

# *The Glenfarg Newsletter*



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# Editorial

Hi folks,

Welcome to the September edition of the Glenfarg Newsletter. The team would like to thank all of you who have contributed to this edition and would remind you that if you would like an article to be placed in the newsletter, please contact us at [newsletter@glenfarg.org](mailto:newsletter@glenfarg.org)

Our front cover and centre pages we have some great snaps of the Shindig. Although the weather on the day was slightly wet, this certainly didn't dampen everyone's spirits, and a great day was had by all. Read all about it on pages 32-35.

On pages 16-18 we have an article on Arngask School P7 leavers, and we wish them all success on moving into secondary school.

Pages 14-15 has an update from the Community Transport Group. This details the activity that has gone on on the last few months. The group are hoping to borrow a bus from the local council, and will be putting a few volunteers through their MIDAS training. These pages show all of their exciting plans.

The Community Cinema have provided an article celebrating 10 years of the local cinema group. This has come a long way since the early days and this is an excellent article. There is a full programme of films coming soon to your local Village Hall.

We hope that you enjoy this edition and if there's anything that you'd like to see included, then please let us know.

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# A Village Hall for All

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

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# Church News



## Letter from the Manse

Dear Friends,

Now that the long, hot days of Summer are receding into the mists of time, it might be appropriate to look back on what *were* our holidays – if we were lucky enough to actually go anywhere. Aileen and I decided to book a few quiet days in a cottage on the Black Isle. She was more enthusiastic about this destination than me since I found the heady lure of the summer sun brochures just a bit too irresistible. As she left for work one morning, I sat peering at my laptop and surfing the booking sites for the best deal. By the time she returned home after a long shift, she cheerfully asked, “*Well, did you manage to get us accommodation somewhere in Ross and Cromarty?*” I answered her as truthfully as I could: “*I got us somewhere to stay, alright*”, I replied sheepishly, “*....only, it’s a bit further South.*” The inevitable question was then asked, “*How much further South, Stan?*” To which I replied, “*Menorca!*”

Our plans for journeys very often start out as one thing, with good intentions and high ideals, but often the actual destination is not what was expected. As Rabbe Burns reminded us in ‘*To a Mouse, on Turning Her Up in Her Nest*

*With the Plough'* written in 1785:

*The best-laid schemes o' mice an' men gang aft a'gley,  
An' lea'e us nought but grief an' pain, for promis'd joy!*

As you know, the Presbytery of Perth, faced with the hard task of cutting out nine and a half ministers from its clerical workforce has made drastic cutbacks not least the eventual dissolution of the Parish of Abernethy & Dron & Arngask. The folks in Glenfarg and district will become part of a church grouping in the Kinross area and share their ministers, whilst the people of Abernethy, Aberargie and Dron will become part of a group of churches whose minister is based in Bridge of Earn. Although none of these changes can happen until I retire, there seemed little point in me lingering on and blocking the future plans of the Kirk in this part of Perthshire. Hence my firm intentions to remain here until I became an OAP were suddenly challenged and I had to make a difficult decision to demit. This then, will be my last letter to you, since I will depart this Autumn - towards the end of October this year.

I am sure that, as a destination, the Black Isle holds many attractions, but the journey there went in a surprising and unanticipated direction and we were never to experience them. On the other hand, Menorca proved to be everything I hoped for – sun, sea and a swimming pool. Likewise, my journey with you all as your parish minister is ending prematurely, but I wish you all well in all *your* future travels in life, and likewise when the time comes, planned or not, a happy destination

With all good wishes. **Rev Stan**



# Indoor Play

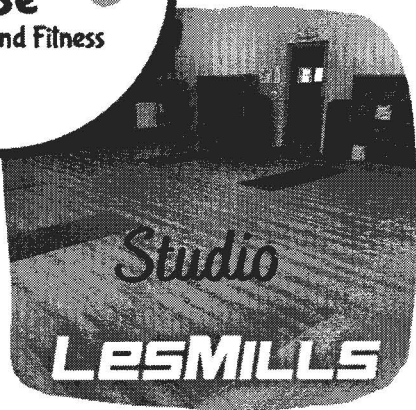
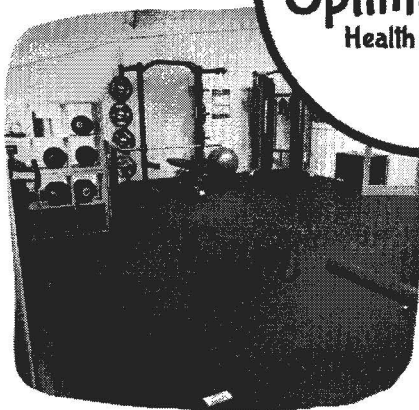
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## Cubs and Scouts Summer Camp 2022

Covid, hospital appointments and family holidays resulted in a select number of scouts and older cubs going to summer camp at the Barr wood, Stirling, the participants had camped in May at Craggan campsite near Crieff. The warden met us at the locked gate and congratulated us on being one of the few groups camping this summer.

Barr wood is a 100 acre woodland site with areas for camping. Our site was shaded by scots pines and it took us a while to set up our area. We headed across site through beech and birch copses to an area of copper beech and the shaded obstacle course. The cubs and scouts all tried varies bits of the course before we had races round it. Cameron and Jake became experts on the bars managing to swing two rungs at a time. Calum put as much energy into crossing the lower wall as he had the higher one ending up flat on his back on the far side – he still won the race.



Following breakfast the scouts and cubs prepared for their walk up Dumyatt from where we had great views over Stirling Castle, glowing in the sunlight, the bass rock and trepain law, the Lomond hills, Ben More and Ben Lomond. We also had a blaeberry feast and learnt the

difference between edible blaebberries and the inedible crowberries which frequently grow together, Annabel had discovered that not all the berries she'd picked were the same. Abbie demonstrated the power of blaebberries to stain fingers, faces, tongues and teeth.

At the Bannockburn centre we met Michael, now recovered enough to join us. The centre was airconditioned, a welcome break for those living outdoors. The campers tried on some of the armour before listening to the presentations about the pre dawn Battle of Bannockburn 23<sup>rd</sup> June 1314.



Taking the scouts and older cubs shopping for them to choose food for a competition meal was an experience. Working to a budget taxed the brain as prices had to be remembered all round the superstore. That evening the bracken bashers served burgers with crispy bacon potatoes, salad, followed by fruit salad and the C Us served spaghetti bolognaise with followed by meringue nests, cream and fresh fruit.

Wednesday morning the campers attempted the wayfaring course. They discovered that some of the posts are lost in the bracken and reported these to the Wednesday Crew who work on the site every Wednesday.



Prior to visiting the mariner centre we explored the Falkirk tunnel. The 700m tunnel takes the lockless union canal through Slamanan hill and we walked both ways along the tow path – coll in all senses of the word. The

tunnel is light and the reflections could be seen in the water. We also saw stalactites in some areas created by the water seeping in over the years.

Although the campers rapidly met the lifeguards, they enjoyed the mariner swimming pool especially the wave machine, and got themselves out the pool at the correct time. Back to campsite for evening meal before going to the Peak centre for climbing. The scouts and cubs started with a bouldering session to warm up before learning to belay each other, abseiling and progressing to the fixed rope climbs.



Returning to the campsite after the climbing we saw the full sturgeon moon as a red rimmed fiery ball, rising between two transmitter masts.

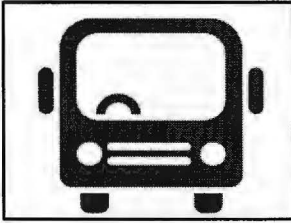
Like many volunteer maintained areas the site became overgrown and wilder during covid restrictions. The site crew asked us to take remove some of the beech saplings that were taking over from the scots pine and we spent our last morning felling small trees for them and dragging them into the undergrowth to become next years fire wood.

One advantage of the heat was the scouts going to bed around ten every evening, exhausted by the heat. Fortunately they had pitched their tents in shady spots so they were cool to get into in the evenings and still in the shade in the morning. The leaders had not been so clever with where thiers were pitched and woke up stewed every morning.



It was incredibly hot work returning all the kit to the trailer but even so one parent described their scout as being “full of happiness” on our return to the village.

## Glenfarg Community Transport Group Update



It's been a busy couple of months behind the scenes at the GCTG! Set up by the Community Council in response to decades of decline in our public transport service we now have a constitution and have applied for charitable status. We sought your views via two surveys (one dropped off to every household in the area and one to all young people) and at a stall at the Shindig. We have been off to visit other Community Transport groups in Glasgow and Crieff (where we met Bertie Bus) and now have a much better idea of our direction of travel – it's on the bus!!!

Your feedback showed us that we must improve public transport in the village but also that the existing Earnside 55 service is vital and much appreciated. We will therefore *build* on this, filling the gaps in the morning and afternoon if possible. The idea of raising funds to acquire a community bus (for running social, cultural and sporting trips and to bring people into events in the village) also proved to be popular.

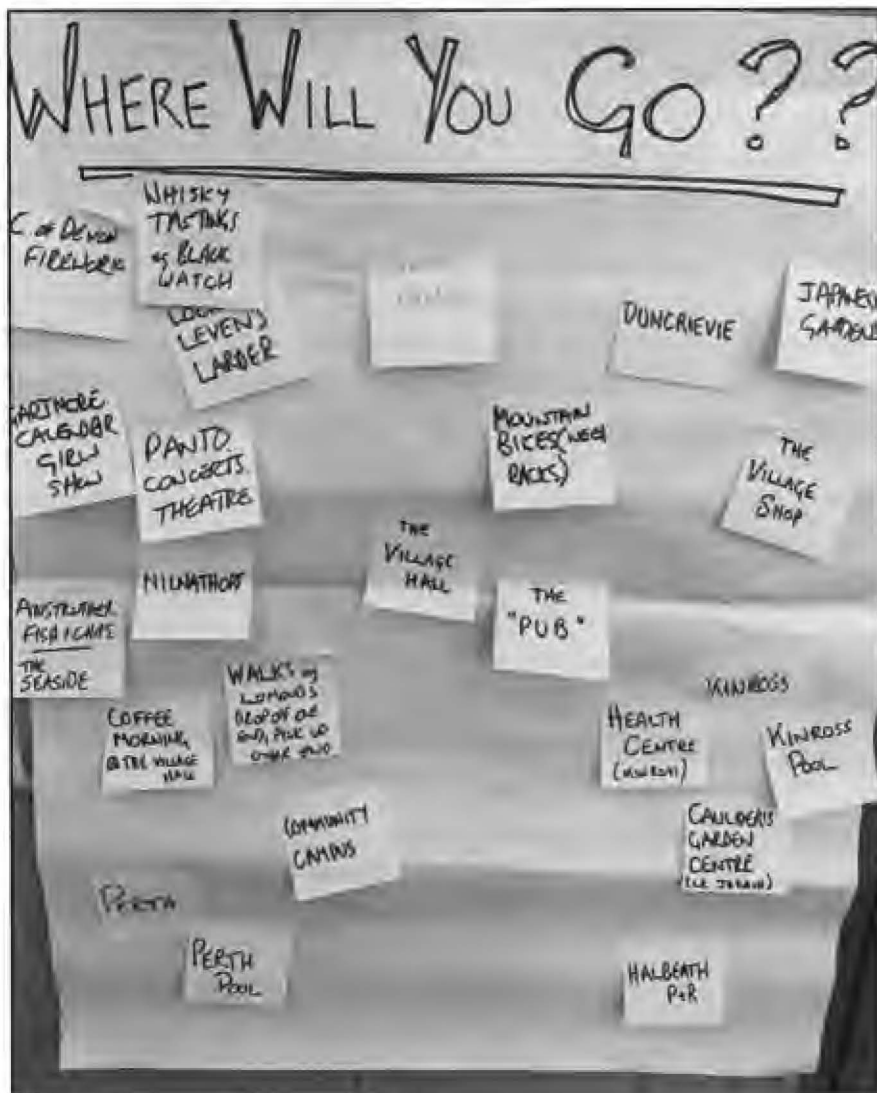
Over the next couple of months, we will be MiDAS training our first few volunteer drivers and borrowing a minibus to tests out some of your ideas. We will be running a few trips, for example, to the cinema, around some watering holes in the area, to after-school clubs in Kinross.

We might use the bus to bring folk into the village hall Thursday coffee morning or run a shopping trip to Perth.



After that, fund raising will begin in earnest. See below the ideas of places we thought the bus could be used.

Any ideas? Please email [transport@glenfarg.org](mailto:transport@glenfarg.org) with any comments or if you would like to help and look for the orange bus icon on [glenfarg.org](http://glenfarg.org)



## Arngask Primary



The 2021-22 Arngask Primary P7 children are often seen out and about in Glenfarg: riding their bikes, building dens, playing football, spending their pennies at the Village Store or picking the wild cherries and raspberries in the woods. Once unmistakable in their brightly coloured leavers' hoodies, they are now smartly dressed in their purple or black blazers as they embark on their newest adventure: high school! Here are some of their primary memories and their aims for the future – in their own words.

### **Erin Alexander**

My favourite memory was at Dalguise when 8 of us were doing raft building and my dad went in the water and tipped the raft over! At school, I am not as shy as I used to be, and I think that is good. I enjoy art a lot I love it when we do Draw With Rob. I am most looking forward to doing art in high school and P.E.

### **Millie Chick**

On our trip to Dalguise Derek (Erin's dad) took us into the woods where we explored and found an old hut full of toads and frogs. My favourite subject at school is Art and English. I am looking forward to making new friends and learning lots of new subjects in high school.

### **Callum Halliday**

My favourite memory at Arngask is when we went up to the woods and made dens. My achievements are being in the top maths group, having nice friends, getting gold in cross-country, 2<sup>nd</sup> in sports day and our class trip to Willow gate.

### **Kalian Harris**

One favourite memory I remember was our Willowgate school trip where my group got so wet. I'm proud that I have done the longest sitting-down zip line. My favourite subject is Science and Art and I am looking forward to the food at high school.

### **Santana Hoggan.**

My biggest achievement is I have improved in my Art skills and my symmetry in Maths. My favourite lessons in school are Science and the Anne Frank workshop we had. In high school I'm looking forward to doing plays and the new lunches. I'm also really looking forward to Home Economics and cooking different recipes.

### **Luana Leadbetter**

My favourite memory at Angarsk Primary school is the P7 barbecue we had at the tennis clubhouse. The achievements I'd like to share are the Christmas decorations I made to take home and my favourite subject is art. I am looking forward to art in KHS.

### **Amanda McGregor**

My most favourite memory at Arngask was a Halloween party. I have improved on my writing this year which is one of my achievements and I also really enjoy writing stories. I'm looking forward to making new friends at high school.

### **Amelia Marwood**

My favourite memory was at Dalguise. Me and Erin fell off the raft. I've got better at writing stories. In high school I'm most looking forward to Fridays because its half day, and I'm looking forward to the food. And I'm excited to make new friends. I'm looking forward to P.E.

### **Michael Scott**

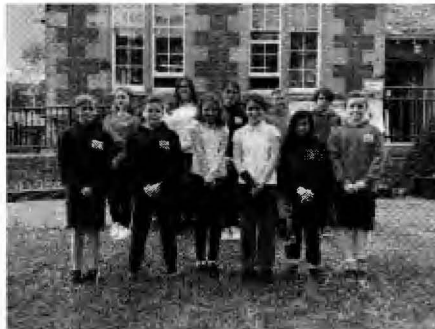
My favourite memory at Angarsk was our cross-country team winning team gold! Plus, I won a bronze medal which I am proud of. I have really enjoyed Art and PE this year. I am really looking forward to Home Economics and Science at high school.

### **Angus Stevens**

My favourite memory of being at Arngask is probably den building if there is one achievement it's probably coming 5<sup>th</sup> in Scotland for kayaking. My favourite subject is Science and, at high school, I am looking forward to making new friends and trying the new subjects.

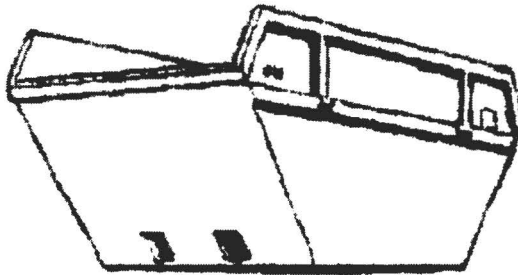
### **James Taylor**

My favourite memory was when our cross-country team won gold – I felt really proud. I think my favourite subject in primary has been Art but I also like PE. At high school I am most looking forward to studying History and making new friends.





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## **Australia: Camping in the “Red Centre”.**

### **From “Around the World in 80 Years” by Phyllipa Fogg**

Setting off from Melbourne, we flew north to Alice Springs to join a group of eighteen on a camping trip. We were to travel in an oversized minibus. At the rear, the doors opened and out came a fully fitted kitchen! Our driver, Peter, and cook, Margaret, had given up sedentary office work for life on the open road.

Alice Springs was to be one of the few camp sites on our tour. Thereafter, we camped mostly in the wild. On our first night, we were allocated our tents. We first-time campers had no idea how to start. Thankfully, Peter came to our rescue and pitched it in no time but then said, “You’re on your own from now on!!”

That task completed, our group assembled round a campfire. Introductions began. Ivan, an Australian, who was to become the life and soul of the party, couldn’t get “the hang of” our Scottish names, so his solution was calling us “Scottie and Tissue” (from the Scottish tissue brand) which we were for the remainder of the trip!!

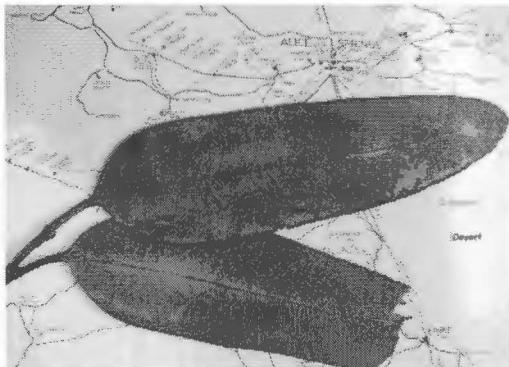
After our first meal of some sort of meat stew, everyone had pitched in for washing up, after which we collected our enamel mug complete with tea bag.

“What’s this?” said Ivan “A dingle dangle? I didn’t come on a camping trip to have a dingle dangle? Where is the billy tea?” And so his frustration began.

At night, temperatures fell to 0° in the desert. The next morning, we rose early between 5am and 6am and were glad to have our breakfast of campfire toast before we set off. Each day, we had several “comfort stops”. Needless to say, these were anything but comfortable as we went in the bush, quite literally! Stops were also made to gather driftwood for our campfires. That particular year, due to an unusually long rainy season, Australia’s Red Centre was ablaze with desert flowers.

Nearing midday, Ivan spotted a wooden shack and Peter agreed to stop. To Ivan’s delight, it was an Aboriginal store! In he went, and five minutes later, he emerged brandishing a billy can and a huge packet of tea.

That evening, after another hearty meal, Ivan made the billy tea. In went the tea leaves and water and then a vital ingredient – a gum leaf. Onto the fire went the billy can until it began to hiss and splutter. Mugs at the ready. But not quite. A certain tradition had to be carried out first. Ivan insisted. The boiling can had to be swung three times in a circle around the head without spilling a drop! Consternation!





Yes, he did it! And not a drop was spilt! Ivan carried out the ritual successfully every evening for the following ten days. And we even have a souvenir to remind us – the gum leaf, inscribed by Ivan, from our last can of Billy Tea.

**FITSTEPS**  
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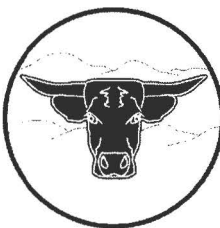
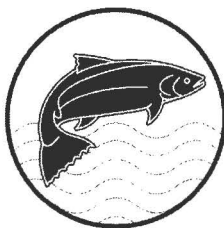
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# BARKING

People are telling me there are a lot of noisy dogs about in the village right now and we will always notice this more in the summer. If you own a barky dog and genuinely want help, let me help you.

When I first started out as a Dog Behaviourist, I don't mind telling you, I struggled to help dog owners with it. It was the only subject I wasn't very good at...until I thought of this method. Its brilliant! You can start to see improvement within days. I've never looked back and now know that barking is really easy to solve.

Barking is a replication of the human voice, not a dog-to-dog communication. Wild dogs and wolves do not bark; they make lots of other noises but not barking. Wild dogs started to bark when they started to live with humans. So a dog barks to get a human reaction.

**Do dogs bark when they are scared, frustrated or excited?** All of them. Dogs bark for loads of reasons. A bark is to bring a human's attention to how they are feeling. They want you to look at them and notice, from their body language, how they are feeling e.g. happy, frustrated, alarmed etc. (They automatically assume that we all know how to read dog body language correctly)

*Barking dogs are rarely in an aggressive mood  
Dogs likely to show aggression are either silent or they growl*

So, if you don't want your dog to bark – don't join in! Dogs only repeat what works – if you don't respond they simply won't do it. Dogs soon learn which human in the family gives the best reaction too.

Aim to reduce their barking a great deal, rather than stop it completely – if they have had a habit for a few years it might be hard to get rid of completely. There isn't a perfect dog out there.

## **Before you can stop your dog barking outdoors you first need to, stop your dog barking indoors:**

- **Everyone must totally ignore barking.** No looking, touching or saying anything. Totally ignore. This is hard, so pick a date with everyone in the household and only start from that date.
- **Tell your neighbours**, write a note if necessary, to say the barking may get worse before it gets better but they can bear with you it may be gone in 2 – 3 weeks.
- **Place a Notice on front door** asking visitors to be patient, you can only come to the door when the dog stops barking

Now you need to **do something that shows them you are ignoring their barking**

- **The second they bark turn your back on them and walk out the room.** But you may not need to walk completely out the room, they may stop as soon as they see you turn your back on them. The second they stop barking, you stop walking away. Slowly return to what you were doing – say nothing and no eye contact.
- **If they start to bark again, continue out the room if necessary and shut the door.** Wait and listen. After 4 – 5 seconds of quiet return to the room and continue what you were doing. No eye contact and say nothing – actions speak louder than words in the dog world.
- **If your dog is barking in a different room to you or in the garden, shut the door noisily between you and them.** They may come running to the door. Open it without saying a thing.

**With repetition they learn that barking loses you, their friend, but the reward for stopping is they get you back. Not a word is said by you the whole time and be sure not to look at them.**

**(Warning – after a few days of improvement your dog may suddenly start to bark again, even worse this time. Do not give in. This is called an ‘extinction burst’, a burst before the barking becomes extinct and will go just as quickly as it arrived)**

**Only when you have it under control in the house can you expect to control it outside. This is only one method. If you are still struggling, give me a call and I’ll pop around to tailor-make a method that suits you.**

**by Christine Fotheringham, Dog Behaviourist 07920  
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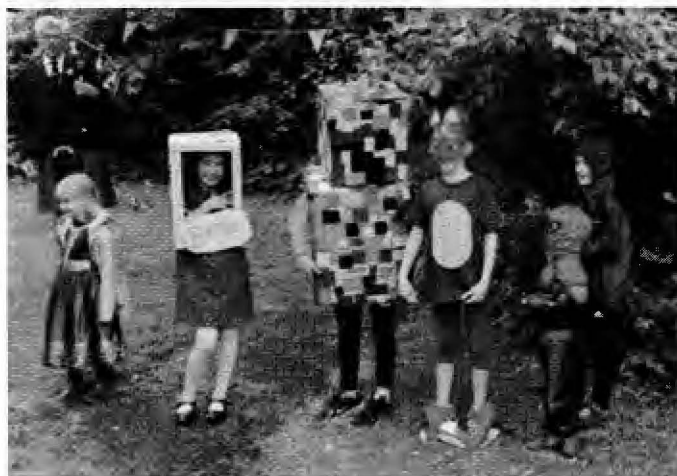
*(Lauren's advert with contact details is on Page 54)*



## Summer Shindig

After an enforced 2 year break, the Glenfarg Gala was back on June 11 – with a new format as the **Glenfarg Shindig** and organised by a (mostly) new and enthusiastic committee. The focus for the Shindig was about bringing the community back together, rather than as a fundraiser as in previous years.

The weather could have been kinder – with some rain and high winds forecast it looked touch and go on Friday night as to whether it would be safe to put the gazebo and marquees up – but the committee were determined it would go ahead. Fortunately the marquee didn't blow away overnight, and the hall was buzzing with activity from early Saturday morning.



The Shindig opened with bagpipes and childrens fancy dress parade – followed by several hours of serious “shindigging”. The village hall and newly expanded garden ground were packed throughout the day, with axe throwing, soft play, a balloon-modelling clown, craft stalls, a tarot reader, reflexology, tea and cakes, cocktails and beer, a treasure hunt, pizza and burgers and lots more. It was amazing to see community members of all

ages enjoying themselves – throwing axes, buying crafts, eating, drinking and most importantly chatting and laughing with friends (old and new) from across the community.



Thanks to the generosity of grant funding from both Glenfarg Community Council and the Lochielbank fund, there was no charge for the main sideshows this year – which the committee believe worked well to encourage people to stay a little longer and have an extra “shot” or two at the sideshows.



Although fundraising was not the aim, proceeds from the bar, teas and raffle covered the costs of the day, and generated a small surplus which has been put in the bank as a starter for the 2023 event.





The committee would like to give a huge thanks to everybody who helped in so many ways over the weekend – putting up and taking down the marquee and gazebos, running the bar, raffle, teas & coffees and side shows, baking cakes, the MC and piper – and of course to all those who came along and enjoyed the day. It really was a good Shindig!

Next years event is provisionally planned for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023– save the date! Planning will start in the New Year – new committee members would be most welcome. If you would like to get involved please get in touch via the Glenfarg Village Fete facebook page.

See you in June 2023!

## **Glenfarg Cinema Club**

10 years ago, a couple of us got together to discuss the possibility of running a Community Cinema in Glenfarg.

We sought advice and help wherever we could find it and eventually thought we should give it a go.

Equipment was to be borrowed and films were booked.

Someone had to travel South to collect the loaned equipment and then return it after use. It was old, well used and time consuming but, we did it and began showing films in the Village Hall.

The Community Cinema started with a short trial, True Grit followed by Made in Dagenham. We had made enough money to be able to show a third film and were off and running.

A constitution was drawn up and committee members found. The first full season began in September 2012 showing a mix of Art House and mainstream stories. We featured foreign sub titled movies and tried to include local talent for the making of local interest 'shorts'.

Although the committee over 10 years has never prioritised profit making, we realised that to progress, we needed to have our own equipment which would increase the quality of our shows. In 2014, fund raising began in earnest. The target was £9,500 for all we needed. By January 2015 we welcomed the installation of a new speaker system, electric screen, digital projector and all the balloons and whistles we needed to keep the Cinema running.

More recently the Cinema and Village Hall installed acoustic panels on the hall ceiling to improve the sound quality. This was noticed by everyone and



## Glenfarg Community Cinema Programme September to December 2022



**September 9th. BELFAST.** *Biography, Drama.* Belfast, 15 August 1969. Surrounded by sporadic violence and growing danger, nine-year-old Buddy finds himself confronted with the ugly reality of sectarian conflict.



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**December 9th. (Film to be announced soon)**  
We are always looking for recommendations and suggestions for our programme. Do you have a favourite genre or movie you would like us to show? If you do please get it touch with us. Post or message on our Facebook page Glenfarg Community Cinema or mail the secretary Margaret Caldwell on [ericcaldwell@btinternet.com](mailto:ericcaldwell@btinternet.com)

made a huge difference.

So, here we are, celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We still don't make much money but that's not our purpose. We show films and encourage people to come out and watch them. Some are better received than others but everyone always enjoys the social interaction and post film chat.

If you haven't visited the Glenfarg Community Cinema before then give it a go. It's there for you all. Enjoy the company, popcorn and cup of tea.

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## Community Website

[www.glenfarg.org](http://www.glenfarg.org)

for all the information about our village  
club contacts / service dates / group and CC minutes etc

## Glenfarg Community Centre Website

[www.glenfargcommunitycentre.com](http://www.glenfargcommunitycentre.com)

Everything that is happening at the Community Centre.

## Facebook

join the Glenfarg Grapevine closed group  
for instant community news / details of events

## Email Service

sign up via the community website  
to receive a weekly email of upcoming events  
plus emergency announcements

## Noticeboards

The shop window is the place for general posters  
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# Glenfarg & Duncreevie In Bloom

As I write this the heatwave continues and boy am I glad that I put water retaining gel in all my planters this year. Many of the village planters have water reservoirs which has made a huge difference not only for the watering volunteers but also for retaining any rainfall that we do get. Also this year's planting has seen a lot more permanent planting which is more resilient to the drier conditions. I hope you have enjoyed the colourful displays as much as I have and they add just that little bit of joy to all our daily travails.

Coming up is our next Community Day at the Glenfarg Green on **17th September at 10am** when with your help we will clear the pond and surrounding area of overgrown vegetation and debris. There is also a quantity of bark that needs spreading at the Winter Garden in addition to some pruning and lopping throughout the Glenfarg Green.

This is always a good fun day and many, many hands make very light work. Don't forget there is always tea and biscuits on hand and this is the perfect opportunity to catch up with friends, make new friends and of course help keep your lovely Glenfarg Green a treasure for us all.

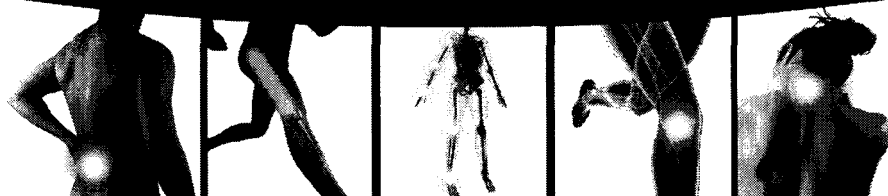


Already we're planning 2023 when we'll see the return of our Open Gardens which we have missed for a few years now. This will be scheduled for August and if anybody would like to open their garden for the first time or even us old hands please contact me for more information.

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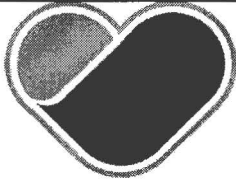
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# SWI

## Scottish Women's Institutes

We are back following our summer break on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of September at 2pm in Glenfrag Village Hall and look forward to hearing what you've been doing over the summer. We have an exciting new programme and competitions are listed below leading up to Christmas.

8 <sup>th</sup> September	New from Old	Favourite Mug 3 Tray Bakes Flower of the Month
13 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Meeting Train Driver (all welcome)	Pumpkin any Craft A Toffee Apple An Autumn Leaf
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Scams	Poppy any Craft Potato & Leek Soup Flower of the Month
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party Food Dem & Entertainment	Wrapped Gift (max £5) 3 Mince Pies Flower of the Month

As many of you know I moved here last August and have been made very welcome by everyone in the SWI and the Glenfarg community and I hope that I can return that warm welcome to more new members and residents in the area. Our meetings are monthly on the second Thursday. Each meeting has a talk or demonstration lasting about 40 minutes, followed by a cup of tea and a chat. Some members enter the competitions each month which is fun, this is not compulsory!

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**3 NOVEMBER 2022**

### TIMETABLE

<b>Notice of Election</b>		<b>Thursday 25 August 2022</b>
<b>Close of nominations and submission of 50 word statement to support nomination</b>	<b>By 4pm</b>	<b>Thursday 22 September 2022</b>
If there are less than 50% of nominations for the whole community council area received by close of nominations, the Returning Officer shall extend the period for receipt of nominations by 10 days.	<b>By 4pm</b>	<b>Monday 3 October 2022</b>
In the event of more nominations than vacancies being received publish Statement of Persons Nominated and Notice of Poll		<b>Friday 23 September 2022</b>
<b>Date of Election</b>		<b>Thursday 3 November 2022</b>
Counting of Votes Cast (if more nominations than vacancies)		<b>Friday 4 November 2022/ Monday 7 November 2022</b>



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# Glenfarg Community Council Minutes

## Welcome

CCllr Chair Ponton extended a welcome to all present and in particular to one of our new PKC Cllrs Mr David (Dave) Cuthbertson. Dave is well known to our GCC and we congratulated him on his return to his role.

## Attendance

CCllr Ponton, CCllr Pilmer, CCllr Fraser, CCllr Christie, CCllr Macpherson, CCllr Murray, PKC Cllr Cuthbertson and five members of the public.

## 1. Apologies

Received from PKC Cllrs Watters, Robertson and Freshwater. GCC CCllrs Horsman and Macleod.

## 2. Approval of last Business Meeting Minutes

CCllr Pilmer, Secretary, stated *for the record* that the Minutes for the 2<sup>nd</sup> May Business Meeting had been approved and seconded by CCllrs Macleod and Murray on the 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

## 3. Village Inn Update

Mr David Aird, assisted by two members of the public, gave an update on the current status of a proposed Village Inn. The update consisted of an Architect's Plans for a site within the boundary of the Village Hall's grounds that comprise of a unit complete with terracing, associated internal necessities and Planning expectations. It was noted with general disappointment, to all those present, that a position of impasse/Status Quo remains to secure a functional Village Inn within the grounds of the Village Hall. The GCC was requested to intervene and act as an intermediary between the Village Hall Trustees and the Village Inn Group to try to resolve the state of impasse/Status Quo to the ultimate satisfaction/desire of both parties and especially the Village community as a whole. It was noted that the GCC Secretary was instructed to contact the Secretary of the Village Hall Trustees to request that an official meeting with all interested parties is to be held as soon as is practical to discuss matters as agreed. *Action CCllr Pilmer*

*continued overleaf*

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#### 4. Action Points

Scottish Water (SW) proposed extension to the Water Treatment Works at East Blair

CCllr Pilmer gave an update on the previously stated project to the extent that SW had held a number of private meetings with the immediately affected householders at East Blair to update them on their (SW) latest developments. CCllr Pilmer stated that nothing extraordinary had been declared apart from SW confirming that a Pre-Planning discussion with PKC Planning Department had intimated that their proposal required to be revisited to mitigate a number of points. These points referred to the scale of the development and all of the works involved, the type of storage tanks on display in the countryside and other locations to lessen/mitigate the development. CCllr Pilmer pointed out the scale of the development's impact, by SW, again to the immediate East Blair residents and the village as a whole. Matters discussed further were the access road, the six-day working week, the carbon footprint, the environmental impact, the projected time, the impact on public and wildlife, the various Scottish Government legislation articles and SW's commitment to be carbon neutral by 2040. SW advised CCllr Pilmer that matters with PKC Planning were still at a very early stage and that no further progress with PKC Planning was envisaged to happen much before September 2022. It was agreed that SW will keep the immediate East Blair residents and CCllr Pilmer updated with any news. *Action CCllr Pilmer*

Greenbank Road One way poll results.

Following the conclusion of the survey the votes that were cast resulted in the following totals: 52 Yes and 42 No. Following a discussion with those present at the meeting, it was agreed that in view of the impending speed restrictions, that are outstanding for the overall traffic movement throughout the village, including the possibility of a major three-year construction at the Scottish Water Treatment plant that this topic would be reserved meantime. Should matters/opinions change then the topic would be revisited again.

Speed limits within the village

CCllr Ponton confirmed that matters were "in hand" by PKC Roads Department to alter the road marking roundel of 40mph to 30mph on Main

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Street southbound. Also, that the overall reduction for Main Street to 20mph is pending work. PKC Cllr Cuthbertson confirmed that there are speed reduction work measures being carried out all over Perthshire and Kinross and that Glenfarg will be attended to however, he did not have a date as to when our village's works would be carried out. An update will be given at a forthcoming Business Meeting or via the Village's media platforms.

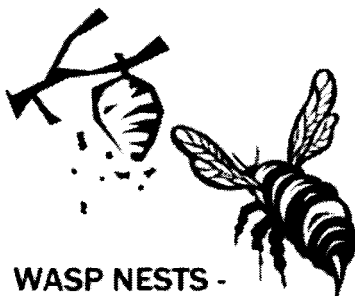
#### Allotment update

CCllr Fraser stated that discussions were ongoing with two parties as the establishment of the allotment. A site has been identified that lies between Marinden Park and the Primary School that is believed to belong to Stephens Builders. The acquisition for the site and the subsequent infrastructure support from PKC will take time to be established. It was noted further that the residents of Marinden Park would be expected to be notified to make them aware of a future proposal that would involve traffic movements both for the development and subsequent long term should this proposal be a reality. A further update will be given at the next GCC Business Meeting. *Action CCllr Fraser.*

### **5. Reports for virtual meetings**

#### Binn Wind Farm Report

CCllr Ponton gave an update on the proposal for the Community Benefit Fund that should arise out of the wind generation profit from the Turbines. The beneficiaries would be Glenfarg, Bridge of Earn, Abernethy and Auchtermuchty area. Presently discussions are taking place with Foundation Scotland (who manage a number of Scottish based Community Benefit activities that includes Glenfarg's Lochelbank WF) to take on the management of the Community Benefit Fund. Matters are still at the proposal stage with Terms, Conditions and Fees being the discussion points. It was stated that Bridge of Earn Community intend to control matters themselves whereas the other three Communities intend to have Foundation Scotland manage the Community Benefit Fund on their be halves. The establishment of a Directorship is still to be formed and this would be expected to be two or three representatives from each of the four communities including the Wind Farm operators Greencat. Greencat's representative(s) would be on the Directorship



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for a given period of time thereafter they will stand down. CCllr Ponton stated the CCllr Murray was involved with this topic too and that it was her intention that village membership on the Directorship should be offered to any interested person e.g., CCllrs, members of the public. This is still to be actioned some time in 2022 and more details will be made public once they are known. *Action CCllrs Ponton and Murray*

#### Kinross-shire Local Committee

PKC Cllr Cuthbertson stated that a meeting had taken place although the facility to have interaction from five Community Councils wasn't enabled for this meeting. Steps are to be taken address this matter for the next meeting.

#### Glenfarg Community Transport Group

CCllr Fraser and one member of the public updated the meeting with regards to a Charitable Group that is to be set up that would allow the acquisition of funds and utilise the monies raised for various activities. A Community (dial a bus) vehicle was discussed and it was noted that there are various schemes ongoing in Scotland presently. The initial necessity is to have Charitable trust set up (an OSCAR) and PKC will be approached to ascertain what is required for this to be done. Glasgow Community Council Transport Group's elected head a Mr A.G.Dunn is a source of information and it was muted that correspondence with him would be of great benefit to move the topic forward. It was stated further that the current 55 Bus was being used and proving to be of a travel benefit. The survey carried out by this GCTG raised interesting information.

The EMBRA Bus was discussed too. This being the electric coach that travels between Dundee and/Perth and Edinburgh stopping at various points where the public have booked tickets from and to. Visit the website.

A good point of information relating to Bus Timetables from Glenfarg is that a space is being developed on the Village Web Site page whereby Bus Timetables will be published. Notification of when this is "live" will be made known through our media platforms/GCC Business Meeting. Further updates  
*Action CCllr Fraser.*

## **6. Planning Report**

CCllr Christie reported on four applications and decisions

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## **7. Police Report**

CCllr Pilmer reported one main incident within the Glenfarg Ward. A person had been arrested on Greenbank Road having been found with an offensive weapon a number of weeks ago. The Police Commander's bulletin is being published weekly via our media platforms and has covered topics such as: Scamming, Drugs and Alcohol, House security. CCllr Pilmer took the opportunity to thank the Emergency Services (ES) for attending to an accident involving a male pedestrian and cyclists on the Glenfarg to Milnathort Road on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. A member of the public (nurse) was able to look after the casualty until the ES arrived consisting of a Paramedic Fast Response vehicle, An Ambulance, the SCAA Helicopter and three Police vehicles.

## **8. Finance Report**

CCllr Murray presented the following report on the next page:

### **TREASURER REPORT 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

#### **TOTAL FUNDS HELD £5 721 at 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

CCllr Murray added further that discussions were taking place between him and CCllrs Horsman and Macleod with a future vision to move all current financial practical activities to an "on line" platform rather than the paper-based system used at present. *Action CCllrs Horsman, Murray, Macleod.*

CCllr Fraser asked if the Mother & Toddler Group had spent the Microgrant money on their new Shed. To be checked. *Action CCllr Pilmer*

CCllr Fraser noted that there may be an error in a statement with Glenfeargach for a payment. CCllr Fraser to contact the Treasurer to discuss. *Action CCllr Fraser*

CCllr Pilmer stated that the Covid Grant money for £300 awarded to the Village Fete Committee (VFC) must be accounted for with regards to their expenditure for the Lochelbank Windfarm panel and Foundation Scotland. A simple Accounts statement of income vs expenditure would be sufficient from the VFC. *Action CCllr Pilmer*

## **9. AOCB**



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GCC local elections announcement August 2022. Cllr Pilmer updated those present that an official announcement will be issued by PKC in August 2022 notifying CCs about the *process* to hold their election by November 2022.

A member of the public raised the following matters:

Roads and pavements. Flooding on Main Street at the entrance to the Private Cul-de-sac involving road level as a result of new tarmacadam. Gullies on Main Street and further afield within the village not having been cleaned out yet. A request to ask the Road Sweeper vehicle not to drive on to pavements was made. These points were noted by PKC Cllr Cuthbertson and hopefully they will be raised with the necessary PKC departments for action.

Antisocial activities on Greenbank Road involving dog mess and working on vehicles. It was stated that the Dog Warden can be contacted by any member of the public whereas the working on vehicles is down to the person who is carrying out the activity to adhere to all aspects of safety and environmental protection etc.

Overgrown vegetation at the old Hotel infringing onto the pavement on Ladeside. The matter can be reported by any member of the public to PKC for addressing by the Greenspace team.

Old Hotel and its condition. It is known that the next auction is in a number of weeks and hopefully it will be sold and something done with the site. All before the onset of autumn and winter that could lead to further degradation of the building.

Public Speed Monitoring. PKC Cllr Cuthbertson reported that this project is to commence sometime in the future whereby specially trained members of the public will monitor the speed of vehicles noting down registration numbers of vehicles in excess of a roadway's speed limit. The information collated is passed on to the Police for further action. PKC have to purchase the equipment and carry out the specialised training. No date was given as to when this may commence/take place. Meeting closed at 9:15pm

### **Date of next GCC meeting**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7:30pm. Agenda to be confirmed and published nearer that date.

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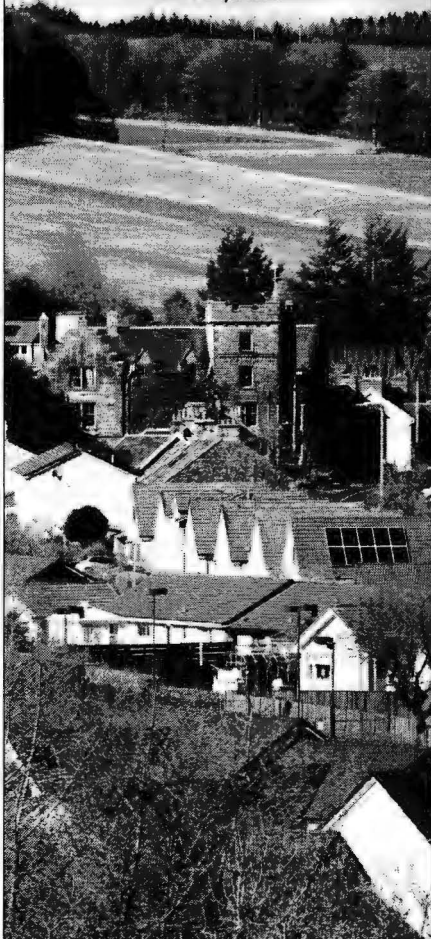
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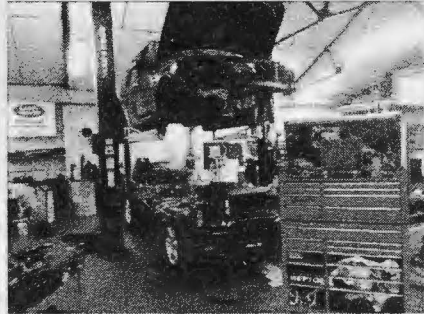
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