

Dear Reader,

Here we are in the 35th issue - the first one being in September 1979. There is a feeling of relief on my part and gratitude to Mrs. Elspeth Buchan, 25 Birch Lane, Telephone Glenfarg 433, who has very kindly agreed to take over the Newsletter for a spell. I hope you continue to give her support and hand your news in regularly. It really does make all the difference to the job.

The days are getting lighter and much activity in gardens has been noted. There seems to be a rash of "For Sale" signs scattered round the Village. We are sorry that many of these people are finding they must leave the Village and we will miss them at various activities. However for their sake we hope they manage to sell soon.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

At a special meeting held on the 4th March the proposed Church Brae Development was discussed, and a letter has been sent to the Director of Planning setting out various objections.

Six members of the public were welcomed to the Council meeting held on the 16th March when it was confirmed that no money was available to resurface the path between Greenbank Crescent and the School.

HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS: The local Health Council advises that by keeping appointments patients would ensure that the service is efficient, and costs kept to a minimum. Broken appointments at the Children's Clinic are sometimes as high as a third it is reported.

As many will have read in the P.A. the Wallace Road is to be maintained as a public right of way, and Mr. I. Hume is to be thanked for the efforts he made in getting the necessary questionnaires to the Director of Planning.

An election will be held in May to elect three Councillors for the next 3 years. The nominees are: Miss S. Bell, Mr. C. Brough, Mr. J.R. Cheape, Mrs.M.Lambie, Mr. W.Macpherson, and Mr. R.G.Tarling.

A contribution towards the cost of this Newsletter would be appreciated. Box in the Post Office.

VILLAGE HALL

The response to the appeal in Newsletter 34 for additional helpers to assist in 'tying up' the-monthly collection of newspapers etc., was rather disappointing as only one of the younger men in the village came along to assist, along with members (2) of the Scouts. As 2 of the 'pensioners have stepped down, and the remaining 2 would like to, it is again asked that 3 younger men of the village would come along to the Bridge House between 10 a.m. and 12 noon, and help to keep this valuable source of revenue to the village hall funds. The collection etc. takes place on the FIRST Saturday every month.

ARNGASK CHURCH

Dear Friends,

Just a short note to say a heartfelt "thank you" for the warm welcome which we have been shown.

The many gifts and wishes of goodwill have made us feel at home already. The two younger children have already settled in well at school and, of course, their contentment puts us more at ease to get on with the work in hand. Our eldest son has also settled in well at the High School.

It was really nice to get such support for the Induction and Ordination and the following social is something which I shall not forget for a long time to come. I don't remember the last time I enjoyed myself so much. Much work went into that evening, but I think our thanks should especially go to those who supplied the entertainment - and to those whose task it was to cater for such a capacity crowd.

Over the next few months I hope to meet and get to know each and every one of you. It takes a little while to learn names and to find one's way around - but I'm working on it. Visiting is a long and slow process and often done in alphabetical order. My greatest concern is for the elderly/housebound/infirm - the hale and hearty ones know where to find me every Sunday! But, seriously, if there is anyone you know who is in need of a visit please call me on Abernethy 590.

Thank you also to all those who took part in our special Thinking Day Service. Not only was it nice to see so many children in the church – it was grand to see them taking such an active part in the service.

May God bless you and yours.

HUGH SCOULLER

The Sundry School held a Bring & Buy Sale recently in the Church Hall and raised approx. £65 in aid of Unicef.

Communion - Sunday 21st April, 10.a.m.

Congregational Meeting - Tuesday 23rd April, 7.30 p.m. in Church Hall.

WOMAN'S GUILD

January .15th, 2.30 p.m. Rev. Leslie Barr, Kinross, gave a talk on "New Beginnings" which was an inspiration for the new session.

January 29th, 2.30 p.m. Rev. H. Scouller gave an interesting talk on the milestones in his career till his commitment to the Ministry.

February 12th, 2.30 p.m. Rev. R.M. King gave a detailed, illustrated talk on life in Jamaica.

February 26th, 2.30 p.m. Mrs. A. Hepburn gave an illustrated talk, entitled "Fullness of Life", describing her visit to Vancouver for the World Council of Churches.

March 1st. Some members travelled to Forgandenny to join in the World Day of Prayer Service.

Propose date for Coffee Morning - 27th April.

ARNGASK SCHOOL

The School once again participated in the Art Competition sponsored by the Bible Society of Scotland. The number of entries was 16,000, and the number of schools taking part was 213. In the Prize List two pupils from Arngask School had their work highly commended. Lucy Campbell in the 5-7 yrs. class and Simon Short in the 11-12 yrs. class. They will be receiving their awards at an early date.

The School will close for the Easter holidays on Friday 29th March at the usual time and will resume on Monday 15th April. There will be two Monday-holidays net term - 6th May and 27th May.

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup continues to be very popular, with four sessions each week. With the approach of Spring, you will no doubt see more of the children on their expeditions round the Village. At the moment the children are engaged in a sponsored treasure hunt, organised by the Scottish Pre-School Play Association. Half the money raised will go to the S.P.P.A., and half to our own Playgroup, so our thanks go to anyone who has supported this venture.

By the time this newsletter is published we will have had our annual visit from the magician, so to those who were there, thank you for coming, and we hoped you enjoyed yourselves. Next term we will be having the usual Playgroup sports, and summer outing, but details have not yet been finalised.

There are still places available at Playgroup next term, so if anyone has a child who will be 3 by the end of June, and would like them to come along please contact me as soon as possible. Looking ahead to the next school year; anyone with a child who will be 3 by mid-October (1985) should also contact me.

The new term starts on Monday 15th April and finishes on Wednesday 26th June.

Jan Macpherson (430)

W.R.I.

There was a good turn-out of members to the February meeting despite it being a bitterly cold night. After business, Mrs. Quartermaine handed the meeting over to one of our own members, Mrs. Alison Messenger, who gave an interesting and enjoyable demonstration of pastry making. Mrs. Messenger demonstrated various different types of pastry and showed dishes in which they might be used.

Mrs. J. Stronach very kindly agreed to judge the competitions, the results of which were as follows:

Best use of throwaway container.

- 1) Mrs. Fairweatiler
- 2) Mrs. McAndrew
- 3) Mrs. Kirkland

Apple Tart

- 1) Mrs. Kirkland
- 2) Mrs. Messenger
- 3) Mrs. Wylie

Pair of Socks

- 1) Mrs. Murison
- 2) Mrs. Messenger
- 3) Mrs. Black

Pate

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

Mrs. Quartermaine welcomed the guest speaker for the month of March,

Mrs. Laura Keppie, better known to most of us as Laura Brand. Mrs. Keppie gave a lively and most enjoyable talk as she reminisced over her career in show-business. She spoke of all the famous people with whom she had worked and showed a number of photographs, and dresses she had worn on stage, all made by her sister Anne and embroidered by Mrs. Keppie.

Competition results:

Coffee Buns

- 1) Mrs. Black
- 2) Mrs. Mair
- 3) Mrs. Murieson

Bowl of Daffodils

- 1) Mrs. Black
- 2) Mrs. Messenger
- 3) Mrs. Mair

Next Meetings: Thursday 11th April, Bankfoot Institute will entertain and there will be a bring and buy table.

Thursday 9th May - A.G.M.

OLD FOLKS SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Scottish Fiddle Orchestra Concert, Caird Hall, Dundee, Saturday 18th May, 7 p.m.

It has been suggested that the Old Folks Social Committee organise a bus party to the above concert again this year. The cost would be approx. £4.50. Anyone interested in going could they please put their names on the list in the Post Office or let either Mrs Sylvia Wall or Mr. George Ross have their names. 50 tickets available. Bus leaves Glenfarg 5.30 p.m.

RIDING FOR THE DISABLED GLENFARG GROUP

Riding starts again on:

Monday 15th April, 10.10_ a.m. - 11.15 a.m.	11.15 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.
Tuesday 16th April, 10.10 a.m. -11.15 a.m.	11.15 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.
Wednesday 17th April 10.15 a.m. - 12.00 noon	7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.

New helpers, male or female, would be most welcome at any session. Anybody considering helping would be welcome to join us on Wednesday 20th March at 7.30 p.m. in the Glenfarg Hotel to hear Mrs. Gore speak on "The advantages of riding for the mentally handicapped"; also at our practical training sessions at the Riding Stables at 10.00 a.m. on Monday 25th March or 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday 27th March.

The Group now provides riding for 42 disabled children and 30 adults and teenagers. We are very thrilled that our National Patron, H.R.H. Princess Anne is making a private visit to open our new viewing gallery in May, and joining us for a picnic so that she can meet and talk with our riders and helpers.

BADMINTON CLUB

The Badminton Club has continued to survive, supported by a hard core of enthusiasts. The standard of play has been rising steadily and the Club has achieved a fair amount of success against other clubs this year. Results so far are:- Milnathort - 8, Glenfarg - 8; Glenfarg 15, Milnathort 1; Glenfarg 9, Forgandenny 7. (Mixed Doubles). (Ladies Doubles) -Milnathort 4, Glenfarg 12.

There are a few matches to play before the season ends.

The Club championships were held recently. Results were: Mens singles - Bob Buchan. Ladies singles - Alice Mee. Mixed Doubles - Sue Knowles and Stan Ginter.

The awards were presented at a very successful Supper/Dance which was arranged in conjunction with the Glenfarg Tennis Club.

The Badminton Club would like to thank Steve Mee for supervising the "Primary age" children from 5.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m. every Wednesday. Thanks also go to Sue Challoner who runs a youth/badminton club between 6.30 - 8.00 p.m.

As well as the Wednesday activities there is also a very successful Ladies Only club which meets on a Monday night and is run by Stella Lee.

CUBS

Our Cub activities are now in full swing with plenty of badge work now being done. We celebrated Shrove Tuesday by preparing, cooking and eating our own pancakes. A 'flipping' good time was had by all involved. A sponsored silence has been held, the proceeds of which will go into Cub funds – which are sorely depleted at the present. The Pack has never been so quiet for so long before. We hope to hold a 'sausage sizzle' to reward the boys for all their hard work this term. The Pack has many more exciting activities planned for the summer months and would welcome any new members. Entry age 8.

GUIDES

The Guide company continues to flourish, and we now have 17 Guides, six of whom are going to be enrolled at the end of this term. Any other girls who would like to join us, would be most welcome - Friday nights 7 - 9 p.m. in the Village hall.

We would like to thank everyone who supported our coffee morning in February, Unfortunately we chose what must have been the worst day of the winter, but we are very grateful to those who did brave the elements, and to those who kindly sent donations. It gave us a useful boost to our funds.

Later in February we held a very successful Thinking Day Service and we are very grateful to Mr. Scouller for involving the members of the movement, as he did. We were pleased that the Scouts and Cubs were able to join us, although owing to an unfortunate breakdown in communications, not all the cubs could be there.

By the time this newsletter is published the Guides will have competed in the Camp Fire section of the Perth Music Festival, so we wish them well - results will be reported next time.

As this year is the 75th anniversary of the Guide Movement we are all pre-occupied with the past, so if anyone in the Village has any information about the early days of Guiding in Glenfarg, we would be very pleased to hear from them.

Sue Challoner (443)
Jan Macpherson (430)

PLAYPARK COMMITTEE

Work in the Park is nearly finished. We wait for them to change the seats on the swing. There are one or two more small things to be installed. The final Bill has been sent to the Committee. We are pleased with the results of our endeavours and your support of them, and hope the children are pleased with the extended play area and variety of equipment. We would ask children not to cycle over 'the Mound'. The grass isn't getting much chance to grow and some of the young trees are getting damaged.

LAIRIG GHRU SPONSORED WALK

It is hoped several of the village menfolk will take part in a sponsored walk from AVIEMORE to BRAEMAR. This walk will be by way of the LAIRIG GHRU which is a "high level" mountain pass which runs through the Cairngorms. The summit of the pass is approx. 3,000' and passes between BRAERACH (4,2481') and BEN MACDUI (4,296'). The route taken will cover 30 miles approx. and will be walked some time in APRIL. Those taking part are fully aware of potential hazards and all necessary precautions will be taken. All monies donated through sponsorship will be divided between LOCAL VILLAGE CLUBS to be decided by those taking part,

Bob Buchan

"RIGHT OF WAY", WALLAE ROAD SCOTT'S VIEW

I was delighted to read that Perth & Kinross District Council have agreed to take over the route called "Wallace Road" as a right of way after being neglected and ill used for years,

May I through your Newssheet thank the folks of Glenfarg and District who filled in the questionnaires as regards this route to Scotts View, which has helped considerable to enable this project to get off the ground. May I also add that if this route is adopted remember your way progresses across private property, and most Landowners respect your freedom of passage. But in return one must respect their property. We therefore have to keep to the path, particularly when crossing land used for arable stock or game rearing purposes; also during grouse shooting and lambing seasons. Otherwise Landlord/walkers relationships will suffer.

All users of the countryside have different interests, and if only each would bear this in mind and practise respect we can all get enjoyment from it.

Ian M. Hume.

LETTERS

Dr. and Mrs. Fulton would like to convey their sincere thanks and appreciation for the kindness expressed and concern shown during his recent illness. As it has not been possible to thank everyone personally, we wish to take this opportunity to thank everybody for their good wishes, cards and gifts.

May I take the opportunity through the Newsletter to express my thanks to all of you for your many acts of kindness shown to myself and my family during my stay in hospital. I am now feeling much better and hope to be back with you all very soon. Once again thank you and God Bless.

E.M. Reid, Bon Rowan.

Mrs. Gourdie would like to thank Arngask Woman's Guild, friends, and family for gifts, flowers, and cards received during her recent stay in Perth Royal Infirmary.

CONGRATULATIONS to:-

Matt & Braunda Henderscn, (nee Bruce,) on the birth of their daughter, Ashleigh.

Roy and Mary McAinsh on the birth of their son Robert.

Shaun and Evelyn Geddes, on the birth of their twin daughters Amber and Deborah.

Malcolm & Ann Curtis, Glendy Mill, on the birth of their daughter Sarah.

William McKee, Duncricvie Road, and Elizabeth MacGregor, Bishopbriggs on their recent engagement,

Mrs. J. MacLennan whose Elkhound won the Best in Show award at the Perthshire Canine Club's Annual Show.

Mr. & Mrs. Davidson who have re-opened the Lomond Hotel after nearly two years - we wish them success.

Mr. Alan Christie, Rossie Ochil, who has been chosen as the Tory candidate for the vacant Gowrie Division seat on the Tayside Regional Council.

Mr. David Scott, recently retired after many years with Struth.

Mrs. Madge Brough recently retired after very many years devoted night nursing, at Bridge of Earn Hospital.

Major and. Mrs. Owen Jones, whose first grandchild, a girl, was born on Monday 18th March.

A speedy recovery to Mrs. Reid, P.O.; Mrs. J. Gourdie Main Street; Mrs. C. Curle Sen., Springhall; Mrs. L. Owen-Jones, Church Brae; Mr. Gus Clunie, Duncricvie; Mr. Reid, Home Cottage; who have all been ill recently.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

6th Waste Paper Collection
11th W.R.I. Mtg. & Bring and Buy
15th School re-opens
21st Communion
23rd Congregational Meeting
27th Guild Coffee Morning

MAY

2nd Community Council Election
4th Waste Paper Collection
6th School Holiday
9th W.R.I.
15th Deadline for Newsletter
18th Scottish Fiddle Orchestra Concert
27th School Holiday

The Calendar does not look very full - I am sure there is more going on but I have not managed to ferret out any more news.

Please give your support to Mrs. Buchan in two months time when the next Newsletter is due.

MAUREEN LAMBIE
(Thankfully retiring) EDITOR

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTION, 2nd MAY 1985, VILLAGE HALL, 6.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.