

THE GLENFARG Newsletter

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Editorial

Here we are again. Another new year. It hasn't started well has it? The human tragedy of Gaza, cholera in Zimbabwe, financial disaster across the Western world...

'The last two Sunday nights travelling back from Perth on the Wicks of Baigle road we've stopped the car, turned the headlights off and opened the sun roof to look at the stars. There's something profoundly hopeful about seeing the universe spread out above you and seeing Glenfarg's lights beckon a mile below you. It puts us in our place!

I often feel that Glenfarg is a safe place. If people ask what it is like I'll describe it as not just a village but a community and I'm really proud of all the people that make it a better place.

I hope in 2009 the Newsletter gets the balance right –delivering news that's worth celebrating about a supportive community – and getting it into the village shop on time!

Congratulations to.... Anne Imrie, who recently attended an awards ceremony for Perth and Kinross Council employees, where she received a Service Recognition Award for her 20 years' service, all of



And if there are some questions that people want to ask like 'When is work starting on the Lomond?', or 'Why was a 2-lane motorway built through the park?' and 'Why are the paving slabs in Glenfarg Green put down in a regimental line?' – so much the better!!

which have been spent as a teacher at Arngask Primary School. We are sure Mrs Imrie's many pupils, current and from years gone by, all agree this award was well deserved.



Letters...to the editor

The Glenfarg Public Hall Committee AGM will take place in May, and all are invited to attend. This not only gives you the chance to find out about the remarkable achievements which the hall has enjoyed over the last 12 months (including the completion of our major regeneration project, the introduction of new clubs and classes and our fundraising efforts) but also invites new members to step forward and join our energetic committee!

We are also especially looking for anyone with the time and drive to take on a range of positions, including treasurer to secretary. By joining the committee, you can be part of the team that is helping to take our new hall from strength to strength.

Pierette Melville
Glenfarg Public Hall
Committee Secretary

GIVE A DOG A BAD NAME

Dear Villagers

I walk my dog quite often up by the park and along the new footpath. The dog mess is disgusting. People have worked really hard to make Glenfarg look good – why should Glenfarg dog owners come along and plonk their dog mess in bags and tie it to the trees? Do they think it looks decorative or something?

If it's your mess – deal with it. Hang it on your Christmas tree. Use it on the vegetable patch – I don't actually care so long as you bag it and take it home or to the nearest bin.

Go on! Make my year. Prove that Glenfarg's dog owners are more intelligent than their dogs.

A local dog owner

GLENFARG WRI



Lesley Murison provided hilarious entertainment at the December Christmas Party. Excellent catering was provided by Pownmill Milk Bar.

Competition winners were:-

Decorated Christmas Gift

- 1st L Kyle
- 2nd J Connolly
- 3rd L Murison

2 Mince Pies

- 1st A Messenger
- 2nd S Harley
- 3rd J Kirkland

At the January meeting, Margaret Scott, Glenfarg president, welcomed members and guests wishing everyone a Happy New Year

Ella Fisher, a retired Marie Curie nurse, showed slides and talked about

her challenging cycle from Krakow to Warsaw - 397 miles - in Poland raising £12,000 for the Marie Curie Fund.

Competition winners were:-

Slice of Christmas cake

- 1st M Blair
- 2nd J Kirkland
- 3rd L Johnson

Cross stitch Bookmark

- 1st A Messenger
- 2nd J Grigg
- 3rd L Yull

Potted Plant

- 1st A Quartermaine
- 2nd S Harley
- 3rd L Yull

Best Wishes for 2009

Regards

L Yull (Glenfarg WRI)

ARNGASK CHURCH GUILD

Our next meeting is on 3rd February when Jenny Rutherford will give a talk about her working trip to Australia, followed on 17th February by Mr & Mrs Hank John to tell us about their bible camp in the Caribbean.

We have an open meeting on 3rd March when David Watt & friends will entertain us, a collection will be taken for the new Macmillian Palliative Care Perth Project. 17th March Mrs Francis Drysdale will tell us

about her Shetland Experience. Our spring Coffee Morning is on Saturday 21st March in the Church Hall from 10am to 11.30. Our session closes on 7th April with our AGM.

Please come along and visit us at any of these meetings you would be made very welcome.

An apology is due for the incorrect date given for our January meeting for some reason the 15th January was stuck in my mind.

Sylvia Wall

ARNGASK PRIMARY SCHOOL

At the end of last term obviously most of the children's mind were on Christmas.

The primary 1 and 2 children did a fabulous job with their nativity - The Innkeepers Breakfast. There were certainly signs of some future Oscar winners.

The rest of the pupils led the carol singing and the Primary 6/7 Guitar Ensemble performed beautifully together.

The Christmas Fayre at the Village Hall was well attended. The children

enjoyed the face painting, "Find Rudolph" game but most popular was Santa. The grotto, made up on the stage, was magical .

Now the New Year is here and a new terms begins.

As part of the 250th Burns Anniversay and Scotland's 'Homecoming' Year the school will be looking at Scotland, Scottish life and learning Scots poetry.

The PTA have arranged a Burns Supper to help celebrate the 250th anniversary.



The P 1/2 nativity was a highlight of last term at Arngask Primary School

The school will be taking part in the Perth and Kinross Council's Annual Healthy Hearts Week. A Sponsored Skipping Event will also be held in aid of the British heart Foundation.

In March, the school will be involved with World Book Day on 5th and will be taking part in National Science and Engineering Week.



Abernethy and Dron &
Arngask Parish Church
Church of Scotland

Together we make a difference

This year Abernethy and Dron and Arngask Parish Church will undertake a stewardship campaign. Some church folk may inwardly groan, and some folk outside the Church may wonder what the fuss is about.

Stewardship is something Christians do as part of their faith, like going to church or giving to charity. We do these things because of what we believe. Christians believe we are responsible for what we do with our money. On the one hand we should not waste money or use it for wrong purposes; on the other hand we have a duty to continue Jesus' work in the world today, and that costs money. To say that the church is always asking for money is to say that there is still a lot of work to be done.

One of the mistakes to make with stewardship is to make it an occasional thing, usually when funds are low or when financial panic sets in. Desperation is not the best motivation. Nobody gets unfit or overweight suddenly – the best remedy is good diet and regular exercise.

So stewardship should be a regular part of the life of the church. Crash diets do not work and neither does short term fund raising or occasional – panic - stewardship. So we undertake this campaign from a healthy, strong position. We are also acting together with other local churches. There are a number of benefits from this, such as publicity, and emphasising that stewardship is something we all do.

Features of this campaign will be familiar - leaflets, meetings, visits to our church members, theme sermons etc. The central focus is to bring folk together at gatherings to hear about the church's work and how we still make a difference, and then to ask them to review their Christian giving. In the difficult times of the 'credit crunch' some people may genuinely be able to give less; or you may give more effectively by gift aid. You can consider your options.

This is about giving money, without apology, but it is also about bringing people together, and rekindling interest and enthusiasm. I think every doctor would recommend sensible diet and healthy exercise for obvious health benefits. Collecting for Christian Aid week requires planning, organisation and effort and it helps the world's poorest people. Stewardship requires planning, effort and determination but it too brings benefits.

Rev Alec Wark.

CHRISTMAS AT ARNGASK CHURCH

Christmas at Arngask Church

At the morning service on Sunday 14th December the older S Club children performed their Nativity Play entitled "An Abundance of Angels and a sprinkling of Shepherds and Kings". (read full report under S Club & Sunday Club)

At the Carols & Christingle service on Sunday evening the 14th December the congregation were in good voice and almost raised the roof with their enthusiastic singing.

Soloists were Lisa, Fiona, Philip and David and Annabel amused the company with a Christmas poem. The S Club children sang two carols and instrumental items were Piano solos by Scott and Lotte, Double Bass accompaniment – Ben, Flugelhorn – Yvonne, and Guitar – David, our own music maestro who organised the event. Rev Alec Wark gave a short address on the Children's Society to which the retiring collection of £115.71p will be donated. During the singing of Still the Night the church lights were dimmed and the children lit their Christingles. After the service refreshments and Christmas goodies were served in the Church Hall.

At the service in Arngask Church on Sunday 21st December the Sunday Club performed their Christmas Nativity play which was entitled "Is it True". (full report under S Club & Sunday Club)

The Watchnight Service in Arngask Church on Christmas Eve was well attended, the retiring collection amounted to £137.56 and was donated to Glenfarg Branch of Riding for the Disabled.

On Sunday 28th December the Rev A Wark led a service of "Nine Lessons & Carols".



Christmas Sale

The sale which was held in the village hall on Saturday 6th December was a great success and raised the sum of £1175. Thank you to all who gave donations, stall holders, tea helpers, the children who entertained and everyone who came along to support the sale. Prize winners were:- Paddington Bear- Anne Imrie, Cushion - Sylvia Wall, Knitted Santa - Mary McAinsh, Picture - Jean Clark. Hampers were won by Moira Adamson, Scott Andrew, Bill Blaikie, Margaret Cleat, Helen Douglas, Alan Fairweather, Alex Johnston, Lindsay Kinnaird, Roberta McGregor, Christine Melville, Etienne Melville, C Morrison, Margaret Pontin, Alan Reid.

Church News

Baptism

At the service in Arngask Church on Sunday 23rd November the Rev Alec Wark baptised Theo Dallas Monce MacGregor, infant son of Allan and Louise, godparents were John and Tammy Weir.

Sunday Service

As from Sunday the 4th January 2009 the service in Arngask Church commences at 9.30am and will continue at this time throughout the rest of the year.



Flower Committee

The Flower List for 2009 is now in the vestibule. If you are interested please sign for the dates of your choice, whether for a remembrance of a loved one, a special birthday or anniversary, or to give thanks. You can choose to arrange the flowers yourself or ask a friend of Flower Committee member to do so for you. Donations for the flower fund will be greatly appreciated.

The flowers are distributed throughout the parish after the Church service.

Committee Members' names and telephone numbers are as follows:

Slyvia Wall - 830409
Margaret Scott - 830369
Janette Kirkland- 830514
Jean Connolly - 830200

Hockey Star benefits from "Glenfarg's Got Talent"

The Wine Club's sell out concert "Glenfarg's Got Talent" featuring singers, dancers, musicians and an abridged version of the Aladdin pantomime and with a raffle and auction raised £1411.75 for Anna Gourlay, Scotland under 16 goalkeeper. Anna was presented with a cheque at the wine club's November monthly meeting, but being only 15 Anna was of course sent home while the club got on with the serious business of tasting six delightful wines best suited to their Christmas dinner.

Those of you, and there were many, who didn't manage to get tickets may be interested in purchasing a DVD of the show priced at £5 with all the proceeds going to Leukaemia Research. Contact Ian Marsden or Steve Mee.

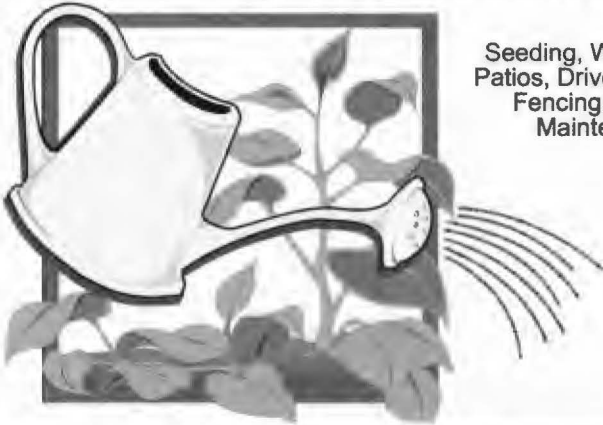


Anna Gourlay receives her cheque from members of the Wine Club, who organised "Glenfarg's Got Talent"

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S Club

On Sunday 14th December the older S Club children performed their Nativity Play entitled "An Abundance of Angels and a sprinkling of Shepherds and Kings" - with help from a few adult members of the congregation. The story was told by the angels (all the S Club members) from their perspective, explaining their influence in what happened that night. Jim & Janette Kirkland made a very convincing Inn keeper and wife, enjoying the boost in business from the VAT reductions. The shepherds - Sinclair Simpson, Sheona Reid and Stuart Andrew looked a little overawed by their shepherd duties and angel visits. The kings made a spectacular arrival, by Earnside coach - the camels having gone in the latest banking crisis, however Margaret Scott, Jimmy Knox and Ian Fairweather still looked wise and regal on their arrival at the inn.

Sincere thanks to all who took part, to Moira Adamson our adult angel, to Lisa for singing so beautifully and Mia for her flute playing, and as always to David and Ineke for their musical genius.

After the service the S club members enjoyed a trip to Frankie & Benny's in Dunfermline followed by a trip to the bowling alley.

Sunday Club

At the service in Arngask Church on Sunday 21st December the Sunday Club performed their Christmas Nativity play which was entitled "Is it True". The theme of the play was simple - shepherds arriving at the stable where baby Jesus was born but they were unable to see the baby because of the tall Kings. As they did not have a gift for the baby, their solution was to sing to him. Mary enjoyed the singing so much she asked the shepherds to sing again.

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 - b Let the dog out into the back garden.
 - c Wish the dog would walk itself but eventually pay your reluctant child to take him out.
- 2 Your dog does his business in the park, do you
 - a Clean it up – you always have a bag handy.
 - b Clean it up and dump the bag and contents in a bush.
 - c Leave it – the rain will wash it away eventually.
- 3 You are aware that your dog regularly escapes from your garden and wanders round the park and village, do you
 - a Make sure your dog is better trained and your garden better secured.
 - b Wish it would stop, chase the dog and look suitably embarrassed every time someone brings it back or complains
 - c Ignore it – it's what dogs do.
- 4 You're out walking your dog and you spot a big dirty dog mess right in the middle of the new path, do you
 - A pick it up – you tend to take extra bags out with you and it's just bound to be your child who steps in the poo.
 - B Complain to anyone who'll listen.
 - C You don't really walk your dog, you let the kids do that so you didn't see the poo.
- 5 Your child has just been to the park and round the new path, stepped in one of the many piles of dog mess and it's all through the house, do you
 - A Clean the offensive stuff off your child's shoes, and your carpets, reminding your child to be more careful in future. Contact the School, the In Bloom group and the Community Council suggesting a clean-up and awareness-raising of the issue.
 - B Make your child clean it up since it's their fault. Remain disgusted and angry for ages. Moan and grumble but take no action.
 - C Suggest euthanizing every dog in the area. Shout at everyone who has a dog because they must all be doing this.

Find out what kind of dog owner you are on page 17

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Village Fete 2009- Get involved!

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**SATURDAY 13 JUNE
2009**

Following on from a meeting held last year to discuss the future organisation of the Fete on 6 January a committee was formed from representatives of local organisations.

The first decision taken was to hold the Fete on Saturday 13 June. The

second decision was that everyone would consult with their own organisation plus other people to ask for suggestions for new attractions for 2009. It it was also agreed we would follow the usual practice of asking organisations to take part and offer a stall or activity.

So, please keep 13 June clear! Offers of help and suggestions please to Arthur Jenkins, Donald MacKenzie, Sheona Reid, Stuart Smith, Tim (name to follow), Robert Morton or Alison Elphinstone.

What kind of dog owner are you?

The result



Mostly As

You are a class A dog owner. You are happy to walk and clean up after your dog, taking full responsibility for what it gets up to.

Mostly Bs

You are trying and but there is still certainly room for improvement. Take a bit more responsibility for your pet and you'll help make the village a much more pleasant place.

Mostly Cs

You really want to get a grip. Not only do you not walk your dog, you leave its mess lying around the village for people to tread in. If you won't clean up after the dog you can't expect that your children will either. No-one would let their children poo in the park and leave it there, so make an effort and change your behaviour because you are making this village a disgrace.

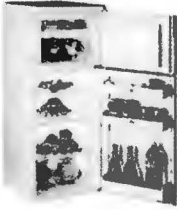
Mostly Ds

Oh dear – you seem to have missed the point. There are no D answers – why don't you run through the quiz once again.

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Wine Club News

Port!

One of the most established drinks sold in the UK, port has long been served mainly as an after dinner drink, and taken lots of flak for causing the mother of all hangovers. Everybody forgets they have had a couple of G & Ts, some white wine with their starter, some red wine with their main, maybe a desert wine followed by a brandy or a nice malt, then someone suggests "lets have a port". Next day what happens? A stonking hangover blamed always on the port!

Port originates from the 17th century, and comes from the steep banks of the Douro Valley in northern Portugal. Its name is taken from the city of Oporto which sits at the mouth of the river Douro where most of the main Port houses have their warehouses. Most of the major produces have been and remain in British hands since the 17th century when the source of French wines kept drying up through all the wars that kept occurring, so the ever resourceful Brits turned their attention to Portugal, and have kept their interests going ever since.

Port is a fortified wine. It was discovered that the travel time from

Portugal to the British Isles meant that often the wine would deteriorate and so a small amount of brandy was added to "fortify" the wine and thus increase its shelf life. This means that the alcoholic strength of the wine increases from about 14% to 20%.



This also gives opened port longer in the bottle than normal wine, although it is very debatable exactly how long opened port will keep for. Some people claim only a few days, personally I have enjoyed port 2 or 3 weeks (and in some cases even longer) after opening.

There are 6 main types of port readily available in this country, namely Ruby, Tawny, Late Bottled Vintage (LBV), Single-Quinta, White and Vintage. Yes I know there are others such as crusted etc., but these are mainly marketing brands by the port houses to try and sell more bottles. I will list my thoughts on the 6 readily available ones -

1) **Ruby**. Normally a low grade blend that is best avoided unless you are using port for cooking, or you wish to disguise the taste by adding lemonade to the drink.

2) **Tawny**. Normally aged at 10 or 20 years (although 30 and even 40 years are available if you can afford them) and is probably the easiest to drink as a casual tittle.

3) **Late bottle Vintage (LBV)**. A great marketing exercise by the port houses to increase their market share. This is normally very pleasurable to drink whenever you feel like a glass of port. Is deeper in colour and stronger tasting than tawny, and is cheaper to buy.

4) **Single Quinta**. In France you have Chateau, in Spain you have Bordegas, and in Portugal you have Quintas. These are estates that used to sell their production to the big port houses for blending, but in the last 50 years, they have started to market their own wines insisting that by buying from a single Quinta you are buying better quality wines. These are always from one property, unfiltered and are excellent value. The single Quintas have also changed production methods so that the old problem of mouldy corks and stinking contents have all but been eradicated.

5) **White port**. Hold your hand up! how many of you have been given a bottle of white port and had no idea what to do with it apart from give it to the fete. Take my top tip! Get a tall

glass, fill with ice, pour in white port to about halfway up the glass, and add fresh tonic water. Serve as an aperitif or at a barbie. Absolutely delicious as a thirst quencher. If you don't like this idea, then serve the white port chilled on its own.

6) **Vintage Port**. The most famous of all the ports and the most expensive. A vintage year is declared by the producers about 3 times in every 10 years depending on the years growing conditions. It is bottled after 2 years in the barrel and then is kept in the dark at a temperature of 12 - 15 deg C (ideally at a constant 16 deg C. In your household a dark cupboard away from a radiator is ideal. It is best kept on its side and not moved. To help you know about any movement, there is a small splash of white paint on the top to help you keep the bottle in the same position. This forms a crust on top of the wine which is the main reason for decanting.

TOP TIP! If you are unsure whether to decant or not, if a port bottle needs a corkscrew to take out the cork, then decant, if it is a pull cork, no need to decant.

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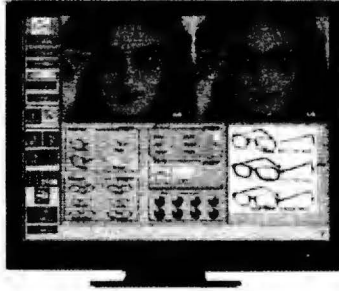
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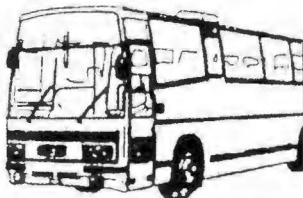
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**Monday 16th February
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**Sunday 22nd February
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Friday 17th April **8.30 pm - 12.00 midnight**

Grand Ceilidh Dance
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Saturday 18th April **10.30 am - 11.30 am**

TMSA Guitar Workshop
in Glenfarg Village Hall
Tutor Gordon Baillie
£5.00

10.30 am - 11.30 am
TMSA Songwriting Workshop
in the Terrace Bar, Glenfarg Hotel
Tutor Dave Gibb
£5.00

11.30 am - 2.00 pm
Singaround
in the Terrace Bar, Glenfarg Hotel
Entry free

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 - Dave Gibb
 - The Paul McKenna Band
 - Grace Hewat & Polwart
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Sunday 19th April
11.30 - 2.00pm
Singaround
in the Terrace Bar, Glenfarg Hotel
Entry free

1.45 - 2.45pm
Children's Concert
in Glenfarg Village Hall
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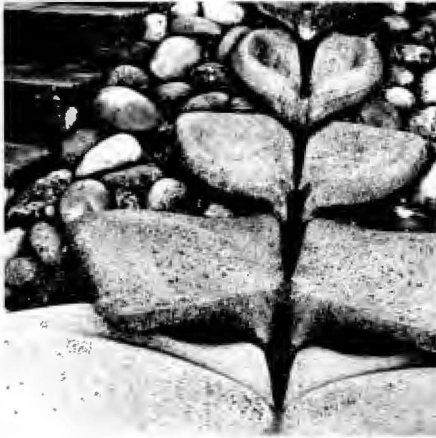
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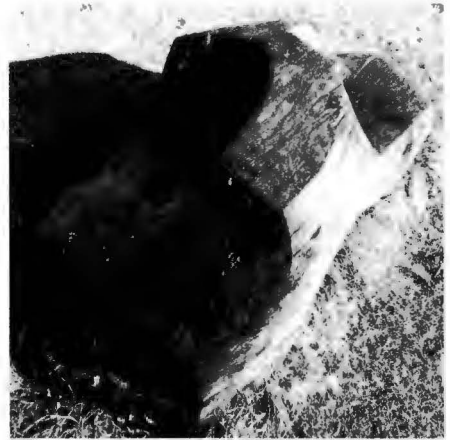
A Walk through Glenfarg Green...
We are now in the final stages of this project that started with the initial survey done by Campbell Vaughan, plotting the exact position of the trees.

Exodus from Kinross did all the design work for the panels keeping in mind our tree theme.

The wrought iron panels were made by Douglas Erskine a blacksmith from Kinross. The large frame at the main entrance from Greenbank road will show a map where all the trees are, the year they were planted, their Latin names and who adopted them.

I was helped in the research of the names by Edinburgh Botanical gardens, P& K tree specialists and then when it came to having all the new tree labels made by IP Engraving from Lockerbie they did the final check. Using RHS standard type face and we now have large readable labels that will go on all the trees early in the New Year. Many of the old ones are either damaged or missing.

Crossing the bridge from Ladeside a new slab path laid by CBT leads to the smaller wrought iron panel for the History sign. There we show some photos of what the original area of the Green looked like before the pond was completed. Photos courtesy of Maggie Lascelles and Jimmy Lindsay.



When the handover of Glenfarg Green was agreed the P & K Council took responsibility for cutting the grass and tending the meadow. They also agreed at that time to, paint the bridge, fix the main gate, look after the pond, and maintain the plants around the pond. A combination of budget constraints and Health and Safety issues have precluded them doing other than grass cutting, and removing the meadow grass. The maintaining of the plants and the Green has fallen on a small group of volunteers and Glenfarg and Duncruevie in Bloom.

On a Wednesday morning during the autumn months of 2008 a small group of us, Mel and Yvonne Clarkson, Irene Findlay, and Ian Henderson have been doing regular pruning in the Green, the trees along the Telephone exchange and the large shrubbery, and tidying areas around the pond.

Starting in March 2009 if there is anyone who can spare an hour on a Wednesday from 10am please come along, there is always something to do!

Our thanks to Dennis Adamson for maintaining the inlet pipe that keeps the water flowing through the pond. Projects still to be completed include the fixing of the information panels to the frames that are already in position. A seat carved from a large oak tree to be placed at the highest point to admire the view.

Sybil Galbraith
Secretary
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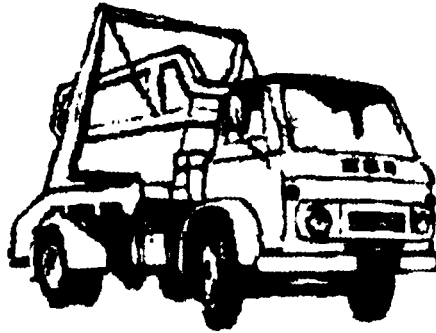
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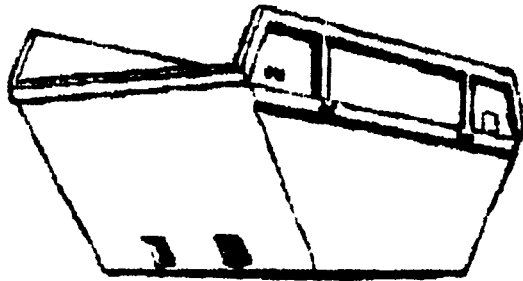
Thanks to the overwhelming number of photographs, memorabilia and memories shared at the Hall for All opening celebration exhibition last year, we will be able to bring you a range of photographs over the coming months. Do you have a photograph you'd like to share with our readers? Contact the editorial team and let us know!

This month's photograph features children from the Arngask Primary School concert in 1969.





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Glenfarg and Duncrievie in Bloom

A frosty start to the year which will hopefully be followed by a wonderful Spring and an even better summer and, although good weather does put more pressure on our watering volunteers, the end result makes it all worthwhile. And this year is going to see G&DIB trendsetting, breaking the mould and demonstrating even more that there's more to G&DIB than pretty flowers.

Some of you will have noticed the area of cleared ground behind the winter garden at Glenfarg Green and wondered what's happening there. Well wonder no more. Thanks to the innovative idea of Len McConnell and the donation of 4 more tattie boxes from Robert Doig of Old Fargie this area will become G&DIB's Food Garden. The boxes are to be halved by Stewart Smith and will become raised beds. Len, a keen gardener and promoter of home grown produce, will be working with the primary school children, taking them on the fascinating journey from seeds and

plants to dinner plates. As this is a totally new project we can only await the outcome but if previous ventures are anything to go by G&DIB are onto another winner here. This project is not exclusive to the children so if there's any of you out there who would like to learn a wee bit more about 'Grow your Own' in your garden have a word with Len or any of the In Bloom team. Not only could you produce tasty and nutritious goods but you could also cut your shopping bills.

Speaking of money, this time collecting not saving, the G&DIB choristers were out carol singing again and raised £133.38 which this year may end up as winter warmer vegetables next Christmas. Thank you to all who donated and sorry if we didn't make it to your door but don't worry we'll find other ways for you to donate. Remember the most valuable thing you can give is your time to help in the environmental maintenance of this great vil-



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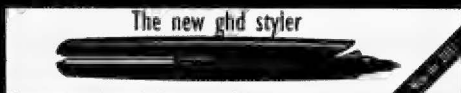


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So my grandfather does it for her all the time even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love!

Rebecca aged 8.

When someone loves you the way they say your name is different. You just know that your name is safe in their mouth.

Billy aged 4.

Love is what makes you smile when you are tired.

Terri aged 4.

Love is when my mummy makes coffee for my daddy and she takes a sip before giving it to him to make sure the taste is ok.

Danny aged 7.

Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen.

Bobby aged 7.



If you want to learn to love better you should start with a friend who you hate.

Nikka aged 6.

Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt then he wears it everyday.

Noelle aged 7.

Love is like a little old woman and a little old man who are still friends even after they know each other so well.

Tommy aged 6.

When you love somebody, your eyelashes go up and down and little stars come out of you.

Carron aged 7.

Love is when mummy sees daddy on the toilet and she doesn't think it's gross.

Mark aged 6

You really shouldn't say 'I love you' unless you mean it, but if you mean it you should say it a lot, people forget.
Jessica aged 8.

During my piano recital I was on a stage and I was scared, I looked at all the people watching me and saw my daddy waving and smiling. He was the only one doing that. I wasn't scared any more.
Cindy aged 8.

My mummy loves me more than anybody. You don't see anybody else kissing me to sleep at night.
Claire aged 6.

Love is when mummy gives daddy the best piece of chicken and not the cat.
Elaine aged 5.

Love is when mummy sees daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is handsomer than Robert Redford.
Chris aged 7.

Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you have left him alone all day.
Mary-Ann aged 4.

I know my older sister loves me, because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.
Lauren aged 4.

Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they go out and smell each other.
Carl aged 5.

Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your chips without making them give you any of theirs.
Chrissie aged 6.



And the final one, author and lecturer, Leo Buscaglia once talked about a contest he was asked to judge, the purpose of the contest was to find the most caring child, the winner was a 4 year old child whose next door neighbour was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old gentleman's yard, climbed onto his lap and just sat there. When his mother asked what he had said to the neighbour, the little boy said "nothing, I just helped him cry".

Source: The Arrow, Linlithgow, Feb '08.

***Soup and Chat* warms the soul in the village hall!**

An initiative to encourage more people to use Glenfarg's village hall and enjoy a tasty bowl of soup and a chat every month is proving a major success.

The brainchild of Lindsay Kinnaird, the monthly Soup and Chat event on the first Wednesday of every month from 12.30pm to 1.30pm is drawing in all ages.

And thanks to the donation of a range of tasty, healthy, homemade soups from volunteers, and those giving their time to serve up soup with a smile, more and more people are making the event a 'must attend' each month!

There is no need to book, and with a range of tasty soups on offer for the cost of a donation there's something for every palate!

One of the key Big Lottery funding goals was to encourage more people who traditionally wouldn't use the hall to enjoy more access to it. The Soup and Chat club is not only filling that requirement, but invites everyone to enjoy some great company and a tasty hot meal in lovely surroundings! If you can spare some time or a pot of soup once a month for a good cause, please contact Lindsay on 830337.



Lindsay Kinnaird and Kate Fairweather spoon up at January's soup club



Stir it up in style with our tasty no-fat sweet potato and red pepper soup!

This delicious soup recipe couldn't be easier or healthier! Suitable for vegetarians - just use vegetable stock - and you've a hearty, healthy soup in minutes with no fat or flour! Do you have a favourite recipe you'd like to share through the Glenfarg Newsletter? Just contact the editorial team (details in the inside cover) and let us know.

Ingredients

- 1½ lb sweet potatoes (normally about five or six large sweet potatoes)
- 2 large red peppers, deseeded and cut into chunks
- 1 large onion, chopped (red will give more flavour)
- 1.5 litres (2 ½ pints) of stock (chicken or vegetable)
- Salt and pepper to season

Method

1. Peel sweet potatoes and cut into even-sized 2" (5cm) chunks
2. Add deseeded pepper chunks and chopped onion
3. Put all vegetables in to a large pan and add the stock and seasoning
4. Bring to the boil and then simmer for about 25 minutes (covered) until the sweet potatoes are tender
6. Blend the soup (it should be fairly textured but not too thick)
7. Serve and enjoy!

For added presentation at a dinner party, why not add some lightly toasted pumpkin seeds and a swirl of soured cream? For a hearty mid-week meal, enjoy with a chunk of homemade bread or French stick. This soup can be made up to two days ahead and reheated to serve, remembering to stir well. It can also be made up in bulk and frozen.

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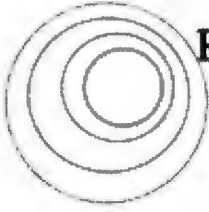
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Draft Minutes of meeting held on Monday 5th January 2009

Present

CCllrs C Campbell (Chairman), K Armstrong (Secy), C Murison (Treasurer), T Bisset, A Grave, J Holt-Brook, D MacKenzie, R Quartermaine, G Vaughan.

By Invitation

Cllr K Baird, Constable Bayne

Members of the Public

4 members of the public were present

Apologies

CCllrs B Connolly, A Johnston

01/01/09 Previous minutes

Minutes of meeting 03/11/08 are to have addendum of Npower's request to delete reference to their attitude to CC's concerns in relation to Lochelbank development.

The amended minutes were agreed as accurate and proposed by Cllr C Murison and seconded by Cllr A Grave.

02/01/09 Police Report

Nothing to report on Glenfarg but the incidence of car break ins in the area, in particular at Burleigh Sands and Portmoak car parks, is giving cause for concern. It appears that in some cases the thieves may have actually been in the car park and watched victims placing valuables out of sight before targeting vehicle. Const. Bayne stressed constant vigilance and suggested that when parking in such areas it may be advisable to note registration numbers of other vehicles in the vicinity.

03/01/09 Matters arising (not covered elsewhere

Npower meeting – no communication has yet been received from Community Benefits Officer. Serge Merone to be invited to advise us on aspects of community benefit fund.

04/01/09 Treasurer's Report

Sole transaction payment of Hall fee for Fete meeting.

05/01/09 Planning

Drunzie (not in CC area but of

interest to Glenfarg) application refused by P&KC.

Lochelbank – there are continuing access problems for independent experts to visit site.

Kinross-shire Forum – Cllr Barnacle is to write to CC detailing role and aims of forum.

AJ Stephen

Jim Lochhead, Planning Advisor, AJ Stephen gave details of company's responses to CC objections with reference to other objections from neighbours. Several issues raised are ongoing and AJ Stephen are meeting with P&K planners 6th Jan. 2009 when revised plans will be discussed. Revision reduces number of properties to 40, some house styles changed and path access to Wallace Park moved.

06/01/09 Core Paths and TRACKS

Secretary has received letters from residents re gritting of new path, dog fouling and section of path from Hilton of Duncreevie to the stables again being barred.

Cllr Baird agreed to pursue possibility of gritting bin being provided in vicinity of new path. CCllr Doran to prepare item for

Newsletter re dog fouling. Chairman to investigate issues of access from Hilton to stables.

07/01/09 AOCB

School Catchment Cllr Baird continues to pursue this long running request to move Glenfarg to Kinross HS catchment.

ASCC The role of, and Glenfarg's representation within, the Association of Scottish Community Councils was discussed and it was agreed that members consider their willingness or availability to attend ASCC meetings and to keep the council informed of activities.

Hayfield Road closure Concerns were expressed by the residents affected by the closure of part of Hayfield Road for contractors installing services to development at Glendeuglie.

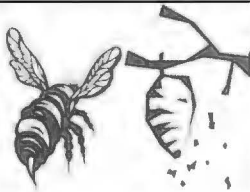
Date of next meeting Mon 2nd March 2009 Village Hall

Diary dates

AGM 23rd March 2009

Elections (if required) 13th April 2009

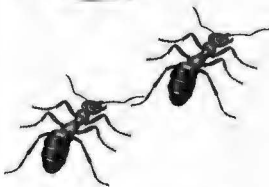
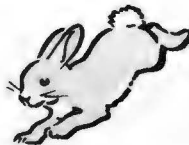
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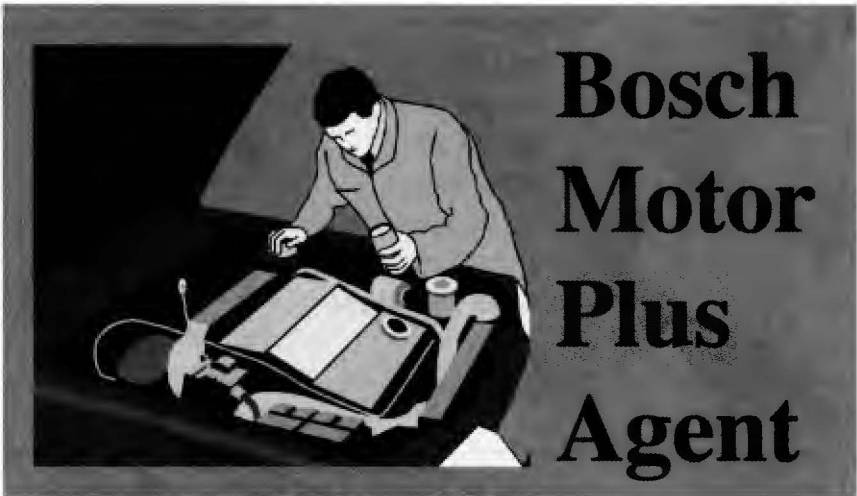


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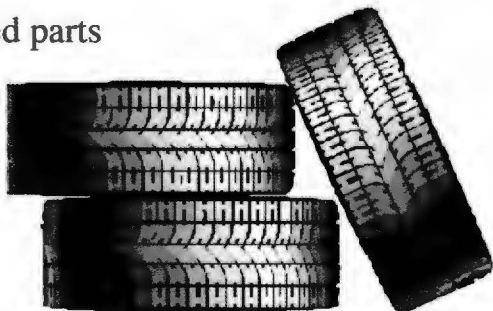
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Mobile Services

Library

The van visits the village on alternate Wednesdays:

4th & 18th February; 4th, 18th March; 1st April

And stops at: The School: 09:30-10:15

Hayfield Road: 10:15-10:30

Ladeside (P.O.): 10:30-11:15

Main Street: 11:15-11:30

Duncrievie: 11:35-11:50



Bank of Scotland: Stops at Glenfarg Hotel every Tuesday 10.45-11.00

Mobile Post Office: Stops outside The Old Joiners workshop, Ladeside, Glenfarg on the following days and times:

Mon 10.45-11.45; Tues 12.45-2.15; Thurs 10.45-44.45; Fri 12.45 - 2.15

Recycling

Recycling Points:

Glenfarg: Arrgask School car park for cans, paper and glass

Kinross: Causeway Car Park, Somerfield, Station Road for cans (aluminium & steel), Glass, Paper, Textiles.

Milnathort: Thistle Inn, Black Loan for cans (aluminium & steel), Glass, Paper.

Perth: Tesco, Edinburgh Road, For cans (aluminium & steel), Glass, Paper, Textiles & Books.

Skips:

Kinross (Bridgend Industrial Estate): Open Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

Perth (Friarton Recycling Centre): Open Mon -Fri 9am-7pm, Sat-Sun 9am-5pm

Waste collection dates

Glenfarg

Garden Waste (Brown lidded bin): Fridays 13th February, 13th March and 10th April

Paper Waste (Blue lidded bin): Thursdays 26th February and 26th March

Duncrievie

Garden Waste: Saturdays 7th February, 7th March & 4th April

Paper Waste: Thursdays 26th February and 26th March



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