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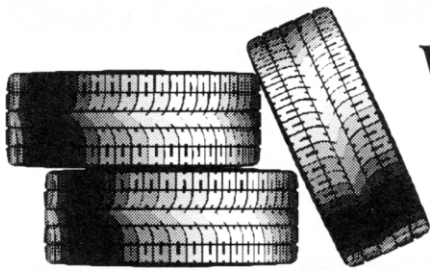
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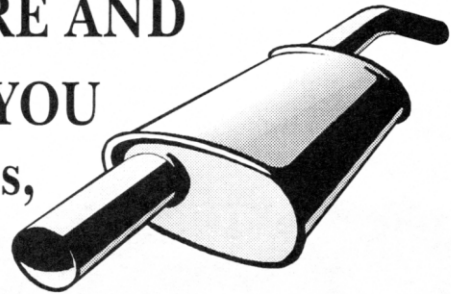
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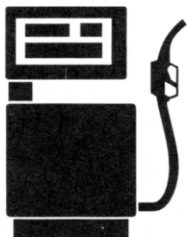
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Editorial

The Newsletter is always a bit thin during the summer months, until clubs and organisations get going again. It would be good, therefore, perhaps not in the next edition, but after that, to start having more contributions again, particularly from those organisations that have lapsed recently. I know that Chairmen and Secretaries are very busy, but there is no reason why they shouldn't delegate, and ask one of their members to write something. Don't forget that, although the newsletter is mainly made up of club news, it doesn't have to be confined to that. Anyone can write in about any topic that affects village life, or even that doesn't. It is always good to

receive articles, even if they are a bit controversial, and everyone is at liberty to respond.

I shall do my bit and start nagging again, and perhaps put a reminder in the Post Office window, as used to happen in the past. Anyway, don't forget, contributions should be with me by the fifteenth of every odd month (January, March, May, July, September and November) for publication on the first Saturday of the following month.

Looking forward to hearing from you all in the autumn.

Letters to the Editor

256 Queen's Road
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Dear Mrs. Macpherson,

I would appreciate it if you would publish this in your Glenfarg Newsletter.

I was happy to read that the good effort to tidy up and replant the avenue and plot of ground behind the school was well appreciated. It is much to do with Judy King's concern, effort and hard work that this is being done.

I, for my part, would like those in the community to realise that this little barren plot of land is just a bit special to me, for as a child I often rode my pony from Easterton farm to the avenue to get messages from the Post Office and Mr. Millar's shop. Now that I have inherited the plot, I intend to take care of it, but I would point out that I have a fairly liberal attitude to allowing responsible public access.

I hear the concerns about the possible dangers of developing a pond to encourage bird and wildlife, but I would point out that such an undertaking would simply replace and improve "the spreads" that exist. With little depth there will be no danger to children. It would concern me greatly if public access had to be denied on account of a perceived risk to young people, for at this point in time I see no reason why people should not continue to use the area, and I hope that they gain as much enjoyment out of the plot and the avenue as I do.

Yours sincerely,

John Crawford

Woman's Guild

At the AGM on 8 April the following appointments were made:

President	Mrs. J. Ross
Vice President	Mrs. H. Mair
Secretary	Mrs. J. Gent
Projects Person	Mrs. M. Knox
Committee members	Mrs. J. Kirkland
	Mrs. S. MacNeill

Mrs. J. Ogilvie remains as Treasurer for one more year. With the re-organisation of the Guild there are now no delegates to the Presbyterial Council. The retiring office bearers and delegates were presented with gifts, and thanked for their service over the past years.

On 12 May seventeen members of the Guild travelled to McDiarmid Park to meet our Guildlink friends from Cardonald Church in Glasgow. There were forty six of them, and together we made a merry noise as the tongues wagged non-stop. It was

Roberta E. Davidson

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a most friendly and enjoyable occasion, when we got to know our Guildlink friends. It is hoped to arrange further meetings in the future. A very good meal was served, and enjoyed by all.

Our summer outing on 10 June will be a visit to St. Michael's Church in Linlithgow, with a guided tour

of the Church, and high tea served by the ladies of St. Michael's.

The next session of the Guild starts in September, so "watch this space"!!

WRI

We had a lovely April meeting, with Forteviot entertaining. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Harley, and tea was served by the committee.

Competition winners:

Lemon Meringue Pie 1. Mrs. S. Harley

Waste paper bin 1. Mrs. L. Johnston 2. Mrs. A. Messenger 3. Mrs. H. Quartermaine

Flower of the month 1. Mrs. A. Messenger 2. Mrs. L. Johnston 3. Mrs. S. Harley

At the May meeting Mrs. Maggie Booton, from Anchor House, Perth, gave a talk on Help for the Homeless. Mrs. C. Fairweather was elected President, with Mrs. H. Mair, Mrs. L. Kyle and Mrs. R. MacGregor as new Committee members. Mrs. S. Harley achieved the highest number of Points for Flower of the Month and Points Over All, with Mrs. L. Johnston runner up for the latter.

Competition winners:					
Banana Loaf	1.	Mrs. S. Harley	2.	Mrs. H. Mair	3. Mrs. L. Johnston
Limerick - 5 lines	1.	Mrs. A. Messenger	2.	Mrs. S. Harley	3. Mrs. H. Mair
Flower of the month	1.	Mrs. L. Johnston	2.	Mrs. M. Moran	3. Mrs. S. Harley

Bridge Club

At the end of session lunch the Searle Cup was presented to winner Mrs. Muriel Davidson, runner up Mrs. Jean Gent. Summer meetings are held in the Bowling Clubhouse on Fridays at 1.30pm. New members are welcome.

Junior Red Cross

Due to other commitments Mrs. Maggie Williams is no longer able to help out with the weekly meetings. Is there anybody out there willing to give some time on a Friday between 3.30 and 4.45pm with the Junior Red Cross in the Village Hall? If no-one is available the group will sadly have to be disbanded.

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Tree Warden Scheme

I would like to thank all those who helped to plant 103 young, native species trees (strips) in Glenfarg in March. With the permission of Mr. Simpson, Headmaster of Arngask Primary, pupils from P6 & 7 planted 26 trees in the school playing fields, guided by Maggie Williams, Ruby Peace, Stewart Crickmar and Perth Rangers. The following weekend strips were planted in the Avenue and Westmillbank, with Stewart Crickmar helped by David King, Alan Dover, Andrew King and Maggie, Jennifer and Jamie Williams. Later still the last to go into the ground were put in with the help of Ruby Peace. During the same period, and under the same scheme, trees were planted at Kinnoull (9), Kettings (3 plus beech hedge), Blackford (30 plus beech hedge), Braco (10), Portmoak School (28) and Ballinluig (30).

At the time of writing a recent inspection found most of our plantings flourishing, despite a lack of rain. One tube was found without a tree, and a tree without a tube. No prizes for guessing how that problem was solved! Not all of the trees have been protected by tube or wire: these will face the hazards of hungry rabbits and deer.

Talking of green tubes, there has been a big outbreak of them around Glenfarg, most being in the fields south of Wallace Park (about 2000), where the spruce has been felled at Paris Bridge, and at the turning to Binn Farm. There are others - can you find them? The tubes I have looked into shelter native species, such as willow, hazel, pine and wild cherry. This all helps to redress the balance of national tree habitat lost through development and neglect in the past 100 years.

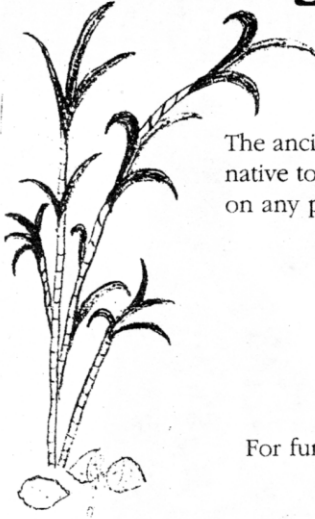
THE HAZEL TREE can grow to 12 metres high, but is often more of a bush. The male flowers are long yellow catkins, and the female flowers are small and red. Both appear before the leaves, which are round, pointed at the tip and double-toothed. The twigs are hairy, and the bark smooth, brown and shiny, peeling in strips.

The hazel has been growing in Scotland for 10,000 years. The Gaels called it Coll or Calltuinn, and some places were named after it, for example, the island of Coll and Bar Calltuinn in Appin. It also stands for the letter C in Gaelic. It symbolised female wisdom, was sacred to the sea god Manannan and also the god of fire, as its wood was used to make fire by friction. It prefers to grow in oak woods, and is tolerant of the shade of larger trees. In the past it was coppiced about once every 8 years, and the cuttings used for making hurdles, creels and baskets, and for supporting thatch and turf roofs. It was also used to make crooks and shinty sticks, and the twigs were used for dowsing. Druids carried hazel wands, which were believed to protect against evil, and better still, could make the carrier invisible if necessary!

But the nuts were the very special produce of the hazel. Not only were they very nutritious, but were believed to bestow wisdom and prophetic powers to those who ate them. The Gaelic name of the hazel nut is "cno" or "chno", and "cnocach" means "wise". When ground and used as flour in baking much strength was endowed to the consumer. King Robert Bruce sent his garrison from Tarbet on Loch Fyne to collect nuts for winter storage. Hazel nut oil was used for polishing wood, and the leaves of the hazel were believed to increase milk flow when fed to cattle. Sometimes, however, the wood was considered to be unlucky, symbolising loss and misfortune, and a tradition, which survived into the last century, was to present a piece of hazel wood to your lover, to let it be known that the affair was over. If you ever expect to meet a witch, carry two hazel nuts which have grown together, in your pocket. On meeting the witch throw the nuts at her. and you will be safe from her spells! If you are walking in a wood, and come upon a pool with nine hazel trees growing round it, eat a nut that has fallen into the water, and great wisdom will be yours. If no nuts are to be found, catch and eat a salmon from the pool, and get the same result!

Judy King

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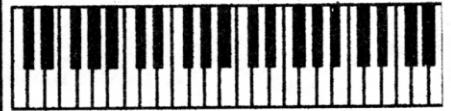


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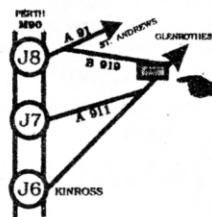
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	16	The John Wright Band	Scottish Borders	Yet another new name at the club, this band is still relatively new to the Scottish Folk Scene, although individual members will be recognised by many of us. Their reputation is growing with every appearance.
	23	Session/Singaround		A chance for everyone, be you singer, poet, musician or simply a good listener, to participate always a good evening in a very informal setting
	30	Andy Sharp & Jim Russell	Scotland - Fife	These two award-winning singer/songwriters are no strangers to the club, where they have been visitors on several occasions. This, however, will be their first time as guests, and it will be an evening to look forward to. Andy and Jim's songs and music are earning an ever-growing band of admirers, including Sangsters and June Tabor.

Tennis Club

The tennis season is underway and hopefully the good weather will be with us soon. On Wednesday evenings courts are reserved for Club Nights: 6.00-7.00pm for juniors, and 7.00pm onwards for adults. All club members are most welcome to an informal, friendly evening of doubles tennis. Ladies Club night is on Monday evenings from 7.00pm.

Sunday American tournaments will continue on the last Sunday of each month, commencing Sunday 25 May at 2.00pm.

Short Tennis coaching (for primary 2 - 4 children) on Saturday mornings (9.30 - 10.30am) will start on Saturday 17 May for six weeks. This will be held on the tennis courts, or if wet, in the village hall. The cost of this coaching is included in the junior membership of £6.

We hope to organise more senior coaching subject to demand. Let our Secretary know if you are interested.

This season will prove to be a busy one for the club, with two teams playing in the Midlands League (mens' doubles and mixed doubles), in addition to two teams in P&D league. Court space will be limited on Thursday evenings. On 12 June all three courts will be reserved for league matches.

The Club has sweatshirts and polo shirts in a variety of colours - all available from Margaret Ponton.

There are seven committee members, the office bearers being: Secretary - Karen McHardy, Treasurer - Margaret Ponton.

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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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Dr. McCracken	8.35am- 10.10am 1.30pm-2.10pm 4.15pm-5.55pm	8.30am-9.25am	8.35am- 10.10am 1.30pm-2.10pm 3pm-4.50pm	8.35am- 10.10am 5pm-6.50pm	8.35am- 10.10am 1.30pm-2.10pm 4.15pm-5.55pm
Dr. Aitken	8.30am- 10.30am 4pm-6pm	8.30am- 10.30am 4pm-6pm	9am-1 lam 4pm-6pm	8.30am-9.30am	9am-1 lam 3pm-5pm
Dr. Russell	9am-10.50am	2pm-4.50pm		3pm-4.50pm	9am-10.50am

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Dr. Richmond	8.30am-10am 1pm-2pm 5.30pm-7pm	8.30am- 10.30am 3.30pm-5.30pm	8.30am- 10.30am 4pm-bpm	8.30am-9.30am	9am-1 lam 4pm-6pm 3pm-5pm
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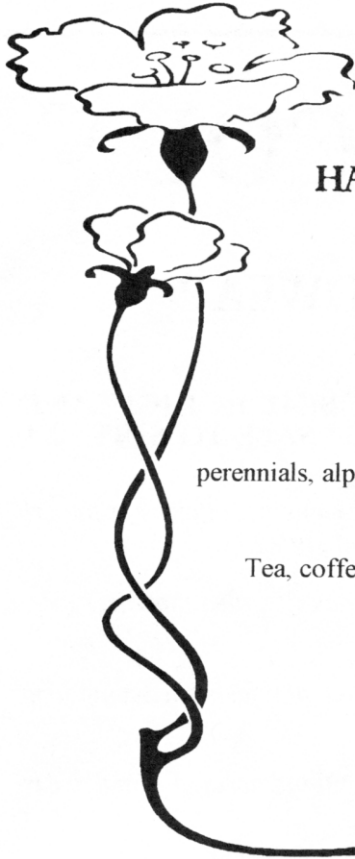
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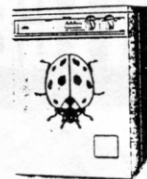
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