Dear Reader,

We seem to have had a very wet spell recently with some interesting patches of flooding to catch the unwary motorists and pedestrians. The snow has luckily only had a brief appearance so far. However the weather here seems relatively unimportant compared to the starvation in Ethiopia and other African countries suffering from drought.

For those who did not respond to the invitation to visit the Filter Water Works at the end of September I would say if the chance comes again do take it. We were in a group shown round by someone who was very enthusiastic about the new plant and managed to impart much of his enthusiasm-to his audience as we toured everywhere. He said he was sorry not to see more children there.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Two Community Councillors are to attend a Civil Defence Seminar on Sunday the 2nd of December, and a report should be made at the Council Meeting on Monday the 3rd of December. Other matters that will arise include the condition of the footpath from Greenbank Crescent to the School, and any relevant comments from users will be welcomed.

ARNGASK CHURCH

It is anticipated that the usual Watchnight Service will be held on Christmas Eve, but details of this and of the other Christmas activities will be made more widely known at a later date.

The Rev. Hugh Scouller will preach as sole nominee on November 25th. He is 33, with sons of 16 and 7 and a daughter of 5, and served his probationary year at Bonnyrigg Parish Church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Although numbers are slightly variable there are up to 40 children attending Sunday School. Mrs. B. Wylie, Mrs. S. Wall, Mrs. L. Kinnaird and Mrs. H. Neil are those who teach on a fairly regular basis. More volunteers would make it less demanding as a rota could be worked out.

Last year £32 was-collected in Sunday School for water for the Sudan. Many thanks to all who contributed. This year's collection, which will end in March, will go towards medical supplies for the Third World.

The Sunday School party will be held on December 3th. A Nativity Tableau with readers written and produced by Ruth Barrett will be presented during an Evening Service on Sunday December 23rd at 6.30 p.m.

WOMAN'S GUILD

On October 2nd at 2.30 p.m. Miss B. Anderson, Convener World Mission and Unity Committee gave an illustrated talk on the Guild Project "Life in its Fullness". On October 16th at 2.30 p.m. Rev. R. Sloan was guest Speaker at this meeting. He enacted a day's programme as carried out by the Summer Mission teams at many holiday places in Scotland. On October 30th at 7.30 p.m. an enjoyable Hallowe'en Party was held with all the usual customs observed. Results of the "Funny Hat" competition:-

1) Mrs. Harrower, 2) Mrs Logie; "Turnip Lantern" Competition:- 1) Mrs. Hair, 2) Mrs. Neil. Miss I. Deans thrilled all with her reading of a Ghost story, and Mrs. Mair delighted with her humorous recitation.

Dates to Remember: Dec. 18th 2.30 p.m. Christmas Tea; Jan. 15th 2.30 p.m. Rev. T. Leslie Barr, Kinross; Jan 29th. 2.30 p.m. Mrs. A. Elphinstone, "Amnesty International"; Feb. 12th 2.30 p.m. Rev. R.M. King, Talk on Jamaica (illus.); Feb. 26th 2.30 p.m. Talk by A. Hepburn (illus.).

ARNGASK SCHOOL

Admission 1985-86. All children who will be 5 years of age by 25th Feb. 1986 will qualify for admission to School in August 1985. Parents who have children who will be 5 years of age between 13th August 1985 and 23th February 1986 may delay the admission of these children until August 1986 if they so desire. Parents of children who are due to begin school in 1985 are requested to enrol their children in Arngask School not later than 31st January 1985.

<u>The Gateway quiz</u>. In the first round of this competition the Arngask team will be competing against teams from Kinnoull, Cragie and Dunbarney Schools.

<u>Poppy Collection</u> This year's Poppy collection was once again organised by Mr. Ross. The collectors who helped to raise the sum of £51 were Claire McCafferty, Gillian Wilson, Claire Fairweather, Ruth Stronach, Caroline Campbell, Fiona Kennedy and Allison McFee.

<u>Christmas Holidays.</u> The School will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday 21st December at 12 o'clock and will reopen on Monday 7th January at the usual time 9.15 a.m. The Spring term will end on Friday 29th March 1935.

Ethiopian Famine Appeal. Mr. Ross would like to thank all who contributed so generously to the School's appeal make on behalf of the Ethiopian Famine Relief Fund. Miss Carling was the organiser and, at the end of one week she was, able to send to the Save the Children Fund, not only a large consignment of baby clothes and knitted squares, but also the sum of £49.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The last load of wastepaper brought a cheque for £114.70 to the Hall Funds. This is the highest amount received for a consignment of waste-paper since collections started in 1968. The first load that year brought in the sum of £8.4/-. Most readers will appreciate by now how useful this source of income is to the Hall Committee in their endeavour to keep the rents down. So please continue to give it your support.

PLAYGROUP NEWS

The Committee would like to thank all those who attended the Bonfire Night for their generous donations. After purchase of fireworks etc., this gave a donation of £34.53 towards playgroup funds. Thanks too to all the dads who helped prepare the bonfire. The children will be putting on their Christmas Show on 8th December at 10.30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come and see the remarkable talent of the youngsters. They will be transformed into reindeer, snowflakes, snowmen and hosts of other Christmas characters. Look forward to seeing you then!

W.R.I. NEWS

October Mrs. Quartermaine presided over the meeting during which prizes from Kinross Show were presented. After business Mrs. Quartermaine welcomed the guest speaker for the evening, Mrs. Christine Dickson, Dunning, who demonstrated machine knitting. Mrs. Dickson brought along many samples of her work including skirts and suits and even a wedding outfit. After her demonstration, members were invited to try out the knitting machine for themselves.

Competition results: <u>Limerick on W.R.I.</u> 1) Mrs. Kirkland, 2) Mrs. Duncan, 3) Mrs. McAndrew. <u>Soap Sculpture</u> 1) Mrs. Mair, 2) Mrs. McAndrew, 3) Mrs. Kirkland.

November

Mrs. Quartermaine welcomed members to the meeting on a wet and windy night. She intimated that the whist drive had been most successful and thanked all those who had contributed to the success.

Carol singers will be around the village on the evenings of Sunday 16th and Thursday 20th December. Do listen out for them and any contributions will be gratefully received. Proceeds to go to Cancer Research and Tayside Body Scanner. After business Mrs. Quartermaine welcomed Mrs.Grener and two friends from Pitlochry, who demonstrated various delicious dishes from starters to sweets.

Competition results: Embroidered hankie, 1) Mrs. Messenger, 2) Mrs. Mair, 3) Mrs. Murieson. 6 marzipan sweets 1) Mrs. Hair, 2) Mrs. Kirkland, 3) Mrs. Murieson.

Forthcoming events Saturday 15th December - Childrens Christmas Party.

Thursday 13th December - Members Christmas Party.

RED CROSS

The Annual Tea and Sale held in the Village Hall on October 27th was very successful. £653.75 was the final total. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The tin placed in the Post Office for "Aid to Ethiopia" collected £26.95. Many thanks once again.

ST. ANDREWS AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION

The recent house to house collection raised £24.32. Many thanks to everyone who contributed and to the Scouts who carried out the collection.

GUIDES

The Glenfarg Guides are now meeting regularly each Friday night. On Friday 2nd November seven Guides were enrolled. On Tuesday 16th October the Guides and Brownies planted 75 Crocus bulbs at the War Memorial to commemorate 75 years of Guiding, and our thanks go to Margaret Stevenson who made and donated a beautiful plague to celebrate the occasion. The Guides, Brownies, Cubs and Scouts were at Church parade on Remembrance Sunday, and also at a short service of remembrance at the War Memorial.

At the moment, the Guides are very busy making Christmas decorations for the Local Association coffee morning on the 1st December, and helping the Brownies with a Christmas Concert to be held on the 18th December.

BROWNIES

Brownies and Guides planted crocus bulbs at the Memorial in Glenfarg to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Guides in 1985. Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson very kindly made a plaque to commemorate this event, and we are very grateful to them and others who helped us.

The Guides, Brownies, Cubs and Scouts attended the Remembrance Day Service at Arngask Church.

Miss. Fiona Scott: our Assistant Brownie Guider, has been presented with her Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, having already gained her Bronze and Silver. Congratulations and Well Done, Fiona, we are very proud of you.

The Pack are making things for the Christmas stall at the Coffee Morning to be held in the hall on 1st December.

We are having a Christmas Entertainment and Tea on Tuesday, 13th December, 6 p.m. to approx 7.45 p.m. for the old folk of the village and parents and friends.

CUBS

With 15 Cubs – 14 since one moved away – it has been difficult with illness to keep turning out a football team, so many thanks to those who have turned out to help, encourage and referee the boys so regularly, particularly Mr. C. Archibald and Mr. T. MacAndrew. The boys are improving, and remain enthusiastic, although they have been regularly beaten by bigger and stronger teams.

GLENFARG OLD FOLKS COMMITTEE

The Committee wish to thank the many people who helped to run a very enjoyable Whist Drive on Friday 9th November; Card Master Mr. G. Ross, all table hostesses, Mr. & Mrs. J. Brunton for convening the tables and organising the raffle, all contributors of donations and raffle prizes, the Misses Armitt for making the tea, and all helpers who arranged the hall and tidied up afterwards. The amount realised was £157.

Future Calendar

- 1. Old Folks Christmas Party 11th December at the Glenfarg Hotel.

 (NOTE; Invitation cards will be sent out shortly and should be returned as soon as possible)
- 2. Scottish Fiddlers Rally Advance Notice.

It is hoped to organise a visit to the Caird Hall, Dundee, on May 18th 1935. Details will be notified later.

E.H. Bateson, Hon. Secretary.

BABY-SITTING CIRCLE

New Members will be welcome. Susan Hillcoat, Culmore, will have the book in November and Lindsay Kinnaird, Greenbunk, will have the book in December. Contact them or any other member.

TAYSIDE PLAYBUS

Tayside Playbus has started visiting Glenfarg again on Thursday mornings in Ashgrove from 10.00 12.00. It is for 3-5 year olds, so go along and see if you are interested.

GLENFARG HOTEL

We welcome the Boatt family who have recently taken over the Glenfarg Hotel. We wish Mrs. Hunter all the best in her retirement to Edinburgh. The Hotel has been a very important part of village life particularly since the closure of the Lomond Hotel, and many groups like the Folk Club have met there, held their functions there or congregated there for a drink after a strenuous session of Keep Fit. Mrs. Hunter's interest and help in these aspects of village life has been much appreciated and we look forward to making the acquaintance of the new owners.

CONGRATULTIONS

Charles Maynes, Lomond Bank, soloist in the recent concert in the City Hall by Perth Symphony Orchestra. He was playing Mozart's Clarinet Concerto in A.

Fiona Scott and Morag Cummings who have completed their Adult Leadership training and are now entitled to form their own Brownie Packs. Also congratulations to Fiona Scott who has completed her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award and was presented with it recently by Major David Butter.

Louise Forrest who has recently modelled twice for Kenmar Childrenswear Shop. Once at Kinross in aid of the N.S.P.C.C. and once at Coupar Angus in aid of Playgroup.

Alistair Reid, Post Office, and Donna Scott on their recent marriage.

Bob Wilson, Duncrievie, and Margaret on their recent marriage.

Mora Lindsay, Heathery Leys, and Mark Inverarity, Errol, on their recent engagement

Dennis and Janet Jackson, Main Street, on the birth of their daughter Karen.

We wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Gourley, Edenhead Cottage, Mr. Ballantyne, Elm Cottage, and Mrs. Hume, Birch Lane, who have all had recent hospital stays.

We regret the death of Mrs. Davidson, ex P.O. Glenfarg, more recently Auchterarder.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Jim Greig, Belmont, brother of Annie Greig, in an accident on the railway. Our sympathies are extended to his sister.

DECEMBER		<u>JANUARY</u>	
1st	Local Guide Association Coffee Morning. Newspaper Collection.	10th	W.R.I.
3rd	Community Council Meeting	15th	Woman's Guild NEWS IN PLEASE for Newsletter.
8th	Playgroup Christmas Show		
	Sunday School Christmas Party	29th	Woman's Guild
11th	Old Folks Party		
13th	W.R.I. Christmas Party		
15th	W.R.I. Children's Christmas Party.		
18th	Woman's Guild Christmas Tea Keep Fit Christmas Dinner Guide and Brownie Christmas Concert.		
21st	School ends.		
23rd	Nativity Tableau.		

With having no regular Minister at present there is I'm afraid no Christmas message this year. I hope you all have a good Christmas and New Year, and there won't be too much snow. If there is perhaps the Community Spirit will be once again apparent when many people were seen clearing others paths or digging out other people's cars.

For anyone between 18 and 60 who wants to do a good deed before then – attend Blood Transfusion Unit in Kinross on Tuesday December 18th 3.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

MAUREEN LAMBIE EDITOR

There follows and image of a handwritten addition titled 'Late Item'

Tale Item Congratulation. To Min. Elsfeth Campbellan, min. Vides Robinson on passing their Hursing Gind Escans. We wish them all success in their corner in the years to come.