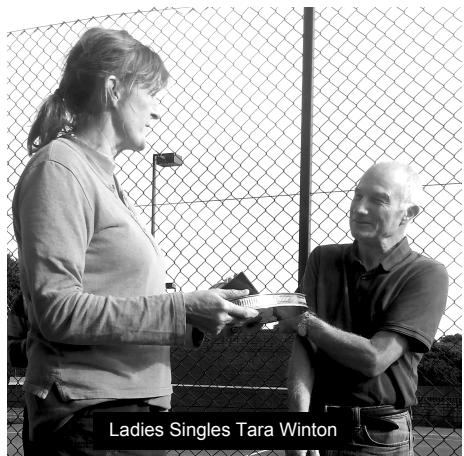
League tennis has finished for 2015, but the activity just continues and increases. We had our internal club Finals Day. Every single finalist had an 830*** telephone number. Lorne beat Graham to become Men's Champion (again?!!), Tara beat Sue to retain the Ladies Salver. Andrew and Mervyn won the men's doubles, both as first time winners, and Elspeth and Lillian re-acquainted themselves with the women's doubles trophy. The mixed doubles was won by Lillian and Alan.

But good as the tennis was, the day was memorable for the number of people who came to watch and share the barbecue and refreshments. Thanks to all, and hope to see more of you in future, regardless of your standard. Come and share some fun with us.

We now have an open gate policy to encourage anyone to come down and play. The risk we took so far seems to be succeeding with people being really up front in their contributions to the Honesty Box. Thanks everyone for that. Open Gate also means we've met Gordon and Brogan, the backbone of



Gents Singles Lorne Findlay



Ladies Singles Tara Winton

the 2025 Glenfarg Men's team!

There was a pressure on the committee when we went Open Gate to increase the number of notices we display. Courts we visit, plaster their gates and fences with warnings, commands and instructions, hoping this will reduce their culpability and responsibility. Alex, by clever wording and use of appealing graphics has got this down to just two notices. It does leave a couple of things which shouldn't need saying, not said, so I'll say them here.

No-one should drive to the courts just to play tennis, unless they're disabled. However, the clubhouse does provide storage for other village accessories- gazebos, barbecues etc; and this requires some vehicles to drive across the park grass occasionally. We do our own catering on match nights, and this does necessitate delivering tureens of food, water butts and other equipment. These journeys are kept to an absolute minimum.

We are, as part of our building plans laying a discreet 'Hard Stance' just to the east of the clubhouse for ambulances and disabled users, and will be priceless in times of emergency.

And again, it shouldn't need saying, but, please, no dogs on court.

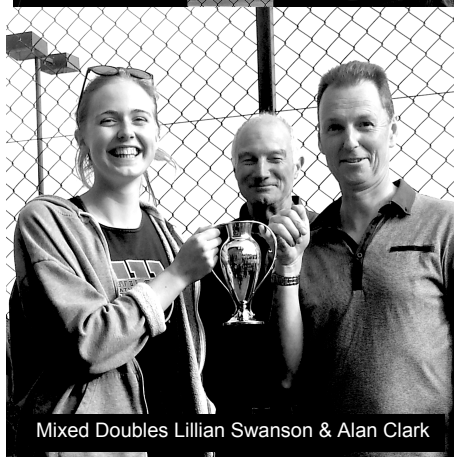
We do not want to 'police' the tennis club. We want lots of people using the excellent facilities regularly, eagerly and safely. The club will provide equipment and opportunity for anyone to get started. Then hopefully, you'll become as proud of Glenfarg Tennis Club as we are.



Ladies Doubles Lillian Swanson & Elspeth Buchan



Gents Doubles Mervyn Cooper & Andrew Stewart



Mixed Doubles Lillian Swanson & Alan Clark

From Tyrol To Glenfarg

Upon complimenting Robin on the good job we thought he is doing as editor of the Glenfarg newsletter recently, he saw his chance and asked us if we would like to write a few lines about how we experienced settling into life in Glenfarg and how it was in comparison to Tyrol in Austria.



We bought our cottage two years ago, coming from Tyrol in Austria which is Hubert's homeland and where I have been living for over forty years. We can honestly say we can't believe how lucky we have been finding such a charming little cottage in this lovely village and how friendly and welcoming all the people are here. Hubert in particular was really taken with the readiness of the people to offer a helping hand and lend tools even though we were virtual strangers - I, being British born with Scottish roots, already knew the British were Great. We did wonder how the villagers would feel about having someone from Tyrol living in their midst but we needn't have worried. We have been made to feel really at home and quickly found new friends, thanks to the open minded nature of the

people. This is a considerable contrast to life in an Austrian village where the people are somewhat wary of strangers and it can take years to strike up friendships.

Another contrast is the weather. The weather in Tyrol is colder in winter with lots of snow and sunshine and hotter in summer but the climate is generally dry making the cold, as well as the heat, more bearable. We love Scotland despite the weather and anyway Scotland wouldn't be Scotland without the unpredictable Scottish weather.

The Scottish mountains are wilder and often without marked ways or the possibility of stopping somewhere for refreshments which makes it



necessary to take everything with you, including compass and maps. In comparison the mountains in Tyrol are higher and craggier but generally have marked paths and are dotted with huts where food and drink is available to hikers along the way, even in the highest and most remote places. Also the weather is more reliable in Austria so if you set off with blue skies and sunshine you can be sure - in most cases - it will stay like that all day whereas in Scotland you can start out in beautiful weather but conditions can deteriorate rapidly so you have to be prepared for everything. These differences make hiking in Scotland somewhat more challenging! Scotland is a special place for us and we could not have found a nicer place to stay than Glenfarg!

Ann Gaerber

Perth & Kinross Council Boundary Changes

You may have seen the articles in the local press or read the information on the Glenfarg CC notice board about the proposed boundary changes that are due to affect Glenfarg. In brief, the proposal outlined by the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland (LGBCS) is as follows;

- To redraw the Kinross-shire Council Ward boundary, moving Glenfarg into the Almond & Earn ward
- To reduce the number of Kinross-shire councillors from four to three.

This means that Glenfarg would be forced to sever local government ties with Kinross-shire and the four standing councillors who know the area and understand the needs of the residents of Glenfarg. Instead we would require representation from PKC councillors who currently serve the needs of the existing constituents of Almond & Earn ward which covers an area from Glenalmond to Abernethy and includes Methven, Almondbank, and Bridge of Earn.

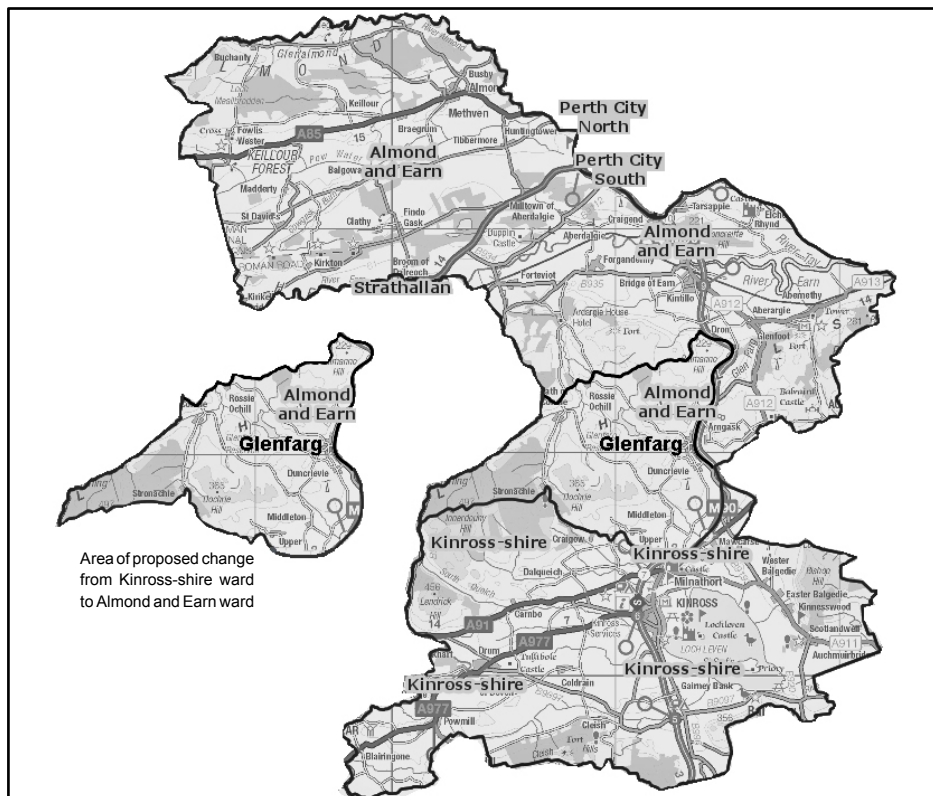
We should already have such representation because Arngask (which as a result of previous boundary changes is already part of Almond & Earn), is represented by Glenfarg Community Council. Yet whilst we regularly have one or two of our Kinross-shire councillors attending our Glenfarg CC meetings, we have never had any representation by any PKC councillor representing Almond & Earn.

As a community, the vast majority of Glenfarg and Arngask residents have a natural affinity with Kinross-shire. Most of our kids go to secondary school there. Our local health centre is based there. We use the library, the swimming pool, the shops and the restaurants there. If your community councillors have meetings with PKC councillors, they take place at the Community Campus.

The LGBCS decision to move Glenfarg into Almond & Earn has been made without any consideration for these community ties and is purely as a result of a faceless quango making arbitrary decisions based on some spurious number crunching.

PKC unanimously opposed these boundary changes back in May and proposed that Glenfarg remain part of the Kinross-shire ward and that Arngask be included in that ward. Unfortunately, LGBCS have chosen to ignore their concerns.

There is now a period of public consultation. If you disagree with the proposed boundary changes, you can make your views known to LGBCS in various ways.



- Online at: www.consultation.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk/node/31
- By e-mail at: lgbcs@scottishboundaries.gov.uk
- By Letter to: Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland (LGBCS), Thistle House, 91 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh, EH12 5HD
- By phone: 0131 538 7510.
- By fax: 0131 538 7511

The deadline for your feedback to the Commission is 22nd October 2015

For more information and online and e-mail links, go to:

<https://keepkinrossshiretogether.wordpress.com>

Glenfarg Grapevine - New Email Address

After 3 years Dave and Kate are hanging up their Glenfarg Grapevine spurs. The work they have both put into this over the years has been immense and very well received by all of their 300 plus subscribers. They will be sorely missed and a tough act to follow.

Mark Crossey and I (Alison Duncan) have taken over compiling and circulating the Grapevine, and a new email address has been set up to which everyone can send their community news, updates and other information. The email is grapevine@glenfarg.org The deadline for inclusion on the following week's email is Friday and the email will now be circulated weekly on Mondays and will give a forward look over the next fortnight.

Urgent things like lost dogs, found purses and so on will be issued as needed and Dave and Kate will still issue the GOBS email as normal.

Looking forward to making the next era of the Glenfarg Grapevine as successful as the first.

Alison & Mark

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The next bulk order is scheduled for mid-November (this will be the last bulk order for 2015).

Full details can be found on the village website: www.glenfarg.org.

BECOME A GOBBY AND SAVE SOME LOLLY

Glenfarg Folk Club

Open Stage

Monday 5th Oct

All £3

The second of our ever-popular Open Stages of the year in which we feature 4 artistes/groups. Tonight we have the Coaltown Daisies and three other acts to be confirmed at a later date. (See website for details). Always busy occasions so come early to ensure a seat.



Steve Dan Mills

Monday 12th Oct

Members £5, Non-Members £8

It's country night at Glenfarg with the arrival of Nashville based Steve, a widely acclaimed singer-songwriter with a smooth voice and acoustic guitar/harmonica backing. Be sure to bring your hankies for this one! We are delighted to have Steve at Glenfarg as part of his tour of Scotland.



Ken Nicol and Becky Mills

Monday 19th Oct

Members £5, Non-Members £8

The amazing guitar of Ken, [ex Steeleye Span and the Albion Band], is joined for the night by the beautiful vocals of Becky to give us a night to remember. Although Ken is a Lancashire lad, and Becky a Yorkshire lass, we are assured that the combo is brilliant and totally compatible! We are fortunate to have them visit for the night.

Carrivick Sisters

Monday 26th Oct

Members £5, Non-Members £8

A night with a difference for the Club when we welcome identical twins, Laura and Charlotte, to our stage for their first time. From Devon, they are one of the UK's top young bluegrass and folk duos and their distinctive vocals and multi-instrumental talents will offer another great night.



Sandy Watt Quaich

Monday 2nd Nov

All £3

The Club's own annual song competition in which the aim of the performers is to provide a high degree of pure entertainment for the audience. So come and sing to make the audience laugh with joy or cry with sadness.

Singaround
Monday 9th Nov

All £3

As we leave Remembrance Sunday behind for another year, let us focus on our own memories of years gone by. So tonight's theme is simply "memories, good or bad". All welcome to share in each other's past!



Haggerdash
Monday 16th Nov

Members £5, Non-Members £8

A warm welcome back to the Club for this lively multiinstrumental quartet of likely-lads from Lanark. They offer a super night's entertainment with great chorus songs and wonderful craic. A fun night in store.

Alastair McDonald
Monday 23rd Nov

Members £5, Non-Members £8

The great Alastair McDonald is in town tonight to offer once again his totally distinctive form of folk entertaining with banjo-accompanied songs and stories of his time on the road over the past decades. An old-school minstrel and multi-recording artiste with innumerable TV and radio appearances, Alastair always hits the nail on the head with his audiences. A good night guaranteed.



Singaround
Monday 30th Nov

All £3

"The seasons they pass and the short years fly"! So, the passage of time takes the theme for tonight as being "Young or Old". All welcome, whatever your age!

Jim Malcolm
Monday 7th Dec

Members £5, Non-Members £8

One of the Club's favourite artistes, and a former winner of the Trad Singer of the Year, Jim is a hugely talented singer and guitar player whose songs range from self-penned to Burns with a smattering of covers in-between. A terrific night is in store to bring us into the forthcoming festive season.





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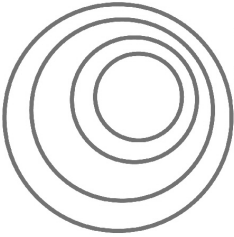
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Glenfarg Village Fete (distribution)

<p>The proceeds of the Glenfarg Village Fete have now been distributed.</p> <p>Here are the details of how much was raised by each stall / activity.</p> <p>Regardless of how much it raised, every organiser worked hard to ensure that we all had a good time.</p> <p>After expenses, there was still a healthy profit for the fete committee to distribute.</p> <p>Below are the details of the village groups that have benefitted.</p>		
<p>Glenfarg Old Folks Association.....£435.00</p> <p>Abernethy, Dron & Arngask Parish..... £700.00</p> <p>Glenfarg Tennis Club..... £600.00</p> <p>Glenfarg RDA Group.....£117.00</p> <p>77th Perthshire</p> <p>Glenfarg Scout Group..... £125.00</p> <p>Glenfarg & Duncricvie in Bloom..... £372.00</p> <p>Glenfarg Village Hall.....£250.00</p> <p>Baby & Toddlers Group..... £200.00</p> <p>Brighten up Duncricvie.....£200.00</p>	Balloon Shy	£64.75
	Balloons And Facepaint	£55.50
	Bar (Day & Eve)"	£1,677.86
	Sale Of Left Over Beer	£50.00
	Bbq	£470.00
	Book Stall	£68.34
	Bottle Stall	£912.00
	Cake And Candy	£264.65
	Candy Floss/Drinks	£245.20
	Cowboy Cake	£37.00
	Craft Tent	£87.00
	Evening Do	£732.00
	Fairground	£538.00
	Ice Cream	£30.00
	Lucky Dip	£19.53
	Mothers & Toddlers Cakes	£133.45
	Plant Stall	£301.25
<p>Pin The Horse Tail</p> <p>Puppet Theatre</p> <p>Raffle</p> <p>Splat The Rat</p> <p>Target Golf</p> <p>Tea Tent</p> <p>Inc £25 Donation Mrs Ross</p> <p>Train Game</p> <p>White Elephant Stall</p> <p>Donation (G Garage)</p> <p>Total</p>	£50.90	
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Glenfarg and Duncrievie in Bloom

Many of you will already know that GDIB were awarded GOLD in this year's Take a Pride in Perthshire, but to win such an award doesn't just happen. It takes hard work, everyone playing their part and many contributions of time and money. On the subject of the latter, thank you so much to the many of you who have already donated to our Fiver for a Flower appeal which was launched in the last issue of the Newsletter. Your generosity is incredible and you will all be recognised in the December Newsletter.



However, back to the Take a Pride in Perthshire awards. We were all thrilled not only to win Gold but that our very own star Irene Findlay, was awarded the individual Endeavour Award. This single award recognises the contribution of an individual from all of the In Bloom groups throughout Perth & Kinross. In my opinion there has never been a more deserved award than Irene's.

Irene has been with GDIB since its formation 10 years ago and in that 10 years she has been instrumental in all of our achievements. But Irene is so much more than that. She's a planner, an organiser, our treasurer and an overall hard worker. For those that don't already know Irene, she's the one you'll see

working away quietly in the Glenfarg Green, tidying up around Train Stop and the Dupplin area in Main Street, dead heading and tidying the displays, helping the children of Arngask in creation of their displays and of course taking a turn on the watering rota. Probably when you see Irene, you will see Lorne by her side, also working away, making them an invaluable team in maintaining our beautiful village.

So how can we say thank you and congratulations to Irene? Here's a couple of ideas - stop and chat when you see her and Lorne working away, volunteer to help, come along to the Clean Up days where you'll find friends & fun and most of all keep supporting GDIB.

Kate Armstrong

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Glenfarg Wine Club



Glenfarg Wine Club was started by a group of villagers who all love wine and saw an opportunity for them to come together, socialise and maybe even learn more about the wines they like and expand their understanding of others.

Last month the wines were presented by Steve and Alice Mee who had just returned from a holiday in Portugal and had selected a fine range of Portuguese wines for us to taste. You can see from the attached picture there was a really good turnout and it was a most enjoyable evening. (well what I can remember of it).

The usual format of the evening is for approx. 6 wines to be presented and tasted with cheese and biscuits and nibbles on the side. All this and it only cost £8.00 per head.

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The Programme for the year 2015-16 started with a very interesting talk by Sheila Fisher on the life of her bees through the seasons for a whole year on Thursday the 10th September.

Competition winners

Baby Picture of self- 1st Lillias Johnson; 2nd Sylvia Wall; 3rd Margot Moran

2 Flapjacks\ Rock Buns- 1st Janette Kirkland; 2nd Sheila Harley; 3rd Lillias Johnson.

Flower of the month- 1st Liz Yull; 2nd Sylvia Wall; 3rd Alison Harrison.

Kinross show winners at Glenfarg.

Glenfarg Institute won the Jane Elliot Bell Trophy

Jeanie Black won the Ann Watson Trophy

Margot Moran won the Stewart Cup.

Alison Harrison won the Arbuckle Cup for best Novice.

Dates for future meetings-

8th October; Papercrafting Demo by Mrs Laing

12th November; Baiglie Bonnets by Mrs Sally Orr-Ewing

10th December; Arngask School Entertains.

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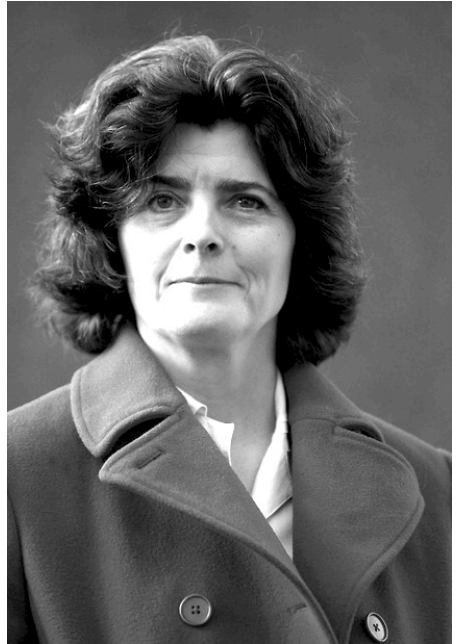
An Evening With Gillian Galbraith

Glenfarg Arts Project Presents...
An evening with Gillian Galbraith

We are very honored and excited to be welcoming local crime writer Gillian Galbraith to Glenfarg Village hall on Friday 30th October.

Gillian has penned the commercially popular and critically acclaimed DS Alice Rice series set in Edinburgh.

Her new hero, Father Vincent Ross's series (The Good Priest), is set in Kinross-shire and has become another huge hit. Local readers will be transported into the story as the author talks about Sands' car park, the Green hotel and other familiar Kinross and Milnathort streets and landmarks.



The doors will be open from 6.30pm. Wine, juice, teas and coffee will be available. Gillian's talk will start at around 7pm.

Admission cost is £5.00 to help raise funds for our own Art display boards and lighting.

Advance tickets available from the shop.

Arngask Primary School



Welcome back to our new term! I'd like to say a special welcome to our new Nursery and Primary pupils and their families.

All pupils returned to school looking very smart in their school uniforms and have settled well into their new classes.

House News

Pupils interested in standing as a House Captain or a Vice Captain completed an application form. All application forms were looked at by each House Group who decided if applicants met the criteria they had agreed on for the role of House and Vice Captain. All House members were involved in the selection process, learning skills required in the world of work.

Successful applicants were then invited for interview. Interviews were held by each House Mother. Questions written by House members were used during the interviews. Applicants were able to talk about their skills and abilities and what they would do to make their House the most successful one during 2015-2016.

The names of the successful House and Vice Captains were announced at a House Assembly. Badges were presented to our House and Vice Captains. We are proud of all of the pupils who took part in the selection process.

Arngask	Deuglie	Duncrievie	Fordel
House Captain Mark Scott	House Captain Rachel Todd	House Captain Millie Roe	House Captain Anna Johnston
Vice Captain Ellie Russell	Vice Captain Sam Prescott	Vice Captain Sarah Wilkins	Vice Captain Faye Robertson Liam Stanfield

Each house has been busy selecting a shield and motto. Each House looked at the ideas pupils had designed as part of a whole school homework task to select pictures and a motto that reflected what their house represented. Work has begun creating the shield and the following mottos have been decided:



Arngask: Quitters never win

Deuglie: Be the best we can be

Duncrervie: Hard work conquers all

Fordel: Fantastic formidable family

Deciding on our School Motto

On Wednesday September 9th 2015 at an assembly we worked together to decide on a motto for the school. There were lots and lots of brilliant mottos ideas. Three ideas got the most number of votes; One Team One Dream by Sarah Wilkins in P6, Aim Achieve Arngask by Mackenzie Bath and Archie Reid in P7 and Achieving, Determined, Dynamic, Family by Aisla Marama in P7.

Each House discussed what motto they liked best. Three House liked the motto suggested by Aisla, Achieving, Determined, Dynamic, Family. It has one word with the same first letter as each house. Each word explains each House's motto.

Our new school motto will go on our school shield:

Achieving, Determined, Dynamic, Family

Written by Blair Laing, Jamie Morton, Kieran McIntyre and Kieran Todd in P6.



Open Afternoon

We will be holding an Open afternoon every term from 2-4pm to give you an opportunity to see your child learn in class.

These are the dates:

18 November Numeracy focus

24 February Writing focus

25 May Outdoor Learning

We will be holding Drop-in sessions throughout the year giving you an opportunity to talk with other parents and teaching staff about improving our school.

The first one will be held on Thursday 1 October at 2.30pm in the school library. Refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there.

Our Rationale

Our rationale has now been finalised. Thanks to all of the parents who contributed their suggestions. It has been devised by staff, pupils and parents. It will be reviewed in September 2016.

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Glenfarg Scout Group

Summer Camp, Tynayare, Glen Lyon



The start to summer camp was a bit trying but it didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the scouts. After the parents had left we discovered that the minibus was not in Aberfeldy. We took one patrol plus the patrol leader and his assistant to camp to start setting up, Graham stayed with the remainder of the group at the Aberfeldy complex. Christine and Andrew were preparing to head back to Aberfeldy and pick up the remainder of the party when the staff from Aberfeldy turned up with the minibus.

When Christine returned from Aberfeldy with the rest of the party there was a thunder and lightning storm and it was pouring. Clad in waterproofs the second half of the group ran down the field to join the others sheltering in the event tent. Once the rain eased off the scouts returned to pitching the tents.



Oliver discovered that pitching the back of his tent over a sheep track was not clever as it had changed into a small burn running through the back of his tent. Quickly the tent was moved before the patrol tent was pitched, avoiding the sheep track. The tent was fully pitched before the next downpour but Ellie, Anna and Cara discovered that the water had run through their tent, back to front. They mopped up the groundsheet while Christine dug a moat in the sodden ground to divert the water and prevent a repeat.

Unfortunately the rain started again as the scouts and explorers tried to light their fires to cook the evening meals. Andrew and Robert managed to get the fires lit with the help of the patrol box lids used as big umbrellas. The rain had stopped by the time the evening meal was ready but it was far too wet to venture into the woods to play a wide game.



Tuesday morning started damp with Christine, Robert and Andrew having to get the fires going to cook breakfast. Grant's patrol, the river fish, scored an impressive 19.5 out of 20 for their kitchen, ensuring they

won inspection and setting a very high standard for the week.

The explorers joined the scouts for a game before sorting out their sites especially the dining shelters. Sam was delighted that he got to fell a large sapling to make the ridge for the explorers dining shelter. The River



Fish, Grant, Elliot, Louise, Rachel and Tess had loads of ideas of ideas for gadgets to make life easier and set about constructing them. Oliver's patrol, the Inbetweeners had less experience but were soon coming up with ideas.

After lunch everyone collected their cycle helmets and waterproofs and jumped into the minibus, Robert followed with the trailer load of bikes. We left the vehicles at Bridge of Balgie and cycled down the bumpy farm tracks as far as we could before crossing the river to the tarred road. The group split early on and the speedy ones arrived back at site 10 minutes before the others.

After evening meal of chilli or bolognaise the scouts were left to clean the dishes while the drivers returned for the vehicles. The vegetation was dry so the scouts and explorers were able to play wide games before supper and bed.

Wednesday the older scouts left on their overnight hike to Loch Rannoch. Oliver, Grant and Elliot set a fast pace over the hill, rarely stopping for a rest. Only Elliot and Cara were still to cook their evening meal when the ice cream van arrived at the Loch Rannoch camp site but they were quite happy to have their ice cream dessert first. Ellie and Louise divided the pack of uno cards equally between the boys and girls tents and they sat in their respective tents playing uno away from the ferocious midges.



Thursday afternoon the walkers arrived back at the camp site to discover a deserted campsite, Robert had taken the others to the Ben Lawers nature reserve for a walk. The two groups exchanged experiences, the non walkers had cooked a backwoods evening meal, had a campfire and Mark and Anna had won inspection that morning. They hadn't found any midges and Tess saw a shooting star.

The Tess, Anna and the boys fired up the ovens while the others lit the cooking fires. The oven workers started cooking the chickens while the others peeled and cooked the potatoes and other vegetables. The explorers were most impressed with the results.



Friday was a lazy morning before everyone piled onto the minibus to go swimming in Aberfeldy before shopping for the competition meal. Each patrol was given £30 to buy the ingredients for a two or more course meal of their choice that the leaders would assess for balance, cooking ability and presentation. While the patrols prepared the meal Christine and Robert returned the minibus to Pitlochry, this took longer than expected and they were a bit late for dinner with the explorers. All the meals were very different. The Inbetweeners served Andrew mince and tatties followed by a creamy fruit sweet, Graham had burgers followed by eton mess with the River Fish and the explorers served a pasta dish followed by home made pancakes and strawberries.

Afterwards everyone gathered at the explorers site for a camp fire. Sam had a book with him that contained enough verses of the quartermasters store to go round the group twice. We sang various other songs and played some campfire games. Reluctantly the scouts eventually went to bed.

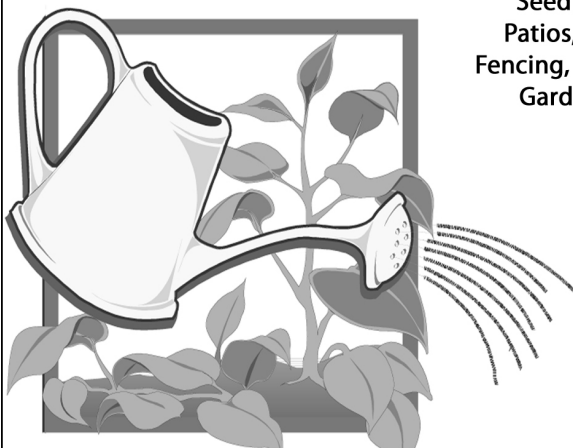
Following breakfast the scouts cleaned the black off the pots for inspection then started to strike camp. They all worked hard but its always difficult to pack the kit away after camp especially when it has to be carried some distance to be packed into the trailer. Before flag down the final points were announced and the River Fish emerged the winners of the inter patrol competition.

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Smalls For All

Smalls for All Charity Walk (Pants Walk!!)



On Saturday 8th August after months of planning, an enthusiastic group of 24 women and Brodie the dog, from Glenfarg, Duncrigvie and surrounding areas, set off in glorious sunshine (yes really) to walk from Wallace Park to McEwen's of Perth, just over 10 miles away. We were supporting an Edinburgh based charity 'Smalls for All', which provides underwear for women and children in Africa. The pants go to hospitals, slum schools, orphanage's, and slum areas where pants are considered a luxury!

We were asking friends, family and anyone who would support us to sponsor us in pants and set a target of 5000 pairs of pants, very ambitious, but we know how generous folk are in the village and always rally round for a good cause.

So off we set, out of the village and over the Wicks road, with our trusty band of marshals and two safety cars, who did an amazing job stewarding 24 gassing women, for 10 miles!, which is no mean feat, keeping us safe and complying with all the health and safety requirements.



A big thank you to local boys, Allan Herd, Dave Arnold in their cars front and rear, alerting traffic that we were walking, David Brookes and Stan Hunt leading the group on foot, and Lindsay Rungay for herding the group from the rear who all did an amazing job. We even had 2 marshals on bicycles, Geoff Knott and Cameron Duncan. We had 2 refreshment stops on route, (sadly no G & Ts, but I'm sure a few were partaken of later in the day!) Thanks to Lindsay Kinnaird, Lauren Brookes, and Karen Duncan for looking after us so well with well-earned water and goodies. Thanks also to Sainburys in Kinross who were badgered into giving us some of their excellent chewy granola bars from the bakery.

When we arrived at McEwen's we were greeted by the Perth Soroptomists who have



also been supporting the charity with donations of underwear, Maria McNamara the founder of the charity was also there for our arrival along with the local press. McEwens of Perth provided a welcome drink, sandwiches and yummy tray bakes for all the walkers, which was very welcome after the long walk.

Following the walk we were all taken back to the village by volunteer drivers from the village - again a big thank you to everyone who chauffeured the walkers back to the village, it was very much appreciated. Some of the walkers meet up at the tennis pavilion where we all enjoyed a picnic and a glass of fizz to celebrate. Thank you to the Glenfarg Tennis club for the use of their new pavilion a great facility to have in the village.

So how did we do? The answer is... AMAZING! We have already got over 4,700 pairs of pants and about 350 bras. Tamsin Kinnaird and two work colleagues, who also did the walk, have raised a fabulous £600 (which includes £100 from Glenfarg soup and chat group). This has then been matched by Tamsin's employers, SGA Scotia Gas Network, so that's a donation of £1,200. Other monetary donations and sponsorship has swelled this figure up to over £1,600, a huge benefit to this small Scottish charity. A Big Thank You to everyone involved in the walk and anyone who sponsored the walkers. To Marion Knott for all her help in organising the walk. You have all been PANTASTIC. I will give a final figure in the next newsletter as we are still getting donations.

Thank you. Christine Brookes.

The Community Cinema Returns

Glenfarg Community Cinema returned in September, with a near-record audience enjoying the film “The Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared”

There have only been two occasions when we have had a larger audience. They were “What We Did On Our Holiday”, when we provided free cake and bubbly, and “The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel”, when we turned the hall into a restaurant and provided a selection of curries. So it was great to see so many people, especially at a sub-titled film, without having to bribe them with food!

The film is based on the international best-selling book written by Swedish author Jonas Jonasson. We started the evening by showing an interview with the author, who has himself escaped his current life several times. First, he gave up a successful career in journalism and started a media consultancy, hoping to have more time to write his book. Soon the company was employing over 100 people and he was working 16-hour days. Realising that his plan wasn’t working, he sold the company and moved to Switzerland. A marriage breakup resulted in his return to Sweden where he took up residence on a tranquil island, sharing the house with his small son and a dozen hens. At last, surrounded by baby chicks, he has time to write.

There was great competition to film the book, but Jonas eventually gave the rights to a Swedish company, who cast comedian Robert Gustafsson as the title character, Allan. Those people who had already read the book were pleased with the way it had been brought to the screen. It hadn’t been possible to include every episode from the book, as Allan aged from 0 to 100 encountering influential figures throughout the century, but the substance of the book remained the same.

Here is what our audience thought of the film -

Awful	Poor	OK	Good	Fantastic
0%	0%	2%	24%	74%

Our next film on 9th September will be “Inside Man” Hope to see you there.



Jonas Jonasson

Oct 9th **INSIDE MAN**

From a cell, a man tells us he has planned the perfect bank robbery; he invites us to watch. But if the job's perfect, why is the thieves' leader in a cell?

Denzel Washington, Clive Owen and Jodie Foster as a detective, a bank robber, and a high power negotiator are involved in a hostage situation with a twist. Directed by Spike Lee.



Nov 13th **YOU CAN DO IT, AND SOME OF YOU HAVE ALREADY!**

An evening of 'Shorts' – some produced by and starring people you will know!

But we'll also be showing a short film made by two young British film makers at the start of their career. The Voorman Problem, made on a shoestring budget and starring Martin Freeman and Tom Hollander, was nominated for an Oscar.



The Voorman Problem

Dec 11th **THE THEORY OF EVERYTHING**

Little was expected from Stephen Hawking, a bright but shiftless student of cosmology, given just two years to live following the diagnosis of a fatal illness at the age of 21. He became galvanised, however, by the love of fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde, and went on to become one of the world's greatest living minds.



RWE Innogy Lochelbank Community Fund: Awards Summary June 2015		
Grant Application	Amount	Project Description: Summary
Glenfarg Tennis Club	£775.00	To fund the cost of drainage improvements to the courts.
Glenfarg Renewable Energy Association	£2,850.00	To contribute to the cost of various consultations and studies necessary to obtain planning consent to construct a community owned wind turbine.
Oudenarde Community Group	£2,500.00	To contribute to the cost of a community hub, funding two skylights, disabled access front door and fire exit.
Strathallan Canoe Club	£904.00	To contribute to the purchase of four slalom boats for use by beginners in the club.
Glenfarg Bowling Club	£2,500	To purchase equipment to maintain and improve the quality of the bowling green.
Total (5 records)	£9,529	
RWE Innogy Lochelbank Fund: MICRO GRANT Awards 2014 / 2015		
GDIB	£120.00	4 apple trees & protectors.
Neighbourhood Watch	£40.00	Replacement of 2 Watch signs
GOBS	£60.00	To help with running costs.
Glenfarg Arts Project	£240.00	Rental of hall and display boards.
Glenfarg Paths Group	£164.69	Printing of leaflets detailing local paths.
Brighten Up Duncricvie	£95.00	2 half-barrels, compost and plants
Arngask PTA	£232.32	T-shirt printing costs for the school show.
Arngask PTA	£72.00	Hall rent for an exhibition of pupils' work.



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Glenfarg Renewable Energy News

The government is proposing major changes to the support available for renewable energy in the UK. Renewables collectively now account for 22.3 per cent of total UK electricity generation.

The government has announced a reduction in the subsidy for renewables (the Feed in Tariff or FiT) that will have a major impact on the viability of smaller scale renewable energy projects. The FiT offers smaller-scale renewable energy generators (below 5MW capacity), including households and community groups, guaranteed payments for the renewable energy they generate. It is open to smaller scale generation projects and therefore helps the domestic and community energy sectors the most.

To keep on top of costs, the FiT is regularly cut by government using a process of staged cuts to the subsidy called 'degression'. The thinking behind this is that as more renewable energy projects are installed, prices should fall and less FiT subsidy should be needed. The current government is concerned that the cost of renewables is too high and is placing too high a burden on households. However, the impact of renewable energy policies on consumer bills is only **around 7%** of the average household energy bill.

Among the proposed changes are:

- Severe cuts to tariffs covering solar PV, wind and hydropower. Cuts of around a third to a half are proposed for small-scale wind and hydro power projects.
- Limiting the FiT budget. This would be enforced by limiting the number of new applications and, if it was thought that the budget was getting out of hand, the scheme could be closed altogether.
- A new degression mechanism for cutting tariffs each quarter that would see FiT incentives end for new small and large scale installations by January 2019.

What these changes mean is that the plans for a community-owned wind turbine at Jubilee Plantation have been shelved for the time being. It is possible that some special measures may be introduced to help community schemes – but that is not part of the current government's proposed changes.

This is particularly disappointing. Glenfarg Renewable Energy Association was on the point of submitting a planning application and had secured a site and a grid connection. The proposed wind turbine could have made our community self-sufficient in renewable electricity, and also provided a substantial sum of money that could have been used for community benefit. This news will also be a disappointment to the majority of local people who expressed their support for the plans in the recent questionnaire survey by the Community Council. Nevertheless, Glenfarg Renewable Energy Association remains committed to its objective of promoting renewable energy for the benefit of the residents of Glenfarg.



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Glenfarg Scout Group

South Unit in Poland



Half way through the camp one of the explorers described the trip as a series of scenes each day.

The motorway was snarled up and we had to use the backroads to get to the airport. Airport security kindly extracted our luggage after an hour and a half as our gate was about to close. Once through we discovered that the flight was delayed by an hour and a half.

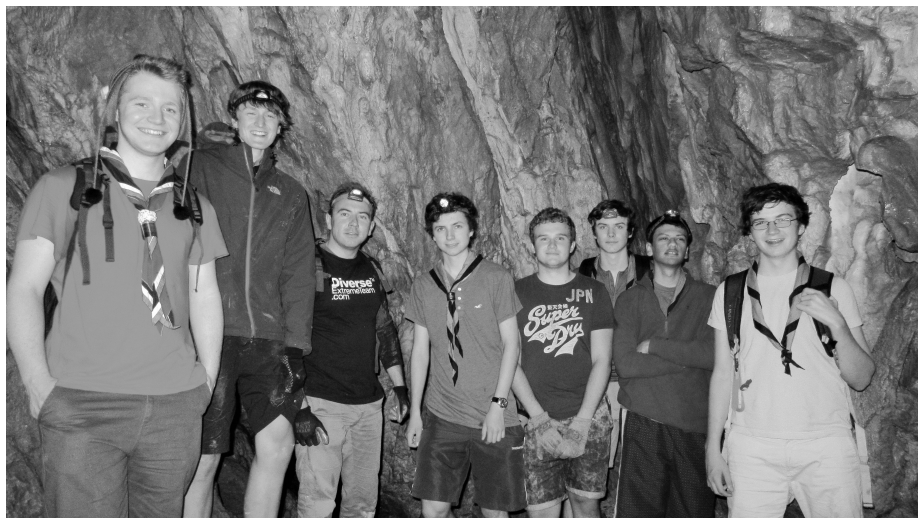
The sunset at Kracow airport was fantastic. Jazeck drove us to our accommodation near the Jewish quarter and pointed us in the direction of the old quarter to find cafes for our evening meal. We sat in the evening warmth at a pavement café near the square eating kebabs.

Sunday morning Jazeck arrived at 8am to take us to breakfast before going to Auschwitz and the termination camp, Birkenau. In the words of the



explorers “a very draining experience”. The old city of Kracow was explored in the afternoon before going for a Polish meal of ostipicki, perogi (dumplings) boiled (and fried) followed by apple pancakes. There were various free performances in the old square as we wandered back to the accommodation avoiding the horse drawn carriages, trams and trolley buses.

Monday morning we were heading south towards the Slovakian border. The road was a continuous traffic jam so Jazeck took us by backroads where we saw tiny road side stalls beside each field selling cheese and noodles. After a speedily made lunch in a carpark Jazeck took us to explore some caves in the national park. He didn't mind that



the explorers were muddy when they got back onto his very upmarket bus. He drove us through the exceedingly busy town of Zakopane and showed us various hill walking starting points on the way to the scout centre of Głodówka. The site caters for scouts and non-scout campers, has dorms for scouts and non-scouts and a restaurant that is open to all. Jazek, a member of the mountain rescue gave us some final advice before heading home. We had to phone him to return as the explorers hadn't made a very good job of checking the bus was empty and half the messages were left on it.

Tuesday morning the warden gave us a lift down to the main entrance to the national park where we joined the queue to get in. The parks charge a very small fee to everyone who enters. Everyone in Poland goes walking in the national parks, babies in prams, toddlers adults of all shapes and sizes including nuns in their habits. We left the main crowds behind and headed up Dolina Roztoki to the five lakes valley. Beside the second lake there was a mountain hut selling cold drinks, ice creams and apple pies that the explorers sampled. Refreshed we followed the track up to the ridge and down to the next valley and lake Morskie Oko. The thunder that had been rumbling at the end of the ascent and all the descent developed into a storm. Hundreds of people headed for the mountain hut trying to find shelter. There was an enterprising stall holder selling plastic ponchos of different colours which were selling like hot cakes. Back at camp there had been two hours of heavy rain. Christine and Robert opened the door of their tent to discover it had become a pond. Christine tipped the water out of a rucksack into her dry boots. The tent was promptly re-pitched to avoid a repeat.

Wednesday morning a Polish scout group arriving at 06:30 woke us, they had travelled from Plock, a town near Warsaw overnight, the cubs and the youngest scouts by coach and the older scouts and explorers by train. Their leaders had asked if our explorers would help their explorers to move the ancient tents and pitch other tents for the scouts. Moving the tents started well with instructions being given in English and they had started pitching tents when the heavens opened. Some lucky explorers managed to get the dry jobs of holding the uprights while others struggled to put in the pegs.



We walked for an hour to reach Bukowina, at 1000 metres above sea level the highest village in Poland. The small village is famous for its thermal springs that feed the most expensive swimming pool (£13 each for a two and a half hour visit). Five main pools all at different temperatures plus flumes and jacuzzi pools. There we went shopping for the next few days, each tent having to sort out their own menu. That night a couple of the explorers were hit by the local sickness bug. The Polish scout leader took one of the explorers to the hospital in the middle of the night for treatment. We had a rude awakening at 07:00, the Polish scouts were woken by a whistler walking round the campsite wishing them a good morning.

A mountain stage of the tour de Pologne was passing the campsite on Thursday. The roadmen were out patching and sweeping the road before the advertising teams with their giant balloons arrived. The explorers were very lethargic so we did not venture off site and spent the morning using their pioneering skills to build a proper flag pole.

We watched the cub inspection that evening in disbelief – it lasted 30 minutes as they stood there and then practised standing to attention and standing at ease. It was reassuring to know that the instruction left turn left resulted in chaos in Poland too.

Friday morning we squeezed into the warden's seven seater for a trip to Zakapone . We had to queue for nearly three hours as the temperature climbed for the cable car to the top of Kasprowy Wierch. From there it was a short walk to the summit of a 2000metre peak. The crest of the ridge marked the boundary with Slovakia with posts painted to mark which side was Poland and which Slovakia. We followed the tracks back down to Zakapone.

At camp we watched the cubs and then the scouts and explorers being marched round and inspected before their evening activities. We headed to the site restaurant for our evening meal. Afterwards we were joined by various Polish explorers who explained some of their customs to us with the help of google translate.

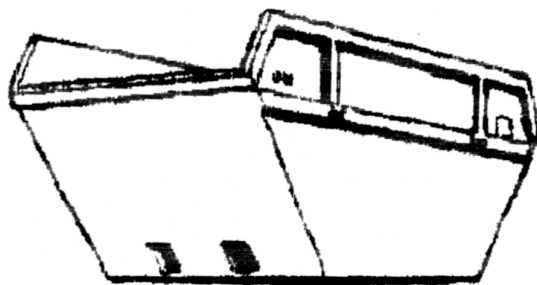


Saturday morning the explorers sat eating their breakfast while watching the cubs doing some keep fit before breakfast. They pointed out a younger version of Gavin among to Peter the young cub master. We then packed up for the journey home and much to the delight of the female Polish scouts put on our kilts. The transport was an hour and a half late arriving – caught up in traffic jams aggravated by road closures for the tour de Pologne. We had planned to go shopping in Krakow but once we saw the traffic we give shopping a miss and the driver took back roads all the way to Krakow. The air conditioning on the bus struggled with the outside 38. We stopped at MacDonalds to cool down.

We arrived at the airport four hours before the flight and sat around waiting for our delayed flight. Arriving late evening to Edinburgh that was 15 degrees was bliss. The explorers have been in contact with their Polish friends and when the Polish scouts left the site after their two week camp there was a special ceremony to take down the Scottish flag (which is also the flag of Krakow) we had left flying. The warden plans to keep our flag pole as the site did not have a real flag pole before we built one.



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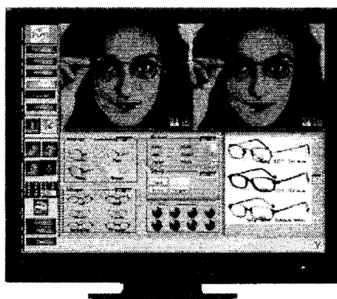
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MINUTES OF MEETING

Monday 7th September 2015 Glenfarg Village Hall

PRESENT: CCllrs Alex Johnston (Chairman), Janet Watson (Secretary), Gillian Vaughan (Treasurer), Rob Duncan, Daniel Horsman, and Margaret Ponton.

Also present Cllr Robertson and five members of the public.

APOLOGIES: CCllr Mackenzie and CCllr Arnold, Cllr Barnacle, Cllr Cuthbert

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: It was agreed to adopt the minutes of 6th July with the following amendments –

Police Report

Paragraph 2 to read “CCllr Arnold gave a brief update on the NHW on behalf of Lynsey Penman, our local NHW Co-ordinator. The Neighbourhood Watch has been growing slowly and now stands at 87. Alerts about local criminal activity, scams plus advice on securing property and possessions have been sent out to members on an almost weekly basis.”

Correspondence & AOCB

2. Elections – to read, “The elections for Community Councils will take place on Thursday 5th November. Candidates are required to submit their nomination forms and a short supporting statement to PKC before 24th September. Glenfarg CC is allowed up to 12 CCllrs. It was agreed that the Community Council should start advertising the elections with the aim of attracting “new blood”. The Chairman said he would prepare an advert for the Glenfarg Grapevine and the Notice board, it being too late to go into the August/September edition of the Newsletter.”

5. Wallace Park - to read, “A reminder has been sent to the Pay Back Team asking them to return to recoat/varnish the children’s wooden table, chairs and animals in the Park. It was agreed that the cost of materials will come out of CC funds.”

MATTERS ARISING:

Response to Road Closures – the Secretary has written to Stuart D’All at P&KC, expressing concern at inadequacy of communication about recent road closures, and is awaiting a reply.



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White lines in Church Brae – although most road markings have now been reinstated, the line outside the church has been missed. *Secretary to write to Roads Department.*

Dropped kerb and white line outside Village Store – Secretary has emailed Road Safety Officer who made the suggestion but has received no reply. Cllr Robertson suggested that local councillors be copied into such communications.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer gave a summary of her report, which had been circulated to CCllrs prior to the meeting. Total funds held are £11,383.26, comprising £6,304.86 Newsletter, £20.99 Micro Grant and £4,011.00 Nursing Fund. There is one invoice outstanding - £168 printing costs of Vision questionnaire. The Vehicle Activation Sign costs are expected to use up the Nursing Fund, with additional cost coming from the Newsletter fund.

PLANNING:

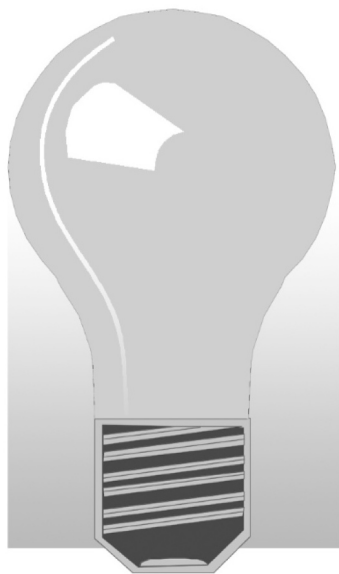
CCllr Johnston gave a summary of his Planning Report, which had been circulated to CCllrs prior to the meeting. The CC's Planning Group had reviewed 4 new applications and no grounds for objection had been found. P&KC has approved 4 applications and refused 2.

LOCHELBank UPDATE:

CCllr Ponton reported on the Lochelbank Community Benefit Fund. A meeting of Panel Members and Foundation Scotland is to take place on 30th September to discuss progress. So far, just over 50% of the total fund distributed has benefitted our area. Two new Glenfarg Panel Members are being sought and, as there have been more applications than positions, interviews will be held.

CCllr Ponton stressed that in the future the Panel would not consider favourably applications to the fund for running costs or maintenance. The Panel felt that these costs should usually be met from members' contributions.

There was considerable discussion on the £2,500 limit imposed per application. CCllr Ponton pointed out that the initial Terms of Reference make no mention of a limit. Community Councillors felt that they had got agreement for this limit to be put in place, at least for the first few years. There was some question over whether the Panel could make changes without informing or gaining the agreement of the Community Council. It was felt that this issue should be brought up at the first meeting of the new Community Council – *Secretary to advise.*



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POLICE REPORT:

PC Wilson presented the report, which had been circulated. This month's message is a reminder that it is illegal to use a mobile phone while driving, when stopped at traffic lights, in queuing traffic or when supervising a learner driver.

There had been 5 incidents in the area since the last meeting – theft of power tools etc from transit van, theft of diesel from a tractor within farm premises, attempted theft of 2 bicycles from a camper van, theft of copper cabling from water treatment works, theft of power tools etc from construction site. Residents are asked to check their security arrangements, especially for power tools, garden equipment and bicycles.

BINN FARM UPDATE:

Cllr Duncan reported that there is now planning consent for the windfarm and construction is due to begin in March/April 2016 with a projected 6-9 month construction period. The company hopes to obtain a Renewables Obligation Certificate via the September Energy Bill currently at committee stage in the Lords. The CC will be advised of the Transport Management Plan. A Tendering Fair is planned for October in Perth.

3 of the 4 CCs affected are happy to sign the final agreement, including Glenfarg CC. One CC was not present at the meeting and is requesting more precise details.

MICRO GRANTS:

CCllr Watson has sent the annual report to Foundation Scotland, showing that the CC had distributed £1,024.01 in grants. Foundation Scotland has asked if any improvements were to be made in promoting or processing the grants, but it was felt that the process worked well and no change was required.

BOUNDARY CHANGES:

The Boundary Commission is proposing boundary changes that would affect Glenfarg. The CC area would be moved from the Kinross-shire Ward 8 to Ward 9 Almond and Earn. Kinross-shire would be reduced from 4 councillors to 3. P&KC are opposing changes.

CCllr Duncan attended a Kinross-shire Forum where Cllr Cuthbert gave a presentation on objections to the proposals. As a result, a Facebook group is to be set up for objections. *CCllr Duncan to inform us of the details when available.*

It was agreed that the CC would object to the proposals on the grounds that it ignores our natural links and connections with the Kinross-shire area and aligns us with a Ward where the present councillors have no knowledge of our

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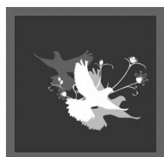
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area and its issues. A letter of objection is to be drawn up for agreement by CCllrs (*Chair / Sec*).

A member of the public expressed concerns that the High School catchment area may change if the proposals were to go through. This was felt to be unlikely, but it underlined residents' desire for stability in our connections with Kinross.

It was agreed that we would encourage residents to respond to the Boundary Commission's consultation (deadline 22nd October). This to be done through information on Facebook, website, email, notice board, and an article in the newsletter (*CCllr Duncan*).

Cllr Robertson advised that he is communicating with the residents of Arngask Parish who live to the east of the motorway, with the aim of reuniting Arngask within the boundary changes.

STORAGE FACILITIES:

A proposal has been put forward to create a Glenfarg Storage Facility, managed by the community for the use of community groups, using the old pavilion in Wallace Park. This is owned by P&KC and is presently leased to the Tennis Club, which no longer has a need for it.

There was discussion on which group would manage the facility, and the need to restrict traffic crossing the park. As a first step, P&KC and the Tennis Club to be approached about the lease (*CCllr Ponton*)

VISION:

Questionnaires have been printed and are to be distributed this week by the Scouts and CCllrs. A copy will be on the website. Questionnaires are to be returned by 2nd October. Posters are to be put up around the village and extra copies in the shop (*CCllr Horsman*).

CCllr Arnold had resigned from the Vision group as he felt that there had not been sufficient consultation over suggested improvements to the questionnaire. He therefore does not wish to have his name associated with it.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A list of correspondence had been circulated. It was agreed to publicise the request of Edinburgh University for members of the public interested in social science research to join a Panel (*Secretary*)

AOCB:

1. Fete Accounts & Awards – it was felt that there had been less information provided this year on income and expenditure. A letter will be sent emphasising the need for transparency and requesting more information (*Secretary*).

2. State of Wall on Main Street (curling stones) - Cllr Robertson to be asked if he has raised this matter with the Roads Dept (*Secretary*).

3. Grapevine Email Service – Dave Arnold had resigned as editor of this service and two members of the community, Mark Crossey and Alison Duncan, have volunteered to share the position.

4. Old CC notice board – this has been removed from its position in Ladeside and is to be used by the equestrian eventing group.

5. Arngask Church has requested that a CCllr read a scripture at the Remembrance Day service on 8th November. *CCllr Mackenzie to be invited to do this on our behalf.*

6. CC Election –the Secretary had received an email from P&KC expressing concern at the low number of nominations received so far. Residents are advised to put in nomination forms as soon as possible. It was emphasised that if less than 6 nominations were received Glenfarg would no longer have a Community Council.

7. Wooden Animals in Park – responses from the community have all been in favour of these being painted in funky colours. It was agreed to hold a children's competition with a prize offered for the best designs. Local author Gillian Galbraith was suggested as a judge.

8. Vehicles in Wallace Park – a member of the public reported seeing a vehicle driving through the park to the Tennis Club this evening. It was decided to write to the Tennis Club, asking them to remind members that this should only happen in exceptional circumstances (*Secretary*).

9. Scottish Water – a member of the public asked if the CC knew about plans to prune trees on the route to the reservoir. CCllr Johnston replied that no approach had been made to the CC.

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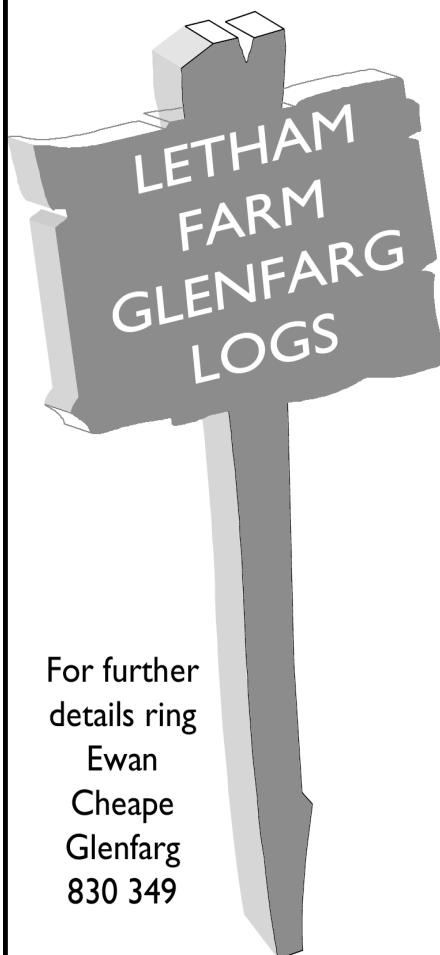
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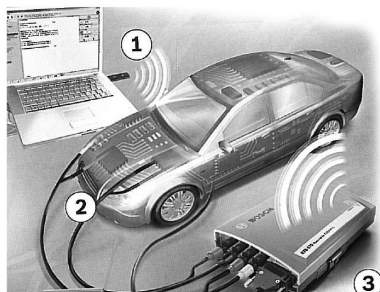
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