

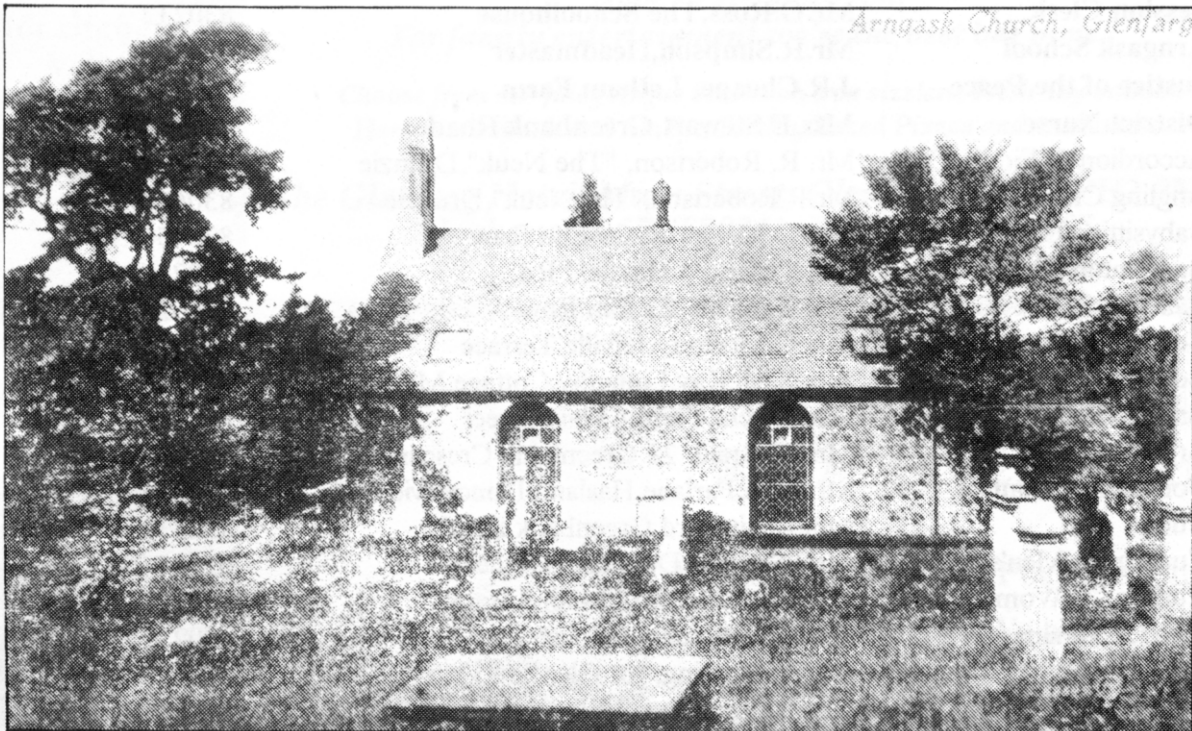
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*Arngask Church, Glenfarg*

## ARNGASK CHURCH

Arngask Church is the old parish one and was built in 1806. The foundations of the older structure, which dated from before the reformation, are still to be seen in the adjoining church yard. The church indeed was originally a chapel built for the accommodation of the family of Balvaird and their dependants. The day school and indeed part of the village was up beside Arngask Church in the olden times. The church is now in disrepair.

## THE BELL TOWER

Pictured on the front cover of last issue can be seen in the Graveyard

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| Bowling Club                | Mrs. S. McKay, Linnethy Cottage, Main Street        | 830606              |
| Bridge Club                 | Mrs.J.Gent, Cartref, Main Street                    | 830485              |
| Brownies                    | Miss. F. Scott, 28 Greenbank Crescent               | 830719              |
| Community Council           | Mr.A.McFarlane, Hasland, Duncricvie Rd.             | 830276              |
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| Meals on Wheels             | Mrs. Ogilvie, The Crest, Main Street                | 830512              |
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| Old Folks' Association      | Mrs.J.Kirkland, Colliston                           | 830358              |
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## Portugal Holiday

R.D.A. 16 - 25th April '96

I went on holiday to Portugal with some of the R.D.A. riders. We all met at Gatwick Airport at 9a.m. I had left Edinburgh Airport at 7.40 a.m. for the shuttle to Gatwick where we all met up. Our flight to Faro was at 11.30a.m. Faro was where we met up with Robin and Sheila who took us to our hotel called The Duna Parque, Milforntes, Portugal.

While we were there we went down to the beach. The weather was very hot and we played Tennis at the hotel. We got to do some canoeing in the pool.

I had a really good time.

Sandy Thomson



## *Editorial*

It's been a while since there have been any letters to the Editor, and it is always good to hear peoples views on various topics. The letter from Mr. McHardy this month is very interesting and thought-provoking, and I hope that he will receive, in his words, constructive comments. The human animal is always resistant to change, but without change there can be no progress, so don't condemn his idea out of hand, but come along to the Community Council meeting, and discuss it.

It is also always good to see a large turnout at these meetings, even if something controversial is needed to provoke it!

The mobile bus idea is another interesting one - please take the time to complete the form and return it as requested - preferably including your name, so that the organisers can contact all those budding committee members!

## *Letters*

The Editor  
Glenfarg Newsletter

20 Elm Row  
Glenfarg

### GLENFARG ANNUAL VILLAGE FETE

Please be informed it is my intention, at the next Community Council meeting, to suggest the possibility of organising a permanent Fete Committee to oversee the organisation and implementation of the annual fete.

I would welcome any constructive suggestions and comments related to this subject, and look forward to having a brisk discussion on this suggestion at the next Community Council meeting, in the Church Hall at 8.00pm on 2 September 1996.

Yours sincerely

Jim McHardy (Cllr.)

I am a fourth year pupil at St. Columba's High School in Perth. For Standard Grade History I have been asked to do an investigation on Evacuation in Perthshire and Glenfarg during World War II. If anybody in Glenfarg and the surrounding area has any information at all on the subject, especially if they had evacuees in their home, I would be grateful if they would contact me.

Thank you  
Joanna Salmon  
830448

### TOURISM BOOST FOR GLENFARG?

Glenfarg, Perthshire features in Eric Lomax's "The Railway Man", a book currently receiving excellent reviews. I wonder, can Eric Lomax do for Glenfarg what Mel Gibson has done for Stirling and The Trossachs?

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During Christian Aid Week, which ran from 12 May to 18 May, the house-to-house collection in the village and outlying districts raised the sum of £432.71. This was some £7 down on last year's efforts, but is very encouraging when one remembers the current difficulties faced by major charities. Thanks are extended to all contributors and to my band of trusted collectors.

Ivor Gordon  
Village Organiser

## *Riding for the Disabled - Glenfarg Group*

The Group has had a very busy time since the last Newsletter.

We had an extremely successful day at Kildean at the Regional Competitions with many of our riders picking up rosettes for skilled riding. Four riders Janet Suttie, Eleanor McBain, Katy Matthews and Sandy Thomson - qualified for the National Dressage Competition on 28 July. They will be travelling south with Chester and Sherry and a band of ever-willing helpings to Moreton Morell, so we wish them luck.

Selection for the Special Olympic Squad went very well, with five of our riders making the grade. Peter Murray, Linda Kirk and Grant Baillie qualified, along with Katy and Sandy. All we need now is for the selectors to agree to give us five places.

Glenfarg Group's 21st Birthday Party was a tremendous success, and greatly enjoyed by all. On behalf of the Group I would like to thank the many people who put in hours of hard work both beforehand and on the day to ensure the smooth-running of the Party. Several people who are not normally involved with the Group gave freely of

their time and talents, so a special thank you goes to them. Another special mention goes to Glenfarg Community Council for their co-operation over the use of the marquee and other facilities in the park. Thank you everyone.

Once again the Post Office tin has provided us with funds. This year £80 was donated to the Group which has bought four pairs of coloured reins to help our riders improve their hand position while riding. Thanks to Mr.Reid and to all who have contributed throughout the year.

The new riding term dates are:

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Wednesday 21 August | 10am - 12.30pm 7pm - 8pm |
| Thursday 22 August  | 10am - 12noon            |
| Monday 26 August    | 10am - 12.30pm           |
| Tuesday 27 August   | 10am - 12.30pm 7pm - 8pm |

Put the dates in your diary now, and make this the term you come along to join us.

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|                  |           |                       |  |
|------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--|
| <b>AUGUST</b>    | <b>5</b>  | <b>SUMMER SESSION</b> | Despite being very busy over the summer with touring artistes, this relaxed get-together is still a favourite feature of the Folk Club's season. Everyone is welcome, and much shenanigans are guaranteed!   |
|                  | <b>12</b> | <b>ANN DICKSON</b>    | Ann is well known to many at the club, thanks to her participation in the Carrbridge Ceilidh Week each year. A first-class singer/guitarist, it is incredible that her talents have not been recognised by a much wider audience.  |
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|                  | <b>26</b> | <b>OPEN STAGE</b>     | A chance for anyone interested to "book" a half-hour slot in advance. A great opportunity for people to put together a short programme, rather than perform the standard two songs as a floor spot. Contact Jim McIver to book your place (01738 623274)   |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | <b>2</b>  | <b>ALLAN TAYLOR</b>   | Arguably Britain's finest living singer/songwriter (well, he'd argue about it!!?), Allan's visits are always that bit special. Go on, spoil yourself!!   |

**SOCIAL EVENTS - ALL WELCOME**

|                  |                  |           |                       |                          |                                   |
|------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>JULY</b>      | <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>31</b> | <b>19.30</b>          | <b>Golf Competition</b>  | <b>Bishopshire</b>                |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>1</b>  | <b>13.00</b>          | <b>Car Treasure Hunt</b> | <b>Start to be announced</b>      |
|                  |                  |           | <b>15.00 (approx)</b> | <b>Bar-B-Q</b>           | <b>....end to be discovered!?</b> |

***Congratulations to***

**Peter Mattsson**, Church Brae, who has gained a Master in Science Degree with First Class Honours in Theoretical Physics from St. Andrews. He also received the Miller Prize, awarded to the most distinguished graduating student in the Faculty of Science.

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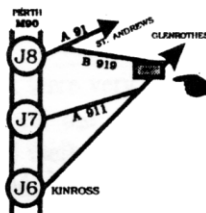
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| <b>THURS</b> | <b>9.00 - 1.00</b>  | <b>2.00 - 5.30</b> |
| <b>FRI</b>   | <b>9.00 - 1.00</b>  | <b>2.00 - 5.30</b> |
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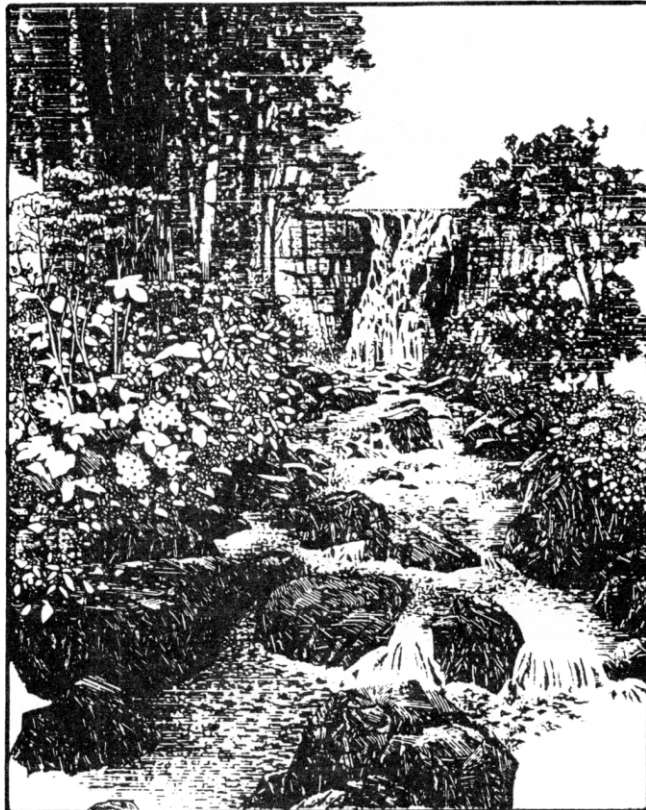
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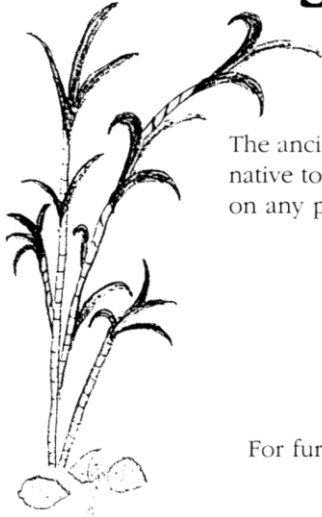
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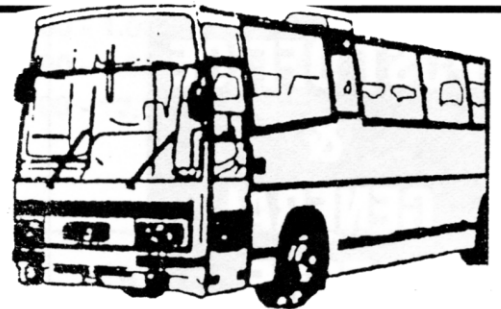
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...and finally, from the Daily Star, for which I (editor) take no responsibility whatsoever! (submitted by our new resident, Mr. "Bob" Lambie:

### I'LL HAVE A P, BOB

Furious villagers are considering a fundraising P in the Park gig in a bid to re-open their public loos. Cash-strapped Perth and Kinross Council closed the bog in tiny Glenfarg, Perthshire to save money. But villagers claim the lock-out has forced law-abiding residents to smash their crime-free image after one man broke in to spend a penny. Village Hall committee Chairman, Bob Lambie, said, "I'm sure the village can manage to run a public toilet. We could have a fundraising concert, but it would be P in the Park rather than T in the Park." A Council spokesman said: "It is shut and it is staying shut"

The following poem was submitted by Mr. & Mrs. Kirkland, and was written by their grandson, a schoolboy in Dunblane.

They were so sweet, they were so small  
They'd hardly lived their lives at all  
They went to school that Wednesday  
to work, do sums and write and play  
Their Mums and Dads waved them farewell  
Their destiny no-one could tell  
Into the school they were led  
They did not know what lay ahead  
Now it's past Dunblane's still mourning  
About the events of that Wednesday morning,  
Now you can cry and you can weep  
Those little angels now fast asleep.

Kerr Nairn  
Hillside of Row, Dunblane

### *Community Council*

The following is a summary of the minutes of the Community Council meeting held on Monday 1 July, at which three members of the public were present. (Some of the reports are quite lengthy, so anyone interested in having more detail should read the full minutes in the Post Office).

**WATER** Mr. Mackenzie, Area Engineer for the North of Scotland Water Authority addressed the meeting, and explained that they have been carrying out two main tasks, which are now almost complete: upgrading of water treatment works and trunk mains, and replacement of old mains pipes. The Chairman highlighted the lack of communication concerning the dates for the

work recently carried out in Duncreevie Road, which might have been better timed to avoid coinciding with the fete. While appreciating the problem, Mr. Mackenzie stated that there were other considerations to be taken into account. In response to a question about the quality of the drinking water in the village, Mr. Mackenzie stated that it complies with all relevant regulations.

**REMOVAL OF SKIP** The Secretary commented on the recent much later collection of rubbish, resulting in the bags lying about for much longer and being broken into by crows. This was

assumed to be as a result of more refuse being put out for collection since the removal of the skip from the village. Mrs. Law undertook to investigate the matter via the Environmental Health Dept. The Secretary also said that it had been brought to her attention that a skip could be supplied on an occasional basis, provided that it can be positioned in such a way that a responsible person can keep it under observation. There followed a discussion about why the skip had been removed from Glenfarg, while the one in Kinross is also unmanned. Cllr. Mrs. Law commented that perhaps it came under the arrangements described above. The Secretary is to ask about the possibility of reinstating the skip, if someone were to be put in charge.

**PUBLIC TOILETS IN PARK** The Chairman referred to a letter from the Village Fete Committee about the state of the toilets, and asking if the CC could do anything. If the toilets are not going to be open, it may be better to demolish the building. The Village Hall Committee had indicated its willingness to look after the toilets if they could be kept open. It was stated that the park is used for sport, the Folk Festival etc., and facilities were required. The Secretary will take this matter up with the Environmental Health Dept.

**BEST KEPT VILLAGE** Glenfarg has been entered for this competition, which will be judged during the second week in August.

**WAR MEMORIAL GATE** The gate is in a poor state of repair, and Cllr. Mrs. Law will investigate.

**REMOVAL OF YEW TREES** A number of yew trees have been removed from the end of the Avenue, although no felling licence had been received from the Forestry Authority, who are keen to hear of the theft of any other yew trees.

**PERTH AREA HOUSING LAND REVIEW** A series of public meetings will be held in the late summer, dates and venues to be announced.

**MOBILE BUS PROJECT** Mrs. Webb will speak to the next CC meeting on the progress of this project. She suggested that an existing bus should be brought to the village as a fund raising exercise, and to show what is being done.

**MARINDIN PARK** Several attempts have been made, both via the Council and the Developer, to have the spelling on the street signs corrected, so far to no avail. The Secretary will make further attempts.

### ***Glenfarg Old Folks' Association***

On Saturday 1 June we had a very successful outing to Aberfeldy. We left the village at 12 noon, and stopped at Crieff for a short break, then on to Lochearnhead, Killin, Loch Tay, Kenmore and Aberfeldy, where we had a lovely high tea in the Moness Country House Hotel. We came home by Amulree and the Sma' Glen, and were back by 8.30pm. A very enjoyable day was had by all beautiful scenery, good food, good company and a good driver.

Our next event will be the Whist Drive on 25 October, followed by our Christmas Party on Tuesday 10 December. Those of you who remember Ron Harris and his Concert Party will be pleased to hear that he is coming back to entertain us this year. The catering will, as usual, be in the capable hands of the Abernethy Hotel.

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of the committee, to thank everyone for their support and generosity with raffle prizes etc over the year.

Janette Kirkland

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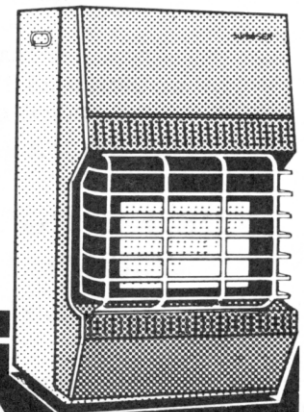


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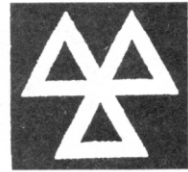
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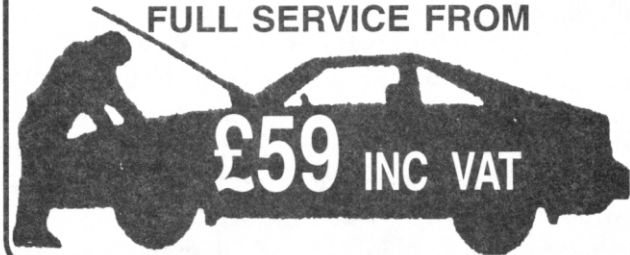


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But this project is not a certainty yet

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PARENTS we need you for a committee!

The rest of this page is missing (and, of course, the relevant part of the next page although a guess has been taken as to its content) in the archive copy. The suspicion is it is the form mentioned in the Editorial for people to complete in regard to the above bus, and the source of the archive copy did as requested and filled it in.

## *Dates to remember*

|                  |           |   |             |                      |
|------------------|-----------|---|-------------|----------------------|
| <b>AUGUST</b>    | 21        | RDA re-starts                           |             | 10am-12.30pm & 7-8pm |
|                  | 22        | “                                       |             | 10am - 12noon        |
|                  | 26        | ”                                       |             | 10am-12.30pm         |
|                  | 27        | ”                                       |             | 10am-12.30pm & 7-8pm |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | 2         | Community Council meeting               | Church Hall | 8 pm                 |
|                  | <b>15</b> | <b>ITEMS FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER PLEASE</b> |             |                      |
| <b>OCTOBER</b>   | 25        | Old Folks' Whist Drive                  |             |                      |

## *Mobile Library*

The Library van visits the village on alternate Wednesdays (12&26 June, 10&24 July and 7 August), and stops at:

|                               |               |                 |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| The School                    | 09.30 - 10.15 | Ladeside (P.O.) | 10.30 - 11.15 |
| Hayfield Road                 | 10.15 - 10.30 | Main Street     | 11.15 - 11.30 |
| Duncreevie Road 11.35 - 11.50 |               |                 |               |

## *Mobile Bank*

The Bank of Scotland van visits the village, and stops outside the Glenfarg Hotel, on Tuesdays from 10.45 - 11.25am, and on Fridays from 2.00 - 2.30pm.

## *Bus Timetable*

Monday to Saturday

|                  |       |       |       |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Glenrothes       | 09.35 | 11.35 | 13.35 |
| Auchtermuchty    | 10.02 | 12.02 | 14.02 |
| Gateside         | 10.11 | 12.11 | 14.11 |
| Glenfarg         | 10.22 | 12.22 | 14.22 |
| Milnathort       | 10.32 | 12.32 | 14.32 |
| Kinross (Presto) | 10.41 | 12.41 | 14.41 |
|                  |       |       |       |
| Kinross (Presto) | 09.27 | 11.22 | 13.22 |
| Milnathort       | 09.36 | 11.31 | 13.31 |
| Glenfarg         | 09.46 | 11.41 | 13.41 |
| Gateside         | 09.57 | 11.52 | 13.52 |
| Auchtermuchty    | 10.06 | 12.01 | 14.01 |
| Glenrothes       | 10.33 | 12.28 | 14.28 |



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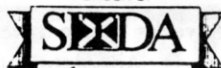
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