

Dear Readers,

Days are getting shorter and the weather has been deteriorating but there is plenty of activity in the Village, as anyone knows who tries to book the Village Hall. We welcome newcomers to the Village and hope to see them at local events.

I was disappointed at the lack of volunteers with journalistic aspirations to take over the Newsletter - anyone with a change of heart can contact me. However, down to the reports - only 2 were actually handed in voluntarily on time - a very bad record.

### ARNGASK CHURCH

#### Kirk Week

There was a stirring of the old covenanting spirit wafting over the Glenfarg village during the week of October 24th - the Kirk and the people were together in sharing experiences, fellowship and worship.

Something exceptional was in the atmosphere of the Communion Service, conducted by our own Minister, Rev. James Caldwell, M.A. on 24th October. This atmosphere confirmed the expectation that this would be a special week. .

Church Elders and their wives must have been gratified by the fellowship of the meal which they shared with members of the community - and thank you for the greetings. The evening was enhanced by the showing of a beautiful and skilfully compiled slide/tape film on India. For this we are grateful to Mr. Ronald Keymen, St. Andrews.

If you did not attend the service by the school children on the theme "The Way of Life", or the very talented concert by the Spontaneous Singers (Edinburgh) or visit the Old Glenfarg Exhibition, then you missed three treats. There were capacity attendances at the service and the concert. . The exhibition, most artistically arranged by Church ladies assisted by members of the W.R.I., was full of local historical interest which caused much animated reminiscing. Thank you to everyone who lent items of interest. Inevitably, as in all events of the kind, there must have been faults and omissions - for these we crave your kindly indulgence. At the same time we ask your admiration for the willing hard work without which such successful events could not have taken place.

On 31st October the Anniversay Church Service, conducted by Rev. Bill Heeney, M.A., of Hope Park Church, St. Andrews, confirmed that a week which will be remembered had been added to the Annals of Arngask. Rev. Henney, while recalling the 775 years of religious activities which had taken place in the Glenfarg/ Arngask area, left the thought that the people are the living Kirk of the future.

The door of your Kirk is always open do come in sometimes.

#### Arngask Church Sunday School

The Sunday School will present the musical Nativity Play "Only a Baby", in the Church at 6.00 p.m. on Sunday 29th December. Everyone will be made welcome.

Rev. Caldwell will take the Watch Night Service at 11.30 p.m. on December 24th himself this year.

### WOMEN'S GUILD

Our winter session is now well under way, and. we have had three very interesting meetings. On November 23rd we **will be** visited by a member of the W.R.V.S. who will speak to us about the work' of the organisation.

January 18th is the date of our Tea Party, which will be held in the Glenfarg Hotel.

### Dates to Remember

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| November 23rd | 2.30 p.m. | Talk on the work of the W.R.V.S. |
| December 4th  | 2.30 p.m. | Christmas Sale                   |
| January 18th  | 2.30 p.m. | Party                            |

### ARNGASK SCHOOL

#### Admissions to Arngask School - 1983-1984

All children who will be five years of age by 29th February 1984 will qualify for admission to school in August 1983. Parents who have children who will become five years of age between 17th August 1983 and 29th February 1984, may delay the admission of their children until August 1984, if they so desire.

Parents of children due to begin school in 1983 are-requested to enrol their children in Arngask School not later than 28th January 1983.

#### Christmas Holidays

The School will close for the Christmas holidays on Thursday 23rd December at 12 o'clock, and will reopen on Thursday 6th January at the usual time, 9.1.5 a.m. Spring Term ends Friday, April 1st.

#### 'Top of the Form'

Arngask School competed against the other six Primary Schools in the area in the: 'Top of the Form' competition arranged by the Kinross Police Social Club. The Arngask team consisted of Scott Atfield David Cuthbert, Phaedra McLellan and Mark Lambie. They finished up third in the competition, four points below the winning team Portmoak.

#### 'The Gateway Quiz'

Arngask School has entered a team once again in the Gateway Quiz competition. They will be competing against Milnathort School and Portmoak School in the opening round on 16th December.

#### Poppy Collection

This year's Poppy collection was once again organised by Mr. G. Ross. Despite the adverse weather conditions all the collectors did an excellent job and collected £62. The helpers this year were:- Margo Scott, Deirdre MacNiven, Debbie Black, Aileen Lambie, Joanne. Hillcoat, Julie Lawrence, Louise Lawrie, Caroline Barclay, John Mitchell, David Cuthbert, John Murison, John Learmonth, Steven Gourdie and David King.

### OLD FOLKS SOCIAL COMMITTEE

As Treasurer of the Old Folks' Social Committee, Mr Ross is pleased to acknowledge publicly the following donations - £50 from the Sheep Dog Trials Committee, and £100 from the Glenfarg Nursing Association. These generous-donations, together with the £165 raised at the Whist Drive last Friday, will help to defray the cost of the Christmas Dinner.

### GLENFARG W.R.I.

Mrs. MacGregor welcomed members to the October meeting on Thursday 14th, in the Village Hall. A report was given on the National Conference by Mrs. Quartermaine, Mrs. Swan reported the Kinross Show Meeting and Mrs. MacGregor gave a Group Committee report.

Mr. Salmoni, an Optician from Perth, gave an interesting talk and display of many spectacles, some 200 years old right up to present day styles. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Jenkins.

### Competition Results:

#### Victoria Sponge

- 1) Mrs. Kirkland
- 2) Mrs. Black
- 3) Mrs. Fairweather

Raffle winners were:-

- 2) Mrs. Quartermaine
- 4) Mrs. Fairweather

#### Egg Cosy

- 1) Mrs. Fairweather
- 2) Mrs. Kirkland
- 3) Mrs. Black

- 1) Mrs. Gent
- 3) Mrs. Wall
- 5) Mrs. Forrest

Mrs. MacGregor welcomed members to the November Meeting held in the Village Hall. After business she introduced Mrs. L. Thomson, a Tri-Chem Representative, who demonstrated liquid embroidery. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Murison.

Competition Results:-

#### Covered Coathanger

- 1) Mrs. Mair
- 2) Mrs. Fairweather
- 3) Mrs. Kirkland

#### 4 Peppermint Creams

- 1) Mrs. Fairweather
- 2) Mrs. Black,
- 3) Mrs. Messenger

Meeting, Thursday 9th December.

Demonstration: Christmas Cookery by Mrs. Henderson

Competition: Christmas Tree Decoration; 3 Christmas Pies (S.C.)

Children's Christmas Party: Saturday 13th December.

### GLENFARG PLAYSIROUP

The Annual Nearly New Sale held on 29th September was very successful and raised £30.30. A sponsored swim was our other fundraiser for the Autumn Term and this raised £50.72. The Committee thanks everyone who helped make both events so successful.

The Playgroup children will be taking part in a short Nativity Play on Saturday 11th December at 10.30 a.m. This will be followed by a coffee morning. Do come along, everyone welcome.

### RED CROSS

Our very enjoyable and successful Tea and Sale on 6th November brought in the splendid sum of £632. The members of the Committee would like to thank all those whose generous support made this possible.

Jane Y. Reid.

### R.D.A. GLENFARG

The Autumn term of riding has been very successful and particularly busy with the introduction on Wednesday mornings of an extra session for adult riders from Upper Springlands in Perth. The Wednesday evening session continues to provide riding for teenagers and young adults unable to come during the day.

We have been very fortunate to have received recently very generous donations from several organisations and the Committee would like to thank especially the Kinross Police, who gave us £200 for leading reins, stirrups and various other pieces of tack; the Perth Sports Council for their donation of a saddle and Devonshire boots; and the Order of St. John, Perth, for a donation of £50.

Also this term special thanks were given to Miss Stock's ponies at the Riding Stables when seven of them received R.D.A. Long Service Awards. The ponies have all been involved in Riding for the Disabled for more than 7 years and several for up to 10 years.

The colder weather has unfortunately meant that riding for the children from Cherrybank, Tulloch and Viewlands Schools has stopped, although the Wednesday sessions for adults will continue until December 15th. We look forward to seeing the children again in the Spring when the weather is warmer

### GYM CLUB

The end of October meant the girls and boys had to work very hard since they put on an informal display for Mums/Dads etc. This morning brought in £29.00 which we will add to the money we already have, and will be used to purchase a 'crash mat'. Thank you very much to Mrs. Fairweather and Mrs. Adamson for making tablet and thank you to everyone who came along and supported the children.

Badges gained during October/November:

Grade 4: Emma Tuftan, Kevan. Findlay, David Adamson, Richard McCafferty, Cameron Archibald, Toni Geddes, Alexandra MacLean.

Grade 3: Helen MacPherson, Joanne Hillcoat.

### GLENFARG CUBS

The Cubs have been very active lately. Their Arrow work during Pack meetings is progressing well. This is mainly due to the influx of helpers who have turned out to instruct, not only in activities related to the Arrow scheme, but also with Badge work. John Forsyth, Jack Lee, Frank & Linda Noakes are great assets to the Pack. Bill Macpherson is working with the older Cubs on their Golden Arrow and they are finding that compass work and map reading is most interesting under his competent and enthusiastic guidance. Douglas Sinclair who for weeks now has literally, been "roped in", transports Cubs to the meeting but, instead of sitting in the background, is always willing to assist. Last week the Bronze Arrow cubs practised their knots with him and on him.

Susan Hillcoat has been working extremely hard, as usual, and has found Badge Testers for every Badge in the Cub Handbook. Many people have also offered to instruct in the more difficult Badges.

The Cubs have been involved in several outdoor events, i.e. sausage sizzle, scout assault course, and lately, an enjoyable Bonfire Night. Thanks go to those who came to assist and to parents who donated fireworks etc.

The Cub Car Wash - Saturday November 20th - raised £51.50. This fund raising event organised by John Forsyth was in aid of park playground equipment. Our thanks go to Earnside Coaches for the use of their premises and also to Mr. & Mrs. Reid, P.O., who not only donated the soup, rolls, etc., but made their kitchen available for the food preparation. They also seem to have donated their son Eric who was seen wielding a sponge, as too were many parents and helpers:

On November 23th the new Cub Flag is to be dedicated at the Church Service. The Cubs worked hard to raise the money for their flag and are justly proud of it. The flag will be on display, along with some of their work and the Trekking Cart, at the "75 years on" evening - Monday 6th December at 6.30 p.m., Village Hall. This is to celebrate 75 years of Scouting. Invitations have gone out to over 20 gentlemen who were Glenfarg Scouts around 1933/35 and who featured in the photograph displayed at the Victoriana evening. Parents will also be welcome at this event and the cubs will have a party after their display.

### GLENFARG BROWNIES

We had our Halloween party on 2nd November.

On 9th November, at our Brownie meeting, our Young Leader, Fiona Scott, was presented with her Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award. Also our other Young Leader Mora Cumming, handed over a cheque for £60 to a representative from Upper Springland, Perth. This sum had been raised by the Kinross Rangers at a disco.

At present the Brownies are learning First Aid from Glenfarg District Nurse.

On 30th November Brownies are to sell tablet/sweets in the Village to raise funds for Play Equipment.

Mary Winton.

### PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

A very successful Bingo Tea was held in mid November as a start to fundraising activities and a profit of approx. £85 was made. We would like to thank those who supported this event. With money from the Cubs Car Wash the total in the fund is slowly rising, and the Brownies will be selling tablet etc. one evening to help. Although this has given us a good start we still have a long way to go if we are to raise even the £700 we need for a contoured slide and two more swings with suitable surfacing underneath. The Council will double what we raise and they will install any equipment we can afford. We would obviously like to have the money in the Spring so the children can get the benefit of new equipment next year. If we could find a source of suitable timber the Parks Department would be able to cut it up and build us equipment considerably more cheaply than buying equipment ready made. Please contact a member of the Committee if you know of any such source of timber.

It is hoped to have a rough plan of the prospective layout in the Park at the next Community Council Meeting on December 6th, and hopefully someone from the Parks Department to discuss it. If you are interested please come along. Meanwhile watch the Post Office window for news of further fund-raising events and try to support them or let us know if you have any ideas on fund-raising, preferably by or including the children.

The Glenfarg Playpark Committee have arranged a Family Disco in the Glenfarg Hotel on Saturday January 15th, at 7.30 p.m. - 11.30 p.m. ALL AGES will be welcome. Family Tickets £2.50, Single Tickets £1. Available from any Committee Member. We hope as many people as possible will support this event.

### ALEXANDRA ROSE DAY

Thanks to the Collectors and Mrs. Logie who organised the Collection which amounted to £37.25. The Collectors were: Caroline Barclay, Tracy Todd, Joanne Hillcoat, Aileen Lambie, Margo Scott, Louise Lawrie, Steven Gourdie, David King, Kenneth Ewart, John Murison, John Learmonth.

### BOWLING CLUB

Work has been going on to have the green in good condition for play next season. A whist drive will be held on a suitable date in January to raise funds for the Club.

## FOLK CLUB

- November 29th      Alistair Anderson - A fine traditional night from a superb exponent of the concertina.
- December 6th      Donny (Large) - Music and mirth from one of Glenfarg's best friends; excellent accordian playing with a Gaelic flavour.
- 13th Singers      A chance to relax at an informal sing-around with the Glenfarg residents featuring such gems as: Isla Crombie Stuart Martin, Key Thompson and many others.
- 20th      Amos and Rocks - Definitely not as painful as it sounds. Another great night of music and mirth from a fine duo.
- 27th      Grand Christmas Party. This has to be the event of the year. Fun, games, competitions (we'll beat Edinburgh this time) music and much much more.

## January 1983

- 3rd      Bill Hill - Star of Radio Forth and writer of many 'witty' parodies - we thought you'd better see Bill while still under the influence of the Christmas spirit:
- 10th      Archie Fisher - the long awaited return to Glenfarg of one of Scotland's finest traditional singers; Archie had to cancel his last night at the 'Farg due to illness but he promises to be here this time; a great night is promised.
- 17th      Singers Night - Another chance to relax at an informal night. Featuring such personalities as Shiela Douglas, Andrew Douglas, Ian Thomson, Bill Macpherson, Gordon Campbell, Gordon Menzies

The Sandy Watt Memorial Quaich Competition was a superb evening of fine singing and our three judges had a difficult job. The trophy was won by Ian Thomson. Our thanks to the judges - Mrs. Hunter, Laura Brand and John Watt.

Our 24 hour sing around in aid of the Club funds will be held from noon on 4th December to noon on the 5th. If you have not yet sponsored us please do and in any case come along and see and hear the fun. It won't cure insomnia but it's a pleasant way to spend wakeful hours:

From Mrs. June Meldrum

Excitement tremors

Through the voices  
Well shod boots  
Scrape the road  
  
Laden trucks  
With guns extended.  
War? Invasion? Could it be?  
The Glenfarg Army Jamboree  
  
But then the leader  
Of this band  
Appeared to clarify  
The question asked by me!  
  
Sunday October 31st  
Was the Milkmen  
Fox-Hunting Sprees

## CONGRATULATIONS to:

Stuart Campbell, Arngask Farm, who was first in the under-8 accodian section at the 33rd Perth all Scotland Accodian Festival.

Mr. Ken Murdoch, Old Manse, for winning third prize with his 13ft 8ins sunflower in a competition in aid of P.R.I. Community Scanner.

Carolyn Murison, The Plains, who was one of the main prizewinners in the Kinross 5 and District J.A.C. root and grain show.

Mrs. H. Duff, Langfauld and Mrs.R. Barrett, The Spinney, who both won a £100 Littlewoods shopping voucher in a recent competition in the Courier.

Mrs. L. Murison, The Plains who recently planted a tree on behalf of former pupils at Perth Academy to celebrate 50 years at Viewlands.

Mrs. L. Logie, Cuilgorm, on the arrival of Neil Stephen Keddie to Jean and Ian.

Mrs. Bessie Bell, Greenbank Crescent, on the birth of her grandson Cameron to Pam and Gordon.

Helen and John Murison whose Word Search has appeared in the P.A.

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We wish a speedy recovery to Verity Watson, Birch Lane, who broke her leg recently. Also Mrs. Smith, Thornlea, Mrs. Deas, Shandea, Hilary Robertson, Hayfield Road, who have all recently had a stay in hospital - we wish them all a speedy recovery.

It is with regret we report the death of Ronald Charles La Roche, Cambus, Greenbank Road, and extend our sympathy to his family.

We also regret to report the death of Robert (Bert) Barclay, West Fordell, as the result of an accident, and our sympathy goes to his family.

Richard (Dick) Mileham, "Struan Cottage", Hayfield Road, Glenfarg, died in Perth Royal Infirmary, on the 12th October 1982, and was cremated at Perth on 15th October 1982, the service being attended by his many friends and neighbours from the village.

Dick was a well known figure in village life, having come to live here some 8 years ago from Highgate, London. He was a 'regular' in the army, and on leaving joined the Civil Service until his retirement.

Unassuming, and always willing to assist in village affairs, he, together with his wife Muriel, took a very active part in running the 'Over 60's Club'. He will be sadly missed in the Community, and our deepest sympathy goes out to his widow Muriel, with the hope that the high esteem in which Dick was held by the whole village, might be a slight comfort to her in the loss she has suffered.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### December

4th Waste Paper  
Guild Sale  
Folk Club Sing Around  
6th Community Council Meeting  
7th Mobile Blood Transfusion Unit in Kinross  
9th W.R.I.  
11th Playgroup Nativity and Coffee Morning.  
18th W.R.I. Children's Party  
19th Sunday School Nativity Play  
23rd School term ends.  
24th Watch Night Service.

### January

6th School restarts.  
8th Brownies & Cubs to Perth Panto  
13th W.R.I.  
15th Family Disco  
18<sup>th</sup> Guild Party  
20th News for Newsletter.

#### CHRISTMAS MESSAGE from Rev. J. Caldwell

My dear friends it is time for a Christmas Message again. The season is upon us; the season of excitement for children, of presents and parties and joy in our hearts; but that is not the complete picture. For millions of people this season and every season means hunger and suffering. Let us think of them this Christmas. Even in our own land of plenty there is the shadow of unemployment on a large scale — so much wrong to be put right.

We have had a good year in Glenfarg and a successful series of events in our Kirk Week marking our notable Anniversary in Arngask Church. I hope to be present at our Christmas celebrations and to conduct the Christmas Eve Watchnight Service at 11.30 p.m. bringing the Christmas message for there is only the one Christmas message - "Unto you is born a Saviour". That is the message that has meaning for everyone in every condition. Let us make it known to everyone not just for a brief season. Let us make Christmas mean something to everyone all the year round.

A Happy Christmas and a Good New Year.

Eventually quite a bit of material for the Newsletter but could Secretaries please make New Year Resolutions about handing in material in good time.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best for 1983.

MAUREEN LAMBIE  
Editor.

#### Late News

Our congratulations to Heather and Gordon Neill on the birth of their son on 26th November,