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Editor's Page

Editorial

The Newsletter is always happy to share any good news such as graduation announcements, engagements, weddings and other happy events in the Newsletter. Social media may be the favoured way for passing on such news nowadays but, as the shelves of past issues of the Newsletter in the Kinross Museum study room testify, the printed word can speak across decades. So if you want to have a place in Kinross-shire history, make sure your news is in the Newsletter!

Our publication celebrates its 41st birthday this month. As the school holidays begin, we wish everyone a happy and safe summer.

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Our advertising Terms and Conditions have been updated slightly. Please see our website for the revised version.

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The Newsletter has been informing and supporting the community for 41 years.

It began as a way of letting residents know what Kinross Community Council was saying and doing, but soon expanded to be so much more.

Readers use the Newsletter to find local trades and services, and our loyal advertisers support the community by enabling us to publish local clubs' reports and essential community information free of charge. Readers, when answering an advertisement, please say you saw it in the Newsletter. Thank you.

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Scottish Women's Institutes

POWMILL – The new committee is Fiona Buchanan (President), Wilma Sim (Vice President), Maz Thorn (Secretary), Anne McKay (Treasurer), Gillian Taylor (Competitions), Sharon Buchanan (Press Secretary), Fiona Black (Raffle Convenor) and Trish Greer (Tea Convenor).



Seven cars carrying 26 ladies set off from Moubray Hall for our joint Treasure Hunt with Blairingone Institute. The 14-mile course over rural roads was extremely well organised by Fiona Turnbull and Fiona Blake. Despite the wet weather, teams enthusiastically solved clues, including anagrams, and collected daisies to make the required daisy chain. After a frantic phone call to check that one team had not been lost forever in the forest of Arndean, everyone enjoyed the pot luck supper back in the warmth of the hall. The winning team were Starbursts. New President Fiona Buchanan thanked the two Fionas for their hard work.

There will be a Kinross Show set-up meeting on Wednesday 18 July at 7.30pm.

CARNBO – On 18 June President Jay Hutchison welcomed 30 members and four visitors to our meeting.

After business we were impressed by the skills of our own members who gave demonstrations on various aspects of cake decorating. Frances Drysdale introduced us to the technique of ribbon work in cakes and the intricacies of royal icing. Christine Allan amazed us with how to make fondant roses and shared a recipe for making apple roses in pastry, which she assured us all was simple yet impressive. Margaret Greener taught us how to decorate cupcakes with different icings and piping techniques which resulted in beautiful, flower-like toppings. Members had the opportunity to try their hands at all the techniques and everyone went home with lovely fondant icing roses and beautifully decorated cupcakes.

We all enjoyed a lovely supper then the raffle and the sharing plate were drawn.

The Ann Bernard Trophy was presented to Mary Lapsley for her winning quiche (any pastry). The runner up was Josephine Paterson. The flower of the month was won by Jessie Stirling and the runner up was Frances Drysdale.

The next meeting is 17 September with a speaker from the Scottish Genealogy Society.

Jay wished everyone a great summer and hoped to see as many members as possible at the Kinross Show.

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Council threatens Persimmon with Stop Notice

Perth & Kinross Council has threatened Persimmon Homes with enforcement action if the housebuilder does not make significant progress in renovating the retained school building at its 'Weaver's Loan' development on the former Kinross High School site.

PKC is threatening to put a Temporary Stop Notice on the site, which would mean that Persimmon would have to stop construction of the new-build properties there.

As part of planning permission for the site, Persimmon was supposed to convert the retained high school building, which dates from Edwardian times, into four dwellings before any of the 87 new-build houses on the site were occupied.

However, residents started moving into the new-build homes in Autumn 2017 while the Edwardian building remained a shell. The rear section and interior of the building were demolished and the roof removed over a year ago.

PKC and Persimmon signed a legal agreement (a bond) in January 2018, which states that the housebuilder will pay over a sum of money to the Council if it does not stick to a newly agreed schedule of works.

Under the 2018 schedule, Persimmon was supposed to have finished all the exterior renovation of the Edwardian building and most of the interior by mid June (at the time this article is being written), with just minor finishing works to be carried out. However, the developer is only at the stage of erecting timber frames for interior walls, something that should have been done in March.

Eddie Jordan, PKC Enforcement Officer, wrote to Persimmon on 25 May, saying: "The legal agreement required the substantive completion on 31 May, however the bond is secured until 31 August. The legal agreement has been breached and as such we are within our right to call upon the bond now. In our view, having the comfort of 6 weeks prior to the expiry of the bond would be sufficient for safeguarding the Planning position. Therefore, the Council as Planning Authority will exercise discretion relating to the breach of the legal agreement as the bond still has scope to be called upon if sufficient progress is still not being made.



Aerial view of the former High School site.

The retained Edwardian building can be seen in the centre of the picture, still without a roof.

The timber frames for internal walls are on view.

Photo courtesy of Ken Whitcombe, Aerial Photography Solutions

"I will visit the site 8 weeks prior to the expiry of the bond. If there is any doubt that the historic building will not be substantively complete within 6 weeks of the bond expiration so as to align with the terms of the legal agreement, we will commence enforcement proceedings and call in the bond."

"If there is any doubt that the historic building will not be substantively complete we will commence enforcement proceedings"

The correspondence goes on to give a timetable of possible enforcement action. If progress is not "sufficient" by Friday 6 July 2018, PKC will put a Temporary Stop Notice on the site to "enable the developer to concentrate all effort on the substantive completion of the historic building."

The Kinross Newsletter was told by the Council last month that the renovation was "moving forward slower than expected" because "the contractors

have advised additional work was needed to support the retained elements of the existing High School building."

However, local councillors Callum Purves and Willie Robertson gave a different explanation to the June meeting of Kinross CC. The councillors reported on a meeting they'd had with PKC officers. At that meeting, the Enforcement Officer said that Persimmon's site manager had told him that workers had been pulled off the Edwardian building to work on the new-builds instead, as purchasers were due to move in.

Meanwhile, Kinross CC is pursuing a Freedom of Information request relating to Council reports on the disposal of the site to Persimmon. The CC would like to see the full justification for PKC accepting a reduction of approximately £2.5million in the price paid by Persimmon. The CC may appeal to the Information Commissioner and is also considering reporting the matter to Audit Scotland.

Funding boost for Cleish Village Hall

Cleish Village Hall Association is celebrating a £11,000 funding boost from SUEZ Communities Trust for the Cleish Sports Field Access project.

This project will create a multi use path that will connect the village of Cleish to the sports field, giving emergency and supply vehicle access for the first time. At present the use of the sports field is limited to pedestrian access only.

Cliff Culley, Chair of Cleish Field Association Committee said: "We have struggled for years to enable any kind of access to our field but this additional funding from SUEZ Communities Trust will allow us to fund and now lay a hard core path providing safe access for all, thus enabling the consideration of more ambitious events to staged safely for the enjoyment of all."

Marek Gordon, chairman of SUEZ Communities Trust added: "SUEZ Communities Trust provides funding awards through the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund – an important source of funding which came into effect in April 2015. The scheme is linked to the Scottish Landfill Tax and encourages landfill site operators to provide contributions to approved bodies, who can then pass the funds on to community and environmental projects. We were delighted to be able to offer funding to Cleish village Hall Association."

Small move is big step for Glendale

Glendale Security Systems has moved its headquarters from the Muirs Business Centre into the former Alphavet premises at 62 Muirs, Kinross.

The distance may be very small – a matter of a few metres – but the new site has a much more prominent location, fronting the main street.

Ian Spowart, owner, said: "After Glendale moving to Kinross temporarily (18 years ago!), to Unit 3 in the Muirs Business Centre, we decided it was time for a change – time to bring our presence and expertise into the open for all of the public." With a touch of intrigue, he added: "Check out how the building will progress over the next few weeks for a hint at what's next!"



Glendale Security Systems in new premises on the Muirs

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Councillor Purves

Community Investment Fund

As I wrote about in the April edition of the Newsletter, one of the major new initiatives in the partnership administration's budget was the Community Investment Fund. The idea was to set aside £50,000 per year for each council ward to let local communities set their own priorities and decide how this money should be spent. At a recent meeting of the Council's Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, we agreed how this fund would be delivered. A grants panel for each Council ward will be set up to assess applications from community groups and organisations. This panel will include ward councillors, representatives from each of the community councils and community representatives from the Local Action Partnerships. We shall be looking for applications to this fund after the Summer.

Capital Budget

The Council recently approved a revised capital budget for the years 2018/19 to 2027/28, which amounts to £585 million of investment. One of the most pressing issues has been the need to replace Perth High School, which is in a very poor condition. The total cost of doing so is £50 million. Disappointingly, however, the Scottish Futures Trust (an arm of the Scottish Government) have indicated that they will not support the project with funding. This has meant the administration has had to make some tough decisions to find the capital resources, including, for the time being, removing funding for new primary schools at Oudenarde and Pitlochry, reducing the funding for the proposed new Blairgowrie Recreation Centre and no longer pledging to support Live Active Leisure's plans to redevelop Perth Leisure Pool financially.

We have, however, been able to make a significant investment in roads maintenance with an additional £35 million committed over the lifetime of this budget. This will help to tackle the significant backlog of potholes and repairs that have built up, particularly in light of the severe weather earlier this year. The capital budget will be reviewed again in February once we know the outcome of the Tay Cities Deal, which could provide Perth & Kinross with millions of pounds of funding from both the UK and Scottish Governments for a variety of projects.



Local Action Partnership

While I am personally supportive of a Council area committee for Kinross-shire, comprising ward and community councillors, the Community Empowerment Act requires us to have locality groups to tackle inequalities. It is therefore incumbent on us to make local action partnerships work as best they can for the time being. At our most recent meeting of the Kinross-shire and Almond & Earn Partnership, I suggested that we ask the Community Planning Partnership Board to split us into two partnerships, giving Kinross-shire its own local action partnership. This was unanimously agreed and I believe it is a small but important step in the right direction.

Lathro Meadows

I have been contacted by a number of local residents who live in the new Lathro Meadows development. At present, they must leave their bins at the end of the road as the Council is not prepared to do kerbside collections. A number of reasons have been given for this, including the current poor condition of the road surface, exposed drainage, and Heras fencing making it difficult for bin lorries to manoeuvre. I have asked Council officers to liaise closely with the developers in an effort to get kerbside collection as soon as possible. This may require a phased approach as different parts of the development are at different stages. The Council will write out to residents when it is in a position to commence with kerbside collections.

Kinross Common Good Fund

In December last year, the Council took the decision to give common good funds the option to appoint a community councillor as a non-voting advisory member of the fund. Common good funds administer monies that have accrued from land and property owned by the Council that forms part of the common good of the former burghs of Perth & Kinross. The fund has traditionally made awards to allow individuals and community groups to carry out a wide range of community activities. Having a representative from Kinross CC on the Common Good Fund will therefore be a great opportunity for a local resident to represent the views of Kinross on the fund and I am glad that we were able to agree to this appointment.

Kinross-shire Forum

My Kinross-shire ward councillor colleagues and I have agreed to re-establish the Kinross-shire Forum. For those of you not familiar with the concept, it is a body made up of representatives from each of the six community councils in the Kinross-shire ward along with the four ward councillors. The aim is to discuss and debate council policies and wider issues that affect Kinross-shire and, wherever possible, to come to a common view that my colleagues and I can take up to Perth. The meetings will be held quarterly and the first one in August will discuss the forthcoming Local Development Plan 2, traffic modelling for Kinross and Milnathort, and local democracy. We plan to publish the minutes in the Newsletter.

Councillor Callum Purves

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Luke Graham MP for Ochil and South Perthshire



This past week I celebrated my first year as an MP since being elected last June. During the campaign I stood on a platform of delivering local action with a national voice. It has been a busy, but exciting year and I wanted to share some of the highlights & successes below:

Local Action

Since being elected I have held over 160 surgeries, right across Ochil and South Perthshire, dealing with thousands of enquiries from individuals and community groups, whilst addressing over 1,300 pieces of casework for constituents. It has been a pleasure to be able to help people with the problems they face, assisting with issues as diverse as welfare assessments, visas, community funding and anti-social behaviour. For me, one of the most rewarding aspects of the job has been the life changing impact resolving these problems can have, and is certainly the part of my job I hold in the highest regard.

Although our campaign to prevent the RBS branch closures across our constituency was unsuccessful in Kinross, it has been successful in extending the life of the branches in Comrie and Alloa. I have already contacted RBS and asked to engage with them in bringing the Kinross building into community use.

Recently, we signed the heads of terms on the Stirling and Clackmannanshire City Deal, bringing £90m investment into the region and £45m directly from Westminster to a part of Ochil & South Perthshire. Having helped to get several projects included in the final deal, bringing millions of pounds worth of investment to Clackmannanshire, I will now be focusing on the upcoming Tay Cities Deal that will take in Perth & Kinross. I have been working with colleagues (including cross-party) in Perth & Kinross and Dundee councils and with several local community groups in order to develop projects that we can put forward for funding. Investment in Perthshire and Kinrossshire is long overdue, and I will be pushing our government in London to maximise its investment. I hope to see the same from Holyrood.

National Voice

Brexit is, of course, the major issue of the day in Westminster, in Ochil and South Perthshire and across the United Kingdom, and I have worked hard to push the government to balance our constituency view. As someone who voted remain, in a

majority remain seat, but elected on a Brexit manifesto, I have tried to ensure I respect the country's vote and not obstruct Brexit, whilst challenging government and supporting several amendments and initiatives. I have supported amendments on the rights of EU citizens in the UK, ensuring there is stronger scrutiny of new laws in Parliament and argued to ensure we have a form of "customs arrangement" as part of our final deal with the EU. I am pleased to have helped secure the government's support on these amendments and with their stance on customs.

In addition, I have also been fighting for our rural communities, speaking up in the House of Commons on CAP payment delays, investment and arguing for their place in the new post-Brexit arrangement as well as bringing Michael Gove, the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, to South Perthshire. During that visit, I held a roundtable at Gloagburn Farm, where local farmers had the chance to scrutinise the minister directly for three hours. It was a hugely productive session with issues such as environmental protection and seasonal migrant workers all being discussed in depth, all of which has helped inform and direct my actions in the House on these issues.

Therefore, as we move ahead, I will be working to try to secure the best possible deal which includes fair immigration, clear customs arrangements, supporting local businesses large and small, while focusing upon making sure I work with local government colleagues to deliver local action with a national voice.

Portmoak Community Woodland Group

Finally, I recently had the pleasure of visiting the Portmoak Community Woodland Group to look at the work carried out by the group of volunteers. I was particularly interested to hear about the restoring of the ancient raised bog at Portmoak Moss, which had been drained and made into a commercial conifer woodland. The aim is to raise the water table, controlling invasive regrowth and encouraging the regeneration of sphagnum mosses. Furthermore, at Kilmagad Wood, the hillside is being replanted with native species and they have created a community orchard, which will be fantastic once it reaches maturity.

Luke Graham MP

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Kinross-shire Community Radio



Kinross-shire's radio project is go!

The station will launch online on 4 July at 11.59pm and will run until 10pm on 20 July.

The station will run 24/7 during the trial, broadcasting from the Kinross Business Centre.

What's on...

There will be a tremendous amount of variety. Everything from: specialist music shows, insights into Kinross-shire's local business and organisations, sport, local events coverage, interviews with local representatives, interviews with the people who we meet in our everyday life in the area. And some interesting surprises! See the schedule at www.kinrossshireradio.com

Local opportunities...

Kinross-shire Community Radio (KCR) is offering local people the chance to enter the world of radio. From hosting and producing shows, to learning about the technical requirements behind the scenes, it's an exciting opportunity for local people to expand their horizons and their career prospects.

How to tune in...

To tune in, visit www.kinrossshireradio.com and click 'Listen Now'.

You can also tune in from various Radio Apps; see website for details.

How did we get here...

The project started in February this year after a small feature in the Newsletter from project leader Sam. Thirty volunteers quickly jumped on board.

After much discussion and planning, the decision was taken to launch the station online.

ATTENTION

Local businesses!

Advertising/promotion on the station...

Would your business or organisation like to advertise or promote itself on Kinross-shire Community Radio?

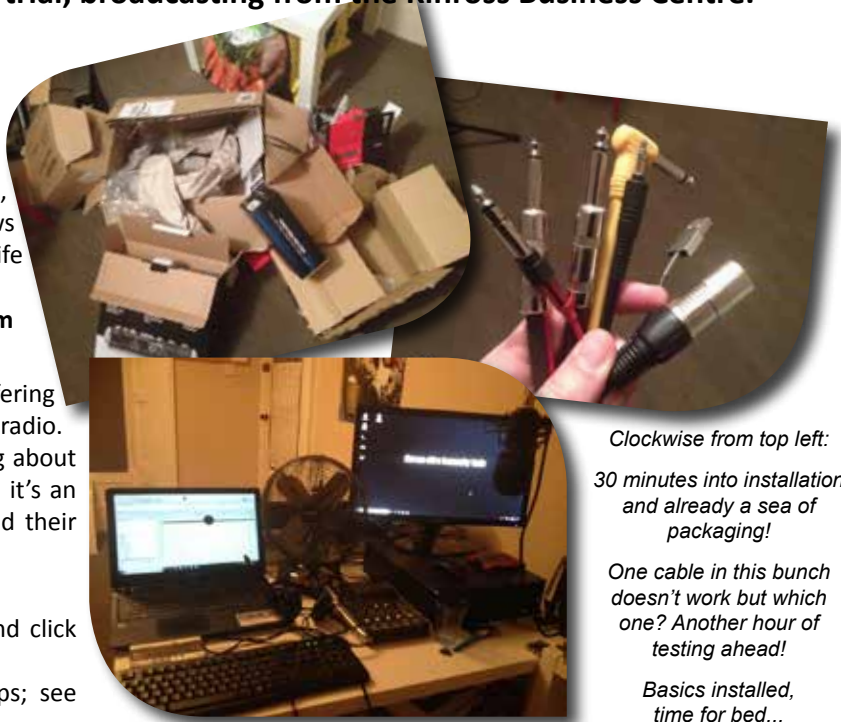
In return for a small donation, we will create your advert using local musicians and professional voice-over artists.

Limited slots remain: first come, first served.

Contact: sam@kinrossshirefm.co.uk for more details.

It was decided that there should be a trial broadcast period to allow all involved to ease into such a mammoth undertaking. This trial period was designed to allow the station to set up essential equipment, get station personnel ready for action and to iron out the (inevitable) bumps in the road.

On Monday 11 June, after many man hours and problems, the tech team managed to get the equipment for the station installed successfully. The station is now ready for broadcast. As you read this, volunteers are busy creating shows, recording interviews, and dealing with technical requirements.



*Clockwise from top left:
30 minutes into installation
and already a sea of
packaging!*

*One cable in this bunch
doesn't work but which
one? Another hour of
testing ahead!*

*Basics installed,
time for bed...*

We thank these people for their commitment and dedication to the project; without their hard work the community wouldn't have this wonderful resource.

After the trial...

After the KCR team have caught up on sleep, we will be moving to phase 2 of the project. Phase 2 will see the station move towards running full-time.

Discussions have already taken place securing the long-term future of Kinross-shire Community Radio. These discussions include encouraging progress on the future platforms of the station.

Exciting times ahead!

www.kinrossshireradio.com

Kinross-shire Community Radio is your station...

If you are an individual or group interested in any aspect of the project, get in touch! All ages, all interests: anybody and everybody.

- Always wanted to host a radio show showcasing your love of music?
- Want to gain training and work experience with in the radio industry?
- Want to enrich your local community?
- Have an idea you'd like to share?

Get in touch!

Better Place to Live Fair, June 2018

Kinross proved that it really is a “Better Place to Live” on 9 June, when around 700 people came to the Fair.

The event, opened by the Loch Leven Pipers, provided local clubs, organisations, businesses and services with an opportunity to celebrate community achievements, network, seek new members and volunteers, and showcase what they do.

Over 60 groups and small businesses took part, with some of them using the opportunity to raise funds and all providing something of interest.

Children were well catered for with the face painter, a treasure hunt and music workshop organised by KYTHE, crafting organised by Lauriston Nursery and SHIP, and plenty of games on various stalls. They also had great fun jumping all over the fire engine, splashing fire-fighters with wet sponges and playing with the powerful hoses.

The Scots Guards inflatable assault course provided amusement and a great opportunity to let off steam. The Kinross Aero Space Planetarium and the light aircraft being built by some of the pupils of Kinross High School attracted a lot of interest from all ages. The Scottish Fire Service also provided adults and children with lots of fun whilst learning about home safety.

The Sport Hub was well represented alongside several of the local sports groups. The Loch Leven Diamonds and Kinross Vaulting Group gave demonstrations throughout the day and there was the chance to try out the trishaw.

The event made obvious the high level of community activity in Kinross-shire. Thank you to everyone who provided an amazing range of information and fun activities. Many thanks also to the helpers on the day.

The evaluation forms show that 99% of stallholders thought the event proved a great opportunity to see what others do in the area and that it should continue on a biennial basis.



All photographs: Vincent Johnston

The Better Place to Live Fair was organised by the Kinross-shire Community Learning and Development Group. For further information please contact Tracey Ramsay, Community Learning and Development Worker, email tramsay@pkc.gov.uk or tel 01577 867124.





Top Ten Things to Do at the Kinross Show



Saturday 11 August, RSPB Loch Leven

1 Get closer to Kinross-shire's farm animals

Local farmers bring out the best of their livestock to compete at the show. From award winning **Ayrshire dairy cows** to first class **commercial beef cattle**, **sheep** of all breeds, including a special show of the Ryeland breed this year, as well as **nanny goats with their cute kids**, it's the only day of the year all the animals are all in one place for everyone to appreciate.

Donkeys

New for 2018

Making a return due to popular demand, **donkeys** will be competing this year. Don't miss the chance to see these unique animals and you may even be lucky enough to hear their hee-haw.

2 Enter a competition

Whatever age you are and whatever your talents, there is a competition for you at Kinross Show.

Adults can enter **vegetables or flowers** from their garden and **home-produced eggs** in the flower show.

Children have a section full of classes in the **Flower Show** and entering is a great way to keep your young ones busy during the summer holidays. From a **decorated wellie boot** to a **drawing of Kinross Show Day** or a **garden in a seed tray**, competing is so much fun. *(See last month's Newsletter for the full Flower Show schedule.)*

For fans of dressing up, the popular **Fancy Dress competition** takes place in the main ring and you can enter with or without a horse.

Or why not get together with some friends and enter the annual **Scarecrow Competition**? The judges will be looking for a creation with innovative ways to scare the birds off farmers' crops and wacky enough to make passers by smile. *(See page 92 for more information.)*

If you don't have time to prepare an entry, you can still enter a competition by signing up for the **stock judging competition**, which offers £100 as the first prize and is organised by the Young Farmers.

3 Enjoy lunch and ice cream, sample local beer

New for 2018!

Lots of visitors enjoy the opportunity to meet their friends at the show. With ample picnic tables and good food available, including delicious ice cream from Nelson's of Culross, it's a perfect venue to take in the stunning views of Loch Leven over lunch. If you wish to sample a local beer, Loch Leven Brewery will be exhibiting for the first time.

4 Relax at the brand new Entertainment Stage

New for 2018!

Join us at the launch of the Entertainment Stage. The covered stage is located in the centre of the showground with a promising line-up of local talent to entertain you throughout the day. Look out for singing, dance displays and musical fun. There is still time to apply to be on stage. *(See page 92.)*

5 Make a smoothie in the Education Marquee

New for 2018!

Farmer Dawes and The Royal Highland Education Trust combine forces to explain and demonstrate where our food comes from. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more news on how to make a healthy smoothie here.

6 Beat the Goalie

New for 2018!

Everyone loves to beat the keeper and the talented young footballers from Kinross Colts are providing the opportunity to take part in a game of Beat the Goalie throughout the day.

7 Sit down and spectate

Take in the atmosphere with a seat at the ringside. Horses in hand or show jumping always impress and are followed by the grand parade of livestock and vintage tractors. Lots of laughs are guaranteed in the obstacle race later in the day.

8 Take a horse and cart ride

New for 2018!

See the showground like never before on a traditional cart with seating, drawn by a majestic Clydesdale. This exciting new attraction is kindly provided by local farmer Ross Kinnaird from Findatie Farm.

9 Explore the showground

Don't go home without popping into the SW1 'Rural' marquee to see for yourself the fine examples of crafting and baking from local ladies, or visiting the craft tent to pick up a gift or present. The trade stand area is fully booked again with both agricultural and community businesses showcasing their products and services.

10 Bring your dog

Well behaved dogs are welcome to the showground. **The Companion Dog Show** has both novelty and trophy classes so the trusty canine in your life can also take part in a competition. Entries are accepted on the day.



Get closer to farm animals
Photo: Vincent Johnston

Lathro Meadows will break assurances on light and overlooking

A Lathro Park resident has written to the four local Councillors and to Perth & Kinross Council planning staff to ask what action they propose to take in relation to an alleged breach of planning regulations at the new Lathro Meadows site.

Ken Whitcombe claims that a resident of Lathro Lane will end up having a 5ft - 6ft high fence built less than two metres from her lounge window, which looks over the Lathro Meadows site. A two-storey building will "tower" above that fence if Persimmon are allowed to continue with their current works.

The recommendations in the planning officer's report approved by the Development Management Committee in September 2016 had given the

reassurance: "Taking cognisance of the BRE document the distances between new and existing properties and site levels at the southern end of the site, I consider an acceptable level of daylight and sunlight will be provided to each neighbouring property."

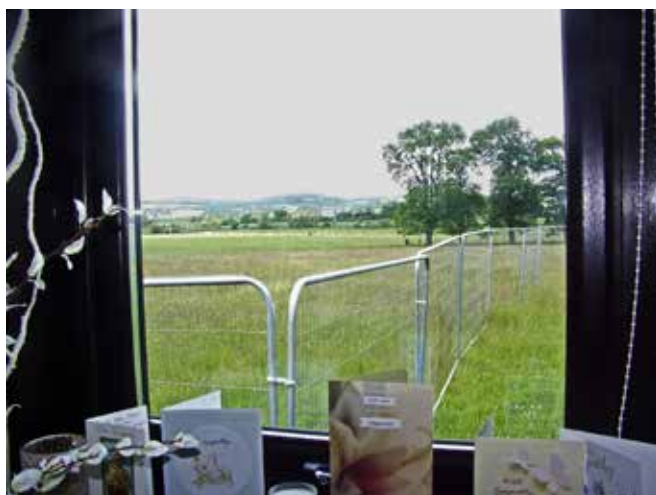
The BRE document is the Building Research Establishment's 'Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight - a guide to good practice 1991'.

The approved report had also said: "... none of the proposed residential units will result in overlooking of neighbouring properties due to acceptable separation distances between proposed and existing dwellings and proposed buffer planting along the southern perimeter of the

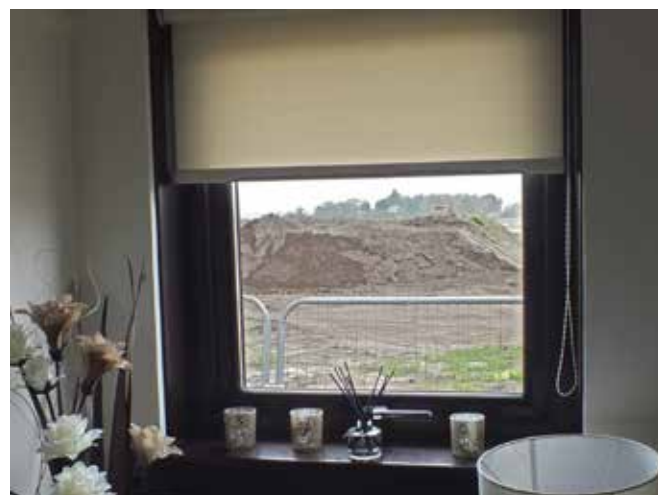
site. Every proposed dwelling directly facing onto an existing dwelling will be over 18 metres from the exterior wall of a neighbouring property."

There has been no 'buffer planting' between the new development and the existing Lathro Park estate.

Mr Whitcombe said: "The situation has arisen as the responsible PKC officer's written recommendations to the Development Control Committee to approve Persimmon's Lathro Meadows development have always been at variance with Persimmon's published plans for the site in a number of significant areas. I have personally pointed this out to PKC on a number of occasions but planning officers have chosen to ignore this fact."



The view from the house at Lathro Lane one year ago



The view from the same window today

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★ Serving You Well ★

Serving You Well is a new feature. Each month we will spotlight one of the outlets selling the Newsletter. We are grateful to all our outlets who help support the community by stocking the Newsletter.

Mona's of Muckhart

Tucked away in the picturesque village of Pool of Muckhart you can be sure of great food and a very warm welcome at Mona's of Muckhart.

This month our Distribution Manager, David Anderson, spent time with the team at Mona's to find out more about this Kinross Newsletter retailer.

Moira, the owner of Mona's, incidentally named in memory of her grandmother, explained how the Newsletter attracts customers to her shop: "We get a lot of regular local customers calling in every month to buy the latest edition.

"Visitors to the area also love the Newsletter as they can easily find out what's happening locally."

Being a valued community business and delighting discerning patrons with



Owner Moira and Manager Amy

the range of delicious home produced dishes at her beautiful shop is only part of what Mona's is about. Amy,

the manager explained: "Over the years we've built up a great reputation with our outside catering service; the amount of repeat business we get always reassures us that our focus on quality is what our customers want."

With a great range of specially selected quality gifts, daily newspapers, delicious food and refreshments and, above all, a very sharp focus on outstanding customer service, there really is something for everyone at Mona's. So if you are looking for a luxurious afternoon tea or a stop-off for a refreshing snack while out and about in the beautiful Muckhart and Glendevon area, then why not pop in to Mona's? Moira and her friendly team are looking forward to seeing you soon.



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Roseanna Cunningham MSP for Perthshire South & Kinross-shire Home energy efficiency loan scheme extended



Roseanna Cunningham has welcomed the news that a Scottish Government loan scheme to help with home energy efficiency which was being piloted in three local authority areas, including Perth & Kinross, has been expanded and extended until 31 March 2019. Ms Cunningham said:

“The Home Energy Efficiency Programme Scotland (HEEPS) enables home owners on low incomes to borrow up to £40,000 for improvements to the energy efficiency of their homes with the loan being repaid when the property is sold.

“This scheme was being piloted in Perth & Kinross and I am really pleased to learn that not only has it now been expanded to include five more local authority areas but it has also been extended until the end of March 2019.”

More information is available from Home Energy Scotland on 0800 808 2282.

HOW 2 find the right home in the right place Perth event



This summer, **Housing Options Scotland** will be holding **free drop-in events** all over the country to give housing information, advice and support to disabled people, older people, disabled veterans and those who support them. In July, Housing Options are coming to Perth.

At this free drop-in event there will be:

- Presentations throughout the day on housing.
- Information stalls from local and national organisations working with disabled people, older people, disabled veterans and those who support them.
- The chance to speak to housing professionals about your housing needs.
- Not forgetting teas, coffees and biscuits!
- And as this is a drop-in event, you can come along whenever suits you!

This HOW 2 event will take place at **St Matthew’s Church** on **Thursday 19 July** between **10pm and 3pm**.

To find out more about Housing Options Scotland, go to www.housingoptionsscotland.org.uk or call 0131 247 1400.

Best Independent Retailer in Scotland is in Kinross!

Hunters of Kinross has been awarded the Best Independent Retailer in Scotland at the Scottish Business Awards 2018.

The very thorough judging in this most hotly contended category is based on online customer nominations and mystery shop visits, along with a personal interview with the judges during normal opening hours.

Pamela Hunter said: “We are so delighted to win this award. We have to thank our loyal customers for their votes.

“Our focus on the best quality produce, fantastic service and good value for money is what makes our valued customers keep coming back. Our customers’ patronage is hugely appreciated.”

Customers travel from all over the UK to Hunters. Why not pop in soon to see what makes Hunters of Kinross so special? Iain, Pamela and their team will be thrilled to see you.



Liam Wilson and Conner Stuart from Hunters of Kinross pictured after receiving the Best Independent Retailer in Scotland award at the Marriot Hotel, Glasgow.

Climate Challenge Fund

The Scottish Government’s Climate Challenge Fund is open.

The Climate Challenge Fund (CCF) provides grants and support for community-led organisations to tackle climate change by running projects that reduce local carbon emissions, with initiatives including energy efficiency, sustainable travel, local food and resource efficiency.

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Peter triumphs in tough test

Peter Leach of Angela’s Cars taxi service has passed the Institute of Advance Motoring Advanced Driver test.

Peter told the Newsletter: “When I started Angela’s Cars two years ago, I quickly realised that apart from being on time and being courteous and polite, the most important aspect of the job is the safety of the passengers. With this in mind I decided that I would train to become an Institute of Advanced Motoring Advanced Driver.

“After many hours of instruction and even more hours spent practising, I took the Advanced Driving Test. The test was conducted by a recently retired Police Class One advanced pursuit driver and lasted one and a half hours. It was intense and covered all aspects of driving.

“It was really gratifying to hear those words, ‘Congratulations, you’ve passed’.

“Although I had always considered myself to be a safe driver, the course and test has made me a very much safer driver, which benefits all those passengers who put their trust in me each time they get into my car.”



Peter Leach with his Institute of Advanced Motoring Advanced Driver certificate

Elizabeth Smith MSP for Mid Scotland and Fife



When the Queensferry Crossing opened last year to great fanfare, commuters were told that the new bridge would substantially reduce journey times and help spur economic growth. So far this has not happened.

Less than a year later and official statistics from Transport Scotland have shown that the average speed during rush hour ranges between 21 and 24mph, despite the speed limit on the bridge being 70mph.

This is obviously hugely disappointing, not to mention frustrating for commuters. Everyone expects rush hour to be slower than off-peak times, but for speeds over the bridge not to have improved is concerning. There are many residents in Kinross who commute to Edinburgh and are now having to leave even earlier just to make it to work on time.

Clearly, if a £1.6 billion bridge doesn’t alleviate congestion then we need to start approaching transport differently. What we need is for public transport links to compete more closely with road. I have been calling for more train carriages through Fife and thankfully additional capacity will be added over the next couple of months. In addition to this I have been a long-time supporter and advocate of a direct rail link between Edinburgh and Perth which would stop in Kinross. I would hope that these congestion statistics can now convince the Scottish Government to green light a feasibility study into this direct link. I believe this plan not only has tremendous public support but also makes good financial sense and can provide a substantial return on infrastructure funding.

However, it’s not just rail travel that needs to improve in order to reduce congestion, bus travel also has to change to meet new challenges. For years we have seen falling passenger numbers and a recent survey from Citizens Advice Scotland revealed that most residents were unhappy with the service and punctuality of bus travel.

In response to these trends the Scottish Government has proposed major changes to the way local bus services are organised. Under these plans Ministers want to give local authorities more power to fill gaps in the network and in some instances will offer up the ability to run their own services. These plans are obviously in their infancy and will require closer scrutiny over the coming months. However, if passed, there are potential pitfalls including the possibility of companies ditching unprofitable routes which would leave councils open to financial pressure. Nonetheless, it’s important that we continue to have these debates in order to reduce the pressure on the road network and improve public transport.

Liz Smith MSP

As ever Liz appreciates the feedback of constituents and can be contacted at the Control Tower, Perth Airport, Scone PH2 6PL, or via email Elizabeth.Smith.msp@parliament.scot or via telephone at 01738 553990.

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Place names of Kinross-shire

Queich or Keich?

The long-awaited 'Place-names of Kinross-shire' was published at the back-end of 2017 and is available to buy at the Kinross Museum. For by the obvious delight in looking up the meaning behind our local settlement, farm and landscape names, the book covers an enormous amount of history about our county through the ages.

Our earliest place names are 'British' such as the river *Devon*, which is mentioned in 1173 and probably means 'deep one'. (Modern Welsh is one of the descendants of 'British'.) At the other end are recent names in English first recorded as late as 1866 by the Ordnance Survey, such as *Powmill Bridge* where, although the 'Powmill' is older ('pow' in Scots is a sluggish burn), the 'bridge' part is English rather than the Scots 'brig' – or at least that is how the surveyor chose to write it down. Between these two languages the inhabitants of Kinross-shire have spoken Pictish, Gaelic and Scots in that order and they have all left their mark on our place names. There is even a Norse name in *Kirkness*, which is first mentioned around 1050. Today, around 30% of the population of Kinross-shire consider themselves to be Scots speakers according to the 2011 census.

The book also gives us guidance on pronunciation. This was gathered from long-term residents of the county such as Colin Robertson and the late Mary Muirhead and Maria Russell. Interestingly, when asked directly how a name was pronounced people would often give the Scottish Standard English version, for example, 'Broadhead'. It was only as they chatted informally that they would use 'Braidheid'. These traditional Scots pronunciations are often backed up by earlier written sources from before the Ordnance Survey's version in the Victorian era. The authors point out that 'Scottish Standard English is the dominant language of the Ordnance Survey and is thus the mould in which all place names, whether coined in Scots or Scottish Standard English, are cast'. We now have the odd situation whereby the older 'correct' pronunciation used by Scots speakers is considered 'wrong' and the 'wrong' pronunciation given on our maps is considered 'correct'!

Listed right are some of the traditional pronunciations collected by the authors, who give accurate phonetic transcriptions in the book.

Perhaps the 'official' names of these places should be changed to reflect the original pronunciation rather than the later anglicised names given by the Ordnance Survey?

Knowing the local pronunciation can be important. At the public planning inquiry in to the proposed Levenfields Factory Outlet Centre a few year syne, the applicants' drainage consultants persisted in calling the river alongside the site 'the South Keich', despite ripples of amusement from the public benches. It may be polluted, but no as bad as that, surely?

Gordon McFarlane

'The Place Names of Kinross-shire' by Simon Taylor with Peter McNiven and Eila Williamson costs £35 from the Kinross Museum at the community campus.

Aldie: pronounced Awdy and written that way in 1506.

Arlary: pronounced Airlerie and written *Airlarie* in 1653.

Balado: pronounced Balawdy and written that way in 1883 and as *Balladyis* in 1527.

Ballingall: pronounced Benigall and written *Benygaw* in 1753.

Bowton: locally this is often pronounced Booton but some correspondents used an 'ow' sound and the definite article. 'The Bowton' is indeed how it appears in 1544. These early spellings and the probable derivation from 'bow' – Scots for a herd of cattle and pronounced like English 'bough' – suggests the 'ow' is more likely to be the original pronunciation. Saying 'Boton' is a recent innovation.

Cavelstone: pronounced 'Kelson' and written *Kelston* in 1753. There is a modern 'Kelson Lodge'.

Drunzie: pronounced 'Drungie' and written that way in 1671.

Gartwhinzean: pronounced Gartwhinyin and written *Gartquhynanis* in 1542. 'Quh' was the old Scots way of writing that stronger 'wh' sound which still exists in Scots speech compared to English.

Dalqueich: pronounced Dequeich and written *Dequeich* in 1753.

Dowhill: pronounced Doohill. Although no written sources spell it that way, in 1775 it is called *Dovehill*. Perhaps this was a 'correction' for Scots *doo* for *dove*?

Findatie: pronounced Finity and written that way in 1775.

Kinnesswood: locally this often gets 'kineskit', which was written as *Kynnescote* in 1515. There was probably both a Kinness cot (cottage) and a Kinness wood in this area.

Milnathort: Still sometimes pronounced Mill o forth (written *Miln of Quorthe* in 1346) or Mills o forth (written as *Mills of Forth* in 1775).

Rumbling Bridge: pronounced Rummlin Brig and written *Rumbling Brig* in 1769.



The Place Names of Kinross-shire in front of the farm in Kinross parish first recorded under its current name of 'Burnbrae' in 1856. Prior to that it was recorded, from 1390 onwards, as 'Easter Tillyochie.'

Lest We Forget Reflections on the Great War

There is a rolling exhibition at the Kinross (Marshall) Museum on the Great War, telling of some of the events and people of 100 years ago. The museum display is adjacent to the library within Loch Leven Community Campus. The information displayed below is courtesy of the Museum.

First World War Timeline, July 1918

15th	Germany launches the final offensive at the 2nd Battle of the Marne.
16th-17th	Tsar Nicholas II of Russia and his family are murdered by the Bolsheviks.

Kinross-shire Roll of Honour, July 1918

Robert Taylor was a Gunner with the Royal Garrison Artillery when he died aged 25 on 9 July 1918. He is buried at the Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, near Boulogne. He was the husband of Helen Taylor of Kirkness House, Fifeshire.

James Fraser was a miner before joining the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders in 1915, later transferring to the Black Watch. His parents lived at Backloan, Milnathort, and received a letter from their son's Commanding Officer saying: "I regret that I have to inform you that your son Pte. James Fraser, was killed by a bullet on the 19th July while displaying great courage and coolness in assisting to keep his Lewis gun in Action under heavy fire at close range ...".

A local newspaper of the time reported: "... he has been in France two years and has served and suffered in the gallant deeds of his regiment being previously twice wounded in March and December 1917. The action in which he fell was the subject of a graphic narrative in the "Scotsman" of July 22nd, where the writer describes the brilliant part played by the Black Watch in the Scottish success at Meteren."

James Fraser died on 19 July 1918 and is buried at Meteren Military Cemetery.

Alex McCubbin was a Private with the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. He died on 23 July 1918 and is buried at St Imoges Churchyard, France.

Henry M Macintosh was a Captain in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders when he died on 26 July 1918 of wounds received in action. He was 26. Born at Kelso, he was the son of the Rev. William Macintosh and Anne Smith Macintosh, sometime of St Paul's Rectory, Kinross.

Captain Macintosh made a will five days before he died. It said: "In the event of my death I desire £20 to be given to the son of Robert Lighting at Briarcourt Lindley, Huddersfield. And £20 to be given to A.W.M. Horn 8th Walpole Terrace Brighton as a small recognition of the kindness shewn to me by his father and mother.

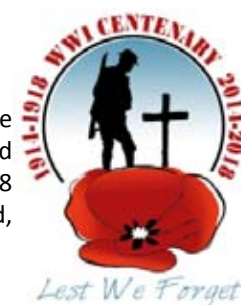
Any other balance I may have at Cox's or P.O.S.B. to go to my sister, Vina Macintosh.

All other effects to my brother Caer Macintosh.

I leave to my father and mother the sincere thanks of a grateful son for the careful and helpful upbringing I have had. Few sons have had such kindness and patience showered upon them, with, I am afraid, so little return."

Robert P King was a Private in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders when he died on 29 July 1918, aged 22. Born in Galashiels, he was the son of Robert and Joan King of 12 Smith Street, Kinross.

Robert King is buried at Oulchy-le-Chateau Churchyard, France. His was a member of the East Church of Kinross and is listed on the church's Roll of Honour.



Community Choices Fund

The Scottish Government's Community Choices Fund is available for community organisations to run Participatory Budget (PB) events.

Community organisations can bid for funding of between £20,000 and £100,000 to run a PB event for their community. It is possible for groups to come together to apply jointly for funding to run a PB event.

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Crimes of Note

On 18 May there was a break in to the building site at the Town Hall, Kinross, and a number of tools stolen.

On 21 May there was a break in to the Lochleven Fisheries shed at the Pier in Kinross and a number of fuel canisters stolen.

On 25 May a van parked in Bowton Road, Kinross, was broken into and a high value generator stolen.

If anyone has any information regarding these crimes, please get in touch via 101 or speak with local officers.

Police News

With the school summer holidays almost upon us, PCs Spalding and Stapleton will begin their summer Youth Alcohol Patrols in and around Kinross and Milnathort. Hot stops are identified with information from the local community to assist in targeting areas that require patrols. Foot and cycle patrols will be carried out on a regular basis to try to make early interventions and engage with local youths.

Dougie and Atholl also had the pleasure of visiting CHAS's Rachel House and spent a great couple of hours in the company of the children currently there and the children's families. Thanks to staff and Val Lochart for the invitation.

A **Summer Cycle** around the **Heritage Trail** is planned by Dougie and Atholl. Once a date is confirmed, locals are more than welcome to join us and #cyclewiththecops

Swansacre, Kinross: Again, there have been complaints of 'local' vehicles not obeying the traffic restrictions that are in place at either end of the street. Drivers are reminded not to use the street unless for local access and not to routinely use the street as a short cut or 'rat run'.

School Talk: Dougie and Atholl recently gave a talk to the Kinross Primary 7 classes about the dangers of internet use and social media. Below are a few tips to keep everyone safe.

Social Media

Sites like Twitter and Facebook are part of an internet phenomenon known as 'social networking'. They can be great fun to use and are an important part of many people's social lives. Online dating is also a form of social networking. Like any internet tool, though, social networking can be used for harmful or criminal purposes. Take some sensible precautions.

What are the benefits and risks of Social Media?

Social networking sites create a feeling of community. This can be positive or negative depending on the nature of the community created. Since users access these sites from their own homes, they can sometimes forget that the internet is really a public space. This means they can be tempted to share more information than is sensible or safe, or to act in ways they may not do normally.

What basic steps should I take?

You can help protect yourself and/or your children by learning how these sites work and talking them through some basic advice:

- Pick a user name that doesn't include your real name or hint at your date of birth or where you live.
- Make your profile private by changing the 'privacy settings' or 'account settings'. This means only your friends will be able to see what's on your profile. You'll still be able to get friend requests, but are less likely to be pestered by strangers.

- Limit the amount of personal information you make available online such as your address and date of birth, even more so if it may provide a hint as to your password - even to friends.

What precautions should I take when sharing information on Social Networking sites?

Think carefully about:

- Who you want to chat to.
- What you want to say.
- Which pictures you upload.

Remember, even if it feels private, the internet is really a public space. Once you put a message or an image online, it will be there in some form forever, even if you delete it.

- If it isn't something you'd be happy for someone close to you or a total stranger to see, then don't share it.
- Don't post personal details like last name, school or email address. You may not know who your friends' friends are. Remember that there is always a chance someone else will see their information and not everyone online is honest.
- Don't feel pressured into posting something you're not comfortable with, such as personal phone numbers or photographs.
- Think before you 'check in' at a location or say you're going on holiday. Could someone unknown to you see it and establish where you live and that your home may be empty?
- Respect friends and the online community. Don't communicate any potentially damaging messages and don't get drawn into any online arguments or conflict.
- Something you think is funny might not seem funny to others. What seems like a harmless joke in private may embarrass or humiliate someone in public.
- Remember, the click of a button makes your information publicly known worldwide and only you can control who sees this. Think before you post and, if in doubt, don't click!

Police Scotland – local community

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Community Council News

The Community Council News is based on draft minutes of local CC meetings. Full draft minutes are posted on local websites and notice boards. Please note, the Community Council News is not a verbatim reproduction of CC minutes. Where there are two months' worth of reports, there will be a considerable amount of editing.

Kinross Community Council

News from the June Meeting

Present at the meeting held on Wednesday 6 June 2018 were: Councillors B Freeman (Chair), E Thomas (Secretary), M Blyth, D Colliar, D Cuthbert, I Jack, L McKay, T Stewart and D West; P&K Councillors C Purves and W Robertson and one member of the public.

Apologies: Councillors B Davies and J Bryson; P&K Councillor R Watters & M Barnacle; and Community Police Officers.

Police Report: The community police officers had sent a report by email. Recent incidents included break-ins [see *Police Box*] and vandalism to a car.

The CC had asked for further details regarding a road traffic accident which had occurred some weeks earlier on Station Road. The police confirmed that a man on a mobility scooter was crossing on his scooter at the zebra crossing heading for the top of the school lane when he was struck by a car driven by a woman. Following this, Councillor Purves had consulted with PKC officer Daryl McKeown. PKC is going to carry out traffic surveys in early and late August to identify differences in traffic between term and non-term time. Officers will report to Councillors with possible suggestions.

Councillor McKay raised issues relating to the roadway into the school car park and drop-off area: (i) Due to the positioning of the zebra crossing, there is barely room for one car to stop, with queuing resulting on Station Road; and (ii) the sub-station obscures the driver's view of children approaching the zebra crossing. Councillor Robertson will raise these points with PKC.

CC bank account: Treasurer Councillor Jack advised that there are two signatories to the bank account: himself and Councillor Colliar. Two signatures are required on cheques. Only one authority is required for internet banking and that is Councillor Jack. The CC Liaison Office had asked for the original signed version of the examined accounts. Councillor Jack confirmed this has been submitted.

Swansacre: Letter received from local resident regarding the CC's suggestion of a sign for drivers exiting the Learning Centre (April minutes), saying he saw no need for this. It appears that the minutes did not reflect the suggestion made at the April meeting (although they were approved at the May meeting). The CC agrees with the resident that no action is required and will contact PKC accordingly.

20mph signs: Councillor Purves reported that PKC aims to get permanent 20mph speed signs erected around the mini roundabout beside the Co-op as soon as possible.

War memorial rail: Councillor Purves had received a response from the PKC officer. A meeting needs to take place.

Action Partnership: The Secretary had emailed Mr McNamara to ask for more information about the Participatory Budget event. An acknowledgement had been received but no actual information yet. Councillor Cuthbert had had a request for information refused due to the volume of documents concerned. He reduced his request but was still refused. Councillor West has received a FOI response on this matter. Councillor Bryson said the Primary School Parent Council has now received

feedback from Tracey Ramsay. Feedback does not appear to have been given to all unsuccessful applicants, however. Councillor Purves will follow this up. Councillor Purves reported that the Action Partnership is now looking to fill its community rep vacancy from the wider county.

Dog Mess: Councillor McKay circulated posters. Councillor Robertson offered to obtain some for the CC. It was agreed that Councillor McKay could purchase the luminous eco-friendly paint for highlighting dog mess.

Matters Arising Without Any Update: Pondering on Muirs: As the weather has been dry, there is nothing to report. **M90 sign:** Councillor West has tweeted again but still no response.

Foul water near golf course: Councillor Robertson has not heard anything back from SEPA. He will follow this up. **Tillyochie Road:** The Secretary forwarded the resident's email to Mr Haggart and asked for comment but no reply received yet. The wee bridge has been hit.

Kinross Town Centre Regeneration: The Secretary has emailed Mr Haggart again about **single-lane traffic** past the Town Hall works but no reply. However, there are traffic lights in place now. This might be because the Town Hall works boundary has moved further into the street. Councillor Barnacle has twice asked for a **review** of the regeneration project but no response has been received.

New Planning Applications. The CC considered the planning applications listed below. Comments are to be submitted on applications 18/00785/FLL and 18/00766/IPL.

18/00646/FLL Alterations and extension to dwelling houses, Torriebank, Carsegour, Kinross.

18/00814/FLL Alterations to mast to replace 3no. antennas, installation of 2no. dishes and associated works, Green Hotel.

18/00768/FLL Formation of walking/cycling trail, Loch Leven Heritage Trail.

18/00662/FLL Erection of stables, land 120 metres west of Chance Inn Farm.

18/00756/FLL Alterations to dwelling house, 10 Swansacre.

18/00930/FLL Change of use from agricultural land to garden ground (in retrospect), 5 Newton of Classlochie.

18/00784/LBC Alterations to building and installation of roof lights, 108-114 High Street, Kinross. (Former Town Hall.)

18/00785/FLL Alterations to building, 108-114 High Street, Kinross. (Former Town Hall.) This application had included a proposal to create vehicular parking spaces on the landscaped area in front of the Town Hall. However, it appears that the applicant has subsequently altered the plan to propose bicycle racks instead. The CC would object to vehicular parking as this would compromise the safety of pedestrians using the shared space but has no objection to bicycle racks. The Secretary will submit comments to PKC to ensure clarity.

18/00766/IPL Residential development (in principle), land 120 metres east of Twin Pines, Tillyochie, Balado. A member of the public was present and concerns regarding this proposal were discussed. Councillor Jack declared that he had submitted an objection as an individual. It was agreed that the CC would object to this application on the grounds that the land is not zoned for housing and the proposal does not comply with Housing in the Countryside policy.

Planning Applications Approved by PKC

- 18/00475/FLL Alt and ext to house, 6 Sandwood Place.
- 18/00464/FLL Ext to house and formation of steps, 10 Douglas Crescent.
- 18/00373/FLL Installation of replacement windows and doors, 22 Muirs.
- 18/00508/FLL Alt and ext to house, 34 Argyll Road.
- 18/00503/FLL Ext to house, 30 Springfield Park.
- 18/00599/FLL Siting of 24no. additional storage containers, 2 Clashburn Close, Bridgend Industrial Estate.
- 18/00539/FLL Installation of replacement windows, 1st floor, 127 High Street.
- 18/00498/FLL Alt and ext to house, 20 Cameron Avenue.
- 18/00616/FLL Erection of a community broadband hub (in part retrospect), 5 Newton of Classloch.
- 17/01721/FLL Erection of 12no. houses and associated works, land 300m NW of Lathro Farm.
- 17/00760/FLL Erection of 47no. houses and associated works, land 300m NW of Lathro Farm.

Former Kinross High School site: The result of the review of the FOI response has not been received yet. However, a request for some other relevant minutes has been fulfilled; the minutes of SP&R Cttee of 28 March 2012. The relevant part of the minutes said: "Resolved: (i) The Head of Planning and Regeneration and the Head of Legal Services be instructed to finalise terms to their satisfaction and conclude a bargain for the sale of the former Kinross High School on the basis of the preferred bidder as detailed in Report 12/139. (ii) The Executive Director (Environment) be instructed to undertake a review of parking provision within Kinross and report back to a future Committee."

The CC may consider writing to Audit Scotland regarding PKC's approval of the huge deductions in price requested by Persimmon.

As Editor of the Newsletter, Cllr Thomas had asked PKC for a statement as to why work had stopped on the Edwardian building. The statement said: "Perth & Kinross Council is aware that works on the former Kinross High School site are moving forward slower than expected. The contractors have advised additional work was needed to support the retained elements of the existing High School building. We will continue to monitor the situation."

Ward Councillors Purves and Robertson reported on the meeting they'd had with Council officers. They said that Eddie Jordan, Enforcement Officer, had been told by the site agent that Persimmon had instructed workers to be removed from the Edwardian building to speed up work on the new-builds as purchasers were due to move in. PKC has issued an ultimatum to Persimmon. Ward Councillors have asked PKC's Nick Brian to write to the CC with an update. Councillors also informed the CC of the discussion that had been held with the officers regarding the height levels of the new-builds. A neighbour had claimed the new-builds were higher than proposed, and commissioned his own professional survey. PKC officers are of the opinion that the resident is not overlooked in legal terms.

Cllr Purves reported on progress with the new **Scrutiny Committee sub-committee**. This will ask community groups to give an account of their experiences with regard to planning.

Licensing: Application for licence for gift shop at 153 High Street, Kinross. No comment.

CC Sub Committees and Representation on Other Bodies: The appointments listed below were agreed. It was also agreed that reps should give regular reports back to the CC.

- **Planning sub-committee:** Cllrs Colliar, Freeman and Cuthbert.
- **Kinross-shire Partnership Representative:** Cllr Freeman, with Cllr West as his substitute.
- **Remembrance Parade committee:** Cllrs Freeman, McKay, Colliar and Blyth.
- **Kinross-shire Fund Representative:** Cllr Colliar.
- **Kinross-shire Forum:** Cllrs Cuthbert and West.
- **Joint Website sub-committee:** Cllrs Colliar, West and Bryson.

Website: Cllr Colliar had forwarded an email from Alisdair Stewart of the Kinross-shire Partnership acknowledging receipt of £763 from the CC towards the running cost of the website from the KCCNL charitable fund. However, the amount should have been £778. Conditions that were to be attached were not included. The Website sub-committee will meet as soon as possible.

Remembrance: Cllr Freeman has spoken to the army cadets about their wreath. A meeting will take place on the second Tuesday in October. Cllr Thomas pointed out that any notice of arrangements for the Newsletter will be required by the second Friday in October.

Review of Establishment of CCs in Perth & Kinross: CC Liaison has asked CCs to review the standard documents governing CCs and to make comment. A meeting is to be held on 7 June to which two representatives are invited. Cllrs Thomas and Colliar volunteered. [Post-meeting note: Cllr Colliar was substituted by Cllr Bryson.]

The main message from Kinross CC is that CCs need to be properly funded and listened to. Council controlled properties should be made available free of charge to CCs. PKC doesn't give enough time to CCs to comment on

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consultations or make decisions, given that CCs only meet monthly. Councillor Cuthbert proposed stronger wording in the documentation regarding CCs being consulted on planning applications. He also proposed that an objection from a CC should trigger an application going to the Planning & Development Management Committee regardless of the number of other objections. These suggestions would be taken to the meeting. Councillor Cuthbert does not agree with the limit on the proportion of a CC that may be made of co-opted members, but others thought this was a sensible safeguard. Councillor Thomas feels that four years is too long a term for a voluntary post like this, particularly if it is the same person as secretary for most or all of that time. She said she would not stay for a further 18 months if no-one else would share the minute-taking. It was suggested that the CC advertise for a minute-taker to whom an honorarium from the CC grant would be paid.

Councillor Purves advised that Cleish & Blairadam CC is considering proposing a change to their CC boundary, which would affect Kinross CC. He also advised that a discussion on Action Partnerships would be likely at the meeting on 7 June.

Provision of Gritting and Snow Clearing: The CC decided not to make any comment.

Correspondence: Ward Councillors propose resuming the Kinross-shire Forum and invite two representatives from each CC to a meeting on 13 August.

Report from Perth & Kinross Councillor Purves

Vehicle Activated Signs will be installed this year at Balado, on B966 and Turfhill.

The Kinross-shire Forum welcomes agenda topics.

Community Investment Fund: Councillor Purves told the CC about a report to be discussed at the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 13 June. This relates to distributing the new Community Investment Fund and the role of Local Action Partnerships. [See also page 7.]

Other Business

Minute Secretary: Councillor Thomas asked how much the CC would pay a minute secretary. It was suggested the post simply be advertised to see if anyone is interested at this stage.

Springfield Road: Councillor McKay mentioned the problem with hedges at **Wilson Court**, also the problem with speeding on Springfield road. Councillor Purves will contact PKC regarding the hedges.

Argyll Road: Councillor McKay mentioned a problem with a low hanging branch on a tree on Springfield Road obscuring the vision of drivers exiting Argyll Road. Councillor Purves noted this.

Parks: Councillor McKay reports receiving comments from residents that Kirkgate Park is a mess; it looks like a building site and is covered with glass. The need for Davies Park to be upgraded was also mentioned.

Grass areas on Springfield Road: Councillors McKay and Thomas both stated the public grass areas bordering Springfield Road are a mess.

Pavements: Messy pavements were also noted.

Kinross-shire Fund: Councillor Colliar reported on a recent meeting. Two grants were approved: one for the Sport Hub Cycling Without Age project and one for Kinross First Responders.

The Next Meeting of Kinross CC will take place on Wednesday 4 July 2018 at 7.30pm in the Masonic Hall, Kinross.

Agenda for the Meeting on 4 July

Apologies. Declarations of Interest. Minutes of Meeting of 6 June. Police Report. Presentation by Pagoda PR for McCarthy & Stone. Matters Arising from Minutes of 6 June. Kinross Town Centre Regeneration. Planning Matters. Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors. Reports from CC Representatives. Miscellaneous Correspondence. AOCB. Date of Next Meeting.

Note: Members of the public are welcome to suggest items for discussion by the CC. Members of the public are welcome to contribute to discussion at CC meetings, but if wishing to address the meeting on a specific issue, please advise the Secretary in advance and supply a copy of any relevant documentation.

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News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 14 June 2018 were: CCllrs C Williams (chair), C Flory (vice-chair), E Kirkham (treasurer), C Lawson, M Leach and S McHardy; P&K Cllrs W Robertson and C Purves; PCs Atholl Spalding and Dougie Stapleton; minute-taker Elizabeth Rougvie and 22 members of the public. **Apologies** were received from P&K Cllrs M Barnacle and R Watters.

Election of office-bearers: Cllr Robertson conducted the election of office-bearers, which resulted as follows: chairman: Craig Williams; treasurer: Elyse Kirkham; secretary: Caroline Flory.

Police matters: The police had been asked to attend the meeting in the light of recent incidents of vandalism in the village and other issues of concern. Their presence was greatly appreciated.

A party had taken place in Burleigh Road the previous weekend involving around 30 young people who created a disturbance in the early hours of the morning. Two road signs were also damaged. PC Stapleton advised members of the public to report such matters immediately rather than after the event in order to maximise the chance of catching the perpetrators, but the police were following a couple of lines of enquiry.

One male has been identified following a review of CCTV footage in connection with the vandalism of Milnathort in Bloom's displays at The Cross, having been caught on camera overturning planters. Graeme Stewart of Milnathort in Bloom told the meeting that around £200 worth of plants had been destroyed along with a young tree worth £65. He agreed to co-operate with a restorative justice arrangement whereby the perpetrator would either pay for the damage or give of his time to help the bloom group.

Following further discussion, during which it was suggested that there was a lack of recreational facilities for young people in the village, the police left the meeting.

Matters arising

Education: Cllr Purves has distributed information about reserved places at Kinross High School to CC members and via the June Newsletter.

Core path at Burleigh: An official from PKC will investigate the flooding issue. CCllr Kirkham will forward photos to Cllr Purves.

Roads maintenance: Cllr Purves has requested updates of a number of outstanding works and the issue of replacing the

speed bumps in Bridgefauld Road has been added to the list. Linden Park and Old Perth Road will be resurfaced next year. Cllr Purves will forward a list of works to be done to all CC members.

Planning matters

Applications submitted

- Erection of a house on land 100 metres east of Whistlebrae. Noted.
- Alterations and extension to Beechwood Park, Old Perth Road. Noted.
- Extension to Blairhead Farmhouse. Noted.

Planning applications approved

- Erection of a storage building and security fencing, land 40m north of Kingfisher House, Auld Mart Road.
- Extension to a house at The Stackyard.

Lathro Farm: Two separate applications have been received for this site, one for 47 houses and the other for a further 12. The applications will have to be treated separately, which was seen as a tactic by the developer in order to avoid possible issues with infrastructure. This prompted a lengthy discussion about LDP2, the development plan for Perth and Kinross, details of which are available at www.pkc.gov.uk/ProposedLDP2. PKC has until the end of August to submit its comments to the Scottish Government. Cllr Robertson said that if there were concerns about the number of houses proposed for Kinross-shire, the time to object was when the land was earmarked for development, not when outline planning permission had been granted as it was then invariably too late. He disagreed with the view that communities had no say in developments; it was a question of them being better organised and more proactive. All planning applications are available on the PKC website for anyone to access and comment on. Cllr Purves advised that a new planning initiative, Local Place Plans, was in the early stages of being set up at Holyrood. It would give CCs much more influence over local developments. In addition, the Kinross-shire Forum was being re-formed and the CC will send two representatives to the next meeting on 13 August.

Pitdownies: Concerns were once again expressed about the impact of the extra traffic that would be generated by the proposed development at the Pitdownies. Following discussion, it was agreed that CCllr Lawson would write to the prospective developer.

Wester Loan flats: CCllr Lawson will write to PKC's roads department seeking an assurance that the existing parking spaces outside the town hall will not be affected. Cllr Purves will follow up concerns about the bright exterior lights on the

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flats, which are causing problems for neighbouring residents.

New matters and correspondence

Static caravan: A letter was received from a local resident complaining about Cllr McHardy's attempt to site a static caravan on the community orchard. The letter called for his resignation from the CC. In response, Cllr McHardy said that he and his wife were being evicted from their local authority home and had done nothing wrong. He said he still intended to site the caravan there and claimed the police were happy with his plan. Following further discussion, Cllr McHardy agreed to resign from the CC.

Issues raised by members of the public

Parking: A number of cars were parking on the zig-zag lines in South Street. Cllr Robertson will follow this up and advise taking a photo or noting the registration of the vehicles and passing the evidence on to either a local councillor or the police. In Church Street, vehicles parking on the single white line have been causing problems for drivers due to the narrowness of the road. A single white line indicates that it must be kept clear.

Road safety: It was agreed that Cllr Leach will liaise with councillors to arrange a meeting with Daryl McKeown of PKC roads department to discuss various road safety issues in the village.

Local area partnerships: Cllr Robertson reported that £50,000 had now been made available for Kinross-shire and nominations for suitable beneficiaries were being sought from CCs.

Legacy: Cllr Kirkham advised that a number of applications had been received regarding the £5000 legacy left to the community by Mr David Drysdale and any further suggestions should be submitted by the next CC meeting. The legacy must be used for something physical, such as a bench.

Date of Next Meeting: Milnathort CC does not meet in July so the next meeting will be held on Thursday 9 August 2018 at 7.30pm in Milnathort Town Hall. Members of the public are invited to attend.

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Portmoak Community Council

News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 12 June 2018 were: Cllrs M Strang Steel (Chairman), B Calderwood (Deputy Chairman and Treasurer), R Cairncross (Secretary), S Forde, D Morris, A Muszynski and T Smith; P&K Cllrs C Purves, W Robertson and R Watters; and 25 members of the public.

Apologies: Cllr M Barnacle; and PC D Stapleton, Police Scotland.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

School Access - policy on parking and safe access routes for children. Cllr C Purves reported that it was anticipated that a Report addressing the matter would be submitted to Environment and Infrastructure Committee for its September meeting.

Footpath from Scotlandwell to the Church, Hall and beyond. The Chairman reported that a first stage draft option appraisal identifying possible routes would be concluded shortly and forwarded to PKC to progress.

Loch Leven Underpass. Work was proceeding apace and should be concluded by mid-September. The road works should be completed before the end of August.

Resilience - being better prepared for risks. Community Emergency Plan. The draft Emergency Plan was in preparation. Application to SSE for funding to support an emergency generator "hook-up" at the Hall had been made.

Communication Strategy and General Data Protection Regulations. The CC approved a "Personal Data Policy." This will be placed on the CC website. The CC had sought registration with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). A process to rationalise how data is held between the Webmaster, the Chairman and the Secretary was underway.

Comfort Scheme. This scheme offered a number of free to use public toilets through partnerships with local service providers such as hotels, pubs and public buildings. These facilities were available for public use at no cost, regardless of whether or not they were customers. Cllr Purves reported that with a reduction in budget the scheme had been restricted. There was no provision for it anywhere in Portmoak but it was available at a number of venues across Kinross and Milnathort. Currently new venues were only authorised when a current venue ceased to participate: and then only in the same area. The scheme would be reviewed by PKC in the autumn.

Glass Recycling Kinnesswood. The CC had submitted its views to PKC and waited to hear the outcome. It might be that a single "appropriate" bin could be accommodated behind the bus shelter and might alleviate the pressure.

Review of Scheme of Establishment of Community Councils. The Chairman and Secretary had participated recently in a meeting hosted by PKC to review the matter. A number of points had been identified and will be fed back to participating CCs in due course. The matter will also be considered at the next meeting of the Kinross Forum.

Westfield Update: Presentation by Hargreaves Land and Brockwell Energy. The Chairman welcomed Philip Rayson (Hargreaves Land) and Robert Watson (Brockwell Energy) who had come to update the CC on developments at the Westfield site. The following points emerged from their presentation and answers to questions:

Hargreaves Land was a large and diverse company and that Brockwell Energy had been established in 2017 as a wholly



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owned subsidiary to focus on a range of energy related developments including: energy from waste plants; solar farms; peak supply energy generation and wind farms.

An intention to grant letter had been issued in response to the planning application in principle for the development of the site in October 2017. It was anticipated that a section 75 agreement and section 76 agreement (relating to the contribution to PKC for road maintenance) would be signed very shortly to allow a formal decision notice to be issued within the next two months.

The application for the installation of up to 10 gas engines to generate electricity was the responsibility of Brockwell Energy. Subject to the decision of Fife Council planning consent was anticipated within the next two months.

Comprehensive survey work was being undertaken to inform further developments. It was anticipated that before the year end the site master plan would be revised and that there would be an application for an energy from waste plant (EfWP). Build completion would be before the end of 2019.

There was an active interest in securing independent businesses to develop on site. An inducement was cheaper electricity supported by long term supply contracts from the EWP which could also supply the national grid. Electricity from the 10 gas engines could either supply the grid or back up the supply for local businesses.

There was a commitment to establish a Community Liaison Group. The Chairman agreed to follow up separately the arrangements for establishing such a Group.

Infinis had discharged the planning permission they had for a waste plant. Traffic from that had been included in the traffic analysis presented with the Hargreaves planning application. Thus the impact of transport along the B9097 was likely to be reduced from that set out in the original EIA planning applications. That said there was no way of estimating the additional impact of transport generated from independent businesses established on the site.

There was no prospect of using rail to transport waste but new businesses may be interested in participating in commissioning the rail link that supplies the site. Use of that option was encouraged.

Waste was likely to be of local origin and trucked in. Whether it would arrive "sorted" or whether that "sort" would occur on site with waste unsuitable for the EfWP being trucked out was unclear.

Energy from waste plants were not at risk of becoming redundant in Scotland – there was shortage of capacity.

Provision of an off-road walking and cycling route alongside the B9097 could be a matter to raise through the Community Liaison Group. It was emphasised that that forum must be two way with the developer listening to what the community had to say.

Rigorous environmental checks by SEPA should ensure that the EfWP is compliant with environmental regulations. It was unclear whether such checks extended to the impact of transport along the B9097.

The impact on the 42 residences along the B9097 had not so far been properly assessed particularly the impact on health. The interests of two large farms which straddle the B9097 had still to be properly assessed.

Site security was a significant and current problem. There had been: regular fires and police call-outs; and an increasing invasion of motor bike and 4x4 scramblers.

Current water pollution on-site is being addressed.

Speculation in the press that Brockwell Energy might be subject to a change of ownership was acknowledged as correct. Were that to happen it was not thought that plans would be disrupted. Leases and options were in place between Hargreaves and Brockwell at the moment and Hargreaves would remain overall owner of the site.

Mr Ryson and Mr Rayson were thanked for their update.

Conclusion: Significant activity can be anticipated over the next year. The ability to monitor and review carefully what is happening would be important. The establishment of the Community Liaison Group would be an important first step.

Police Report: No local police report. The Area Commander's Bulletins of 9, 16, 23 and 30 May and of 6 June were noted.

Treasurer's Report: The balance at the month ending 30 April was £284.80 in the General Account; and £1,192.48 in the Michael Bruce Way Account giving a total of £1,477.28 The new "Holding Account" No. 3 held £1, 500.00.

New Planning Applications

18/00667/FLL Former Lomond Inn, Kinnesswood. Erection of a dwelling house.

18/00666/CON Former Lomond Inn, Kinnesswood. Complete demolition of a building.

These applications lay within the Kinnesswood Conservation Area. Together they sought to modify the planning consents already granted for: a) the part demolition of the Inn and demolition of the Annexe building and outbuildings (16/00325/CON); and b) part demolition, change of use and extension of the Inn to form a dwelling house, erection of




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4 dwelling houses and associated works (16/00326/FLL). The purpose of the modification was to seek the complete demolition of the Inn on Plot 1 and its replacement with a new dwelling house with a different footprint and set back from Main Street.

The CC **objected** to these proposals. The primary reasons for doing so were:

Conservation. The CC was mindful that this development lay at the heart of the Kinnesswood Conservation Area. This was an historic building and formed a significant part of the development making a critical contribution in both its design and setting to the Conservation Area. The building was specifically mentioned in the PKC appraisal of the conservation status of the village as forming "the focus of the approach to the village from the south." In 2016 the CC had welcomed the proposal to retain the original Inn by building a new property around its shell. Its position on that matter remained unchanged. It would wish to see the applications to retain the old Inn, for which there is already planning consent, taken forward. It believed that this development should enhance and not despoil that Area. It noted that the applicant has not made out a case overcoming the presumption applicable to unlisted buildings in conservation areas for retention of the remainder of the building.

Revised cost appraisal. The CC agreed with and supported the views expressed by Historic Environment Scotland which succinctly stated: "The information provided in the revised cost appraisal does not, in our view, demonstrate the non-viability of retaining the existing structure. The costs of repair are not balanced against end value. There is no information to demonstrate that these costs couldn't be supported by the proposed new development elsewhere on the site, or that a different project couldn't be achieved by the engagement of a restoring purchaser for this structure."

If the application for demolition were to be refused, it would follow that the application 18/00667/FLL for building a house on the site must be refused too.

In the event that the Council grants planning consent for the demolition, the CC would nevertheless object to the house proposed in application 18/00667/FLL on grounds of scale. It would look more favourably on a reduced scale and footprint of any new build on Plot1 and on including within it smaller housing units for example, flats or apartments. It will write to PKC planning accordingly.

Separately the CC would seek a meeting with the developer to explore options for the site.

18/00881/FLL The Cobbles, Kinnesswood. Change of use - garage to dwelling house. No comment.

18/00827/LAW Balneathal Farm, Easter Balgedie. Formation of a silage pit. No comment.

Progress with Developments: 17/02227/FLL *Levenmouth Scotlandwell: Erection of two houses.* There had been no response from the Chair of the PKC Development Management Committee to the letter from the Chairman. The matter would be pursued.

Roads Report: Cllr Bruce Calderwood reported that limited progress had been made on outstanding road matters. A full Report would be made to the forthcoming July meeting. Plans to close the A911 from the Golf Club as far as the centre of Scotlandwell for resurfacing between the hours of 9.30 and 4.30 and from 23 July to 10 August were considered. The more imminent closure of the B920 between its junction with the A911 Main Street, Scotlandwell to its junction with the C50 Righead to Auchmuirbridge from 18 June for 20 days to permit carriageway patching works was also considered. This would occur at the same time as the B9097 has traffic regulation to accommodate the new underpass at RSPB Loch Leven. Cllr Calderwood would explore whether delaying the A911 closure to the October holidays could be a possibility. Given the wider community impact of these closures, Cllr Calderwood and Ward Cllrs will explore whether CCs should be told directly by PKC of such plans for road closures.

A resident explained that the traffic risk around the Wester Balgedie Toll junction remained serious. Vehicle Activated Speed signs were not the solution. The installation of traffic lights to control the junction is required. Despite goodwill to take this forward it had not been possible to find the required funding. Cllr Calderwood would write to PKC to seek that the matter is reviewed. The matter of funding sources would be considered further by Ward Councillors.

PKC Ward Councillor Reports

Cllr C Purves. Arrangements to finalise a PKC scheme for participatory budgeting for communities including CC were in hand. This was separate from the not dissimilar and recently launched scheme by the Scottish Government.

Matters previously notified to the Secretary plus matters raised from the floor: *Democracy Matters Convention: People to have their say on Scotland's public services.* This was a listening exercise conducted by the Scottish Government. Anyone or organisation with points to make should use the internet to communicate their views. Further information was available on democracymatters@gov.scot

Date of Next Meeting: TO BE CONFIRMED The next meeting of Portmoak CC will be held at **7.30pm** on **Tuesday 10 July 2018** in Portmoak Village Hall, Scotlandwell.

Portmoak CC minutes can be viewed:

- on the notice board in the village hall
- in a file in Kinnesswood Village Shop
- on the website www.portmoak.org

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Fossoway and District CC

News from the June Meeting

In attendance at the meeting held on 5 June 2018 were: Councillors Jennifer Donachie, Trudy Duffy, Carol Farquhar and Angus Cheape; P&K Councillors M Barnacle, C Purves, W Robertson and R Watters; and four Members of the Public (MoP).

Apologies: Councillors Cameron Brown and Graham Pye.

Police report: Unfortunately, no officer was able to be present at the meeting. There were no incidents to note in our area in the last month from the Commander's Reports. Operation Monardo was launched in May which targets bogus callers/rogue traders on the doorstep. An incident on 28 May saw an increased police presence in the Fossoway area that evening. Councillor Robertson reported that the mess left by the Road Traffic Accident in Blairingone last month has been cleared up by PKC.

A977 Mitigation: Councillor Barnacle reported that a few members of the public had contacted him because they were opposed to the reorientation of the junction adjacent to Fossoway Petrol Station, where the B9097 meets the A977. Councillor Barnacle was interested to know the community councillors' opinion regarding this. Councillor Duffy pointed out that the extensive consultation had been clear about what the community wanted, a plan had been formulated and that the plan should be adhered to. Councillor Robertson stated that there was never going to be a scheme to suit everyone and reiterated that we should go with the original plan. It was agreed to stay with the status quo. It was also reported that an Independent Safety Audit would be carried out on the A977.

Blairingone School Estate Transformation: A decision was taken at the meeting of the Lifelong Learning Committee to approve the recommendation made within the options appraisal for Blairingone Primary School to undertake a statutory consultation on a proposal to close the school. It is proposed pupils would be transferred to Fossoway Primary School. The catchment area of Fossoway Primary School would be extended to include the whole catchment area of Blairingone Primary School. Councillor Barnacle recently met with this committee to try to have the decision overturned however this was not successful. Councillor Purves stated that there was a process that would have to be adhered to regarding closing the school and a statutory consultation would be required to take place. January is possibly the earliest date that meetings and consultation could take place.

Lambhill: Application 17/01227/FLL Change of use of agricultural shed to general storage and distribution was refused and the applicant has made an appeal against this decision. As a result, a reporter has been appointed to consider the case and will carry out a site inspection on 11 June. The purpose of the visit is to allow the reporter to become familiar with all the physical features of the site and surrounding area, then make a decision based on the information.

Crook Moss Travellers Site: At a recent Council Committee meeting Councillor Barnacle mooted that there be a site visit as the site needs to be tidied up. Scottish Water confirmed Drum & Crook Treatment Works have a limited capacity and applications to join are considered on a case by case basis.

Hydro Scheme Fund: TRACKS are looking into the resurrection of the Devon footbridge and Councillor Pye will be the representative of the CC, temporarily joining the TRACKS

committee for the duration of the project. Councillor Pye will also take over as Treasurer for the Hydro Scheme Fund.

Crook and Drum Growing Together: Councillor Duffy reported that the group had entered into three competitions; more information to follow. The giant, three-tier planters gifted from Edinburgh are due to be put in place this weekend. Other news is that a few tubs will be planted with herbs and the public invited to pick and use what they want from the tubs.

Powmill in Bloom: Councillor Farquhar reported an enthusiastic meeting of the Powmill in Bloom Group. Watering plants is a problem as it is time consuming and labour intensive using wheel barrows and watering cans; a more efficient solution would be welcome. A new mower has been purchased and Powmill has been given a good tidy up. The group members attended the 'Take a Pride in Perthshire Garden Party' at Scone Racecourse which was very enjoyable and good to network with other Bloom Groups in Perth and Kinross. The Notice Board in Powmill is in need of refurbishment and plans are afoot to fix this.

Fossoway Gathering: Councillor Duffy announced that the meeting on 10 May was successful and a good turnout of people attended to support The Gathering. The next meeting is 14 June. Councillor Barnacle will find out if Waulkmill can be used as the venue for the event.

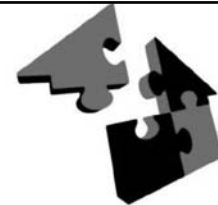
Matters Arising with no update since last meeting

LDP2: No information at present.

Ivy Cottage Powmill: No information at present.

Blairingone War Memorial: No information at present.

Fossoway Area Transport: No information at present.



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New Business

Kinross-shire Forum: Cllr Purves reported that at a recent ward councillors meeting it was agreed to re-establish the Kinross-shire Forum to allow for discussion among ward councillors and community councillors on issues that affect the whole of Kinross-shire. A meeting has been arranged for 13 August, with invitations for up to two representatives from each CC to attend. These meetings would be held on a quarterly basis.

Community Council Business

Meetings Attended:

Kinross-shire Fund: Cllr Cheape reported that grants had been issued to First Responders and the Sport Hub. Despite the fact that the main funding (T in the Park) has fallen away there is still a substantial amount of money for small grants. There has not been an application from Fossoway for some time.

Fossoway Community Benefit Fund: Cllr Cheape reported that the first application has been granted. A grant was given to 'Penney's Wood' to improve infrastructure and seating. The Community Benefit Fund receives an annual sum of money from the Rumbling Bridge Hydro Scheme. Community groups within the Fossoway and District CC area are able to apply for small grants.

Sport Hub: Cllr Farquhar attended a meeting of the Sport Hub and reported that 'Cycling without Age', and the 'Park Run' are both doing well. The 2K junior run is very popular and plans are progressing well for the 5K. The next meeting will be on 23 August.

Cllr Farquhar reported that Powmill Play area needs maintenance so will contact PKC regarding this.

Cllr Duffy mentioned investigations had begun regarding the possibility of obtaining a defibrillator for Crook of Devon Village Hall.

P&K Councillors' Reports

Cllr Robertson: No new information to report this month.

Cllr Barnacle reported that **verge cutting** was required as soon as possible. A committee has been formed to commemorate the anniversary of the **First World War**. Members are looking for material to exhibit in the village hall. The main focus will be the names on the war memorial, their families and what these people did in the war. Kinross museum will be putting together an exhibition too.

Cllr Purves reported that there has been an inspection regarding **Health for Children and Child Protection** and PKC came out top in Scotland. Also, Vehicle Activated Signs

at Balado, Rumbling Bridge and Carnbo will be updated. A Community Investment Fund for £50,000 has been allocated for Kinross-shire.

Cllr Watters: PKC set out to review The Scheme of Establishment for Community Councils earlier this year. Cllr Watters reinforced that feedback is important as this consultation aims to include as many points of view as possible.

New Planning Applications

18/00702/FLL Erection of 2 dwelling houses at land 40 metres North East of Ochil Cottage, Carnbo. No CC comment.

18/00704/FLL Realignment of vehicular access at Blairingone Church. No CC comment.

18/00696/FLL Erection of an agricultural building at Devonshaw, Powmill. No CC comment. (See below under decided applications.)

18/00878/FLL Erection of an agricultural building at Devonshaw, Powmill. No CC comment.

Decided Applications

18/00696/FLL Erection of an agricultural building, Devonshaw, Powmill. Withdrawn. CC did not comment.

18/00568/FLL Erection of dwelling house and a garage with ancillary accommodation (revised design), land 40m NW of Dunollie, Fossoway. Approved. CC did not comment.

18/00556/PNA Erection of an agricultural storage building, Craigton Bungalow, Rumbling Bridge. Approved. CC did not comment.

18/00478/FLL Change of use, alterations and extensions to dwellinghouse to form 4 holiday accommodation units, Gardeners Cottage, Fossoway. Withdrawn. CC did not comment.

Correspondence:

All correspondence was available for viewing.

AOCB: Fossoway and District CC will not meet on 26 June 2018 as stated on the June meeting agenda. The next meeting will be on **7 August 2018 at Carnbo Village Hall**.

Cllr Duffy stated that the Schedule of meetings for the next year is now available. Cllr Duffy also remarked that Dunning Bridge looked quite impressive now that restoration work has been completed.

Draft Agenda for Next CC Meeting

Welcome and Apologies, Declarations of Interest, Community Policing, Minutes of last meeting.

Matters arising: A977 Mitigation, Blairingone School Estate Transformation, Hydro Scheme Fund, Crook & Drum Growing Together, Powmill in Bloom, Fossoway Gathering, Kinross-shire Forum.

Community Councillors: Meetings Attended, PKC Councillors' Reports, Planning, Correspondence, AOCB.

THERE IS NO MEETING IN JULY.

The Next Meeting of Fossoway & District CC will take place on Tuesday 7 August 2018 at 7.30pm at Carnbo Village Hall. All Welcome.



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Club & Community Group News

Broke Not Broken Kinross Food Bank



Valuing our Volunteers

Another busy few months has allowed us to develop some new projects, say thanks to our volunteers and undertake some vital training.

Over Volunteers' Week we attended the Better Place to Live Fair. This allowed us to say a massive thank-you to our volunteers through the medium of cupcakes. We also signed up some new volunteers through the medium of, erm, cupcakes! Big thanks to our volunteer Hannah and her mum for baking these for us!

At the end of the week we held a barbecue in the gardens of the Beacon. It was well attended by our stalwart supports and volunteers who we just couldn't do without. We had a sunny day and thanks to Hunters for their discount on the burgers and delicious sausages for the event. We were also able to unveil our bench dedicated to the late Pat Payne.

It is important to nurture our volunteers so our volunteer co-ordinator organises regular get-togethers out of shifts. The aim is to chat to them about their needs and expectations and see if they have any concerns, but mainly so they can get to know each other a bit better.

We have had two major funding successes over the past

month. One was a donation of £1000 by Persimmon Homes and the second was a donation of £715 by Perth and Kinross council as a result of their Zero Waste initiative. We were beneficiaries of this money due to people decreasing their general waste and increasing their green waste, so big thanks to all the eco warriors out there!

Our chair has attended a number of events including a Universal Credit event and a Self-Harm course, along with two other members. The information gathered will be shared with the volunteers. We also attended the Securing the Future awards where the Cookit courses received a Bronze award. There was also an in-store awareness event at Sainsbury's, as their food bank partner.

We are so well supported by the staff there, particularly Jane, and are excited to announce that we have been shortlisted as their charity of the year. Please support us by voting in store and online at www.sainsburyslocalcharity.co.uk

Over the summer we will be continuing to support projects including St Johnstone's football sessions, continuing our counselling provision, and supporting the summer family cooking course.



Clare, our chair, attending the Securing the Future awards (third from left)



Our BBQ for Volunteer's Week



Our tribute to Pat Payne



Thank you cupcakes at the Better Place to Live Fair

Potager Garden

Bowton Road, Kinross

Our vegetable beds are now full after the visits from Miss Henderson's class, and are being well maintained by the volunteers. We have been grateful for the automatic watering system during the dry weeks of May and early June.

Unfortunately, the first real rain decided to arrive on the morning of 16th, just in time for our Marie Curie coffee morning! Despite the weather, we had a good attendance, and sold many plants, and raised **£180 for Marie Curie Cancer Care**. **Thank you** to everyone who attended, the volunteers for their work in preparations and baking, and particularly to Mel and her daughter and colleagues from the **Kinross Co-op** who brought some lovely cakes and served the refreshments for us. Thanks also to Sally who sold Flamingo cards, and Chrystall and Graham from Rutherford jams.



Shona, one of our volunteers, with ladies from the Coop at the coffee morning

Volunteer sessions and plant sales will continue on Monday mornings and the garden is open during the day for visitors. Thank you to those who have donated **empty plant pots** and baskets to us, but we are now at capacity for how many we can use or store for now.

For information about the garden, contact Amanda on 01577 840809 or amandajames1577@gmail.com.

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Lifelong support for our Forces and their families Perth and Kinross honoured by Queen's Award for Voluntary Service 2018

SSAFA Perth & Kinross, which works with Armed Forces veterans in the community, has been honoured with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service. This is the MBE for voluntary groups in the UK and is the highest award recognising exceptional service within communities.

Awards are announced each year on 2 June, the date of the Queen's coronation. SSAFA Perth & Kinross is one of 250 volunteer-led groups to receive the prestigious award this year. The number of awarded groups has increased again this year, demonstrating the continuous expansion and value of the voluntary sector in today's society.

The award will be presented by the Lord Lieutenant, Brigadier Mel Jameson CBE later this summer. He will present the Branch with a certificate, signed by The Queen, and a commemorative crystal at a local ceremony.

Previous Branch Chairman, from Kinross, and still an active Volunteer, Andy Middlemiss said: 'We could not be more proud, honoured and thrilled to be recognised by Her Majesty in this way. For our small team of volunteers, this is a very well deserved reward for their hundreds of hours of work with veterans in our Community. It is very humbling indeed. We love doing what we do, and ask for no reward of course, but to get Royal recognition is amazing. We are incredibly proud of, and grateful to, our Royal Patron, Her Majesty The Queen. SSAFA-QAVS - it sounds wonderful!'



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Kinross-shire 50 Plus Club

Meetings: There are no meetings in July and August.

Away Days: There are no Away Days in July and August.

Annual Day Trip: This is to **Dumfries House** on **8 July**. Contact Pat Crawford, 01577 862962. The coach will leave Milnathort outside bank at 9.15am and Kinross opposite Green Hotel at 9.30am. **Money due will be collected on Thursday 5 July at the Day Centre between 2pm and 3pm.** High Tea menu to be chosen.

Friday Walkers

13 July The Deer Centre to the Hopetoun Monument and return.

27 July The Lednoch Trail at Comrie.

All walks leave from the Green Hotel, Kinross. Contact Ian Simpson, 01577 863691.

Hill Walkers

6 July Bishop Hill Robin 9am

20 July Falkirk Wheel Carolyn 9am

Contact Pauline Watson, telephone 01577 862685.

Activities

Keep Fit, Craft Group, Fly Tyers and Carpet Bowls have finished for the summer. These activities continue:

L.U.S.T. The slimmers meet each Thursday, 9.30am to 10.30am, in the Millbridge Hall. Contact Norma Anderson, 01577 863548.

Line Dancing every Tuesday and Friday at 10.30am in the Millbridge Hall. Contact Betty Fergus, 01577 866961.

Girlguiding

The Senior Section is for all young women aged 14 to 25. Travel the world, learn to lead, raise your voice and build an incredible CV. Whatever you want to do, the Senior Section offers a range of unique opportunities. With a programme designed around your personal development, the Senior Section is all about gaining valuable, transferable skills and standing up for what you believe in.

If you're off to college or uni, joining The Senior Section is a brilliant way to expand your student experience, have fun and give something back to your community. Whether you're already a member, or are just starting out, Guiding will give you a host of opportunities to gain leadership skills, build a network of friends in your area and enhance your professional development.

Reach your full potential. Become part of The Senior Section. There is a group near you in Milnathort. Contact Alison on 07764 750212.



Kinross & Ochil Walking Group

(Affiliated to Ramblers Scotland)

Tuesday Walk Programme July to September 2018

3 July: Quarrymill Woodland Park, Coronation Road and Scone Den. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride or 10.30am at Scone Old Church car park. Easy walk through woodland up steps on to farmland with good views over Perth. Along the Coronation Road and into delightful Scone Den. Leader is Christina Rodger, contact 07879 030300 or 01577 863785.

17 July: To be confirmed. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride or 10.20am at Powmill Milk Bar.

31 July: Invermay Estate. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride or 10.30am at Forteviot bowling green car park. A lovely walk starting from the village of Forteviot which was inspired by the Garden City Movement (for which green spaces were considered essential for a happy life). Walking along grassy lanes into Invermay Estate, then following estate roads and woodland tracks. Leaders are Anne MacDougall (contact 07876 233987) and Irene Murie (contact 07927 958239).

14 August: To be confirmed. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride.

28 August: Stormontfield; a 'ferry' tail trail by the Tay. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride or 10.40am at St David's Chapel car park, Kirk Lane, Stormontfield. Walking parallel to the mill lade, we meet the River Tay and the ferryman's bothy which formerly took locals across to Perth. Walk along Fishponds Path past the wooded policies of Hill House and back into Stormontfield. Leader is Edna Burnett (contact details below).

11 September: Falkland Estate and the Tyndall Bruce Monument. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride or 10.30am at Falkland Village car park. Uphill to Westfield Farm and onto the track that curves round Black Hill. A bit more uphill than normal but we'll take it at a gentle pace. The view from the monument is well worth the effort. Leader is Moira Maccauley, contact 07594 504293.

25 September: Gateside's Old Industrial Area and the Bonnet Stane. Meet 10am at Kinross Park and Ride or 10.20am at Gateside Village Hall. Leaving the village hall car park at the eastern end of Gateside, we go down to the old industrial area of the village which lies beside the old railway line and the Eden River. We amble along the route of the old railway for a few hundred yards. Thereafter, we head for the Bonnet Stane in the farmland at the foot of the Lomond Hills, returning along the original old road. Leader is David Payne, contact 01577 862715.

Further information

All walks are a maximum of four miles and are suitable for everyone, unless described otherwise. Any problems or queries, contact Edna Burnett on 01577 862977 or ednaburnett.4@gmail.com. I can also be contacted on 07946 725074 on morning of walks only.

Kinross Garden Group

Fifty members enjoyed a showery day out to Glenarn Gardens at Rhu in June. Along with lunch at Antartex outlet in Alexandria, the day was enjoyed by all.

Our next outing is on **Thursday 12 July** when we are visiting St Andrews then spending the afternoon at Cambo Estate. Contact Mrs Rodger on 01577 863785.



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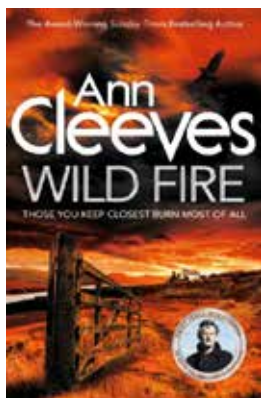


Author Ann Cleeves to visit Kinross

We are delighted to announce that Ann Cleeves, the international best-selling author of BBC One's *Shetland* and ITV's *Vera*, will come to Kinross during the Winter Festival as part of Bookweek Scotland 2018.

KLEO is a Bookweek Scotland partner and, together with Loch Leven Community Library, we hope to bring an exciting programme again!

Ann Cleeves will be discussing the final book in the *Shetland* series, *Wild Fire*. The Jimmy Perez series has won awards and fans worldwide, both on screen and on the page, but what will happen to our beloved detective? You can meet Ann on **Thursday 22 November** at 8pm at Loch Leven Community Campus. For more information and tickets go to our website. There will be more mystery and crime authors and events coming to the festival this year, so keep an eye on the website for more information and tickets.



Be part of Kinross-shire's Winter Festival

This year we're hoping for an inspiring mystery and crime themed festival and we'd love you to be involved! We'd particularly like to encourage local groups, businesses or individuals to organise events or activities that could be part of the festival. This could be a Halloween event, a Santa's grotto, Christmas concerts, film showings, dinners, ceilidhs, events at the festive street market or other festive celebrations. We can promote events (which happen at the end of October and during November and December) in the festivals brochure in the events calendar for free, or as a special feature. For more information and advertising, please e-mail info@kleo.org.uk

Kinross Farmers' Market

There is no market in July. The next market dates are **25 August, 22 September and 27 October**.



Leven Voices and Kinross Kacophony Orchestra

After the summer break, community choir Leven Voices will start again on **Tuesday 11 September** from 7.30pm in the Kinross Parish Church with Horsecross Arts tutor Alice Marra. You pay as you go (£4 or £3 concession). There is a £6 'registration fee' which is used to pay for the hall for a ten-week period. Just come along, sing and enjoy! The Kinross Kacophony Orchestra has been a roaring success. Further information on our progress can be found in a separate article in the Newsletter. (See opposite page.)

Further information

For more information about KLEO events, go to our website or email info@kleo.org.uk.

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Our participation in the Better Place to Live Fair was most enjoyable and attracted a wide range of attention. Thanks to John Colebourn for providing an up-to-date total of funds raised. Thanks also to Linda Freeman who collated this, plus a list of all of the countries in which money has been donated, as well as photos of past events. Her folder certainly caught the attention. Our total raised at the last count is £139,152 and over 35 countries have benefited from our fundraising. It wasn't just our impressive results that drew an audience, however. Our two fun challenges created lots of laughter and whoops of joy, especially when a sweetie treat was won! Helen Pearson and Carol Watt ably encouraged all participants and weren't averse to giving a few helpful hints! Thanks to all the above volunteers for their time, enthusiasm and commitment. We look forward to welcoming a new volunteer who will be joining us and fresh customers, redeeming their coffee vouchers. All in all, a successful time.

Project: Our project for July is Bees for Development. We last supported this charity in January 2014. Founded in 1993, Bees for Development is a tool for alleviating poverty while helping to retain biodiversity. Many thousands of remote and poor families have been helped to earn essential income to meet their basic needs. Farmers are encouraged to make simple, low cost beehives so that more people can harvest and sell honey, turning natural resources into sustainable livelihoods with great benefit for the wider environment. The charity currently manages projects at community and national levels in Zanzibar, Tanzania and Uganda.

For more information, look at our website.

Our opening hours are still from 10am to 12.30pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the Guide and Scout Hall, Church Street, Milnathort.

Contacts outside of opening hours are Elspeth Caldwell (Convener) on 01577 863350 and Linda Freeman (Secretary) on 01577 865045.

Kinross and District Town Twinning Association



This year our local group leaves Kinross by minibus on Saturday 28 July to travel to Portsmouth where they will have an overnight hotel stay before catching the early morning ferry crossing to Caen in Normandy. The party will then travel to Gacé where they will meet up with their host families for the week. A full programme of visits to places of interest along with social events will take place over their week long stay.

The party will depart from Gacé on Sunday 5 August, taking the overnight ferry with cabin accommodation back to Portsmouth where they will drive north to Kinross arriving late afternoon on the Monday.

Our stall at the Better Place to Live Fair was well attended and created some renewed interest in our long established link with our Normandy town.

Members also enjoyed a 'Pot Luck' barbecue as a final meeting before departing for this summer's twinning visit.

Kinross Kacophony Orchestra

It is hard to believe that, only eight weeks ago, the orchestra first got together and starting rehearsing, under the expert eye of conductor Dougie Flower.

Every Wednesday evening we have been working hard, and having lots of laughs, and we now have several pieces to perform at our first ever concert. This will take place at Kinross Parish Church on Wednesday 20 June when we plan to 'showcase' our talent to family, friends and anyone else who wants to come along.



*The Kinross Kacophony Orchestra concert in Kinross Parish Church
Photo: Vincent Johnston*

The music we play is varied. Current pieces range from Dambusters to Les Miserables and also the theme tunes from blockbuster movies Star Wars, Jurassic Park and ET! Dougie is also open to suggestions for new music.

Members play a wide range of instruments and players vary in age and experience. Many of us have not picked up our instruments since our school days!

Everyone involved is having a wonderful time in the orchestra and several members have commented on how much they look forward to rehearsals every week. Members are growing in confidence and the whole experience is very rewarding and satisfying. After all, they do say that music is good for the soul and there is certainly a feel-good atmosphere in the room every time we practise.

We are taking a break for the summer after the concert but plan to start rehearsals again at the end of August. The date and time for the next block is to be confirmed.

If you would like to join in, you will be made very welcome. All musicians can join in but we are particularly short on brass players and would love to hear from you if you play a brass instrument. Please don't worry if you haven't played for a while, we are a very friendly and informal bunch. There is lots of support and encouragement available, so please don't be shy. Contact Bouwien Bennet on 01577 863107 for more information.

Need Equipment for a Community Event?

Marquees, Gazebos, Chairs, Tables and more available to hire (or sometimes borrow).

Items are listed on www.kinross.cc at:

www.kinross.cc/equipment_hire/equipment.htm

If your community group has items it would be prepared to lend or hire out, please add them to the list.

Kinross & District Rotary Club

Better Place to Live Fair

The club had a stand at the rescheduled fair on 9 June. We hope you dropped by to have a chat with us. If you didn't, please come along to one of our weekly meetings. We'd love to meet you and get a chance to tell you what Rotary does for communities, both locally and globally.



Recent speakers

Ethiopia Medical Project

Our very own club Rotarian Jo Middlemiss gave us a lively update on her latest annual trip to the Ethiopia Medical Project (EMP). Once a year, usually during February, Jo and her cousin Maureen Burnett set off for a little clinic in the south of Ethiopia. All year they collect clothes (mostly pants), medical supplies and money to help this brave little clinic do its valuable work. They support the salaries of trained staff, provide new infrastructure and medical tools. To do this they rely on the help and enthusiastic support of so many caring people, including our club and other Rotary clubs in Scotland.



Jo leaving the clinic this year

Jo and Maureen have now spent nine years fundraising for the Buccama Clinic, which is in Southern Ethiopia. It is one of many rural clinics in Ethiopia, seeing to the ongoing problems of childhood diseases, inoculations, malaria and some antenatal care. It also deals with the more common cuts and bruises, TB, and malnutrition. In particular the clinic has also taken on the care of a rolling programme of mothers, all of whom suffer from severe uterine prolapse.

These women suffer hugely, not only from the discomfort of the prolapse, but from shame, rejection and disability, as they are unable to fulfil their role in society due to their condition, which can be simply remedied. The women come willingly knowing that a stay at the clinic offers them the opportunity to return to a normal family and village life.

Through health education at Buccama, other ills are also investigated and helped.

One of the reasons EMP is so successful is because Jo and Maureen go out there and witness for themselves the issues, immersing themselves in the life of the clinic and convent. They roll up their sleeves, learn and do the job.

Over the years they have funded building extensions of the clinic, medical equipment and transportation for the patients so they don't have to walk miles for treatment.

Socks Appeal! Through this yearly immersion they are now starting to support another clinic initiative; to address elephantiasis of the feet and legs. In this area it happens by infection of bare feet walking on the local soil. All that is needed to prevent this terrible condition is a barrier; a pair of socks or shoes. Their appeal is for any socks with stretch in them. Used ones are fine! They'll get them out to the clinic. Just let them know if you can donate by calling 07803 589959 or online at www.ethiopiamedicalproject.com.

Something Extra

Our very own Treasurer George Sutherland gave us a talk called 'Off the Beaten Track' describing two holidays undertaken by himself and his wife Jackie. First there was a trip across the Kalahari Desert in Namibia and then over the western desert in Egypt to Luxor on the Nile. It was a 2000 mile journey undertaken in temperatures of up to 45°C.

This was followed by a journey at the opposite end of the temperature scale to the Falklands and South Georgia where the wildlife and spectacular icebergs had been the highlights of the trip. George accompanied his talk with a series of fantastic photographs.

Upcoming speakers

We look forward to welcoming Jan Kerry from the Homeland Trust on **Tuesday 17 July**.

Join Us!

We meet most Mondays in the Kirklands Hotel, Kinross, at 6.30pm. On the third week of the month the Monday meeting is replaced by a Tuesday breakfast meeting at 7.30am, also at the Kirklands. Come along and find out what's happening in the club and meet some of our members.

Contact and information

Contact Brian Timms, Club Secretary, by email at secretary.kdrc@gmail.com or find us on Facebook to find out more.



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Kinross & District Inner Wheel

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Our June meeting was held at the Boathouse. The speaker this month, Dr Nicola Cowmeadow, gave a very interesting talk on the history of Loch Leven supported with photographs and a film show. We discovered that there is extensive history right on our doorstep. It was also our handover meeting when President Christine Maclure handed over to our president for next year, Elaine Matthew.



The President handover

We now have a break over the summer months. Our first meeting of the new session will be on **Monday 10 September** at the Boathouse at 6.15pm. Our speaker will be the Rotary President, Sean Bolton.

For more information about Inner Wheel, contact us by email at Admin@innerwheel.co.uk or visit our website.

Kinross Centre

The main event this month was our annual holiday. This year, it was spent in Whitby. The east coast haar (they call it a fret in Yorkshire but it's the same cold sea fog) spoils the ambience of Whitby itself but a few miles inland was much better. So we spent a day in Goathland (a.k.a. Aidensfield in the Heartbeat series) and another day in York.

Goathland is a pretty village with the North York Moors Railway passing through and, of course, York is a very interesting place to visit. The railway museum and York Minster proved to be popular.

We also celebrated the wedding of Harry and Meghan with a party here in the Centre. Tiaras, hats and fascinators were on show as our service-users enjoyed some musical entertainment.

If you would like to be involved with the Kinross Centre, as a service-user, volunteer or as a supporter, speak to Nan Cook on 01577 863869.

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New U3A for Kinross-shire



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The 'third age' is loosely defined as that time of life when people are no longer in full-time employment or raising a family and are free to engage in other pursuits. Every U3A is an independently managed local organisation affiliated to the Third Age Trust.

Today, the U3A movement includes over 400,000 members in more than 1,000 U3As throughout the UK. In Scotland there are 50 U3As from Shetland to the Borders with over 10,000 members.

In March, a meeting of over 70 people voted to start a U3A locally. Since that time, a Steering Committee has been working hard to turn this vote into a reality. Kinross-shire U3A is about to launch and become a fully-fledged U3A, affiliated to the Third Age Trust.

The **Kinross-shire U3A Inaugural Meeting** will take place in Kinross Parish Church, 10 Station Road, Kinross, at 2.30pm on **Monday 6 August**. This will be your opportunity to join Kinross-shire U3A, sign up for interest groups and even start up a new group on the day. If there is nothing available that interests you already, this will be your opportunity to look for others who have a similar interest.

Membership in this first year has been set at £25 per person or £20 if you are already a member of another U3A through which you have paid your national membership fee.

If you would like further information, please contact our secretary, Gareth Thomas, by email at kinrossshireU3A@gmail.com or telephone 07460 084496.

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Kinross Museum

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We were pleased to welcome lots of visitors to our stand on 'Discovery Day', and especially pleased by the enthusiastic use of the quill pens by the youngsters. The volunteers were delighted to welcome visitors to the Museum itself during 'The Better Place to Live Fair'. On

display, in the Study Room, were 19th century copies of the Kinross-shire Advertiser, albums of wedding photos from mid 20th century onwards and early hand drawn and coloured maps of the county. In the main display area, our **new exhibition** was on show for the first time. '**Greetings from Kinross-shire**' looks at different aspects of tourism and the visitors to our county over the years. It has lots of local interest; do come and have a browse.



The Museum's latest display looks at various aspects of tourism and visitors

Kinross Camera Club

kinrosscameraclub.org.uk

The club had a large stand at the recent Better Place to Live Fair in the Community Campus where members' prints were on display.

Congratulations to Gerry Leeper for winning the raffle! This helped to raise much needed funds to support our plan to upgrade our projector and laptop. It was great to meet so many members of the public, including some new

potential members.

For anyone who fancies meeting up for some photography over the summer, why not come along to our informal Thursday night evening 'classes' which are photo outings to locations throughout central Scotland. We meet at 6.30pm on The Muirs outside the Green Hotel, Kinross, and drive to the appointed location. Help with getting the most out of your camera and learning photographic technique is provided by experienced club members.

Full details of the dates and venues are available on the Syllabus page of our website. Alternatively, please email secretary@kinrosscameraclub.org.uk for details. We look forward to welcoming all photographers who wish to come along.

This month's featured photo is 'Unusual Lighthouse' by Duncan Robertson. If any reader (non-club member) can identify where this lighthouse is located (in Scotland), **please email the club with your answer by 31 July**. One lucky entrant drawn from the correct entries will win a prize!



Duncan Robertson's
'Unusual Lighthouse'
photograph

Kinnesswood in Bloom

www.kinnesswoodinbloom.org

Meetings have been held between Kinnesswood in Bloom and the advisers for the Benarty View project and we hope to give more details next month. Progress is certainly being made. Rory has made a board to display the plans so that they can be on show for local residents to see. Two generous donations from local residents have gone towards Benarty View.

In the last week of May, between 21 and 24 pupils from Kinross High took part in a volunteers week by working at Portmoak Primary School. They painted, cut back shrubs and hedges, planted tubs and cleared the pond. One group even dressed a mini figure as a suffragette. Look out for her in the village this year. It was a very busy and successful time and we are grateful for the work done.

Take a Pride in Perthshire had a very successful garden party at Scone Racecourse on 1 June. We were well represented by five ladies who displayed their creative hats, upcycled from the birds and bees from last year with the addition of a few butterflies. Janette came home with a cartoon of her wearing her bee hat and Pat won a day at the races for the best hat. Despite the sudden thunderstorm, we all had an enjoyable afternoon and a chance to meet with other bloomers in Perth and Kinross.



Recipe



supplied by Kinnesswood in Bloom

Rigatoni with Broccoli Pesto

To join in with the July Broccoli Festival, I thought I'd find a broccoli recipe.

Ingredients

150g rigatoni or other pasta
 1 head of broccoli florets (keep stalk for soup) or use leftover broccoli
 Olive oil
 1 clove of finely chopped garlic
 1 tablespoon pine nuts
 50g parmesan

Method

Cook the pasta. Boil the broccoli for one to two minutes then drain well and finely chop by hand or in a food processor. Heat two tablespoons of olive oil in a pan and cook the garlic and pine nuts for a few minutes. Tip in the broccoli and warm through, then add the drained pasta and a splash of water. Toss, add the parmesan and toss again.



Kinnesswood in Bloom were well represented at the 'Take a Pride in Perthshire' garden party at Scone Racecourse

We have planned our own garden party in the Michael Bruce garden on 23 June at the start of the Portmoak Festival. A report of that event will be in the August Newsletter.

We are very grateful for the donation of a redundant lawn mower.

Look out for the hanging baskets, planted tubs and little figures around the village. There will also be poetry and writing from schoolchildren to commemorate the year of young people. We always like to get the village looking good for the Portmoak Festival in June.

It's nearly competition time with the dates set at 19 July for the local competition and 6 July for Beautiful Scotland. We hope the village will be looking its best. We really appreciate the effort people make to keep their own gardens looking lovely too.

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Boys Brigade

The official session has now ended and juniors enjoyed a final meeting on the shores of Loch Leven at Kirkgate Park. This gathering finished up in Loch Leven for a farewell splash, which was enjoyed by one and all.

Company section members are preparing for their annual summer camp at Kenmore from 21 to 28 July. It will be an adventure camp involving hill walking, mountain biking, kayaking and white water rafting as well as the usual individual and squad competitions.

Senior Company members are also working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Awards and Queen's Badge completion. Our marquee hire started with the Lochore Meadows



Triathlon event and other bookings are already in the diary up until mid-September. The forty foot by twenty foot white tent is available for hire at £200 per occasion. Contact Company Captain David Munro on 01577 862126 to check availability.

The new session, our 99th, starts back at the Church Centre on **Friday 7 September**.

Anchors for boys and girls in primaries one, two and three meet from 6pm to 7.15pm.

Juniors for boys and girls in primaries four, five and six meet from 7pm to 9pm.

Company Section for boys and girls from primary seven up to age 18 meet from 7pm to 9pm.



The Juniors' final evening at Kirkgate Park

Portmoak Community Woodland Group

www.portmoakcw.org.uk

We know that Portmoak Moss is popular with visitors. But these past few weeks have seen an exceptional number of people coming to the Moss, to carry out work and learn about peat bogs. We've had teachers and pupils discovering why we should preserve peat and how it can support all kinds of bog-loving plants and volunteers removing unwanted trees.

In a very exciting development, Portmoak Moss has become the model for a new education project, helping primary schools understand the importance of peat bogs and that they can also be lovely places to visit.

On 9 May teachers from primary schools from around Loch Leven gathered in Portmoak Moss for a fieldwork professional development training session. Whilst walking around the Moss the teachers learned about this unique and important habitat and enjoyed the beautiful flora and fauna. After the visit the group went to Loch End Farm Shop, where they were treated to afternoon

tea. This was followed by further training; experiments to do back in their classrooms and a discussion activity, 'Let's Talk Bogs'.

'Let's Talk Bogs' is supported by beautifully illustrated materials designed to prompt teachers and pupils into looking at all the reasons why bogs are important. The resources, which the teachers and children are using, form part of an established programme of support for Scottish teachers developed by SSERC (Scottish Schools Education Research Centre) based in Dunfermline. Three weeks later P1/2 and P2/3 from Portmoak Primary School visited the Moss. They spent a lovely, sunny (midgey!) afternoon learning about the trees surrounding the bog and the creatures found in the Moss. And they used their imaginations to create possible homes for those creatures. There'll be more visits like this in future. Meanwhile, two groups of volunteers have been helping to remove young trees from the centre of the bog, to

prevent it reverting to woodland. Portmoak Community Woodland Group have bought some tree poppers, which make it much easier to pull the birch and pine saplings out of the peat. We were very pleased to welcome volunteers from the Scottish Environment Protection Agency and from a specialist team called the Bog Squad, to put some serious effort into dealing with this unwanted tree regeneration.

Finally, Luke Graham MP visited the Moss, to see for himself all the work that was going on and to find out as much as possible about the history. Members of PCWG gave him a guided tour.

Please visit our website to check out what's happening in our woods and see the latest research by a very regular visitor, George Guthrie, who carries out moth surveys and sends us his results. Do also come to our meetings on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Well Inn, Scotlandwell.



Lomond Antiques and Collectors Club



On Sunday 10 June, members and friends visited Floors Castle. Our journey was held up for only a few minutes while our coach driver waited to allow mum, dad and five baby ducklings to proceed up the road before us on the road to Gordon.

On arrival at Floors (which we now know is pronounced Fleurs as in French flowers) we had coffee, tea and shortbread and then enjoyed an excellent tour of the castle with our entertaining and knowledgeable guide Matt. A superb lunch was also laid on for us and then we had time to wander back into the castle or tour the gardens as we wished.

On 13 June Moira again hosted the annual event. This year was our 25th AGM to which the Chairman welcomed a new member. The Chairman's Review covered all the meetings we had enjoyed through the past season. The Treasurer's Report was approved and the Chairman, Secretary and other Committee member all agreed to stay in post for another year. The Chairman outlined the programme for the following season and venues and hostesses were arranged.

Claudia had kindly arranged a collection and our Chairman Ian was presented with a voucher to dine out, with our grateful thanks for all his hard work during the year. Our evening finished with our customary strawberries and cream.

After the summer break, our new 2018/2019 programme starts on **Wednesday 12 September**. This will be a trip to Hopetoun to view the conservation studio work carried out there.

Anyone wishing to join our lively, informal group can contact the secretary by email at gwynnethc@hotmail.co.uk.

Walk for Parkinson's – Loch Leven

We're inviting people of all ages, abilities and fitness levels to Walk for Parkinson's on **Sunday 26 August 2018**.

By joining Walk for Parkinson's you'll be uniting with thousands of people across the UK to find a cure and improve life for everyone affected by Parkinson's.

We'll be setting off from Loch Leven's Larder at 11am on a walk that lets you experience the natural, historic and cultural heritage around Loch Leven, a national nature reserve with links to Mary Queen of Scots. You can choose from a gentle **2-mile** walk down to Loch Leven or a **6-mile** where views open up towards the West Lomond and Bishop Hill.

For more information or to sign up, visit Parkinsons.org.uk/walklochleven or call 0344 2259857.



Walk for Parkinson's to help find a cure

Milnathort in Bloom

Our polytunnel is full of beautiful colour at the moment with all the hanging baskets and tubs all ready to be placed around the village. By the time this Newsletter goes to print, they will be in place for everyone to enjoy and the busy time of watering with the Bloom Buggy begins.



The community orchard is exploding this year with the addition of a raised bed full of edible flowers, our recycled wheelbarrow covered in trailing nasturtiums and the fruit trees absolutely laden with baby fruit - it's going to be a good year. Please feel free to use the orchard and the bench provided; it really is very peaceful in there and it is, after all, there for the community to use.

We are very lucky to be working with Milnathort Primary School this year and have provided 300 packs of sunflower seeds for the children to plant and nurture to their full height. We really look forward to seeing the results at the end of August. A special thanks to Dobbies and Sainsbury's for providing prizes.

This year we are encouraging more participation in all things flowers by the community and local businesses. The result is that, as you wander through the village, you will see many more hanging baskets and window boxes. It all contributes to making our village look beautiful.

You may also notice that we're improving the approaches to the village too. There is a large planter which has been built by one of our volunteers at the St Andrews Road entrance. We are phasing out the heuchera at the Kinross entrance and are replacing with colourful shrubs. The North Street entrance is being beautified by a smashing group of volunteers from Orwell Church, led by Dorothy Thomson. I'm sure you'll all agree, they're doing a fantastic job. We have also planted about 100 lupins along the Stirling Road entrance, so I think we have all the approaches covered.

Our life has been made a little easier this year by the purchase of a new trailer. We would like to pass on our sincere thanks to the Arthur and Margaret Thompson Trust for their very kind donation.

As you can see, all our volunteers are working really hard to improve the village which we hope you will enjoy over the summer months as we 'go for Gold' with the help and support from you, our local community.

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* Monday 10am-1pm and Saturday 1pm-4pm: Limited service, provided by volunteers (FOLLCL, see this page).

Regular Sessions for Young Children

No need to book, just come along:

- **Bookbug Rhymetimes:** Saturdays 10.30am-11am and Wednesdays 2pm-2.30pm.
- **Pre-school Story Time:** Tuesdays 10.15am-10.45am. Parents, grandparents or guardians and toddlers will be made most welcome at these free, open sessions.
- **Stay and Play:** Wednesdays 2.30pm-3.30pm. Saturdays 11am-12 noon. Pop into the library where you can meet other parents, have a coffee, chat, read a magazine or just relax while your child plays. Toys provided. Family-friendly. These sessions are suitable for pre-school children and their parents or guardians.

Book Groups at the Library

We currently have three book groups for adults running at Loch Leven Community Library:

Crime Book Group: Once a month on a Tuesday evening, 6.45-7.45pm

General Book Group: Once a month on a Friday morning, 10.30-11.30am

Café Book Group: Once a month on a Saturday morning, 11.15am. The Café Book Group is taking a break for the summer. The next meeting will be in September.

Please contact the Library for the other book group dates.

Book Group for Children: Chatterbooks. For children aged 7-11 years. On the first Friday of each month. Chatterbooks will resume after the school holidays. Contact the library for dates.

IT Help Sessions

Free sessions, but booking essential. The next session is on **Thursday 9 August**, 2pm onwards.

Coffee and Crochet

A new group starting in the autumn. Contact the library for more details and to leave a note of interest.

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Your suggestions wanted

Perth Museum has a display case in the library and we are asking for suggestions from members of the public for displays they would like to see in the future. In the past we have had Camera and Photography display, a Rural History display, a Wildlife around Loch Leven and a Fossil display to name a few. Or perhaps you have a treasured collection you would loan for us to display?

Foodbank: The library is now a foodbank collection point for Broke Not Broken.

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Friends of Loch Leven Community Library (FOLLCL)

Thank you

Many thanks to all who came to chat to us at last month's Better Place to Live Fair at Loch Leven Community Campus. It was great to see you all!



FOLLCL Secretary Bill Belford and Chair Richard Scott at the Better Place to Live Fair

Holiday Reading

Recently several people have dropped in to see us and have asked about joining the library. If you aren't currently a member, why not give it a go? It's free to join and as well as being able to borrow real-life books you can download free e-magazines and borrow e-books. It's very simple to do and, again, there's no charge for this – perfect for holiday reading to free up space in your suitcase!

FOLLCL is a group of independent volunteers who staff Loch Leven Community Library on Saturday afternoons from 1pm to 4pm and on Mondays from 10am to 1pm. For further information, please contact Richard Scott on 07999 510500 or find us on Facebook.

Meaty subject matter for June Networking Breakfast



It's always easier to face the early-morning drive to the Kinross-shire Partnership's networking event at Loch Leven's Larder in the summer months, and 6 June was no exception. Bishop Hill was initially shrouded in mist, but suddenly the sky cleared and glorious views over the loch were unveiled, the only remaining clouds being clouds of dust rising behind a tractor in an adjacent field.



Iain Hunter, guest speaker at the June Networking Breakfast
Photo: Vincent Johnston

The June breakfast might justifiably have been entitled 'meat the butcher', given that the main speakers at the event were Iain and Pamela Hunter, the stellar husband and wife team who run multi-award-winning local butchers 'Hunters of Kinross'.

New faces and old tucked into the usual fabulous Scottish breakfast before presenting their eclectic mix of products and services, which ranged from chimney-sweeping to professional photography, and from vegan skin products to HR

services and employment law advice. For anyone interested, Robbie at RDK Chimney and Firewood Services is hoping to retire in a few years and is currently seeking an apprentice. Jim Paterson intimated that to mark the 350th birthday of Kinross Curling Club, the club is holding a celebratory bonspiel in September and has invited seven countries to send their oldest team.

Kinross-shire Partnership Chairman Alisdair Stewart reminded everyone of various upcoming events.

Pauline Watson reminded the businesses to avail themselves of the opportunity to be listed on the local community website – kinross.cc – and to use it to advertise vacancies.

George Lawrie, new chair of the Tourism Group, told breakfasters that the Heritage Trail has over 200,000 visitors a year, but that they need to attract still more people to Kinross-shire. He mentioned that the Group intends to revitalise the website www.visitlochleven.org and that he would shortly be encouraging local businesses to become involved.

First-time attendee Tamsin Ferrier, from Seamab School, intimated that the school is holding a charity Golf Day at Muckhart Golf Club on 21 September, with the entry fee £160 for a team of four.

While business networking is the primary aim of the event, there are light-hearted moments as well. One regular attendee decided to share a few 'things people might not know' about himself – such as that he had previously worked as a bouncer and shares a birthday with Bilbo Baggins!

Next, Pamela and Iain Hunter took to the floor and gave a slide show charting the company's history. They began with Iain's apprenticeship in Edinburgh and continued with him making and selling haggis and black pudding in Melbourne, Australia. Back in Scotland in the early 90s, he opened a

shop while also becoming known as a singer. A trip to sing in Las Vegas followed, but home beckoned and he returned to Edinburgh, sold the shop and bought premises in Kinross in 2008. They began with four staff but now have 15, and the business has received numerous awards, with recent successes including the East of Scotland Black Pudding Champions and Best Independent Retailer (Scotland).

Hailing from a retail background originally, Pamela is an active partner in the business; she is also heavily involved in Heart Start. After raising money to install a defibrillator outside the shop in conjunction with Heart Start, she has facilitated training for 540 people to do CPR and use the defibrillator. Currently, she's encouraging all butchers in Scotland to install a defibrillator outside their shops.

Both Pamela and Iain's dynamism shone through in their presentation, and it was fascinating to hear about such a successful local business.

The Networking Breakfast is taking a short summer break and will be back in action again on **Wednesday 5 September**. We have a great line-up of speakers planned to inspire us as we network our way into working Wednesdays from September to the end of 2018 and beyond. Be sure to watch this space to see details of the September event, and enjoy your summer in the meantime!



Networking over breakfast
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Kinross High School

Challenge Week

Our third annual Challenge Week began on 28 May. The week built on the success of previous years and also incorporated a wider range of residential experiences for pupils from S1 to S3.

Throughout the week pupils learned new skills and others engaged with our local community doing volunteering work with our feeder primary schools and a long list of other local volunteer groups. More details are below.

The week finished off with our Celebration Day. There were too many success stories to mention but check out our Twitter feed for a flavour of the events that went on during the week.

Home Economics

During Challenge some Home Economics pupils and teachers spent the morning preparing and cooking a packed lunch of homemade soup, bread roll and cake for 58 residents of Whyte

Court, Causeway Court and Kinross Day Centre.

The pupils then delivered the boxes and spent time chatting with the residents in the afternoon. A fantastic sum of £75 was raised from the kind donations from Whyte Court residents. This money will be donated to Scottish Action for Mental Health, the schools chosen charity this year.

S1 Residential Trip to Hadrian's Wall

Around 150 pupils took part in the residential trip to Hadrian's Wall. On the first day of the trip, pupils and staff enjoyed a visit to the Roman Army Museum, Vindolanda Roman Fort and a walk along the wall from Steel Rigg to Housesteads. The groups then made their way to the newly opened YHA Sill Hostel, where they stayed overnight. On day two of the trip, pupils got the chance to visit New Lanark before making their way back to school.

Thank you to the pupils for their excellent behaviour and engagement throughout the trip and to all of the staff who volunteered to take part!



Call Push Rescue

During Challenge Week 145 pupils attended a Call Push Rescue training session led by Mrs Megginson, the campus First Aider. They were trained and assessed in CPR and each pupil received a certificate and a wrist band and have joined the Nation of Lifesavers through the British Heart Foundation. Over the three years this has been running, more than 600 pupils have successfully completed this highly rewarding training.

S3 French Exchange Trip to Gacé

Last month, 32 pupils headed off to Gacé for the annual French Exchange visit. The group was afforded a warm welcome by the Headteacher and staff from the Collège Jean Moulin as well



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as the respective host families. They enjoyed a varied week full of activities and culture. At the weekend, pupils spent time with their host families. All were treated to delicious food as families got together to spend time around the dinner table, especially those who, on Sunday, had gathered to celebrate la fête des mères!

Meanwhile, preparations are already under way for hosting the French pupils and staff who will arrive in Kinross in September. Here's hoping we can make their visit as enjoyable and rewarding as our visit to Gacé!

German Exchange 2018

In May, 32 S3 pupils and four staff travelled to Traunstein, Bavaria, on the first leg of our long-standing German Exchange. In September, German pupils from our partner school, Chiemgau Gymnasium, will come to Scotland on the return leg.

Pupils enjoyed excellent weather, amazing Alpine scenery and a warm and friendly Bavarian welcome from our hosts. The itinerary included a mountain walk with a snack at a traditional Alpine hut, time to experience school in Germany, trips to Munich and Salzburg, exploring the town of Traunstein and, importantly, a whole weekend with host families, soaking up as much language and culture as possible.

Embarking on an exchange can be daunting for some pupils and staff were very impressed with the enthusiasm and effort from the group to use their linguistic skills, push themselves out of their comfort zones and cope with the unexpected. Staff enjoyed hearing pupils ordering food in German or organising where to meet their partner after school, putting into practice classroom learning in real-life situations. We look forward to the Bavarians visiting here in September and making the most of the opportunity to demonstrate some Scottish hospitality.

UK Pipe Band Championships

Great news for two of our piping pupils! Max Crawford (S6) and Jay Crawford (S4) will be taking part in this competition in Belfast on 15 June. A great achievement and good luck to them both.

Biological Research Talk

In June, S4 to S6 pupils were invited to a talk by Dr Sarah Coulthurst, who runs a research group in the School of Life Sciences at the University of Dundee.

Dr Coulthurst is a molecular microbiologist, working on understanding how bacteria co-operate and fight with each other, and related aspects of how bacteria become successful and cause disease. She originally trained as a biochemist but now has experience in a range of areas

such as molecular biology, genetics, genomics, biochemistry, proteomics and cell biology.

This was a fantastic opportunity for the students to learn from this eminent scientist who has taken time out of her very busy schedule to help inspire the next generation of STEM students!

Sports Day

Sports Day took place on 4 June. The weather was a little overcast, but that did not stop pupils from enjoying a morning outside in their house groups. We saw some fantastic performances from our competitors and some future athletic stars were definitely on show.

We are proud of our athletic heritage with our former pupils Eilidh Doyle and Laura Muir winning medals on the world stage, and are pleased that our athletes had the opportunity to shine in front of the whole school.

All pupils demonstrated a positive attitude and a determination to try their very best, even if they were not in a medal winning position. The spirit of all involved was tremendous and made the teaching staff very proud. Pupils who were not directly involved in the athletic competition spent the morning in their house groups, either supporting the athletics, playing rounders or having fun on the inflatable assault course. It really was a fun morning!

Portmoak Paths Group

Our path network is a vital asset connecting communities and contributing towards enjoyment, health and well being of locals and visitors alike. Maintaining the footpaths around Portmoak falls to the local community and we are fortunate to have a few willing volunteers who are very busy over the summer months clearing vegetation, drains and generally looking to improve the path network. Currently the focus of activity is:

- Maintaining the hill section of the Michael Bruce Way;
- Improving access along the Dryside Way – linking Easter Balgedie to Glen Lomond;
- Developing better information about the local path network and improving signage.

Much of the work is done by local volunteers and no particular skills or experience is required – all tools, equipment and training/supervision is provided where necessary. It's an excellent workout in good company and in very good weather of late! Major improvements such as replacing gates may involve hiring contractors and funding has to be raised through grant applications and donations.

If you can help the work of the Paths Group in any way – practical help or making a donation – or if you have suggestions for future path priorities, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Community Councillor Tom Smith, telephone 01592 841160.



Portmoak Paths Group clearing the Dryside Way linking Easter Balgedie to Glenlomond

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Portmoak Primary School

The sun was shining on Doo'cot Park in Perth for the Perth & Kinross Primary Schools Kwik Cricket Finals held on 5 June. Portmoak Primary School Bears team secured their place in the finals by winning the Kinross-shire Kwik Cricket Competition held in May. The Portmoak Primary School second team, the Tigers, were also asked to play, being called in at last minute due to another team having to withdraw.



The Portmoak Tigers Team

The format of the day saw each of the sixteen teams play three matches in the morning. The Portmoak Tigers won two out of the three games, finishing second in their group. In the afternoon they played two matches to determine 5th to 8th place. Despite their best efforts and some great cricket, the Portmoak Tigers lost both their afternoon games, finishing the competition in 8th place.

It was a different story on the Portmoak Bears pitch. Having won all their morning games, they progressed through to the afternoon session as winners in their group. The first game in the afternoon was the semi-final against Strathallan. This was a very close game with lots of great cricket on display. The Portmoak Bears won by six runs, progressing through to the final to meet Viewlands Primary School. The final proved to be another nail biting game, with the winner being decided on the last ball. The Portmoak Bears once again emerged victorious, winning by five runs and crowned Perth & Kinross Primary Schools Kwik Cricket Champions 2018.

Both teams demonstrated great teamwork, sportsmanship and cricket skills over the course of the day and were a credit to our school.

The Bears were invited to national finals day at Perth Doo'cot on Wednesday 20 June.

STOP PRESS:

Portmoak won the Scottish Finals!


We started the day with a group of four, which consisted of Portmoak, George Watson's, St Gerardine and Drumlanrig St Cuthbert. Portmoak won every match, which put them into the semi-final with James Gillespie's.

We won the game against Gillespie's and ended up against Viewlands in the final. (This was a mirror image of the Perth & Kinross event; Viewlands were placed second in Perth & Kinross and asked to attend on finals day after another area winner pulled out.)

In the end, Portmoak were victorious again and took away the trophy and the title of Scottish Kwik Cricket Champions 2018!

The Portmoak Bears,
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Sports News

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Ladies Section

Playing in Pink Tournament

On Saturday 12 May, local observers will no doubt have noticed an influx of people to the town – including runners in the Loch Leven Half Marathon and

Inter-district over 35s tournament

On Saturday 2 June, seven teams took part in the over 35s Inter-district tournament at Meggatland in Edinburgh. The team from Midland District was made up of a variety of players from Grove Menzieshill, Perthshire, Madras, Blairgowrie and Kinross hockey clubs.

by wins against Highland, West and a draw against East. The final match of the day turned out to be the decider; Midland v South West, where Midland had to win by at least four goals to beat East overall on goal difference. It was a frantic 15 minutes, with some skilful displays resulting in a 5-nil win and the title going to Midland for the first time that anyone can remember. Congratulations to Claire Brownbridge, Catherine Wray, Beth Robinson, Lindsey Knight and Gail Nelson for their part in the team, ably assisted of course by the other team members, which did include Alison Ramsay MBE, an Olympic Bronze medallist!

Congratulations also to Gail Nelson, who was again selected for the Scottish Masters over 50s squad and has recently competed in the Home Nations tournament in Swansea where they finished second to the ever-strong England. Training intensifies now as the squads prepare for World Cup in Terrassa, Spain, at the end of July.

Summer Sessions: Mixed summer hockey sessions continue at Kinross Hockey Club throughout the summer on Tuesday evenings from 7.30pm till 9pm, to which all are welcome. Ladies training will resume on Wednesdays from mid-August. Don't be shy.....



One of the two Kinross teams that entered the Playing in Pink tournament

visiting Dutch rugby players – but also hockey players from Glasgow, Newcastle, Alnwick and Preston Lodge who were taking part in the annual Playing in Pink tournament, hosted by Kinross this year.

Flamboyant displays of pink, purple and other colours of fancy dress outfits were a sight to behold, even more so whilst in action on the hockey pitch. Particular mention must go to Newcastle (the “green” team) in their camouflage outfits as they had also practised set moves on cue to reflect army action manoeuvres – the opposition were definitely disarmed! A great afternoon of hockey took place with Kinross “Pink” the overall tournament winners.

Evening entertainment then ensued in the clubhouse where the hockey boots were exchanged for the dancing shoes. Thanks to Kinross Astro for the free use of the pitch which helped the day's fundraising with £900 proceeds being distributed to Macmillan Cancer Care and St Oswald's Hospice in Gosforth.

The pale blue strips were a squeeze to get into and scorching hot weather on the day, along with the on-pitch efforts, made for rather sticky conditions. Starting with a nil-all draw against North, we sneaked a one-nil win against a very strong Borders side, followed



The Midland team, including five Kinross Hockey Club members, winners of the over 35s Inter-district tournament

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Bishopshire Golf Club

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On Sunday 27 May we hosted the Stroyan Trophy. This is one of the annual events held by the Perth and Kinross County Golf Union which is open to all golf clubs in the Perth and Kinross region.

The weather could not have been more glorious as the teams of two from golf clubs throughout Perth and Kinross began to arrive at 8.30am for their coffee and brioche.

In a twist to the usual game, the Stroyan requires the two players to play alternate shots with the same ball; one of many fascinating ways you can play golf. On this occasion, it was a father and son team from Muckhart Golf Club who prevailed, winning by one shot from the Kinross Golf Club team. The event was finished off by soup, cake and a chance to reflect on a good day out.

Bishopshire Golf Club is situated between the villages of Kinnesswood

and Scotlandwell. It is a community amateur sports club run by the members who maintain the club and course in excellent condition. When playing the course there are magnificent views over Loch Leven and the surrounding countryside. We hold competitions on Saturdays throughout the year and Wednesdays during the summer.

However, we do have members who just enjoy a round of golf. If you want to play in a competition or just socially, you will be welcome at Bishopshire.

For further information, please email bishopshiregc@btinternet.com or call 07765 672740. You can also check out our website.



It was glorious weather for the Stroyan Trophy

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Kinross Curling Rink is currently in the middle of extending the bar area as well as adding a much-needed lift for disabled access. This is another in a succession of renovations to the rink in recent years. We are hoping that, with the addition of the lift, we can welcome a wider range of individuals to the rink and offer a greater experience of curling.



enter. It will be one curler and three non-curlers in a team. You do not necessarily need to work together; you could be a group of friends, play in another sport together, you may be neighbours. No matter your background, your group can come and play in this event if you have no more than one curler in each team.

We are hoping to involve a lot more primary schools this year with the intention of boosting our junior numbers. We are hoping to bring in five schools from the surrounding area of Kinross. They will then hopefully feed into the newly structured Kinross Junior Curling Club. This will run on Mondays from 4pm to 5.15pm, Thursdays from 4pm to 5.15pm and Sundays from 5.15pm to 7pm.

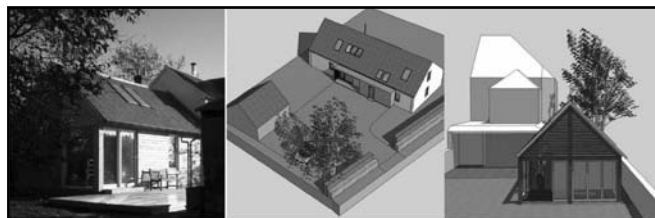
If you are interested in any of the events mentioned, or want more information on curling at Kinross, then please get in contact with Kinross Curling Development Officer Robin Brydone by email at Robin@scottishcurling.org.



New mascot Button oversees the building work

We are in full swing in terms of getting everything organised for next season. One of the great events we put on is 'Try Curling' and this will be returning in September and January. If you wish to sign up for this, please visit the www.trycurling.com website. You will find all dates and times there.

Another event we put on is the **Business Challenge**. This will be slightly changing this year as any four people can



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As we go to press, final preparations are underway for the Milnathort Dash on 28 June – another sell-out event run by the club. This is a very busy time of year with lots of road and off-road races that count towards the club championships. Many local runners have been featuring on the prize lists, including Jillian Gordon who was first lady home at Strathearn Marathon. Also, earlier in June, Sarah Hutt took first prize and Judith Dobson was first in her age category at Rattray Blair Half Marathon. Further afield, Kinross Ladies took home the team prize at Isle of Skye Half Marathon. The off-road races are also popular and Lynn Hunter, Andy Laycock and Norman Smith have picked up age category prizes at recent events.



The winning team (and birthday boy!) at the club treasure hunt in Glenvale

Our training schedule for July is listed below. Tuesday nights focus on speed work, meeting at 7pm at Kirkgate Park. Wednesday nights are generally trail runs using the great network of local trails. We meet at 6.30pm on Wednesday nights at the Health Centre Car Park to share transport to the start of the run or it's 7pm at the run location if you go directly there. The informal **Sunday morning** run also continues throughout the summer months; meet at 9am at the Health Centre Car Park for either a trail or hill run at a very leisurely pace.

The Loch Leven Junior Parkrun continues to be popular for those aged 4 to 14. It is held every Sunday morning at 9.30am for a 2km circuit round Kirkgate Park. Construction work continues at Loch Leven's Larder to build a 2.5km circuit to host the eagerly awaited Senior Parkrun. It's anticipated that the inaugural run might well be during the summer, so watch this space for updates.

New members are always welcomed, no matter what your running ability, so we look forward to seeing new faces at our training sessions or make contact via the website or Facebook page.

Programme for July

Sun 1	Informal run	Tue 17	Pyramid reps at Kirkgate Park
Tue 3	Two-mile Time Trial followed by hot chocolate and kit sale at Roger's garage	Wed 18	Maspie Den
Wed 4	Brig Bash (Championship Race)	Sun 22	Informal run
Sun 8	Informal run	Tue 24	5 x 1k at Kirkgate Park
Tue 10	8 x 400m at Kirkgate Park	Wed 25	John Knox's Pulpit
Wed 11	Strathmiglo (or Maddie Moss Hill Race)	Sun 29	Informal run
Sun 15	Informal run	Tue 31	Two-mile Time Trial followed by hot chocolate and kit sale at Roger's garage
		Wed 1	Aug: Castle Hill Reservoir

Fossoway Curling Club

At our recent AGM, members voted to become a mixed curling club and it is hoped that couples who wish to play curling will come and join us.

Five lady curlers have now joined us. More gentlemen would be welcome too. So if you are thinking of taking up the game, please get in touch sooner rather than later as the draw for teams will be taking place by mid-July.

We are a small and friendly mixed curling club based in Crook of Devon, although our members come from far and wide. We play throughout the season, mostly at Kinross, with a few games in Perth. We are always looking for new members (beginners and experienced) who will find a warm welcome waiting. Coaching is available. Contact Alan on 01577 840695 or Willie on 01577 840405 for details.



Volleyball

With our super summer continuing, we have been enjoying our Monday evening 'come and play' sessions even more than usual. These sessions are free to attend and take place on the grass area at the back of the campus car park every 'fair' Monday evening from 7pm to 8.30pm. Beginners and 'returners' to volleyball are most welcome.

Volleyball club members were involved in Perth's 'DiverseCiTay' event on the North Inch with an outdoor volleyball court having been set up for the afternoon.

Two of our teams are preparing for the annual De Haan tournament in Belgium over the middle weekend of August. This year we are taking a men's team along with a mixed team.

School volleyball has been continuing at Kinross High School on Wednesdays with the introduction of primary school pupils attending on the after school sessions. This is in preparation for them starting secondary school in August.

Local lad Mitchell Brown is heavily involved in this season's beach volleyball events being held around Scotland's beaches over the summer.

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Kinross Otters

Another busy few weeks for Otters who are looking forward to a reduced training schedule over the summer holidays.



Simon Metcalfe, departing Head Coach

We said our final farewell to former Head Coach Simon Metcalfe who, after almost five years and many successes, left us last month to take up a new career in the fire service.

Our other coach Fiona Dodds has ably stepped up and it is to her credit that the transition has been seamless. Fiona has some great ideas to continue to build on the strengths of the club and we are excited for the future.



Fiona Dodds

We showed Simon just how much we'll miss him by chucking him in the pool at the end of his last gala as head coach, something some of his previous charges thoroughly enjoyed!

We are also very grateful to Otter Lewie Reith who made a truly fantastic and delicious cake as a farewell gift. Mary Berry is quaking in her boots!

The League competitions continue and Kinross Otters are performing well in both the second and premier divisions.

The second division squad took away first place in the Monifieth event held at Dundee Olympia. There were some excellent swims and PBs. This was the first gala for a number of new Otters who had a really great supportive team to cheer them on.

The premier division gala was on home ground at Kinross pool. The team also performed well, coming away with a third place finish. With fifth and fourth place finishes in the last two league meets respectively, we are hoping for a win by the end of the season!

Thanks again to all the parents who came along to support and officiate and for all the donations for the tombola to raise funds for the club. We are reliant on the goodwill of volunteers to keep the club operating.

Kinross Primary fielded teams in the girls and boys 12 and under age group at the Scottish Schools Relay Championships. The teams included some Otters. They got the chance to swim at the Royal Commonwealth Pool in 4 x 50m relay events. It was a great opportunity to swim at such a prestigious venue. Well done to Otters Duncan Crichton, Maisie Drummond, Zoë Neave, Fiona Bayne, Cailean Thomson, Matthew Kenney and Ailsa Reith and to Dunfermline ASC swimmer Andrew Robertson; a really great team effort with Matthew (the youngest member aged only 8) competing well against some teams fielding four 12-year-olds!

Kinross High also sent a boys S1/2 team who finished fourth and fifth in their events; great swims for all. The team consisted of Struan Bennet and Innes Rankin of Otters, Murray Pritchard of Perth City and Alasdair Findlay of Alloa ASC.

A triumphant team from Kinross High also took gold at the Scottish Schools Open Water Polo Championships. The team included current Otters Amy

Hardie and Rory Nesbitt and previous members Jack Watson, Finlay Nesbitt, Niamh Moloney and Fraser Eadie. Well done all!



A team from Otters competing at the Midland District Championships came home with a brace of PBs and medals. Ben Smallwood won two golds and a silver in the 400, 800 and 1500 freestyle events. Emily Cumming took home a bronze in the 400 free and Zoë Neave won the gold for her age group in the 200 fly. There were great swims from Fiona Bayne and Katie Fraser and Cailean Thomson finished just behind team mate Ben to finish second in the 1500 free. Cailean narrowly missed out on a medal in the 400 free as well.



The DCA June 18 Team

The DCA 'Stars of the Future' Gala also saw some great performances from our Otters, not least a whopping 12 second personal best for Zoë Neave in her 100 IM. There were 40 swims overall and well over half of those achieved PBs; another successful meet.

We're looking forward to a great summer with lots of swim practice and a refreshed and energized squad of Kinross Otters back to full time training in August.

Happy holidays, everyone!



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Gents Open

Thanks to all our members and visitors who took part in our Gents Open. The Montgomery Course played tough but there were a few good scores. Congratulations to Scratch winner Tom Bruce, Division 1 winner Steven Leslie and Division 2 winner Craig Paterson. Thanks to our Match Secretary Neil Cairney and all the members who assisted to make it a very successful day. Special mention to Andy Crawford and the green keeping team at Kinross Golf Courses for preparing and presenting the course in an excellent condition despite the challenges of a tough winter and a very dry and hot spell of weather.

Millennium Cup

Congratulations to Audrey Thomson and Adrian Simpson who won this year's Millennium Cup Pinehurst with a net 60. Well done Mary Graham and Ken Scott who were runners-up with a net 63.5.



Audrey Thomson and Adrian Simpson with the Millennium Cup

Kinross High School Challenge Week

Kinross Golf Club provided two days of golf tuition for S2 and S3 pupils for Kinross High School's Challenge Week. Greig McSporran, Golf Professional, set up the activities for the event and provided the coaching. A big thank you to Greig and hopefully we'll get some new young golfers on board.

Annodata Matchplay

The Gents played their third round match against Blairgowrie and, after a very tight match, Kinross were fortunate to come out on the right side of the result with a 3 - 2 win. The Ladies lost their third round match 4 - 1 away to a strong Glenbervie team.

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The Ladies section were delighted to contribute £520 to John Harle who was cycling from Newcastle to Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, to raise money for the charity Tayside Children with Cancer and Leukemia. The charity are supporting John's grandson Ezekiel King. Ezekiel is also the grandson of members Robert and Linda King. The money donated by the ladies was raised from the raffle at this year's mixed open plus personal donations.



John Harle on completion of his charity cycle run and Trish Anderson, organiser of the raffle

Ladies Senior Open Greensomes

The date for the 2018 Ladies Senior Open Greensomes is **Thursday 12 July**. The competition will be played over the Bruce course and the entry fee is £14 per pair. The first lady to achieve a hole in one on our Par 3, 3rd hole will win 0.33 carat Mary Queen of Scots diamond ear-rings valued at £600. To enter, please download an application form from www.scottishgolf.org or www.golfempire.co.uk.

Junior Open

The date for the 2018 Junior Open is **Tuesday 17 July**. The entry fee is £5. Please download an application form from www.scottishgolf.org or www.golfempire.co.uk.

Ladies night

This will take place on **Friday 20 July** in the Clubhouse. There will be music from the Jersey Notes, Scotland's number one tribute to the music of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons. Tickets now on sale at the bar £12.

Further information

More details about all golfing and social events are available on the Kinross Golf Club website, Facebook, Twitter and in the Clubhouse.

Deadline for all Submissions
5pm, Friday 13 July
for publication on Saturday 30 June

Kinross Vaulting Group

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It has been a busy time at Kinross Vaulting Group as we move through the summer competition season.

The small team which travelled to Warwickshire in May had a successful trip, and horses Talisker and Galaxy behaved beautifully on their first competition down south.

Some of our senior vaulters are training



Talisker competing at Warwickshire with Iona and Zoe

hard in preparation for the forthcoming international CVI competition at Rugby from 29 June to 1 July. This is an important event in the Equestrian Vaulting calendar, and will see the Kinross vaulters representing GBR. In previous years, the team have found themselves competing against vaulters from France, Switzerland and The Netherlands at Rugby, so it should be an exciting event.

One of our newest horses, Caudillo Domino, is making his competition debut at a more local competition on Saturday 16 June. Domino is a very striking 17.1hh KWPN ex-showjumper, owned by Lesley Campbell. He is making excellent progress in his new career as a vaulting horse.

We are still accepting applications for our **Taster Session** at Kinross Vaulting Group at Carnbo, Kinross on **Saturday 18 August** from 2pm to 4pm. The cost is £17 and it is open to all, although the minimum age for vaulters is 5 years old. Please contact Liz Mackay by email at lizmacward@hotmail.com to find out more or reserve a place.



Domino in training recently at KVG



Kinross Swimmers

We've now had the AGM and, I have to say, it was a bit of a disappointing turnout. Where were you all?

However, the good news is that we are carrying on with a hardcore of enthusiastic swimmers. We also have some new faces who are very keen and who are bringing in some great new ideas.

Our sessions recently have been quite challenging and reasonably intense, making for a very satisfying swim. It would still be great to see some more of the older faces popping back as more swimmers always make for a better swim.

We have reinforced the variation in the swimming rota with sprint, endurance and stroke sessions alternating weekly. So it's a great basis to carry on with your own swimming by supplying some different ideas for your session. We appreciate that it's harder to make Tuesdays when the weather is as good as it has been. To that end, we have slightly reduced our fees once again as an added incentive to those who are thinking of coming along.



So if you want to improve your all round fitness, or if you just want to swim, we look forward to seeing you in the pool for a varied and sometimes challenging swim. We continue to meet every Tuesday evening at the pool at Loch Leven Leisure Centre for an in the water start at 8pm, swimming until 9pm. Our intention is to improve the stroke, stamina and style of those attending so that any other swimming is more worthwhile, effective and enjoyable. We welcome anyone looking to improve their swimming for whatever reason, all we ask is that you can complete four lengths. Experienced swimmers looking for a friendly, but directed, extra session are especially welcome

For further information, please either contact us on Facebook or by contacting Ian Shepherd by email at shepherd_ian@hotmail.com or 07944503074.

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It has been a busy few weeks with **KOBRAS** tournaments in Dundee and Edinburgh to test the juniors. There were five teams competing in the Midland District tournament in Dundee; two at U10, two at U12 and one at U14.

We were strongest at U10s, with one team winning most of their games. U12s and U14s had tougher games but acquitted themselves well, gaining good experience in the process.

Two weeks later we went to the Inverleith tournament at Peffermill with teams at U8, U10, U12 and U15. Some new players got their first tournament experience at U8 and enjoyed the experience.

Both U10 teams did well but didn't quite repeat last year's trophy winning performance. U12 and U15 teams came up against some stronger and larger teams but competed strongly. It was a long day in the sun but all players enjoyed their experience.



Training takes a break during July and the first half of August. However, with tournaments in July and August there will be opportunities to keep skills and fitness up. Training will restart once schools are back in August. This will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6.30 to 7.30pm. For more information, please see the club website.



U14 (above) and U10 and U12 (below) players from the Midland District tournament in Dundee



Orwell Bowling Club

Bowling Green Avenue, Milnathort

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orwellbowlingclub.weebly.com

The last month has been excellent bowling weather and the club competitions are progressing well.

On Saturday 19 June the Reekie Mixed Pairs was played in fine weather. Seven pairs entered the round robin competition and the result was a win for Tom and Linda Reid.

We have played three friendlies; two home, one away and one was cancelled. Results are detail below.

Sun 20 May: away to Newburgh, Orwell 36, Newburgh 69.

Sat 26 May: home to Tillicoultry, Orwell 65, Tillicoultry 55.

Wed 13 June: home to Carnbo, Orwell 68, Carnbo 23.

Congratulations to Jeanie Jackson, Maz Thorn, Sandra Fullerton and Jean Menzies. They have repeated their success of last year by winning the district Ladies Scottish Senior Rink and will now compete in the national finals at Ayr in July.

Entries are coming in for both Open Pairs; ladies on **Wednesday 15 August** and the club on **Sunday 26 August**. See our web site or Facebook for more information, or contact the club (see header).



Fossoway Tennis Club

We are a family friendly club (nothing too serious) based in Crook of Devon welcoming to new members of all abilities. We have internal competitions for all ages including coaching for younger children. Have a look at our Facebook page or come along on a Thursday evening from 6.30pm to speak to a member. Individual and family memberships available. Contact Gerry on 07549 553063 or email fossowaytennis@hotmail.co.uk.



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Kinross-shire Cricket Club The Vienna Tour

The much-anticipated tour to Austria took place at the end of May when 13 players flew to Vienna for a four match series against Vienna CC and Budapest CC.

Most of the squad arrived on the Thursday morning, which meant a full day's sightseeing in the city.

The first game, scheduled for Friday, was cancelled due to heavy rain. However, this gave us more time to explore the best bits of Vienna including a trip to the world famous Spanish Riding School. Everyone was bowled over with Vienna and a very happy team spent many hours in the cafes and restaurants watching the people and admiring the historic buildings.

On Saturday the team travelled to Korneuburg and then to Seebarn, location of one of the two cricket grounds in Austria. The weather improved significantly and temperatures were heading into the high 20s. The first game saw KCC take on Dunbogdany Budapest CC from Hungary. It is fair to say that this was not the strongest team KCC have ever fielded but what they lacked in experience or ability they more than made up for in enthusiasm.

Fielding first, KCC's David Roe opened the bowling and took the wicket of the Budapest opener with the very first ball bowled. He followed this up three balls later by taking the wicket of their number three batsman. Budapest were two down by the end of the first over and spectators feared that there had been a massive mismatch. As it was, this wasn't the case and the next Hungarian batters started to build a solid innings. It took another 10 overs before veteran John Ross took the next wicket. This opened the floodgates a little as a further five wickets fell in quick succession. After 20 overs Budapest had reached 110 for eight wickets.

KCC got off to a great start as opener James Ross hit the opening ball for four. James went on to a rapid 53 before he was bowled by the Budapest skipper in the eighth over. By now the temperature had risen to the mid 30s and there was no shade or breeze to cool the players down. The heat was having an impact

as KCC lost wickets at regular intervals. With one over to go KCC needed 18 to win with teenager Oliver Roe and John Ross batting. A valiant effort was ultimately unsuccessful as KCC fell 14 short of the total. Oliver Roe scored his highest ever senior batting score with 12 not out.

The second match against Vienna started but quickly reached the point where everyone decided that the game should be halted as temperatures had now reached the mid-30s and players were really feeling the heat. A draw was declared, and everyone moved to the pavilion for a well-deserved barbecue and drinks.

teams had to bat and Vienna would need to declare with sufficient runs not to lose, but leave enough time to bowl KCC out.

The declaration came when Vienna had amassed a 128 run lead and less than an hour for KCC to bat. Opening for KCC, James Ross decided the chase was on and dispatched the Vienna bowlers to all parts of the ground.

After 15 minutes KCC were 43 for no wickets and the team started to feel a win was possible. Vienna then brought on their secret weapon, former Austrian internationalist Marcel Clark. Whilst no longer playing top flight cricket, Clark



The Kinross-shire Cricket Club touring team

Sunday was the timed game with two innings per side. The day was bright and thankfully temperatures had dropped to a very pleasant 24°C. Vienna batted first and reached 123 for seven wickets at the lunch interval. Sarah Hatch was the pick of the bowlers with a truly magnificent spell of in-swing bowling. After lunch, KCC set about the task of getting close to the Vienna total in the hour and a half before tea. The Vienna bowlers were relentless in their accuracy and runs were in short supply for KCC. Wickets fell at regular intervals until teenager Andrew Hynd and Greg Welsh (in only his fourth game ever) built a robust partnership of 29 which moved the team towards the total. As tea came, KCC had reached 87 for nine which made for an interesting third session. Vienna had to decide how long to bat in the final two-hour spell. Both

could still bowl with rapid accuracy and James lost his wicket when a vicious in-swinger just clipped the off stump. This immediately changed the game plan as KCC moved into defensive mode with an eye on the draw. Vienna took more wickets and, as the final over approached, KCC had three wickets in hand. The first ball took a wicket and, with five balls to face, Ivan Greonewald took guard. Vienna threw everything into the last five balls but Ivan was resolute in his defence and KCC finished with a very well-played draw.

This was the first overseas tour for the club and was viewed as a massive success by everyone who travelled. The club are hosting Vienna in September when they come to Scotland and everyone is looking forward to another great contest.

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Kinross Tennis Club

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With the Wimbledon Championships starting on 2 July and thereafter destined to fill our screens for the next two weeks, we can safely say that the tennis season is in full swing. So why not pick up a racket and join us at KTC for a game?

We have coaching sessions, social tennis on weekdays and weekends plus league matches for adults. With the addition of 'Tennis for Tots' there is something for everyone at all levels of age and ability.

League Matches: Tennis Tayside

Our Ladies team is playing in division one of the Tennis Tayside League. We have played eight games of which we have won four, tied one and lost three. At the time of writing, we are third in the division.

Our Men's team this year is playing in the four player division of the Tennis Tayside Leagues. In this division we have experienced a considerable degree of success. So far, we have won all six matches played and are currently leading the division.

Coaching

We continue to place considerable emphasis on junior coaching.

Summer tennis camps are being run from **9 to 13 July** and **23 to 27 July** as follows: Mini (ages 5 to 8) 9am/10.30am, £45



per week. Midi and Junior (ages 8 to 16) 10.30am/13.30am, £90 per week.

Junior coaching at all levels will also be available from 14 August to 2 October for an eight week block.

Places are still available for all sessions.

To book junior coaching and camps, please contact coach Daniel Reed by email at dartennis@amx.co.uk. Alternatively contact junior tennis coordinator Siobhan MacLeod on 01577 865890 or email kinrosstenniscoaching@gmail.com.

Club Championships

We are now asking members to sign up for the senior and junior club championships. Matches will be played during July and August. Finals day for seniors will be on **Sunday 2 September** and for juniors on **Saturday 25 August**.

In addition, the mini red, orange and green club championships will take place on **Saturday 18 August**. Entry sheets available in the clubhouse.

Summer Social Tournament

We are holding a social tournament on **Sunday 12 August** starting at 2pm. All members are welcome to play in this enjoyable afternoon tournament.

Non-members and visitors

Sands the Ironmongers are able to provide access to the tennis courts for non-members during their business hours. These are Monday to Saturday from 9am to 5.30pm. A court fee of £10 is payable (£20 deposit is required for the court key).

Kinross Bowling Club

The bowling season is well underway, and it has been a pleasure to be out on the green in this lovely weather. (Let's hope it continues.)

Several friendlies have been played, with some wins and some not so good results! We played against Bridge of Earn on 28 April at Bridge of Earn but were beaten. We had Glenfarg at our green on 10 May and won. The next game was against Falkland on 19 May with a good win on our green.

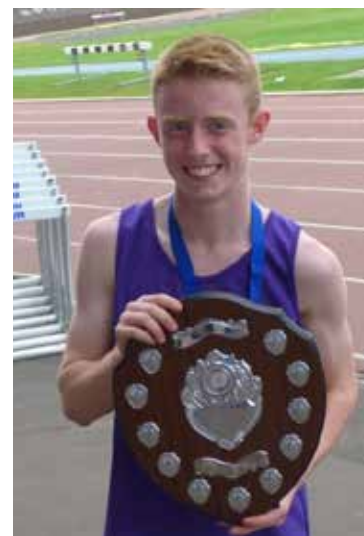
We still have another five friendlies to play during June and July.

Internal competitions are now under way.

Scottish and County competitions are well on now. Our Ladies Senior rink is through to the final of the County, to be played at Alloa Co-op on **Wednesday 27 June**. The rink consists of A Bell, C Matthews, J Mitchell and S Rennie. We play against Tulliallan, beaten by us the final of this competition last year, so they will be out to beat us. Good luck to our girls.

Athletics

Local athlete **Fergus MacGilp**, representing Kinross High School, won the Scottish Schools U14 Pentathlon Championship at Grangemouth Stadium. Fergus' total of 2565 set a new Scottish Schools Record and included five personal best performances.



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Out & About

Loch Leven NNR



This month the weather has been fantastic. We've not been hampered by the weather until mid-June. Just as we were finishing our duck surveys on St Serf's, the weather changed and the strong winds came. We had to clear trees from the trail. It's not often that happens in the summer. Fortunately we were able to complete the survey the following week.

During the surveys we found over 200 duck nests. Mostly Tufted duck with many Gadwall and a few late Mallards. It's good to find so many nests out there. We're now hoping the weather is kind and many of the ducklings are reared.

We'll be at **Kinross Show** again on 11 August. We'll have lots of activities for the kids again. We'll be trying to spot Peregrines on the crags above, making nature plates and we'll also have the badge maker. Please drop by for a chat and see our tent.

We are conducting three of the ever popular **Osprey Walks** this August. They will take place on **18, 22 and 31 August**. Meet at Burleigh Sands Car Park and we'll walk down to the loch edge and view from there. The walks start at 6pm. Please phone the office on 01577 864439 to book your place.

Neil and Ameer completed the last phase of Trout in the Classroom during the month. This phase includes a trip to the burns to where the trout were released to try some electro fishing with the Tay District Salmon Fisheries staff. Mike Brown came down to help and many trout were caught. We are looking forward to doing this project again with the schools next year. Ameer has also been pond dipping with the Rosemount Nursery. It's been a busy couple of months with our outdoor learning here.

Ameer completed another Young Scot award walk around Loch Leven. The highlights were Red Squirrel and a Woodpecker at the nest. Ameer is now a fully trained cycle leader and is leading a **Young Scot guided cycle** around the heritage trail. She will be leaving the office at 11am on **Saturday 4 August**. Please book through the Young Scot website.

During the duck surveys we welcomed the relatively new Nature.Scot chief executive Francesca Osowska to the office. A keen triathlete, Francesca is cycling to all the SNH offices on the mainland and the islands and is raising money for charity. Keep an eye on her progress by searching for #CycleForNature. We had a very enjoyable if slightly damp BBQ down at the pier.

We'll be busy removing Himalayan Balsam from the lochside this month. Though we have made a dent in it the last few years, there is still much of this non-native plant around the loch. If you see any don't be frightened to pull it up!

Please keep an eye on the blog. After a bit of a gap I've been catching up with all the content. We're still putting news out on the Scotland NNR page on Facebook and Steve the Capercaille on Instagram. There is also an SNH North East Twitter feed.

Jeremy Squire, Reserve Officer

Gardens Open in July



There are several beautiful private gardens open in the area to explore, enjoy and inspire this month, some on a particular date and others by request.

Bradystone House, Murthly, PH1 4EW. Thursdays only, 11am-4pm.

Errol Park, Errol, PH2 7RA. Wednesdays 11, 18 and 25 July, 11am-4.30pm.

Backhouse at Rossie Estate, Collessie, KY15 7UZ. Sunday 1 July, 2pm-5pm

Lathrisk Gardens, Lathrisk, KY15 7HX. Sunday 8 July, 2pm-4pm.

Falkland Palace and Gardens, Falkland, KY15 7BU. Sunday 15 July, 12pm-4.30pm.

By Request:

Greenhead Farmhouse, Greenhead of Arnot, Leslie, KY6 3JQ. Mr & Mrs Strang Steel 01592 840459 www.fife-bed-breakfast-glenrothes.co.uk

Rossie House, Forgandenny, PH2 9EH. Mr & Mrs Nichol 01738 812265 [judynichol@rossiehouse.co.uk](mailto:judy nichol@rossiehouse.co.uk)

Hollytree Lodge, Muckhart, FK14 7JW. Mr & Mrs Wyatt 0797 337 4687 elizwyatt@aol.com

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5 Sutherland Crescent, Abernethy, PH2 9GA. Gill Boardman 07833 576094 gillboard@btinternet.com

Parkhead House Gardens, Burghmuir Rd, Perth, PH1 1RB. Mr & Mrs Tinson 01738 625983 maddy.tinson@gmail.com

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With spring on its way out and summer rolling in, we have had some excellent weather at Loch Leven this month. The wildlife have been enjoying the sun too, busying themselves with the feeding and rearing of their young. Newly hatched blue tit chicks have been spotted around the feeders, as well as little grebe chicks down on the wetlands. The black headed gull colony have been particularly successful this year with plenty of chick sightings being reported from visitors. These noisy birds are a highly useful alarm system against predators, making them very useful neighbours for other nesting birds. Osprey have also been spotted passing through the reserve, with one sighting at Findatie and another spotted gliding over the visitor centre heading south. The reserve team have been hard at work monitoring lapwing again this month with a successful count of 34

nests so far! The bumble bee meadow is now in flower with lots of insects beginning to emerge, including orange tip butterfly, small copper, red tailed bumblebee, and scorpion fly. Once the lapwing have left the meadow, the reserve team will begin cutting a path for visitors to walk through.

The education team have also been busy this month with a massive 1200 school children having passed through our doors already. This work would not be possible without the dedication of our wonderful staff and volunteers, so a massive thank you and well done to them! It's really important children are given the opportunity to interact with nature if we want wildlife to be a priority for the future.

We have some exciting events this July, too, with a very special guest visiting the reserve on **Saturday 14 July**. **Chris Packham** will be visiting Loch Leven

on his way round 48 different nature sites across the country as part of his TV series **Bioblitz**. The purpose of this campaign is to highlight the extent to which the nation's species are under threat. Chris will have an estimated time of arrival from **12pm to 1pm** and we will be welcoming the public to join us on the day from **10am to 1pm**.

Festival Players will also be making a return to Loch Leven this month on **Thursday 26 July** at 7pm. The theatre company will be joining us for an evening of outdoor entertainment performing Shakespeare's **The Winter's Tale**. Bring your own chairs, dress for the weather, and sit back, relax, and enjoying a wonderful evening's entertainment.

Big Wild Sleepout will be running again this year on **Saturday 28 July** at 10am for a full 24 hours of fun-filled adventure. This outdoor campout is a great way for the whole family to get stuck in to exploring nature, with bat walks, moth trapping, campfires and marshmallows. It's fabulous fun for all the family. Simply pitch a tent, grab a torch, and get stuck in!

The underpass project is now well under way and we are pleased to say we have received a massive £7,000 from our Crowdfunder page. Huge thanks to all the people who donated towards the project. The new underpass will make a massive difference to the community and provide open access for all, no matter what their ability.

Rachel Gooday

Visitor experience officer



The underpass under construction



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Weather



May Weather Report from Kinross

Total rainfall	26.5mm = 1.06ins
Heaviest rainfall	7.5mm (1st)
Total sunshine for the month	184.9 hours
Sunniest day	10.7 hours (10th)
Minimum temperature average	3.26°C
Lowest temperature	-4.6°C (1st)
Maximum temperature average	17.07°C
Highest temperature	23°C (28th)

When the above report was submitted on 4 June, a high of 25.9°C had been experienced on 2 June.

The full June report will appear in the next issue.

Newsletter Deadlines

A list of future deadlines can be found on our website

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Farming

Oat milk. I'd never really heard of it until a couple of months ago and never thought I'd even taste it until I found myself in a vegan café in London on a wee trip with our 21-year-old daughter. I ordered a well-needed cup of tea, and of course it was served with a plant-based milk. As it turns out, it wasn't too dreadful, and I greatly enjoyed my cuppa and the accompanying banana bread. With this revelation, I also discovered that there is a growing trend of young people turning to milk alternatives, such as oat, almond or coconut milk, as they look to increase the amount of plant protein in their diet, while at the same time reducing their intake of animal protein. This growth in popularity is in part due to promotion by some very high-profile healthy eating bloggers who publish recipes and social-media posts across the internet.

I continued to ask questions and learnt that oat milk is made through a process of soaking, blending and straining the oats, resulting in a 'milk' which boasts high fibre and a similar protein content to the traditional dairy product, but significantly less calcium. It retails at a higher price and neither of the market leaders are based in Britain. Upon discovering this, we discussed the potential of creating our own, using local, Scottish oats but the prospect of building a brand is daunting before we could even contemplate all that sieving.

Given that I'm not only a milk lover, a farmer and my Dad also built a successful milk round back in the seventies, this rejection of cow's milk sparked quite a conversation over our afternoon tea.

I recalled memories of my sister and I being allowed to help collect the milk money on a Friday evening and I vividly remember thinking my Dad was a local hero. His customers really appreciated the fresh milk being delivered by the farmer; they valued his commitment to delivering their daily pint and viewed it as a vital healthy ingredient, not just in tea or poured over cereal, but in so many of their home-made meals and, of course, the popular milk puddings such as semolina, tapioca and rice pudding. Times have changed and consumers now pick up their milk from a supermarket located miles away from the farm on which it was produced. My Dad and milkmen like him were the original milk ambassadors in towns and villages across Scotland. Dad was a reliable milkman and a good farmer. Everyone knew and respected him and could trust that the milk he delivered was a healthy choice and part of a balanced diet. Who does that job now? Who promotes milk? Is enough being done to promote the benefits of the food we produce? Probably not, as farmers are too busy actually producing it. I'm not a blogger; I don't know where to find the time to devote to making videos to build a brand of lamb (or oat milk), but maybe that's not good enough in these competitive times?

I can, however, write more in this column about the amazing beef, lamb, pork, milk and cereals produced on our farms and encourage you to buy directly from the farm if possible and reap the benefits of including great Scottish produce in your diet. Watch this space.

Fiona (and Kay)

Local Attraction Opening Times

Lochleven Castle, Castle Island, Kinross

Located on an island in beautiful Loch Leven, this is one of Scotland's oldest castles, probably built in the early 1300s.



Mary, Queen of Scots spent a traumatic year in captivity here, when she miscarried twins and was forced to abdicate. She dramatically escaped in 1568.

The property is reached by boat, operated by Historic Scotland and departing from the fishery pier (Pier Road, KY13 8UF) where there is parking and a Historic Scotland shop and ticket office.

Due to limited capacity, it is recommended that all visits are booked in advance. This can be done online at www.historicenvironment.scot/lochleven-castle or via the local ticket office. Phone 01577 862670 for further information. Access times for 2018:

26 March to 30 September: Daily, 10am to last outward sailing at 4.15pm

1-31 October: Daily, 10am to last outward sailing at 3.15pm

Admission prices: Adult £7.50, Child £4.50, (includes ferry trip) Conc £6. HS members free.

Balvaird Castle

A late 15th century tower on an L plan. Refined architectural details. View exterior only. Near Gateside and Glenfarg. Grid ref NO 169 115.

Burleigh Castle, Milnathort

The castle is a fascinating semi-ruin dating from around 1500. Remarkable corner tower, with square cap-house corbelled out. Visited by James IV. Grounds open during daylight hours. Access inside the tower can be pre-arranged by calling 01241 878 756. Burleigh Castle is ½ mile from Milnathort on the A911.

Congratulations



KINROSS FLOWER CLUB would like to congratulate two of their members, **CHRISTINE** and **PAMELA**, for winning a Gold Medal in Gardening Scotland.

LUCINDA RUSSELL, horse trainer at Arlary Stables near Milnathort, was awarded the OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list for services to horse racing. Lucinda trained last year's Grand National winner, One For Arthur.

At the Scottish Business Awards 2018, **HEART AND SOUL HOLISTIC CENTRE** of Kinross was the winner in the Best Perth Business category. At the same awards, **HUNTERS OF KINROSS** won the title Best Independent Retailer in Scotland. *See also page 19.*

PETER LEACH of **ANGELA'S CARS** has passed the Institute of Advance Motoring Advanced Driver test. *See also page 20.*

PORTMOAK PRIMARY SCHOOL is the winner of the Scottish Kwik Cricket Championship 2018. *See page 64.*



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Events listed below are in the church unless indicated otherwise.

Regular Services and Events

(A number of regular events have a holiday break in July. See August Kinross Newsletter or church website for re-start dates)

Sundays: 10.30am: Morning Service with Crèche. During the school holidays there will also be a Summer Sunday School in the crèche room during the morning service.

Wednesdays: 10.45am Service, church centre.

Saturdays: 10am -12noon 'Coffee Stop', church centre. Coffee, cakes and book sale most Saturdays.

Other Events and Services

July

- Sun 1** 10.30am Service, followed by informal Communion at 11.45am.
- Mon 2** 8am: Silent Meditation.
- Tue 3** 2.30pm: Service at Whyte Court.
4pm: Service at The Sycamores.
- Sat 7 - Sun 15** Team from Kinross Parish Church visit Malawi.
- Thu 19** 9pm: late evening service of Compline.
- Mon 16 - Sun 22** Team from Kinross Parish Church at 'Scottish Camp' in Debrecen, Hungary.
- Sat 21 - Sat 28** BB Summer Camp at Kenmore.
- Wed 25** 1.30pm: Weekly Craft Group restarts after break in early July.
- Sun 29** 10.30am All-age service to prepare for Family Week.
- Tue 31** 2.30pm Service at Causeway Court.

Family Week: TEAMBUILDERS Monday 30 July – Friday 3 August

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For news from Kinross Parish Church, see next page.

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Sunday Services 11.15am

July

- Sun 1** 11.15am **Morning Worship and Junior Church** followed by refreshments in the Village Hall served by Guild members in aid of Guild funds. Traidcraft Stall.
- Sun 8** 11.15am **Morning Worship***
- Sun 15** 11.15am **Morning Worship***
- Sun 22** 11.15am **Morning Worship***
- Sun 29** 11.15am **Morning Worship***

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Trinity Church

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Trinity Church is a **MISSION OUTREACH** of the **UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**, led by **REVEREND JEROME O'BRIEN**.



Crook of Devon, Station Road, KY13 0PG
Website www.trinity-church.co.uk

Sauchie & Fishcross United Free Church of Scotland, Scottish Charity No. SC009740.

Sunday Service

We meet every Sunday at the Crook of Devon Village Hall. The service starts at 10.30m for teas and coffees, with the gathering to worship God commencing at 11am. After the service, there will be occasion for refreshments and conversation.

For more information about who we are and what we do, visit our website.

Kinross Gospel Hall

Montgomery Street, Kinross
Website: www.kinrossgospelhall.info

- Sunday** 10.30am Breaking of Bread
12.30pm Sunday School
4.00pm Gospel Meeting (1st & 3rd Sundays of the month, Friends and Neighbours Tea)
- Monday** 7.30pm Prayer Meeting
8.15pm Bible Study
- Thursday** 9.30am Toddlers Group (Montgomery Toddlers)

Need to check something in an old Newsletter?

Consult our electronic archive at

www.kinrossnewsletter.org

Issues from September 2006 to two months ago available

Orwell and Portmoak Parish Church

Church of Scotland (Charity number SC015523)

Minister - Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison

Telephone: 01577 863461

Email: angusmorrison3@gmail.com

Website: www.orwellportmoakchurch.org.uk

Sunday Worship, Junior Church and crèche:

10am Portmoak Church,

11.30am Orwell Church.

All children welcome. Crèche available during the services.

Please note that joint services will be held on the first Sunday of each month in alternate churches at 10.30am.

Prayer Meeting held 30 mins before each service.

Service at Ashley House: first Thursday of the month at 2.30pm.

Morning Prayers at 9am

Each Thursday at Portmoak Church New Room.

Each Friday at Orwell Church.

Dates and events for your diary

1 July Joint all-age service in Orwell Church at 10.30am.

No morning service at Portmoak Church.

Michael Bruce Commemoration Service in Portmoak Church at 6.30pm.

24 July Guild Strawberry Tea in Orwell Hall from 2 – 4pm.

Everyone welcome

Church office & shop open Mon – Fri. 10am until 2pm.

29 South Street, Milnathort KY13 9XA.

Christian cards, gifts, bibles and books for sale. Printing and copying facilities available. Recycling for ink toners, stamps & batteries. Donations of food can be made for the local Foodbank.

Contact the Office 01577 861200

orwellandportmoakchurch@gmail.com

Fossoway, St Serf's & Devonside Church

Church of Scotland (Charity number SC013157)

Church Road, Crook of Devon, Kinross-shire, KY13 0UY

www.fossowaychurch.org.uk

Minister: Rev Lis Stenhouse Telephone: (01577) 842128

Email: estenhouse@churchofscotland.org.uk

Session Clerk: Mrs Janet Harper Telephone: (01577) 840225

Email: aclassicsoul@aol.com

Our church is a very warm and welcoming place situated in the Crook of Devon, a small village about six miles from Kinross. Come and join us, we would love to meet you.

Sunday Services at 9.45am. All are welcome.

July

Sun 1 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.
9.45am Morning Worship.

Sun 8 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.
9.45am Morning Worship.

Sun 15 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.
9.45am Morning Worship.

Sun 22 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.
9.45am Morning Worship.

Sun 29 9.15-9.30am A Time for Prayer.
9.45am Morning Worship.

Café Refresh

Refresh will not be on during the month of July but will start again in August.

messychurch@fossoway

Messy Church will not be on again until August.

House Group

Our last House Group for the session will be on 28 June.

Film Evening

On **Friday 6 July** we will be showing "Murder on the Orient Express" (12) at 7.30pm – 9.30pm in the Church Hall. *Please join us for the film, a cuppa and a blether and even some popcorn.*

Kinross Parish Church

Kinross Connects: This July a total of 25 volunteers from Kinross Parish Church of Scotland will set out to help other folk in Africa and Europe – and will learn from them in return.

A team of seventeen, the majority of them under twenty-five, are travelling to Debrecen in Hungary to lead the 'Scottish Camp' run by the Great Church. Kinross Parish Church has partnered with the Great Church, Debrecen every summer for some years, with



The Scottish and Hungarian flags at last year's Scottish Camp in Debrecen, Hungary.

Hungarians also coming to help at the Kinross church's Family Week. Recently the Kirk Session in Kinross agreed to develop these links further.

Also in July, members of the church's youth groups Crossfire and Jampact, past and present, together with family members, will be heading off to Malawi to see the work of two Tearfund partners: Livingstonia Synod's AIDS programme in Ekwendeni, and 'Eagles' in Mzuzu, which is enabling communities to become more self-reliant and adapt to the

changes brought on by climate change. The team also wants to establish connections with a partner church in Malawi, a country with a long association with the Church of Scotland. The Tearfund connection continues in the next-door country of Tanzania where another young person from the church, Rachel Miller, is joining a Tearfund mission to work alongside the African Inland Church on a number of projects, including a HIV home-based care programme.



Climate Change in Malawi: the Eagles project to be visited by a team from Kinross Parish Church

St Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church*(Part of the Worldwide Anglican Communion)*

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Email: office@stpaulskinross51.plus.com

Website: www.stpauls-kinross.co.uk

Fr David Mackenzie Mills, Rector Telephone: 01577 863795

Email: frdavidkinross@gmail.com

You can also find us on Facebook

www.facebook.com/stpaulsepiscopalchurchkinross

1st Mondays

10am Pastoral Care group (Side chapel).

Tuesdays

11am Informal Holy Communion (celebrated in the Church Office).

Wednesdays

8am Morning Prayer (said quietly in the Side Chapel).

Thursdays10.30am Thursday morning Discussion Group (*usually in the Meeting Room unless otherwise advertised.*)**(4 and 26 July only due to Annual Leave)** 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Rector's Hour – an opportunity to drop in and speak to the Rector in the Church Office.

Forthcoming Services and Events - all welcome**July****Sun 1 Pentecost 7 (Proper 13)**

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

Sun 8 Pentecost 8 (Proper 14)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

Sun 15 Pentecost 9 (Proper 15)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Whole Church Sung Eucharist.

Sun 22 MARY MAGDALENE

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

Sun 29 Pentecost 11 (Proper 17)

8.30am Holy Communion.

11am Sung Eucharist.

5.30pm Said Evensong with hymns.

News from St Paul's

Those who walk past the church to the playing field behind St Paul's will notice we've begun sprucing up the path around the church. Our grateful thanks to pupils from Kinross High School and members of the Air Training Corps who have helped us along the way. Here's hoping it continues to look this good for years to come!

On Sunday 10 June, the congregation at St Paul's was delighted to join with Broke Not Broken volunteers at the Beacon for a barbecue. We sat outside in the garden area that has been transformed from desolate scrub to a hugely productive and tranquil corner of Kinross. A beautiful wrought iron and wooden bench has been installed which will be dedicated to the memory of Pat Payne later on in the summer. The weather was perfect, the food delicious and the company delightful. A big 'thank you' to Clare Slight and her team for having us! *See page 43.*

St James' Catholic Church

5 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW

Parish Priest: Father Martin Pletts. Tel: 01577 863329

www.catholickinross.com Email: Fr.MartinPletts@gmail.com

m.facebook.com/parishpriestkinross/

m.facebook.com/stjamesprayergroup/

Regular Services

Mon 7pm Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Prayer Group at 8pm in the church hall.

Tue 10am Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Morning Prayer (9.30 - 9.50am).

Wed 10am Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Morning Prayer (9.30 - 9.50am). Teas / Coffees after Mass, in the church hall.

Thu 10am Holy Mass preceded by Confessions and Morning Prayer (9.30 - 9.50am).

Fri 10am Holy Mass preceded by Morning Prayer and Confessions (9.30 - 9.50am).

3pm Divine Mercy Devotions.

Sat 10-10.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions (first Saturday of every month Holy Mass at 10am).

7pm Vigil Mass.

Sun 9.30am Mass (teas/coffees after Mass in church hall).

Confessions also on request.

Prayer Group meets on a Monday, 8pm-10pm, in the church hall and is open to all.

Children's Catechism class meets every Monday during term time, 3.45pm-4.30pm in the church hall.

The weekly newsletter, Mass times, news and updates or changes can be found on our website.

Kinross Christian Fellowship

Jesus said, *'I am among you as one who serves.'*

Sunday morning service at 10.30am (refreshments and blether at 10am), Millbridge Hall, Old Causeway, Kinross.

Lively praise (children participate), reverent worship open to the leading of the Holy Spirit, prayer, ministry and solid Bible-based preaching and teaching. An all-round family service for families, which includes Sunday School. Communion every second Sunday, as is our evening service at 6.30pm; a time for praise, worship, sharing and joy in The Lord Jesus. (Followed by light refreshments and more blether.)

Everyone is welcome to either service or to both, so please come and, *taste and see that the LORD is good.*

Contact Peter on 01577 863509, for further information.

KCF also runs the Talking Donkey café - see separate notice in the Newsletter. Additionally, the Friday evening Youth Group at the Millbridge Hall (Space) is also the responsibility of our Fellowship, and we are pleased to accept this privilege.

Acknowledgement

McPHAIL – Sandy and family would like to thank all family and friends for the many cards and flowers they received on the sad loss of Margaret. Thanks to Alan Fairweather for his comforting service and to all the people who attended at Perth Crematorium. Many thanks to all the Doctors, Carers and District Nurses who looked after Margaret during her illness and to all who kindly donated £209 to Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland.

Playgroups and Toddlers

Milnathort Babies & Toddlers

Orwell Church Hall, Milnathort

Friday 9.30am-11.15am

A relaxed and friendly group

Healthy snacks, tea & coffee

Children from birth to 3 years

(5 years if attending with younger sibling)

Great fun for the kids, mums, dads and carers!

PLACES NOW AVAILABLE!

To join in the fun

call 07745 804539

Email milnathortbt@gmail.com

Or find us on Facebook



SWANSACRE PLAYGROUP SCIO

21-23 Swansacre, Kinross

Reg Scottish Charity No SCIO7748



Tel: 01577 862071

Mobile: 07592 392 235

We provide a warm, friendly and stimulating environment in which children can learn and develop through play.

Garden Guddle: Mon 9am - 3pm.

Playgroup: Children from age 2 years welcome.

Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri 9.05am - 11.50am

Inbetweeners: Mon 9.05 - 11.50am, optional Lunch Club afterwards. Children from the age of 3 years welcome.

Rising Fives: Tues 12.55pm - 3.10pm, optional Lunch Club beforehand, 12.10-12.55pm. Complementary to preschool Nursery.

For availability or more information, please contact:

Lisa 07736 642070, enrolments.swansacre@gmail.com

or Playgroup on telephone numbers above.

Baby and Toddler Group – Thurs 12.45 - 2.45pm

Unfortunately this group is not on at present as there is no one to run it. Should anyone wish to volunteer to start the group up again, please contact Swansacre Playgroup.

The premises are available to hire for Private Functions. For more information, please contact Louise on 07926 600 0657 or the Playgroup on 07592 392235.

GLENFARG BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

We meet in the newly refurbished village hall, Greenbank Road, Glenfarg on Wednesdays, 9.30-11.30am.

Healthy snack for children, coffee/tea & biscuits for carer

Role play, jigsaws, physical toys and arts and crafts

Friendly support for all carers

First session free, £2 thereafter (£1 for additional children)

Contact Donna Smith on 07535 595430 or just come along!

LOCHLEVEN BABIES & TODDLERS

Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross

Session times (term time only)

Tuesdays 9.30 - 11.15, Fridays 9.30 - 11.15

Contact Debbie Kennedy 07545 339494,

debileighs@hotmail.com

All Mothers, Fathers, and Carers are welcome to attend, with children aged birth to 5 years if accompanied by a younger sibling who shall be 3 years old or younger.

PORTMOAK UNDER 5s

Portmoak Hall – between Kinnesswood and Scotlandwell (only 10 mins from Milnathort and Kinross)



We are a friendly and relaxed group welcoming children under 5 years and their parents/carers. We offer a wide range of activities including arts and crafts, dressing up, outdoor play and stories. We also on occasion arrange outings, parties and have special visitors who come to the group!

Session times: Tues & Fri 9.45am – 11.30am.

Sessions are £2 per child (£1.50 for under 1s) and 50p for each additional child. A snack is provided.

For all queries please email portmoakplaygroup@hotmail.com or find us on Facebook

MONTGOMERY TODDLERS

Every Thursday 9.30am to 11am (term-time only)

The Gospel Hall, Montgomery Street, Kinross.

Contact Christina Smith 01577 840733 or 07792 260509

Private Nurseries and Childcare

For private nurseries and childcare services, please see advertisements throughout the Newsletter.

To inform the Newsletter of any changes to Playgroup information, please send an email to: editor@kinrossnewsletter.org

Notices

Michael Bruce Trust

The annual **Michael Bruce Service of Commemoration** will be held at 6.30pm on **Sunday 1 July** in Portmoak Parish Church.

The Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison will conduct the service and the special guest speaker will be the Rev David Fergusson, Professor of Divinity at the University of Edinburgh and Principal of New College.

All are welcome and tea and coffee will be served after the laying of the wreath on the poet's grave by trust chairman Dr David Munro.

Founded in 1905, the Michael Bruce Trust exists to keep alive the memory of the 18th-century poet Michael Bruce (1746-67). This is achieved by maintaining the poet's birthplace in Kinnesswood as a museum and by holding a series of annual events including the Service of Commemoration and an autumn illustrated talk, which this year will be held on Thursday 1 November in Portmoak Village Hall.



Mindfulness Meditation Class

Mondays, 7pm – 8pm

Loch Leven Community Campus ITC Room



Mindfulness Meditation sessions are running on Monday evenings at the campus until 8 August.

Participants can expect to do some gentle movement, mini sound workshop, relaxation, meditation, mp3 guided meditation, philosophy and reflection.

The sessions are run on a drop-in basis. Entry is by donation.

Further information from Vincent Johnston at:

Vincent.johnston@icloud.com

Dr Donald Duncan Bequest Committee

The above Committee have for many years provided grants for **educational purposes** for persons whose parents were resident in Kinross at the time of their birth and who have received some of their education in the County of Kinross.

In recent years, the Committee have followed a policy of providing awards only for University Degree Courses. The Committee also have followed the policy that once one award had been received, no further awards would be given.

The Committee has, for the last two years or so, been prepared to consider a more flexible approach to awards; the Committee will in future consider applications not just for University courses and will contemplate making more than one award in certain circumstances. Awards will still only be granted though for educational purposes. Application forms can be obtained from Andersons LLP, Solicitors, 40 High Street, Kinross KY13 8AN.

Glenfarg Village Folk Club

The club meets at "Backstage at the Green",

Green Hotel, Kinross, on Mondays

Doors open 7.30pm Music starts 8pm

Entry fees: Guest nights: Members £6, Non-members £9;

Singaround: £2 for all

For more info, see: www.glenfargfolkclub.com

2 July: Davy Holt/George Machray. Davy has been entertaining Scottish audiences for many years with his high-energy performances and craic, whilst George has been entertaining us by winning the Folk Feast song competition on a number of occasions with his self-penned, brilliant comedy songs!

9 July: Singaround. With so many brilliant worldwide sports tournaments and events taking place this summer, "Sport" has to be our theme for tonight. All welcome as always.

16 July: John Conolly, renowned singer/songwriter from Grimsby.

23 July: Singaround. At the height of summer, bring your very own 'Top Ten Favourites' to entertain us tonight. All welcome as always.

30 July: Trials of Cato. Three young men who have made a tremendous name for themselves since returning to the UK from Beirut in 2016, Trials of Cato play and sing both original and traditional material on a variety of fretted instruments with great vocals. They are described as being one of the tightest and most imaginative bands on the circuit today.

Skeins & Bobbins Classes

Children's knitting classes will resume on **Tuesday 21 August**.

There are spaces on Tuesdays for primary children and Fridays for seniors. The Thursday primary class is currently full. Please contact the shop for further details or to book your child for classes.

Adult knitting group will continue throughout the summer on a Saturday, 2pm - 4pm. There will be no crochet tutor during this period.

We are starting a **loyalty card scheme** on 2 July 2018.

Skeins & Bobbins, 120 High Street, Kinross. Tel: 01577 208107.

REFRESH

In association with Light & Life

Thursday 6 September

7.30pm – 9pm

Angel Cakes Tearoom, 157 High Street, Kinross

This will be the second in a series of events organised by the team who previously ran Healing Rooms in Milnathort. We are now working with "Light and Life" who have events throughout Scotland.

"Refresh" is an opportunity for you to relax in a friendly environment, enjoy Angela's delicious cakes, tea or coffee and also experience some relaxing therapies such as hand massage, encouraging words, healing prayer and prophetic art. There will also be uplifting live music to enjoy and opportunity, if you wish, to have a chat with some of our trained volunteers.

There is no charge for admission. Refreshments will be on sale.

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 7 July

7pm

Milnathort Town Hall

In aid of Bethany's Year in India
teaching English at the Living Hope School

Teams of 4 £20 a team

BYOB and nibbles

Phone 01577 863633 to book your team
or pay at the door on the night

Grants and Funding Websites

www.pkgrantsdirect.com

www.foundationscotland.org.uk

Scarecrow Competition



FREE COMPETITION
Prizes for the best scarecrow!

Bring your scarecrow to Kinross Showfield, RSPB Loch Leven, by Loch Leven, Kinross, KY13 9LX by 11.00am, 11th August. Please remove by 5.00pm on show day.

Scarecrows must be able to be tied to a post for judging.



1 x Free adult show admission ticket per entry.

Age 14 years and under.

Enter by Monday 6th August:
kinrossshow@aol.com



Kinross Show



Saturday 11th August 2018 RSPB Loch Leven

Can you...
sing?
dance?
play an instrument?
do magic?
do stand-up?
show your talent?



Then we need YOU!

NEW for 2018! Entertainment Stage!

CONTACT: kinrossshow@aol.com
JANE: 07836 764183




Loch Leven NNR Events Programme 2018



Sat 4 August	Young Scot Wildlife Cycle The Pier, SNH Office
Sat 11 August	Kinross Show, 10am-4pm, RSPB Loch Leven
TBC	Bat Walk
18, 22 & 31 Aug	Osprey Walk, Burleigh Sands car park
Sun 29 September	Fungi Foray, 2pm-4pm, Levenmouth
Sun 4 November	Goose Walk, 6.45am, Burleigh Sands car park

All dates and times are subject to change. All our events are free and booking is essential. To book your place on any of the above events, please email: LOCHLEVEN_NNR@snh.gov.uk

Kinross Primary New School Fair

Saturday 18th August
12.00 - 2.30pm



Plus tours of the new school!

- BBQ & refreshments
- Football target
- Face painting
- Tombola
- Soak the teacher
- Inflatables
- Pocket money stall
- Home Baking
- Nerf battle stall
- Toy Stall
- Splat the rat
- Squirt the duck

And lots more!!
Everyone welcome.
Free entry. No pets please.



Enquire

Are you looking for information about your child's rights to support in School? If so, contact Enquire, the national advice and information service for additional support for learning.


Enquire offer: a confidential telephone helpline and online enquiry service, practical guides, fact sheets and newsletters, helpful materials for children and young people with additional support needs.

For more information contact: tel 0345 123 2303
Website: www.enquire.org.uk


Enquire is funded by the Scottish Government and managed by Children in Scotland

Contributors – please send your item well before the deadline if you can


KINROSS HUB THE CARERS CAFE




The hub cafe is an informal meeting place to chat over a cuppa with other carers, cared for and family members.



**LOCHLEVEN COMMUNITY CAMPUS
KINROSS**
1st MONDAY of EVERY MONTH
10am—12noon



Contact Gail Boath
Tel. 07760 363800
Or Annette Bond
01738 567076



Perth & Kinross Council
Housing & Community Care

Social Therapies for Carers



Carers can choose from different therapies, enjoy a 45 minute treatment and have the opportunity to socialise with other carers and speak to a support worker. Support Workers Annette or Gail will be there to meet you.

First Monday of each month, 10.15am – 1.30pm

at Loch Leven Community Campus, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FQ



Bookings will open one week prior to therapy date. Therapies are free of charge, however a small donation of any amount is always appreciated as it allows us to keep these therapies going.

For more information and to book, call Marthe on 01738 567076 or email Carertherapies@pkavs.org.uk

(Occasionally even our Support Workers need a break. If they are unable to make a session, one of our other lovely Support Workers will be there to take their place.)

Befriending Kinross



Are you new to the Area? Would you like someone to talk to? Someone to have a coffee with? Help to feel less socially isolated?

If you would like to request a befriender please contact us and we will arrange a time to meet with you to discuss the process.

ptb.kinross@bethanyct.com t: 07747 018 550

Ladies Fashion Show AND Pop-up Shop!

**SHOP YOUR FAVOURITE HIGH STREET BRANDS
AT 50% OFF OR MORE!**

Colours.
[FUN]DRAISING FASHION SHOWS

Friday 28th September 2018
Fossoway Primary School PTA
Fossoway Primary School, Drum, KY13 0UL

Doors open 7.00pm, show starts 7.30pm
Tickets: £5 including a glass of wine
Tickets to be purchased in advance.

Charity raffle: FABULOUS prizes to be won at the show!
For tickets and more information please contact:
fossowaypta@gmail.com or Elaine 07736 144917

Dollar Museum

1 High Street, Dollar, KY14 7AY

Open from Easter to Christmas at the following times:

Saturdays 11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4.30pm
Sundays 2pm – 4.30pm

Access also possible by arrangement
Email: dollarmuseum@btconnect.com
Website: www.dollarmuseum.org.uk

Free entry. All welcome. Parking and disabled access.
Exhibitions include the History of Dollar, the Devon Valley Railway, the Japanese Garden, Dollar Community and the Great War, and the Bicentenary of Dollar Academy.
There is a Children's Corner with Victorian dressing-up clothes, toys and a Doll's House. Reading Room with local books, maps and photos.

Perth Samaritans

Need to talk? We'll listen.

Contact us by

phone on 01738 626666 or 08457 909090

Email us jo@samaritans.org

or **visit** us at 3 King's Place, Perth, PH2 8AA

Mondays	1630 – 2130	Thursdays	1630 – 1900
Wednesdays	0830 – 1100	Fridays	1000 – 1630
and	1930 – 2130	Sundays	0800 – 2130

No pressure, no names, no judgment.
We're here for you, anytime.

Perth & Kinross School Term Dates 2018-19

Term	Start (for pupils)	End
Autumn	Tue 14 Aug 2018	Fri 5 Oct 2018
Winter	Mon 22 Oct 2018	Fri 21 Dec 2018
Spring	Mon 7 Jan 2019	Fri 29 Mar 2019
Summer	Mon 15 Apr 2019	Fri 28 Jun 2018

Holidays and In-Service Days:

Autumn holiday:	Mon 8 Oct – Fri 19 Oct 2018
In-Service days:	Thu 15 Nov and Fri 16 Nov 2018
Christmas holiday:	Mon 24 Dec 2018 – Fri 4 Jan 2019
In-Service & occ holidays:	Wed 13 Feb – Fri 15 Feb 2019
Spring holiday:	Mon 1 Apr – Fri 12 Apr 2019
Easter w/e & In-Service day:	Fri 19 Apr – Tue 23 Apr 2019 (Easter Sunday is 21 April 2019)
May Day holiday:	Mon 6 May 2019

Ceilidh Dancing

Mondays: From 2pm till 3pm every Monday in the Guide Hall, Milnathort. You don't need a partner and it is all very informal and great fun. Just come along – the more the merrier. No age limit. All proceeds go to the Scouts and Guides.

Monthly Sunday Ceilidhs: These take place in Milnathort Town Hall, 2pm until 5pm with a break at 3pm for tea and biscuits. Cost: £5. There is no pressure to dance; what better way to spend a Sunday afternoon than hearing these top players? People wishing to learn dances could attend the Monday classes (see above). All money left over after paying the band and hall will go to charity. To make charity suggestions, contact Vi Todd, 01577 863244.

22 Jul	Steven Carcary	19 Aug	Liam Hope
16 Sep	Leonard Brown	21 Oct	Scott Band
25 Nov	Liam Stewart	16 Dec	Ian McCallum

Fossoway & District Horticultural Society Appeal for Memorabilia

The society will be holding its 100th Show this year on Saturday 18 August in the Village Hall, Crook of Devon.

We hope to have a display of photographs and memorabilia on display to celebrate this and would be pleased to receive any pics or old schedules you might have tucked away in your 'memory box' relating to the Show over past years. Hens and rabbits were judged as well as fruit, flowers and veg back in the 'olden' days! Please contact Gill Kerr on 07943 681999 or email gillyek@hotmail.com if you have anything we can use.

PLUS Perth

www.plusperth.co.uk
Tel: 01738 626242
77 Canal Street, Perth



PLUS is a member-led local charity and social movement which gives hope and opportunity to those affected by disadvantage; in the main to those with experience of mental ill health and substance misuse.

The PLUS office is open Mon-Fri, 9.30am – 4pm for mental health signposting and enquiries.

Homes for Cats Wanted

Fife Cat Shelter, a Scottish Registered Charity, is always looking for homes for rescued cats.

Cats can be visited, by appointment, at Causeway Cattery, Scotlandwell.

Contact Rhona on 01383 830286.



Kinross Recovery and Conversation Café

This weekly group is for anyone with an interest in improving their wellbeing and needing support on their recovery journey from addiction or substance misuse. The Café aims to get people speaking about recovery and wellbeing in all its many forms and provides the opportunity to:

- share ideas, information and resources
- explore support networks and ways of moving forward
- breakdown isolation
- improve health and wellbeing

The Café takes place **every Tuesday**, 1pm-3pm, at Millbridge Hall, Kinross. Drop in and have a cuppa and a chat.

For more information, contact:

Shona Fowler: 07896 280843, shonafowler@nhs.net

Richard Lister: 07885 971298, richard.lister@cairscotland.org.uk



Supported and funded by Broke Not Broken, a local charity tackling the effects of poverty.

Broke Not Broken

Drop off donations at:

Sainsbury's, Kinross
Glenfarg Village Shop
Co-operative, Kinross



Open to clients:

Every Tuesday and Thursday, 10am – 2pm

The Beacon, St Paul's Church, Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AU

Contact: Tel: 07518 913107

Email: admin@brokenotbroken.org



Broke Not Broken. Tackling the effects of poverty. Scottish Registered Charity SC046033

Grants for good causes

**Kinross Community Council
Newsletter Limited (KCCNL)**
Charity No. SC040913



All profits from the Kinross Newsletter are transferred to a charitable company, KCCNL, and given away to local good causes. Groups and individuals are invited to apply to KCCNL for grant funding. Decisions on grants are made at two meetings per year. The deadlines for grant applications are: **30 September** and **31 March**.

More information is available on the kinross.cc website. Applications may be downloaded from the website or obtained from the Applications Administrator, Barry Davies, tel 01577 865004 or email barrydavies57@btinternet.com

Mindspace Recovery College

Mindspace Recovery College runs free courses covering all aspects of mental health, co-delivered by people with lived experience, and are open to all.



Newsletter Deadlines

More deadlines for the months ahead can be found on our website.

In very rare circumstances it may be necessary to change a deadline at short notice. Check Newsletter website for latest information: www.kinrossnewsletter.org

Issue	Deadline	Publication Date
August	Friday 13 July	Saturday 28 July
September	Friday 17 August	Saturday 1 September

Give a Greyhound A Home

Look on our Website

www.greyhoundrescuefife.com



* Forever homes needed *
* for rescued Greyhounds *

Greyhounds are very gentle creatures that require very little walking!

Please call or email for details
Phone: 01577 850393 (evenings)
Mob: 07826244765 (daytime)
email us on femiejimrnyf@aol.com





THE TALKING
DONKEY

Every Friday 11am - 2pm
@ The Millbridge Hall

For further information, or if you want to be involved please ring 07766 515 950 or 07771 696 830

The Cafe where everything is **FREE!**

☪ Soups ☪
☪ Snacks ☪
☪ Hot Drinks ☪
☪ Cold Drinks ☪
☪ Home-cooked lunches ☪

All brought to your table by our friendly staff

The Talking Donkey is a Christian venture so there will always be people on hand to offer **Prayer For Any Need**



Multiple Sclerosis Society Scotland

Perth & Kinross Branch of the MS Society are calling anyone affected by MS to come along to The Green Hotel, Kinross on the third Tuesday of every month from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Come along for a blether, a cuppa or just to get out of the house! Family, friends and carers are welcome too. For further information, please contact the Branch on 07552 368216, perthkinross@mssociety.org.uk or check out our website www.perth-kinross.org.uk or find us on Facebook: MS Society Perth&Kinross Branch.



Looking for a venue that can tick all the boxes?

Crook of Devon Village Hall

- ☑ **Space** We can seat up to 100 for a formal meal; 120 for meetings, theatrical performance, talent shows; 80-90 for discos, family gatherings, community events. We can even accommodate bouncy castles for that "all weather" children's party.
- ☑ **Car Parking** - ample parking for the hall.
- ☑ **Catering** - Kitchen with oven, dishwasher and microwave, plus a great serving area.
- ☑ **Stage** and back stage area for performances, costume changes, etc.
- ☑ Plus the usual facilities - toilets, disabled toilets, changing areas.
- ☑ We also offer chair and table rental for functions at home.
- ☑ **Weekly bookings** taken for activities, e.g. yoga, ballet, fitness classes, badminton, youth clubs.



For all hall bookings and enquiries, including our **special block booking rates**, please contact Jean on 01577 840543 or jeanshearer630@btinternet.com

Perth Citizens Advice Bureau Outreach Advice Surgery



The Kinross surgery is held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at St Paul's Church Hall, Muirs, Kinross.

The next visits are: **10 & 24 July**

No appointment is necessary as the surgery is a drop-in service. For complex issues a further appointment may be necessary. Perth CAB can help you. Our advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent.

Contact us: Advice line 01738 450580.
Appointment line 01738 450581.

Benefits Advice in Libraries (BAIL)

Benefits specialist Sarah MacLean is available at Loch Leven Community Campus to provide advice on all benefit related issues. Alongside general benefits advice, Sarah can help with: completing forms (including online), conducting checks to see if clients are receiving everything they are entitled to, and providing advice and support where an application is refused or awarded at a lower level than expected.

Sarah is available **by appointment only**. Appointments are usually offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays. To make an appointment, call 01738 450599 or email Andrew Scobie (benefits and debt administration) using the following: Andrew.Scobie@Perthcab.casonline.org.uk

Debt and Money Advice Service

Perth CAB has a team of specialist debt advisers. Advice is free, confidential, impartial and independent. To talk to a specialist debt adviser call 01738 450590 or email David Ogston (senior debt adviser) using the following email address: David.Ogston@Perthcab.casonline.org.uk

La Leche League meetings in Kinross ...



LA LECHE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL

First Thursday of the month, 10am – 12 noon

St Paul's Church Meeting Room, The Muirs, Kinross

- Friendly, relaxed mum-to-mum breastfeeding support and chat.
- Informal chat and an interesting group discussion.
- Plenty of time for answering your questions.

We welcome any mums (and mums to be) who are interested in breastfeeding. Children all very welcome.

For more details, contact:

Hannah Dalgety (LLL Leader, Kinross) 07886 859461
www.lll-fife-tayside.co.uk
Find us on Facebook: La Leche League Fife and Tayside

Are you living with a long-term health condition?



We are a charity supporting those living with a long-term health condition in Perth & Kinross. We help people improve the quality of their lives by providing information and running regular self-management courses, workshops and peer support groups.

Our Peer Support Group in Kinross is now a meet up group and is currently *not* meeting at St Paul's Church room. This runs on the first Thursday of the month from 1.30pm. Please contact our office for further details.

All of our services are confidential, free and designed to be flexible depending on individual and community need. Find us at:

Perth Business Centre/NCOC, 28 Glasgow Road, Perth, PH2 0NX
Tel: 01738440099. Email: enquiries.positivechoices@gmail.com

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Have a look at our website: www.portmoak.org

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Mobile Library Service

Visiting on Tuesdays 3, 17 & 31 July

Glenfarg	Main Street	1200-1300
Forgandenny	Rossie Place	1545-1615

Visiting on Wednesdays 11 & 25 July

Kinnesswood	Opposite shop	0930-1000
Portmoak	Hall	1005-1020
Scotlandwell	Leslie Road	1025-1050
Portmoak	Hall	1125-1140
Scotlandwell	Leslie Road	1145-1205
Levenmouth Farm		1100-1120
Hatchbank Road	Gairneybank	1140-1200
Powmill	Mill Gardens	1320-1340
Cleish	Phone Box	1400-1415
Crook of Devon	Village Inn	1345-1430
Carnbo	Pitcairnie Lane	1440-1500
Causeway Court	Kinross	1515-1535
Whyte Court	Kinross	1540-1610

For more information, see: www.culturepk.org.uk/libraries and click on 'Services in the Community'

Blythswood Care collection in Perth

The charity Blythswood Care uplifts donations of second hand goods in Perth at **MacDiarmid Park**. There will be collections there on the following Tuesdays, from 11.30am until 1.15pm: **3 July, 7 August, 4 September, 2 October, 6 November, 4 December**.

Blythswood Care welcomes undamaged and good quality donations of: clothes, footwear, books, toys, blankets, bric à brac, bicycles, soft furnishings (bedding, curtains etc), CDs, DVDs, mobile phones, tools and small items of furniture. All soft furnishing must have a fire label with BS cod BS7177 attached. Regrettably Blythswood **cannot** accept electrical goods.

Local Volunteer Opportunities

Broke not Broken is a voluntary organisation working for the prevention and relief of poverty by providing support and practical assistance to individuals and families experiencing hardship. Please contact Claire Slight to found out how you can help: clare.slight@brokennotbroken.org

Greyhound Rescue Fife at Baltree Country Centre, Gairneybank, Kinross, need volunteers to clean the kennels and walk and feed the greyhounds. Can you help? Phone 01592 890583. Visit our website at www.greyhoundrescuefife.com

Kinross in Bloom: Volunteer group that provides and maintains floral displays to enhance the environment of Kinross. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Iain Todd at: iandmtodd@talktalk.net

Kinross-shire Day Centre: We are looking for volunteers to serve meals and help with day trips and activities, such as bingo and singing, for a lively bunch of over-aged teenagers (over 65s). If you would like to find out more, we would love to hear from you. Pop in and speak to Nan or telephone 01577 863869.

KLEO (Kinross-shire Local Events Organisation): If you enjoy local events on your doorstep, like the monthly Kinross Farmers' market and the winter festival events (concerts, comedy and the festive street market), please join the KLEO team! For more info about KLEO events, go to www.kleo.org.uk. If interested, please contact Bouwien Bennet at info@kleo.org.uk or call 01577 863107.

The Potager Garden is a small community garden in Bowton Road in Kinross, KY13 8EQ. It is a registered charity run by volunteers, and a main aim is to give education to schoolchildren about plants, gardening and the environment. If you would like more information about our volunteering opportunities, please contact the Convenor, Amanda James, on 01577 840809, or amanda@tyafon.plus.com

RSPB Scotland Loch Leven: We need volunteer fundraisers to help support the wonderful world of nature on our doorstep. Pin badges, bucket collections, events and sponsored walks – if you'd like to join our team, please contact Lyndsay Stobie at: Lyndsay.Stobie@rspb.org.uk or call 01577 862355.

Kinross Heart Start: Campaign to secure funds for public access defibrillators in Kinross. Contact Pamela Hunter to find out how you can volunteer on 01577 862419.

Swansacre Playgroup: A long established charity playgroup for children aged 2-5 years, we need volunteers to help support us with play sessions. For more information, please email swansacre@gmail.com

Light Up Kinross is a small local charity with responsibility for Kinross Christmas lights and decorations. We require additional volunteers to assist with fundraising and administration of the lights. If you are interested, please contact David Colliar, email davidcolliar@tiscali.co.uk or Bill Freeman, email billywhizkid78@gmail.com or through our Facebook page.

Common Grounds: Charity café staffed by volunteers on Tuesdays, Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays in Guide Hall, Church Street, Milnathort. Open to public 10am – 12.30pm. Opportunity to serve in café or bake for the café. Also opportunity to gain recognised hours towards Duke of Edinburgh Awards and Saltire Awards for young people 16 years and over. Funds raised are used to support charities mainly in Africa. Contact: Convener Elspeth Caldwell on 01577 863350 or Secretary Linda Freeman on 01577 865045 for more information.

Children's Hospices Across Scotland: Can you spare a few hours of your time? We are looking to fill the following volunteer vacancies:



Complementary Therapists, Nursing Support, Housekeeping, Garden, Reception.

Volunteering with CHAS is a great way to meet new people, learn new skills and to make a huge difference to the lives of the families who use our services. For further information please visit our website www.chas.org.uk.

For more volunteering opportunities, go to the community website www.kinross.cc and look for 'Volunteering', or look at www.vaperthshire.org

Organisations: If you would like a volunteer appeal to be added to the list above, please email the Newsletter Editor. Please let us know if you no longer need your appeal to be listed.

Useful telephone numbers

Medical

Loch Leven Health Centre	01577 862112
Loch Leven Health Centre Out of Hours	01577 865252
NHS 24	111
Perth Royal Infirmary main switchboard	01382 660111
Perth Royal Infirmary (Admissions and Enquiries Desk)	01738 473734
Ninewells Hospital, Dundee	01382 660111
Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy	01592 643355
Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline	01383 623623
Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross	01577 862422
Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort	01577 862219

Police, non-emergency 101

Police, Fire and Rescue, Ambulance

and Coastguard emergencies 999

Gas (worried about gas safety) 0800 111 999

Water (loss of supply, foul water emergency) 0845 600 8855

Floods SEPA Floodline recorded messages 0345 988 1188

Perth & Kinross Council (PKC)

Customer Service Centre (Mon- Fri, 8am-6pm)	01738 475000
Reporting non-emergency Road and Lighting faults (CLARENCE)	0800 232323

PKC Out of Hours emergency numbers

Adult care services	0345 301 11 20
Anti-social behaviour helpline	01738 476173*42*
(*42* telephone and leave a voicemail)	
Child protection	01738 476768
Council housing emergency repairs	01738 476000
Dangerous buildings	01738 476476
Environmental Health	01738 476476
Flooding	01738 476476
Homelessness	0800 917 0708
Mental health services	0345 301 11 20
Roads (e.g. reporting blockage)	01738 476476

Traveline Scotland 0871 200 22 33

Film shows • Cards • Dominoes • Art Class
Daily Papers • Chiropody • Trips • Exercises

Weekly Programme

Monday	Exercise Class	11am	Bingo	1.30pm
	Scrabble, cards & other Games			1.15pm
	"Stride for Life" Walking Group			2pm
Tuesday	Carpet Curling	11am		
	Relaxation Class	1.15pm		
	Games	1.15pm		
	Singing group with Alex Cant		1.45pm	
Wednesday	Morning Worship	10.45am		
	Dominoes, Scrabble & other Games			1.30pm
	Fantastic Fun Quiz	2pm		
Thursday	Carpet Curling or Boccia	11am		
	Crafts	1.30pm	Film or music Afternoon	1.30pm
	Dominoes, Scrabble, cards etc	1.30pm		
	Balance & Strength Class	1.30pm		
Friday	Balance & Strength Exercise Class	11am - 12pm		
	Dominoes, Games or music	1.30pm		
	Bingo	1.30pm		



Additional Events for July

Hearing Loss Support and Advice
Trip to St Andrews
Chiropody

Monday 2nd 11am - 12pm
Wednesday 4th times to be arranged
Thursday 5th, 26th 9.45am - 1pm
(phone 01577 863869 for an appointment)

Tai Chi
Library Visit
Barge Trip
Day trips to be arranged...

Wednesday 11th, 25th 1.30pm - 2pm
Thursday 27th 1.30pm
Tuesday 31st 11am - 3.30pm



Coffee Bar open to the public 8.30am - 4pm, Older Adults Lunches Daily

Our activities are open to everyone - please feel free to come in and have a great afternoon.

Phone: 01577 863869 Fax: 01577 863869 Email: kindaycent@tiscali.co.uk

LOCAL CHEMIST INFORMATION



Rowlands Pharmacy, Kinross

Mon - Fri: 9.00 am - 6.00 pm
Saturday: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm
Tel: 862422

Davidson's Chemist, Milnathort

Mon to Fri: 9.00 am - 1.00 pm &
2.00 pm - 6.00 pm
Saturday: 9.00 am - 12.30 pm
Tel: 862219



Sundays: The nearest open pharmacy is Asda, Dunfermline

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Kinross-shire Fund

The Kinross-shire Fund was established in 2006 to make the



area a better place to live, by making grants to a wide range of local charities, organisations and projects which make a positive difference to the community.

To date, over 50 organisations within the 73 square miles of Kinross-shire have benefited from an award, with beneficiaries ranging in age from pre-school to the elderly. The Fund is managed by Foundation Scotland and is currently open for applications, with deadlines quarterly on the first Monday of February, May, August and November each year.

The next deadline is Monday 6 August 2018.

Full details, including how to apply via our online application link, can be found at:

www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/kinross-shire-fund

Kinross-shire is a Fairtrade County

Items for Sale

The Newsletter publishes items for sale listed on the kinross.cc website. If interested in purchasing an item, we suggest **checking the website for current availability** (www.kinross.cc then 'Local Adverts' then 'Classified Adverts'). If interested in selling an item, please list it on www.kinross.cc and it will automatically be published in the next available Newsletter, subject to space.

Isabella Awning **£500 ono**
953cm to fit a Bailey Seville Caravan. Includes ground cover, curtains and metal pegs. Also comes with porch awning to match. All in excellent condition. Please contact seller to view. All reasonable offers considered.

Seller Details:
Sandra Turnbull 01577 861957

Lawnmower **£345 ono**
Honda 535. Petrol, self-propelled with roller. Serviced annually. In good working order.

Seller Details:
A Macdonald 01337 868299

Cricket Equipment **£40 ono**
Pads, gloves, ball, bag and size 9 shoes.

Early 20th Century Barrel Top Cabin Trunk **£80**
Interior complete and in very good condition. Beautiful piece of maritime history. W32in/82cms x D20in/50cms x H(to top of dome) 25in/63cms.

Sinclair ZX Spectrum Plus 128k **£80**
Complete with joystick and assorted games.

Seller Details for above 3 items:
Caroline Flory 01577 865103
carolineflory@yahoo.co.uk

Two storey rabbit hutch and garden run **£30 ono**

Seller Details:
Sandra Ralston 07774 181768
mail@sandraralston.co.uk

Scuba Diving Equipment **£400**
In excellent condition including Scubapro cylinders 10 and 12 litre, Scubapro regulator/octopus/SPG with soft case, dive planner computer, manuals and sundries

Seller Details:
Vincent Johnston 07949 377475
vincejapfran@yahoo.com

AL-KP 620 ride-on mower **£200**
Good working order.

Cooper Pegler 15 litre knapsack sprayer **£20**

Pine cot in good condition **£50**

Seller Details for above 3 items:
Jane Turnbull 07773 425875
janeturnbull.jt@gmail.com

The Bike Station

Donate unwanted bikes, parts and cycling accessories for reuse. Poorer bikes are salvaged for parts. Bikes are refurbished by qualified expert mechanics and sold on to the public at affordable prices with a three-month warranty.

Donated bikes and parts are collected from all Perth & Kinross Recycling Centres, including the Kinross centre at the Bridgend Industrial Estate.

Bike sales are held at The Bike Station, 284 High Street, Perth, PH1 5QS, Tuesday to Saturday 10am – 5pm.

The Bike Station also offers a Repair Service, a Fix Your Own Bike facility and a Dr Bike mobile service.

Tel: 01738 444430. Website: www.thebikestation.org.uk

The Perth Bike Station is an accredited Revolve organisation.



Situations Vacant

In conjunction with www.kinross.cc, the Newsletter is pleased to publish local situations vacant. Please go to the kinross.cc website before applying to see fuller details and to **check whether a position is still available**. (Go to www.kinross.cc then click on 'Local Adverts' and choose 'Situations Vacant').

Part time Bookkeeper, Smartworks, Chartered Accountants

Our client, who runs a number of local businesses is looking to employ a part-time bookkeeper. 25 hours per week which are flexible to suit.

Duties include posting sales and purchase invoices, bank reconciliation and payroll processing, preparation of VAT Returns and monthly accounts. Experience of the accounting software xero would be useful but not essential as training will be given. This would suit an organised individual who is a competent and enthusiastic administrator.

Please apply with your CV to Katharine@smartworksca.co.uk.

Hair Stylist, The Colour Studio, Kinross

Stylist with a creative flair for colour wanted for a small, but busy, dynamic salon located in the heart of Kinross. We pride ourselves on the individual service we give to our clients as well as our love of colour.

Job Requirements: minimum level II (NVQ/SVQ2) in Hair Dressing, 1 year Salon Floor Experience desired. Must be confident in all aspects of hair styling. Please send your CV to jen.colourstudio@outlook.com or phone 01577 866 911 for more details.

Kinross Recycling Centre

Bridgend Industrial Estate

Opening Times: **Mondays to Fridays 9am to 7pm**
Saturdays and Sundays 9am to 5pm

Bras, bicycles, cans (inc aerosols, biscuit tins, aluminium foil), car and household batteries, cardboard, cooking oil, electricals (WEEE), engine oil, fluorescent tubes, long life light bulbs, food and drinks cartons (Tetra packs), fridges, freezers, garden waste, glass, large domestic appliances, paper, plastic (rigid plastic packaging), rubble stone and soil, scrap metal, telephone directories, textiles (clothes and shoes), timber, tyres (maximum two per visit, strictly householders only) and non-recyclable (general) waste.

Bikes and bike parts will be recycled. (See separate Bike Station notice.)

Collection point for Perth College WEEE project: IT equipment will be refurbished and sold on at an affordable price or recycled for parts. Items accepted include: desktop computers, laptops, mobile phones (without the sim card), tablets, keyboards, mouse controls, cables, DVD players, video players, portable music players, games consoles, new or empty printer cartridges, projectors and flat screen working monitors. The project cannot accept Cathode Ray Tube or broken monitors.

Compost can be collected from the Recycling Centre, subject to availability. Maximum of 2 x 25kg bags per visitor.

Scottish Country Dancing

Milnathort Town Hall

on **Wednesday evenings** at 7.30pm

Old and new members welcome

For more information, please ring Cathie on 01577 861103

Kinross Bridge Club

We meet every Wednesday during Winter and Spring.

The evening starts at 6.45pm prompt and finishes by 10pm.

New members are always welcome.

For further information, please contact Catriona Marshall 864482.

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