

The Glenfarg Newsletter



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If you want to contribute to the Newsletter here is how to calculate the deadline. It is published on the 1st March, 1st June, 1st September and 1st December. Copy should be submitted before the 15th of the month prior to the upcoming publication.

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Editorial

Hi All,

Hope you enjoyed the last edition of the Newsletter. That was the first from the new editorial team, and we hope that you all enjoyed reading it. Any feedback to the team would be welcomed, or anything you'd like to see included please let us know.

In this edition, there is a large section on the tremendous Ukraine fundraising activities that took place throughout various organised events within the village. You can read all about these activities from page 34. Well done to all involved!

On page 18 we have details of the very exciting Glenfarg Shindig. It is great to see this event resurrected after a two year gap. Good luck to the committee. Hope we get some great weather and a good turnout.

On pages 11 and 12 you will find a transport survey that has been organised by the Community Council. This is fully explained on page 11, with the survey itself on page 12. If you wish you can remove the page from the Newsletter and deposit in the shop, or alternatively the survey is available on the Grapevine.

You'll find lots of great photographs of their activities from the Beavers (p14), Scouts (p20) and Arngask Primary School (p32).

We have details of two new business ventures that have started recently in the village. On page 22 you will find details of Arngask Home Farm, and on page 24 details of Loch Stock and Barrow.

Hope that you enjoy this edition, and the team would welcome any feedback.

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A Village Hall for All

| Day | Time | Organisation |
|-----------|--|------------------------------------|
| Monday | 9.30am - 11.30am | Baby & Toddler Group |
| | 11.0am - 12.00 | Pilates |
| | 6.00pm - 7.30pm | Cubs |
| | 7.30pm - 9pm 1st Monday every other month | CC Meeting |
| Tuesday | 9.15am - 10.15am | Pilates |
| | 5.45pm - 6.45pm | Beavers |
| | 7.00pm - 8.30pm | Scouts |
| Wednesday | 9.30am - 11.00am | Baby & Toddler |
| | 8.00pm - 9.30pm | Badminton |
| | 7.00pm - 11.00pm 1st Wednesday of month | Accordion & Fiddle Club |
| Thursday | 10am - 12 noon | Coffee Morning |
| | 2.00pm - 4.00pm 2nd Thursday Sept to May | SWI |
| Friday | 10.00am - 11.00am | Chair Exercise |
| | 7.30pm - 10.00pm 2nd Friday Sept to April | Community Cinema |

To check on the Village Hall bookings, go to the village website
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 and look at the on-line calendar under 'Hire the Hall'



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Letter from the Manse

Dear Reader,

When many of us think of the Canary islands, we tend to imagine sunny skies, vast expanses of sand and a jolly good relaxing holiday. My wife and I are recently back from there, except our experience wasn't quite as idyllic as the one portrayed in the travel agent's window. Wet, wind-blown and battered by horizontal rain would be a more accurate description of our vacation and the island in question was one that few (if any) have ever heard of, let alone visited. In many ways, it turned out to be like the '*island that time forgot*' – a volcanic outcrop in the stormy Atlantic surrounded by very steep cliffs. Our walking holiday on El Hierro was '*challenging*' to say the least. As soon as our little propeller plane touched the airstrip at the edge of the Atlantic ocean and we disembarked and started to make our way up the formidable escarpment to the top of the island, we knew that we were in for some strenuous physical experiences. One good thing was the fact that, although we undertook the walks as a couple alone, there were constant and reliable indicators to show us that we were always on the right path. Little coloured rectangles painted on walls, wooden posts or big stones were helpful signs which told us we were '*still on track*'. And clever little painted crosses, left us in no doubt that these were roads that we *shouldn't* be tempted to go down. When we were faced with a choice as to which direction to take, these island signs kept us right. They reassured us.

After Easter and the resurrection, Jesus famously appears to two of his disciples. Like many of us today, they too were confused and in despair over a world seemingly gone mad, not only seeing the principles of the world around them being shaken but living in fear for their own lives. They were coping with the aftermath and horrors of the crucifixion. As we wrestle with a post-Covid world, global warming, and the unending atrocities in the Ukraine which threaten to overspill into Europe and bring our planet to unthinkable war it would seem that we are *all* on that road to Emmaus.

But, something happens on this road. Christ joins the disciples, walks beside them, and opens their hearts with his conversation in a way that is so overwhelming, that the world no longer seems to be the crazy place that it was. And his words which encourage us to love our neighbour, pray for our enemies, forgive all, welcome the stranger and refugee, care for the sick and provide for the least among us – are as relevant today as they were two thousand years ago.

Frederick Buechner once wrote: *'I believe that whether we recognize him or not, or believe in him or not, or even know his name, again and again Christ comes and walks a little way with us along whatever road we're following.....he offers us new hope and a new vision of light that not even the dark world can overcome.'*

No matter the state of our world, our confusion, or the conditions in which we find ourselves, he leaves clear signposts. Reassuring, is it not, that in this wonderful, challenging, bewildering journey that is Life, that he walks alongside us, quietly showing us the right path?

With all good wishes.

Rev Stan (April 2022)



Indoor Play

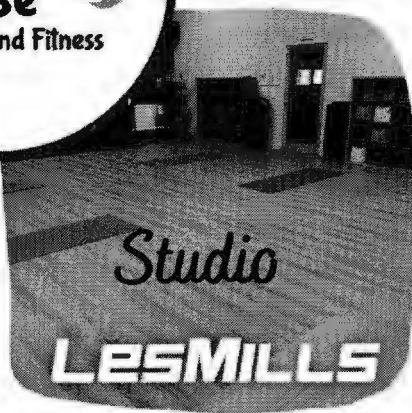
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Glenfarg Community Transport Group

Dear Neighbour,

We want to find out how your transport needs can be met. PKC funds essential routes but bus-use is declining. We have set up a Community Transport Group to work with local transport providers and Perth and Kinross Council to sustain, improve and connect our bus service. The group has met to discuss some ideas to protect our current services, fill some gaps, and develop goals for the future.

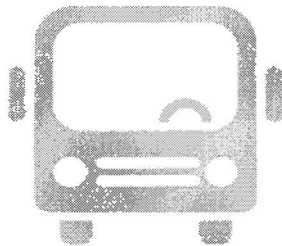
Taking our lead from other rural communities who have successful models of transport, one of our proposals is to acquire a vehicle (i.e. a people carrier/small minibus) specifically for the Glenfarg community. Initially, a PKC minibus (based at Loch Leven Campus) could be driven by volunteers to pilot some ideas of how a community bus might be used.

Your feedback and involvement are important!

Please complete the questions overleaf and return to the Village Shop.

Thank you!

Glenfarg Community Council



Secretary@glenfarg.org

www.glenfarg.org

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1401336053524879/>

| I would use a community bus for (Please tick for each member of your household) | Times per month | | | | |
|--|-----------------|---|---|---|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| Community group/club excursions | | | | | |
| Shopping trips / social outings to Perth | | | | | |
| Shopping trips / social outings to Kinross | | | | | |
| After-school clubs / sports shuttle to Kinross | | | | | |
| Connecting with other services | | | | | |
| Filling a gap in the timetable | | | | | |

| I am interested in | Yes* | No |
|---|------|----|
| Attending meetings | | |
| Taking on a committee role | | |
| Being a volunteer driver (D1 license required, MIDAS training provided) | | |
| Other (if yes, please specify) | | |

Comments:

***Contact Details:**

Name _____

Surname _____

Email _____

Phone _____



Earnside Timetable

| | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Fri+Sat only | | |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Glenfarg Main St | 0915 | 1100 | 1315 | 1630 | 1730 | 1915 | | |
| Cuthill Towers | 0920 | 1105 | 1320 | 1635 | 1735 | 1920 | | |
| Milnathort | 0925 | 1110 | 1325 | 1640 | 1740 | 1925 | | |
| Kinross Campus/Health Centre | 0929 | 1114 | 1329 | --- | --- | --- | | |
| Kinross P&R | 0940 | 1125 | 1340 | 1645 | 1745 | 1930 | | |
| | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Mon-Sat | Fri only | Sat only | CS |
| Kinross P&R | 1000 | 1130 | 1420 | 1650 | 1755 | 1940 | 1945 | |
| Kinross High Street | 1005 | 1135 | 1425 | 1655 | 1800 | 1945 | 1950 | |
| Kinross Campus/Health Centre | 1009 | 1139 | 1429 | 1659 | 1804 | --- | --- | |
| Milnathort | 1015 | 1145 | 1435 | 1705 | 1810 | 1950 | 1955 | |
| Cuthill Towers | 1020 | 1150 | 1440 | 1710 | 1815 | 1955 | 2000 | |
| Glenfarg Main St | 1025 | 1155 | 1445 | 1715 | 1820 | 2000 | 2005 | |

Beavers' Activities on Shrove Tuesday



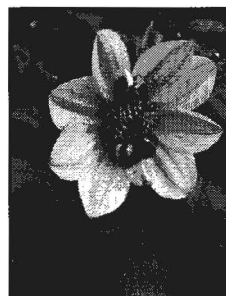


Glenfarg & Duncrievie In Bloom

Seasons come and go but is it just me or are the seasons coming and going faster? I can hardly believe we're already making all our summer plans with the planting out of perennials, acquiring summer bedding, drawing up watering rotas and preparing showy hanging baskets. PHEW!

This year we have been progressing the area at the North end of the village with improvements to the dry stane dyke and the planting of additional wild flower seeds in the "wild area". Last year we obtained some great photos of bees and butterflies who are most appreciative of the helping hand we've given them. The time lapse camera has again been installed so hopefully we will have a wee 5 minute video to share with you all at the Community Cinema. Some of you may have also noticed that we have started work on improving the edging at the the Train Stop feature next to the school and hopefully this can be completed now the better weather is here. The funding of these tasks has been possible thanks to your generous donations and a £500 grant from the Covid support fund through the Glenfarg Community Council.

To the South of the village we have installed new tiered planters to enhance the existing planters and as the plants in them become established we should have an amazing display for all to enjoy on entering our village. Incidentally most of the plants that we are now planting are perennial so, apart from being more environmentally friendly, they will give all year round colour and texture. Ultimately there will also be financial benefits as the purchase of annuals diminishes.



Hopefully we'll see you all at the Fete on 11th June when you can find out much more about Glenfarg & Duncrievie in Bloom and how YOU can join in. It is fun and there's always tea and biscuits on the go.

Glenfarg Curling News

It was great to get back to some kind of normality this past curling season, after the inevitable disruption caused by Covid over the last couple of years. Here are the results of various club competitions:

Men's Club:

Piper Cup – David Rutherford (skip), Mike Dougal, Finlay Rutherford, Gordon Walker

McLellan Cup – Cameron Gaudin (skip), Christine Melville, Bill Melville, Jane Brewster

Pairs High Road – Kerr Watson (skip), Dave Wylie

Pairs Low Road – Arthur Jenkins (skip), Stuart Andrew

Willie Murray Trophy – Jim Bennie (skip), Lesley Brown, Gordon Walker, Max Rutherford (11 – 2 !!!)

Ladies' Club:

Hamilton Cup – Debbie Knox (skip), Maria Tait, Christine Melville, Plus sub

Jessie Deas – Maria Tait (skip), Lora Burgess, Christine Melville, Jane Brewster

Ladies' Challenge (versus Men's Club) – Arthur Jenkins (skip), Kerr Watson, Douglas Fraser, Lorne Findlay

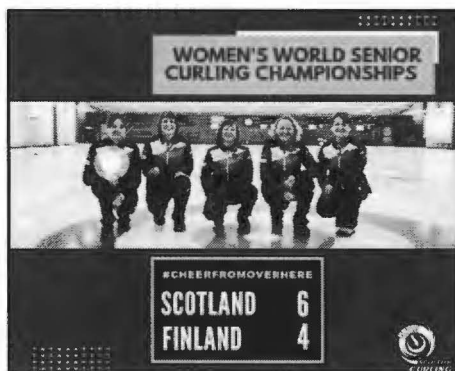
Both Glenfarg clubs are currently looking to boost their membership. If you fancy trying curling, contact the relevant club secretaries:

Men's Club – Lorne Findlay - lornefindlay@gmail.com

Ladies Club - Lora Burgess - glenfargladies@gmail.com

Cameron Gaudin, currently Vice President of the men's club, has been selected by Scottish Curling to be part of the team of 60 curlers touring Canada next January, competing for the Strathcona Cup.

Sheona Reid has been elected as vice president of Kinross and District Ladies Branch



Glenfarg Shindig



Glenfarg Gala is back, after a 2 year absence – this year as a “**Community Shindig**”. The emphasis this year is on bringing all of the community back together for a fun day – rather than as a fundraising event.

The Shindig will take place on Saturday 11th June in the village hall and grounds, from 1-5pm, starting with a fancy dress parade from Ladeside and through Glenfarg Green at 1pm.

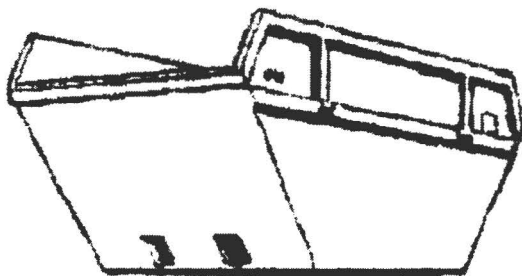
Attractions will include craft stalls, teas & coffees, licensed bar, games and sideshows – including soft play, treasure hunt, a clown, axe throwing, coconut shy, reflexology and tarot readings and more. Street food will be available from the Pizza Via and Loch, Stock and Barrow catering vans. Admission is free.

There will also be a bar available on the Friday evening, 10th June, from 6-11pm, when it is hoped to have some live music as well.

This years event is being organised by a new committee – please come along and support a great community day, reconnecting with old friends, and perhaps meeting some of the new people who have moved into our community over the last couple of years.



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Scouts At Work In The Community Centre Garden



Community Council One-Way Traffic Survey

The Glenfarg Community Council have had a request from a member of the public that Greenbank Road be considered as a One-Way traffic route. An accessible online survey has been launched via the village website and will remain open until 1st July 2022. The findings will be published on the Grapevine after the next GCC business meeting in July and a copy will be placed into the GCC notice board. Just go to www.glenfarg.org/CC/cconeway.html to answer a Yes/No question and leave your contact details.

FITSTEPS
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8PM TIL 9PM
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Arngask Home Farm



As many of you might have noticed, at Arngask Home Farm we have introduced our first four pigs to the farm! They arrived in April and have made themselves very much at home. They are Oxford Sandy and Black pigs who have the characteristic orange/red coat with big black splodges. We joined the Oxford Sandy & Black charity at the

beginning of the year and are so excited to have our first lot of gilts on the farm. 'Gilts' mean female pigs who will be used for meat, whereas a 'sow' is a female pig who is used for breeding. Oxford Sandy & Black's have a rich history but they are also part of the rare breed list and the OSB charity have done a lot of work to try to bring in new breeding lines. The exciting news is that we have another five OSB gilts arriving in a few weeks time. We are in the process of getting set up with all the necessary licenses so that others can enjoy the first batch of Arngask Home Farm pork as well as ourselves. Do let us know if you might be interested the next time you are passing.

We are hoping to find a breeding standard sow next year so we can also play our part in breeding this wonderful rare and historical breed. So hopefully in the not too distant future, you will also see the first OSB Arngask Home Farm bred piglets too!

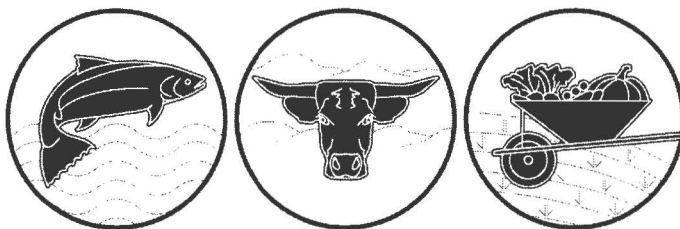


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Glenfarg now has a new local business venture in the form of a Street Food Kitchen. Chef and owner, Neil Clarke has lived in Glenfarg since 2001, and some of you will have already attended his Pop-Up Restaurants and Take Away nights in the Village Hall. Neil, has always had a passion for creating good food using local produce and has run food cookery courses, demonstrations, private dinner parties and large catering events.

After working as a chef for some of Scotland's finest restaurants which include the Seafood Restaurant, St Andrews, sous chef on the Royal Scotsman Train, Gary Rhodes & Co, private chef at Cawdor Castle and teaching others the skills to enter the industry for the past 12 years, it is now time for a change.

We have all watched our Glenfarg Hotel collapse, literally, and other rural restaurants close, and Neil has already supported the village community with occasional Pop-Up events utilising the Village Hall. With the further pressures of COVID restrictions effecting the hospitality industry, Neil was inspired to launch a mobile street food kitchen and Loch, Stock & Barrow was born. His mission is to provide communities and families with authentic fine Scottish food without the need to travel.

Loch, Stock & Barrow brings the authentic taste of Scotland to street food. A wide variety of seasonal dishes created by an award-winning chef, right on your doorstep. From Scottish seafood to local meat, game and vegetarian dishes packed full of flavour, with a menu that honours nature's larder.

Loch, Stock & Barrow not only caters for local communities but also creates food memories in your home and offers private events and dining experiences, bespoke to your individual requirements.

Neil has now promoted a couple of trial events in the village from the street food kitchen which is located at the Glenfarg Village Hall car park by kind permission of the

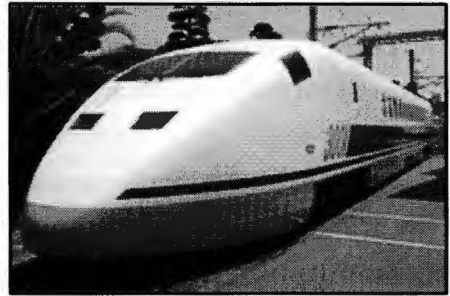
Hall Committee and hopes to offer more in the future. Loch, Stock & Barrow will also be attending other private bookings and events in the surrounding area throughout the year and looks forward to seeing past customers and welcoming new ones.

Please do not hesitate to contact Loch, Stock & Barrow with any event ideas or private bookings.

Neil commented, *"I am excited to begin this new adventure in my career and look forward to taking the street food kitchen out and about. Glenfarg residents have always supported me and I look forward to offering something unique to the village. Scotland offers incredible produce and I like nothing better than supporting local farmers, fisherman and growers. I have been lucky to work with some incredible chefs during my career who have helped me to develop my own style and ability within the kitchen."*



Travellers' Tales



Sayonara, Shinkansen!

Many years ago, on a crisp and sunny December morning, my sister and I set off on a holiday in Japan, by train from Tokyo to Hiroshima. We boarded the Shinkansen which was, at that time, the fastest in the world and settled into our plush seats with two small trolley cases and a bag of mikans for the journey. Gliding smoothly out of the station, we were on our way!

A friendly Japanese couple across from us beamed and gestured, and we exchanged pleasantries despite the language barrier. In no time, we reached the first stop: Nagoya.

“Let’s get off and get a breath of fresh air”.

Grabbing my camera, we headed for the exit and stepped onto the platform. As we prepared to take a photo of the train, to our amazement, it began to glide slowly away. Our new friends stared out of the window, horrified, as we began to run along the platform faster and faster and faster! We didn’t make it.

No luggage, no jackets and little knowledge of the Japanese language. We hastened to a station official and tried to explain. Perplexed, he took us to an office where a girl with a little English asked “Where are you going?”

“To Hiroshima”

“Why did you get off the train?”

“For a breath of fresh air!” Her expression grew increasingly puzzled.

Then we miraculously hit on the right answer. Brandishing my camera, I said, “We got off to take a picture of the train”.

“Ah so, desu!!” She smiled sweetly.

Then, to our great relief, everyone gathered round to plan the remainder of our journey. We were to continue to Hiroshima where our luggage would be waiting.

Within the hour, we boarded the next Shinkansen west and were gliding smoothly to our destination once more. On reaching Hiroshima Station, we alighted on the platform, breathed a sigh of relief, and headed for the platform office. And, sure enough, there were our two cases, complete with two jackets AND our bag of tangerines!!

Arigatou, Japan!

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The Catchup Queen

reviewer of local(ish) places to eat and drink



The Hilton Doubletrees Hotel, North Queensferry

I hesitated before deciding to include a review of this very scenic venue, purely because if you like to catch up with a special friend somewhere with a very peaceful and calm atmosphere, this is a great find, and it's so tempting to keep this to myself!

This is a slightly controversial place to go for a coffee – they don't sell any baked treats at all. I warned my friend beforehand that I could take her somewhere with an amazing view but we wouldn't be able to order cakes, muffins, biscuits or anything sweet to munch whatsoever. Luckily, she was happy to catch up, we were out more for a blether than to enjoy a slab of something sweet. I had even phoned the hotel that morning, finding no mention of cakes on the website, just to see if they could even offer a scone or piece of shortbread and the answer was that they couldn't. However, I was assured that if we arrived after lunch was over, it would be lovely and quiet and we'd get a table right at the window.

To be honest, the lack of cakes is the only real negative about having a catchup and a coffee here. Maybe you'd choose not to come here and pay a Hilton Hotel price for a cuppa on principle, although I was happy to pay for the extra comfort,

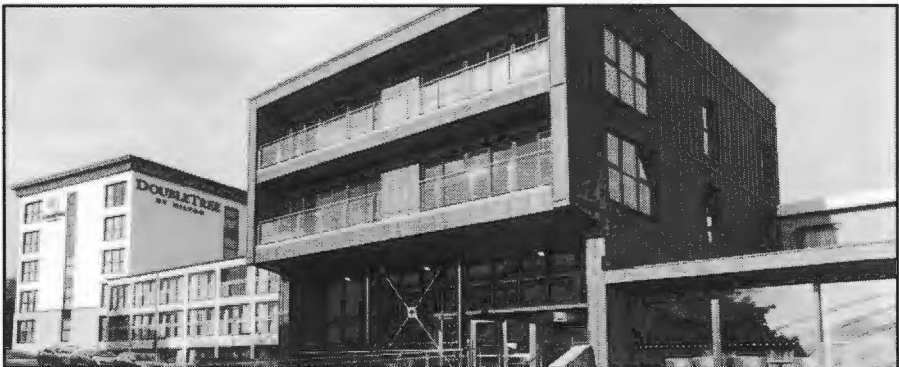
the peaceful restaurant with spaced out tables, and the amazing view - our delicious coffees (I had 2 cappuccinos, and my companion had 2 mochas) were £3.50 each.

I was a bit cheeky in asking our waitress if she could possibly filch us a couple of the chocolate chip cookies that every Hilton hotel guest receives when they check in, however that was a strict no no. When our coffees arrived, they each came with a twin pack of cute wee shortbread biscuits, so I suppose that makes the £3.50 price tag slightly more acceptable.

On the plus side, there's lots of parking, we were lucky to get a space at the door. The restaurant staff were all lovely, one even helping us to get a photo with the Queensferry Crossing in the background, having spotted us failing miserably to take a selfie (it was such a bright day, the bridge kept disappearing when we tried to take our own shot).

Yes, you can travel over the bridge and get a good view of the bridges from the Forth Bridges restaurant, and yes, they have a wide and affordable menu with great baking, but it's really busy all day long and the noise is more than I like when trying to have a catchup. So I'll make sure I have a good lunch at home and go to the Hilton whenever a serious catchup session is on the agenda.

The Catchup Queen



Arngask Primary School

Nursery

There has been a lot of excitement in nursery receiving letters from all over the world. It started with us writing to our friend who moved to another nursery in Scotland. We enjoyed that so much, we put out a plea to see if there were any other nurseries that would like to be our pen pals. The response was unbelievable, with responses from India, Africa, Singapore, Australia and New Zealand, to name a few, and also lots from England. We forward to every letter that arrives, and learn about the nursery, the country and how far across the world the letter has travelled!



P1/2

We tried chalk-painting, learned about colour mixing and, inspired by Scottish abstract artist Steven Brown, painted our own multi-coloured McCoo's. Our vibrant herd were exhibited in the playground and there was lots of chalk displayed on our uniforms too!



P2/3/4

We took part in a variety of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities, having great fun solving design problems. We participated in maths-themed curling, measured how far away our ski-jumpers landed, designed snowboarders who had to stay upright, and created our own marble bobsleigh run.



P4/5

During March, children in the nursery and primary classes took part in the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel (formally known as the Big Pedal), getting active during the school run. Pupils biked, scooted, walked and even those who were driven participated in other half-hour outdoor activities, such as the Daily Mile. We made a real effort to be as active as possible! Mrs Marshall, from P4/5, patiently input all the information into the Sustrans database. We are delighted to announce that Arngask Primary came first in Perth & Kinross with daily participation of 98.59%. We were also 8th Small School category and 11th overall, out of nearly 2500 schools in the UK. As a prize, Sustrans are organising a bike stunt team to visit the school later this term. It just goes to show that we're a small school with big ambition!



P6/7

The annual Perth & Kinross rural school race was held in March. We ran extremely well with Michael, Ewan, James and Duncan being our first four counters and bringing home an impressive haul of medals! Overall, Arngask Team B came joint first with Forgandenny Primary: a fantastic accomplishment! A big thank you to Mrs Gordon for coordinating and a massive well done to every runner who ran their socks off!



Ukraine Fundraising Activities

During April, there was a flurry of activity as villagers turned their attentions to helping those affected by the war in Ukraine.

The Coffee Morning group raised over **£453**, which was a stellar effort. A huge thank you to everyone who poured, served, baked, drank and ATE: all for a very good cause!

The Glenfarg Community Cinema committee used the last film of the season as a fundraiser. The Personal History of David Copperfield was the film and fundraising was the game! During the interval, the audience enjoyed beautiful cupcakes, iced in the colours of the Ukraine flag, made by Sheena Thom (seated in the centre of the photo). Thanks to a generous audience, and a donation from the Glenfarg Arts Project which covered the overheads, **£250** was raised. (Look out for the return of the Community Cinema in September! – Ed.)



The Quiz Night, held in the Village Hall, was less an evening of general knowledge and more an evening of general nonsense!

Everyone brought their own refreshments and got their poker faces on, while Kate Armstrong was an inimitable quiz-mistress who gave out bonus points for best team name and “appropriate” dress. Proceeds from ticket sales and the raffle (in which there were “hunners o’ prizes”) totalled **£519!**



The Wine Club raised a grand total of **£150**. John Taylor said “A lot of people worked hard to generate this great total but, most importantly, the folks of Glenfarg put their hands in their pockets to make it a success. Thanks to one and all, super effort.”

Arngask Church of Scotland took a collection amounting to **£233**. A terrific amount from a very generous congregation who know that God will “execute... justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing” (Deuteronomy 10:18).

The Ladies Badminton group very kindly donated **£133** from their coffers and the **Village Store** was accepting donations of clothes and food to be shipped off to people in need.

All these donations totalled **£1738** which was sent to the **Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal** which helps those forced to flee their homes amid escalating conflict and large-scale humanitarian crisis. The DEC meets people's immediate needs for food, water, medical assistance, protection and trauma care. Every pound donated by the UK public will be matched by the UK government through its Aid Match scheme. With the addition of Gift Aid this rose to **£2175**. A great effort by the community to provide support to those in need.

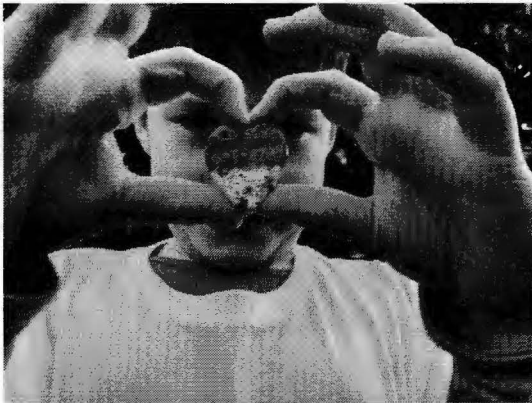
The Glenfarg Folk Club held their annual folk festival, newly-named "The Moveable Feast", was held in early April. Song-writers competed for the coveted Sandy Watt Quaich, an award gifted in memory of a stalwart of the club and Glenfargian, who was known for his songs ranging from Bothy Ballads to comic music hall numbers. The challenge was to make the audience laugh with joy or cry in despair and the level of entertainment was, as always, extremely high. This year's theme was "Travel" and the songs took the audience on a grand tour of the world, for a touch of trainspotting, on a trip to Mexico and even to a (wasps') byke shed. Judges Aileen Brown and Wilma Henderson crowned the winner

Ray Kelly, whose song was about revving it up on a Harley Davidson. The accompanying floor-spots provided a very enjoyable afternoon for all. Jennifer Bell, current Chairperson, said ""There has been a massive effort throughout the world to support Ukraine in the face of Russia's actions. Well done to everyone here who did their bit and helped too - it's good to pull together." The collected almost **£100** which the committee will round up and send to a disaster relief charity.



Glenfarg Runners Isla Craig and Catherine McAdams took part in Run24Ukraine, a 24-hour challenge organised by Kinross Road Runners. They were part of a 60-strong group of runners who covered over 900miles of lochside running. **£5,500** was raised from sponsorship, donations and club funds.

Max Rutherford (aged 9) from Duncrevie, quickly realised, "There are boys and girls just like me who are frightened and confused. Thinking of what they are going through made me so sad". So, he commandeered mum's clay and kiln to make trinket dishes, pin badges and charms, all of which featured a distinct yellow and blue theme, and his trademark white peace doves based on Ukrainian folk art. Initially, he sold from home and delivered locally, but quickly realised there was a huge demand for his ceramic art. Thankfully, Loch Leven's Larder stepped in. Over the course of one VERY busy Saturday, he made over £989.85 for UNICEF! That's enough to provide 20 families with emergency water and hygiene kits or 200 children with emergency school supplies. He put his left-over pieces at the end of the drive in Duncrevie and now, thanks to the generous people of Glenfarg, he sold out.



And he didn't stop there! Over the Easter holidays, he made another batch to sell at a business in Pitlochry! To date, Max has raised over **£1300** which will, in his words, "... make a difference in the world".

Molodtci, Max and a massive "Well Done!" to everyone who dug their hands in their pockets, put their hand to the plough and raised their hands in prayer. As Max so astutely put it, "The only difference between them and us is geography". Thank you to everyone for every effort and every donation, no matter how great or small. Ours is definitely a small community with a big heart!

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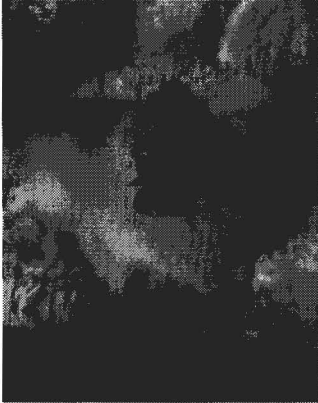
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More than forty years ago, the folk club began in the Village Hall and it has had a few homes since. We currently meet in The Memorial Hall, Gateside KY14 7SY every Monday from 7.30 for 8pm. There is nothing like enjoying music, singing along or just listening, to lift the spirits. Like other clubs, attendance has yet to return to pre-covid levels but, little by little, this is changing and we have sensible procedures to ensure you feel comfortable. We hope you can join us sometime - you will be made very welcome.

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The Kinrossshire branch is relatively new and was flourishing until the pandemic came along. The committee did a valiant job of keeping going on Zoom and we are now hoping to carry things forward again. Meetings will recommence in Kinross Parish Church on the first Tuesday afternoon of September, although some special interest groups will continue through the summer. Subs are £15 and there is nothing more to pay unless you opt to attend a group outing. Please come and see us at the Farmer's Market in August and consider joining us and bringing your ideas to the mix.

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Glenfarg SWI

MARCH: On the 10th March our speaker was Leigh Robertson from Glass Artisans. She talked about three different methods of using glass and brought along items of glass to illustrate her presentation.

Competition results-

3 Jammy Dodgers-1st Alison Harrison; 2nd Linda Martin

Glass Item- 1st Alison Harrison; 2nd Sheena Chisholm; 3rd Helen Quartermaine.

Bowl of Bulbs- 1st Alison Harison; 2nd Linda Martin; 3rd Margaret Scott.

Catherine Fairweather Trophy competition, a peg bag. was won by Alison Harrison.

APRIL: Our Friends from Carnbo joined us on the 14th April when their member Angela demonstrated the art of Decoupage. A simple jam jar can be transformed into a beautiful item.

Competition results-

Rock Buns- 1st Margaret Scott; 2nd Linda Martin; 3rd Lillias Johnston

Easter Bonnet- 1st Alison Harrison; 2nd Sheena Chisholm; 3rd; Lynda Stuart.

Flower of the month- 1st Lynda Stewart; 2nd Helen Quartermaine; 3rd; Lillias Johnston.

MAY:The A.G.M. was held on the 12th May and Linda Martin is to take over as the new president. 4 members took us on a tasting tour of Europe with food from France- Linda; Germany- Alison; Poland- Andzia; Italy- Liz. .

Competition results-

Individual Trifle-1st Sheena Chisholm; 2nd Alison Harrison; 3rd Lillias Johnston.

Purse any craft-1st Lillias Johnston; 2nd Alison Harrison.

Flower of the month- 1st Alison Harrison; 2nd Margaret Scott; 3rd Lillias Johnston.

Trophy winners-

Jubilee cup for most points- Alison Harrison.

Jenny Adam Rosebowl- Linda Martin

Endeavour cup- Lillias Johnston.

This session has now finished and our next meeting will be on 8th September.



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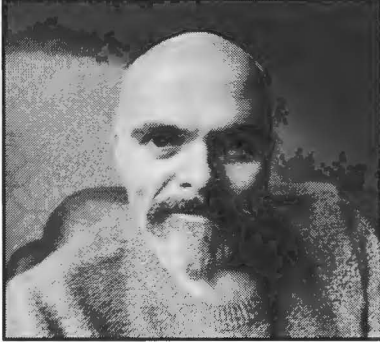
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Kevin Macleod is co-owner, director, writer, singer and performer with children's theatre company; FUNBOX with whom he has toured all over



Scotland and beyond. Born in Torphins in Deeside he grew up in Aberdeen and went on to further education in Edinburgh. He has worked in theatre and events, firstly as a stage manager, then as a performer since 1990. He is married to Traci, who is a Practice Nurse, and he has grown-up twin daughters. He has a dog called Lottie also has three cats. 2022 marks his 18th year as a resident of Glenfarg.

Sean Murray is an Airline Pilot with Virgin Atlantic. Having travelled the world with his family as a youngster, he had the itch for travelling from a young age. Flying was always a passion growing up, and having flown with them many times when young it was almost inevitable that Virgin would be the airline that he would join. Originally from Glasgow, he left Scotland at 2 years old returning in his mid teens to go to Strathallan School, a boarding school nearby to Glenfarg. He attended university back in his native Glasgow but now Sean and his fiancée Kirsty, along with their dog Tink, have decided to settle in Glenfarg and are looking forward to their future together in this beautiful part of the world.





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Agenda

Welcome

1. Apologies
2. Approval of last Business Meeting Minutes
3. Action Points
4. Reports for virtual meetings
5. Planning Report
6. Police Report
7. Finance Report
8. AOCB

Scottish Water Update

Welcome

GCC Chair - CCllr Ponton welcomed all attendees.

Attendance

CCllr Ponton, CCllr Pilmer, CCllr Horsman, CCllr Fraser, CCllr Christie, CCllr Macpherson, CCllr Macleod, CCllr Murray. PKC Cllrs: C. Purves and W. Robertson including three members of the public.

1. Apologies

PKC Cllr Watters.

2. Approval of last Business Meeting Minutes

CCllr Pilmer, Secretary, stated for the record that the Minutes for the 7th March Business Meeting had been approved and seconded by CCllr Macleod and CCllr Murray respectively on the 10th March 2022.

3. Action Points

CCllr and Chair Ponton requested that all Action Points to be taken under Agenda item 8. AOCB

4. Reports for virtual meetings

Binn Wind Turbine Group

CCllr Ponton raised the matter of the Binn Wind Turbine Group Community

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Council Benefit Fund (CCBF), It was agreed that Foundation Scotland (who manage the local Lochelbank Wind Farm Benefit Fund for Bridge of Earn and Glenfarg Communities currently) are to be allowed – contract agreements permitting, the opportunity to manage this new CCBF on behalf of the Glenfarg, Abernethy, Gateside with Strathmiglo communities but not Bridge of Earn – who wish to manage their own. A further meeting involving all parties is to take place when/after contract agreements have been agreed/signed whereby board members are to be appointed in due time – one from each community as well as Foundation Scotland. The financial community benefits could be in the region of £30,000 for 2022.

Kinross Transport survey

CCllr Fraser reported that along with two members of the public that they had been involved in a meeting with local community wide representatives as well as Mrs M.Roy from PKC. The matter of a Community Bus was discussed at the meeting as well as links with other Bus services. Presently there are 4 Community buses operating in the Perthshire area. Whilst the funding of these may come from PKC, drivers are all volunteers. CCllr Fraser has proposed a village community wide survey, sought CC approval for leaflet preparation and printing to proceed with this matter. The main point stressed was that the community needs to use the facility should it achieve operational status. Further notifications will be given at a future CC business meeting. CCllr Ponton thanked CCllr Fraser and the members of the public for their work to date on the topic and recommended that the PKC Cllr Barnacle is an excellent source of transport knowledge should it be needed. Action CCllr Fraser.

Kinrosshire Stronger

CCllr Ponton reported that this group has been looking at ways to engage with the communities in the area to identify areas or aspects that could be more engaged with their residents. The group has identified and worked with the local Library, Mens Shed, Broke not Broken although they believed that there are groups/individuals in their communities that could benefit from Kinrosshire Stronger support. It is understood that people do have support although it may not be in areas yet to be identified. The group is to meet regularly to discuss and promote wellbeing for all.

Kinross Community Fund

CCllr Ponton stated that one main point for our discussion was the absence of any groups/individuals within the Glenfarg area to seek funding for matters such as: Community bus, tackling inequality, local community action groups. Raising awareness of the Kinross Community Fund was key to being a success and the way to do this could be via media promotion. Details to be made known to the CC thereby allowing it to promote another funding opportunity to the village. Action CCllr Ponton

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5. Planning Report

CCllr Christie gave details about local planning matters as follows:

| Reference | Date | Applicant | Details | Action / Decision |
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| 22/00405/FLL | 28/03/2022 | Taylor | Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse at 4 Ash Grove, Glenfarg | Approved |
| 21/00407/FLL | 18/04/2022 | G S Brown Ltd | Erection of 5 dwellinghouses, garages and associated works Land 40 Metres North Of Woodbine Cottage Duncruevie Glenfarg | Approved |
| 22/00006/FLL | 09/03/2022 | Christie | Alterations to 9 Greenbank Road, Glenfarg | Approved |
| 22/00183/FLL | 28/03/2022 | Donald | Extension to dwellinghouse at Robin Cottage, Main Street, Glenfarg | Approved |
| 22/00293/FLL | 25/03/2022 | MacLeod A&J Stephen | Renewal of permission 19401163/FLL (Extension to dwellinghouse) at 2 Ash Grove, Glenfarg | Approved |
| 21/02207/FLL | 07/03/2022 | Ltd | Land 110m South East of 10 Hilton View, Hilton, Glenfarg | Approved |

A discussion took place in relation to the planning application 21/00407/FLL Duncruevie in its present form whereby CCllr Christie reported that the Planning Application had been presented to the PKC Planning Panel for approval and that this was accepted.

CCllr Christie notified the GCC that a letter had been received from the Duncruevie residents' group thanking the GCC for their continued support with regard to Planning matters.

6. Police Report

CCllr Pilmer stated that no serious matters relating to Glenfarg had been reported. The Police Commander's reports have commenced again and that they were being reported through the village media. It is hoped that should Covid matters permit then the Community Police will be able to engage at local meetings and schools.

7. Finance Report

CCllr Horsman stated the following:

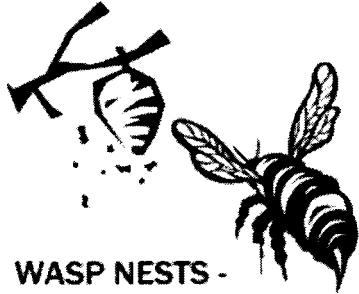
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Newsletter:

Income – £403 Newsletter Funds

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TOTAL FUNDS HELD £5 948 at 2nd May 2022

CCllr Ponton stated that as a result of invoices for advertisers in the Newsletter having been issued that income had increased.

CCllr Pilmer raised a matter of a Microgrant request to support the impending Village Fete relating to costs of the Fete Committee's expenditure. The support was unanimous and the Microgrant is to be paid as soon as practical. Action
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CCllr Pilmer gave an update to the meeting of the intended development under the status of a project involving the current Water Treatment Plant.

There is an increasing demand for water by public/commercial/industrial activities towards the east of Fife and this is highlighting supply and pressure problems. To overcome this matter Scottish Water are proposing to build four storage tanks (10m high x 7m diameter with ancillary workings and an internal modified roadway). This construction, that is still to be a subject of a Planning Application Notice to PKC Planning, if permitted could realise a provisional three-year construction programme with an estimated 12.5k construction road journeys through the village to the Water Treatment Plant operating over six days a week for the expected three years. It was noted that Scottish Water had held their meeting with local residents of the East Blair area and that a wider public notification, whilst expected, has not occurred yet. CCllr Fraser raised a concern with regards to the present road system and that why could the storage facilities not be built elsewhere? Other points raised by CCllr Pilmer were the impact of vehicular traffic on single track roads, that the residents in the East Blair area have serious reservations about the whole project with regards to visual, noise pollution and the impact on this community as a whole. CCllr Pilmer was asked to keep the GCC updated pending any further notifications from Scottish Water and or PKC Planning. It was noted that PKC Cllrs Robertson and Watters and MSP Fairly have been notified about the project. Action CCllr Pilmer

Dog waste bins

The GCC was asked to assist Cuthill Tower residents with a request to have an additional Dog Waste bins. CCllr Pilmer to contact the Dog Warden. It was further noted that any additional Dog Waste bins for the Copperfields development can take place once PKC adopt the roads and pavements. This will not happen for a period of time yet and people in our community were requested, as a matter of courtesy, to "pick up" after their dogs and deposit any waste in the current bins provided. Action CCllr Pilmer

Pavement and Roads

PKC Cllr Robertson stated that work was in progress to tackle the "jobs" outstanding for the village. It was known that the Road Sweeper had been in the area too. It was also noted that the pavement on Main Street adjacent to the wall boundary is to be resurfaced in due time.

Glenfarg Allotment

CCllr Fraser stated that this matter was still currently "Work in Progress" with PKC. However, the support is there and CCllr Fraser is expecting to be invited to meeting with an PKC official to discuss the topic in depth.



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Greenbank Road

The topic of Greenbank Road reverting to a one way was discussed and it was agreed that this topic requires addressing by the village as a whole. CCllrs Macpherson and Pilmer had arranged for a short questionnaire to take place and the wording to be kept short and simple. Safety matters relating to Greenbank Road were raised by Members of the Public and it was agreed that safety is a priority within the village. The questionnaire is to be published as soon as is practical. Action CCllrs Macpherson and Pilmer

Speed limits within the village

The GCC along with our local PKC Cllrs have contacted the responsible persons within PKC with a list of recommendations for the village stating improvements/corrections to a number of road markings and signage. This is all taking time given PKC's limited staffing levels at an office and labour activity level as well as all of the PKC's Road areas elsewhere that require to be addressed. The GCC was given a senior official's details to allow a letter to be written stating the GCC's immediate concerns.

It was noted further, from a member of the public, with regards to the road entrance to Copperfields that two road traffic accidents had occurred recently at its junction with Main Street. It was determined that an incorrect southbound road marking of "40" may be attributable to excess speed in a 30mph zone. This requires to be addressed speedily hence the PKC's official's name was given to the GCC for urgent correspondence. Action CCllr Pilmer

A "thank you" to PKC Cllrs Purves and Barnacle

CCllr Ponton announced that PKC Cllr Callum Purves was not standing for re-election as an PKC Cllr as of the 5th May. Cllr Purves was thanked for his professionalism, personal involvement and support with the Community Council and that he will be a loss for our community. CCllr Ponton asked those in attendance to show their gratitude and he was applauded warmly.

CCllr Mike Baracle is retiring and in his absence he was thanked too for his support to the Community Council and in particular for his commitment for better Transport links in the Kinross-shire and wider area.

Meeting closed at 9:00pm

Date of next GCC meeting

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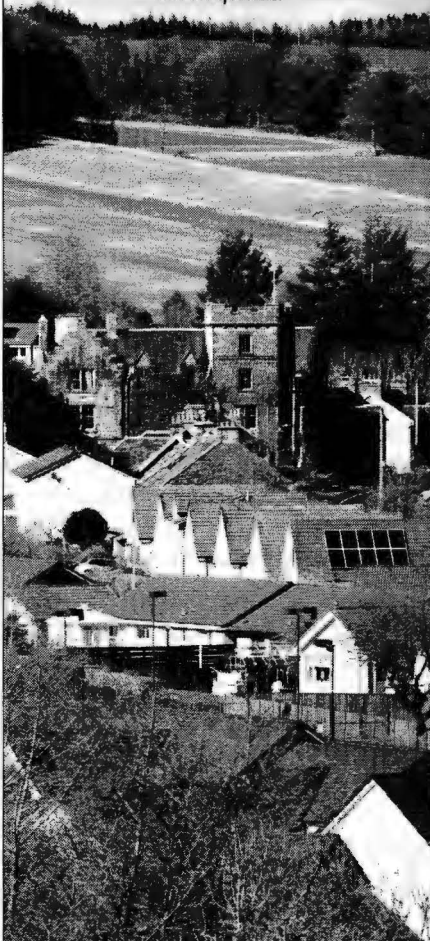
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