

Issue 30 April, 2008

At the time of writing there's a dusting of snow on the hilltops and Spring seems to be a long way off. Hopefully by the time you read this the temperature will have risen to double figures and the garden will be a more welcoming place.

Regrettably, for a variety of reasons most of our local gardens will not be open to the public this year. Those that will be open are listed below. Please support the gardeners who through their hard work give pleasure to visitors and aid to good causes.

Sunday 11th May, Arduaine Gardens (National Trust for Scotland).

At 11 a.m. there will be a guided walk, and at 2.30 p.m. there will be A Look Behind the Scenes.

Admission: Adults £5, Concessions and children £4. Proceeds will go to Scotland's Gardens Scheme charities.

Arduaine Gardens are open daily 9.30 a.m. until sunset, admission as above.

Contact: Maurice Wilkins 01852 200366

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

An Cala, Ellenabeich. Proceeds in aid of Seil Island Village Hall.

An Cala is open daily from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Contact: Mrs Sheila Downie 01852 300237

#### **Gardens open for charity**

### **Argyllshire Gardens open in 2008**

#### **Gardens Open By Arrangement**

Ardno, Cairndow	10 a.m. − 5 p.m.	Tel: 01499 302304
Cnoc-na-Garrie, Ballymeanoch	On request	Tel: 01546 605327
Crinan Hotel	On request	Tel: 01546 830261
Kildalloig, Campbeltown	On request	Tel: 01586 553192
Kinlochlaich House Gardens	Christmas & New Year	Tel: 01631 730342
Oakbank, Ardrishaig	May – 31 August	Tel: 01546 606486

#### **Gardens Open Regularly**

Achnacloich, Connel An Cala, Ellenabeich Ardchattan Priory, North Connel Ardkinglas Woodland Garden Ardmaddy Castle Ascog Hall, Ascog, Isle of Bute	31 March – 31 October 1 April – 31 October March – 31 October All Year All year daily 21 March – 31 October	10 a.m. – 6 p.m. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. 9.30 a.m. 6 p.m. Daylight hours. 9 a.m. – sunset 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Barguillean's "Angus Garden" Benmore Botanic Garden, Dunoon Benmore Botanic Garden, Dunoon Druimavuic House, Appin Druimneil House, Port Appin Eckford, By Dunoon	(except Mons. & Tues) All year March & October 1 April – 30 September 1 April – 30 June April – October 9 April - 6 June	9 a.m. – 6 p.m. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Dawn – Dusk 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Jura House, Ardfin Kinlochlaich House Gardens, Appin Kinlochlaich House Gardens, Appin Kinlochlaich House Gardens, Appin Torosay Castle, Craignure	All year April – September, Sundays April – September, Mon – Sat	9 a.m. – 5 p.m. 10.30 a.m. – 5.30 p.m. 9.30 a.m. – 5.30 p.m. 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.(sunset)

#### **Gardens Open On a Specific Date**

Strachur House Gardens, Strachur	Sat/Sun 19/20 April	1 p.m. − 5 p.m.
Arduaine Gardens, Kilmelford	Sunday 11 May	9.30 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Crarae Garden, Inveraray	Sunday 11 May	10  a.m. - 5  p.m.
Crinan Hotel Garden, Crinan	Sunday 11 May	$12 \operatorname{noon} - 5 \operatorname{p.m.}$
Minard Castle, Minard	Sunday 11 May	2  p.m. - 6  p.m.
Drim na Vullin, Lochgilphead	Sat & Sun 17/18 May	2  p.m. - 6  p.m.
Drim na Vullin, Lochgilphead	Sat & Sun 24/25 May	2  p.m. - 6  p.m.
Strachur House Gardens, Strachur	Sat & Sun 24/25 May	1  p.m. - 5  p.m.
Strachur House Gardens, Strachur	Sat & Sun 28/29 June	1  p.m. - 5  p.m.
Fairwinds, Dunoon	Sat & Sun 19/20 July	2  p.m. - 5  p.m.
Seafield, Dunoon	Sat & Sun 19/20 July	2  p.m. - 5  p.m.

For more information see <a href="https://www.gardensofscotland.org">www.gardensofscotland.org</a> Charity No: SC011337

#### **Forthcoming events**

**Friday, 2nd May -** Coffee Morning in Kilmelford Village Hall. 10.30am – 12.00pm. Proceeds to Village Hall and Kilmelford Church. Contact Diane Scaife 01852 200208

**Friday 2nd May** - 7.30pm in Kilmelford Village Hall. Curry Night with a selection of exotic Indian dishes; followed by a Quiz Night. Soft drinks provided, but please bring your own alcohol. Vegetable curry and non-curry option available. Tickets £10.00 each (participating children only - half price) from Kilmelford Village Stores and event organisers. Contact Toni Mitchell 01852 316151

**Friday, 2nd May** - Lord of the Isles, Craobh, in the evening. Live music from Framed and Archie McAllister. Framed and Archie as well as other groups will be playing at the 'Lord' throughout the summer, but no dates available at this time.

**Sunday, May 10th - Blessing of the Boats** at Ardfern Yacht Centre, followed by the Spring Fair in Ardfern Fire Station - contact Alastair McLachlan 01852 200565

**Friday, 6th June** – Coffee Morning in Kilmelford Village Hall 10.30am – 12.00pm. Proceeds to Village Hall and Church. Contact Dorothy Bark 01852 200370

Friday, June 20th at 7.30pm. in Craignish Village Hall, Black Sheep Comedy – 'The Joy of Wine' - contact Jan Brown 01852 500689

**Saturday, June 21st,** in Craignish Village Hall, (time tba.) Black Sheep Comedy – 'Professor Bumm's Story Machine' (age 5 upwards) - contact Jan Brown 01852 500689

**Friday, 4th July** – Coffee Morning in Kilmelford Village Hall 10.30am – 12.00pm. Proceeds to Village Hall and Church. Contact Diane Scaife 01852 200208

Saturday, July 19th – Sunday, August 3rd - Elemental Arts. Ardfern & Craobh Haven Arts Festival in Craignish Village Hall and elsewhere on the peninsula - contact Namaste Bevan 01852 500390

**Friday, 1st Aug** – Coffee Morning in Kilmelford Village Hall 10.30am – 12.00pm. Proceed to Village Hall and Church. Contact Diane Scaife 01852 200208

**Saturday, August 30th at 7.30pm** – Mull Theatre – 'The Accidental Death of an Accordionist' - contact Jan Brown 01852 500689

**Friday, 5th Sept** – Coffee Morning in Kilmelford Village Hall 10.30am – 12.00pm. Proceeds to Village Hall and Church. Contact Diane Scaife 01852 200208

#### **ART GROUP**

The group meets weekly on Thursdays from 2 p.m. -4.30 p.m. in the small hall in Kilmelford. Fees are £1 per session. All welcome.

Contacts: Clare Howard, Tel: 01852 200375 or Agnes McColl, 01852 200365

#### **COUNTRY DANCING**

This was another very well attended season culminating in the end of session party on the 13th of March in Kilmelford Village Hall. Many, many thanks again to Mike for providing such enjoyable Thursday evening sessions. Future arrangements for country dancing sessions will be announced in the September newsletter.

#### **EMBROIDERY WORKSHOPS**

The weekly Wednesday morning workshops in Kilmelford Village Hall have stopped for the summer. They will start again in the autumn – date to be advised in the September newsletter.

Contact: Elizabeth Asbury (Tel: 01852 200377)

The group does still meet informally on most Wednesdays through the summer, either in the hall, if there are enough people, or in someone's home. Anyone wishing to join in should contact Dorothy Carmichael Tel: 01852 200374.

#### FOOTBAL CLUB

The local football team, the Melfort Mermaids, plays every Sunday (in the summertime) and every other Sunday (in winter months) in the Oban Sunday league.

They are very kindly coached by Luzas Bigus. Coaching is held at Kilninver & Kilmeford Village Hall on Tuesdays from 6.30pm-7.30pm and at the High Schools astroturf pitch every Friday 6pm-7pm.

We are always looking for new players (P4-P7).

Please contact either Sue Johnson on 200364 or Melissa/Alasdair Oatts on 200314.

#### **LOCH MELFORT BEACH CLEAN 2008**

Every spring groups of volunteers clear up litter from the shoreline of Loch Melfort from Degnish Point around to the pier at Arduaine.

This is ideally completed by early May.

If you are willing to help with a small stretch of beach, at any time and on any day to suit yourself, please contact

Diane Scaife 01852 200208

who will attempt to co-ordinate the clean-up and can provide rubbish bags and maps if required!

Funding from Argyll & Bute Council is occasionally available and local businesses often generously provide sponsorship. Any money raised goes to support local causes.

#### THIS SHOW NEEDS YOU

We have decided, after a great deal of discussion to set a date, 24th August 2008, to run this show one more time. This group of organisers is concerned that it appears that the major part of the community is no longer interested in the show's existence. The purpose is and always has been to provide a fun family day and a meeting place with an element of competition and reward to entertain everyone. It also contributes financially to local organisations.

#### **USE IT OR LOSE IT**

We thank those who have helped and contributed in the past and hope that they will continue. But without more local input and enthusiasm both before and during the event it may not happen in 2009. The future of this festival depends on you, and your response to this notice. So please come and support us in August, and wield your pen now and reply to the attached questionnaire. Your opinion is important to us.

Isobel Smith	200 537	Clare Howard	200 375
Dorothy Bark	200 370	Toni Mitchell	316 151
Georgina Dalton	01866 844 212		

#### KILMELFORD AND KILNINVER SUMMER FESTIVAL

#### SUNDAY 24TH AUGUST 2008, AT 1p.m.

#### **NOTES**

- 1. Cash Prizes! First £1; Second, 50 pence; Third, 30 pence
- 2. All entries to Hall between 9a.m. and 11a.m. only.
- 3. Fee per class is 30 pence.
- 4. Each entry to have class No. on outside of sealed envelope and name of entrant inside.
- 5. All entries MUST NOT have been previously exhibited in this local area.
- 6. There is a maximum of one entry per person per class.

#### **SECTION A FLOWERS**

*FOR THE DALTON TROPHY* - most points in Sections A and B To be grown by competitor

Class 1 Single Rose

Class 2 Single Bloom - any variety

Class 3 Vase of garden flowers - mixed.

Class 4 Vase of garden flowers - one cultivar

#### **SECTION B PLANTS (Indoor or outdoor plants)**

To be grown or grown on (minimum one year) by competitor

Class 5 Foliage Plant Pot.

Class 6 Flowering Pot Plant.

Class 7 Selection of three or more pot plants in one container.

Class 8 Named plant grown from pip, stone or cutting.

#### **SECTION C FLORAL ART**

FOR THE BP TROPHY (Not necessarily grown by competitor. Fresh, dried or artificial)

- Class 9 An arrangement in a shell.
- Class 10 An arrangement for a small round table.
- Class 11 An arrangement of flowers with a musical theme.
- Class 12 An arrangement depicting a trade or profession.

#### SECTION D PRODUCE

FOR THE MELFORT FARM TROPHY (To be grown by the competitor)

- Class 13 A bunch of mixed herbs.
- Class 14 Four tomatoes.
- Class 15 Four root vegetables (one variety, either 4 of potatoes, carrots, parsnips or beetroots).
- Class 16 Selection of salad leaves.

#### **SECTION E PRODUCE**

FOR THE CUILFAIL HOTEL TROPHY

Class 17 Selection of fresh fruit and/or vegetables from the same garden, grown by the competitor.

#### **SECTION F HANDICRAFTS**

FOR THE ARDUAINE CRAFT TROPHY

- Class 18 A wearable scarf. (Use your imagination).
- Class 19 A Scarecrow. To be exhibited outside.
- Class 20 An item of soft craft. (Needlework, crochet, lace etc, but not knitting)
- Class 21 A computer-generated greetings card.
- Class 22 A photo of a view including a bridge.
- Class 23 A painting or drawing of "My Dream Garden".
- Class 24 An item of hard craft. (Wood, glass, metal, pottery etc.).

#### **SECTION G HOME PRODUCE**

FOR THE FISH FARM TROPHY

- Class 25 Salsa dip.
- Class 26 Potato Salad.
- Class 27 Vegetable Sauce for Pasta.
- Class 28a Tea Loaf.
- Class 28b A plate of fruit scones.
- Class 29 Four shortbread fingers.
- Class 30 A Chocolate sponge
- Class 31 A Gingerbread man or woman.
- Class 32 A decorated cake with an Olympic theme.
- Class 33 A jar of jam or jelly.

#### **CHILDRENS' SECTION**

#### FOR THE LOCH MELFORT HOTEL TROPHY

#### **UNDER 8 YEARS**

- Class 34 Model or drawing of a scarecrow, any medium. (maximum height 50cms).
- Class 35 A decorated Potato.
- Class 36 A birthday card for a grandparent.

FOR THE MELFORT CLUB TROPHY

#### **8 TO 11 YEARS**

- Class 37 Three Fairy cakes.
- Class 38 A design for the sign to your school.
- Class 39 A scarecrow. (Maximum height 70 cms.).

#### FOR THE MELFORT PIER TROPHY

#### **12 TO 16 YEARS**

- Class 40 A Pizza with a scone dough base.
- Class 41 A handmade greetings card. (no computer enhancement).
- Class 42 A book jacket design. (may be computer enhanced).
- Class 43 Life-size, adult or child, scarecrow.

#### **FESTIVAL CONTACTS**

Isobel Smith	01852 200537	Clare Howard	01852 200375
Dorothy Bark	01852 200370	Toni Mitchell	01852 316151

Georgina Dalton 01866 844212

#### HIRE OF SUMMER FESTIVAL EQUIPMENT

The marquee is no longer available for hire but can be borrowed for use only within the Kilmelford and Kilninver parish. Contact Stuart Cannon 200 286

#### **SPORTS**

Squash: 16 years and over £4 per hour

Under 16 years, OAPs, students and unemployed £2 per hour

Badminton: £3 per hour all categories

Junior Football: £3 per hour Indoor Tennis: £3 per hour

#### **HIRE CHARGES**

	LESSER HALL	MAIN HALL
Charity Fund Raisers	£1.50 per hour	£3 per hour
Social use other than charities	£3 per hour	£6 per hour
Commercial use	£6 per hour	£12 per hour

Above charges include kitchen power and use of equipment for light refreshment and drink preparation only.

Additional use of kitchen cooking facilities for preparation of hot food is £10 per event.

Evening Dances and Functions	5 p.m. – 11 p.m. (1 a.m. for dances)
Charity	£60/session Deposit: £20
Private	£60/session Deposit: £20
Commercial	£85/session Deposit: £50

N.B. Above charges include kitchen power and use of equipment for food and refreshment preparation.

#### **HIRE OF EQUIPMENT**

Residents of Kilmelford, Kilninver and Arduaine may hire equipment, and by special arrangement for those resident outside the area.

Tables: £2 per day. Chairs: £1 per day. Prices of cutlery and crockery on request.

A full list of rates and availability can be obtained from the Hall Caretaker.

Hire is subject to a minimum charge of £10.

HEATING TOKENS FOR MAIN AND LESSER HALLS £1.50 each

MEMBERSHIP AND LOST KEYS

£10 each

CARETAKING AND BOOKINGS FOR THE HALL

Caretaker:- Chris Johnson

**Bookings** should be made during business hours at the Kilmelford Village Stores (Tel: 01852 200271).

#### UNDER 16s

**PLEASE NOTE:** owing to safety issues, no-one aged 16 or younger can be allowed into Kilmelford and Kilninver Village Hall without the supervision of an adult.

After each use the Hall must be left clean and tidy. Failure to do this will lead to a further charge of £50.

#### **KILMELFORD & KILNINVER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

The AGM was held on the 8th January 2008 and the new committee was elected as follows:

Chair Toni Mitchell
Treasurer Fergus Gillanders
Secretary Diane Scaife
Bookings Anne Saunders
Committee member Ellen Coyle
Robin Grey
Neil Manchester

Lucy Files will be joining the committee in May 2008.

Committee meetings of the association were held on 8<sup>th</sup> January and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2008. The main topics under discussion were as follows:

#### Maintenance

- 1) An electrician will soon be fitting a new hand-dryer and electrical unit for the shower in the Ladies' cloakroom; also the replacement token meter for the main hall heaters.
- 2) Rain water has been coming in under the back fire door and the lack of damp course here has allowed seepage under the floor. An estimate for the work is forthcoming.
- 3) The routine electrical inspection of the Hall wiring has been carried out by a qualified electrician.
- 4) The old oil drums and other discarded items have been removed by the Council from the back of the building.
- 5) Volunteers for a rota of grass cutting around the Hall are being sought. Please contact any of the committee if you are willing to do a week.

#### **Fund Raising**

- 1) The Race Night in February was so successful and well attended it is to become an annual event. £517.00 was raised. Thanks to Toni Mitchell and the others who helped on the night.
- 2) A Curry Night with Quiz is planned for May 2nd. This is expected to be popular with all ages.
- 3) The 100 Club has 73 members and would like more!
- 4) The Beach Clean will be carried out during April and early May. It is hoped that local business will offer sponsorship to support local causes.

#### The Race Night, February 22nd 2008

To the thunder of hooves and cheers from the crowd, the 2nd Race Night got under way. It was a very happy and well-organised event with excellent commentary from the M.C. backed up by two able bookies who kept the punters in control and gave out the appropriate winnings.

The well-groomed horses were mostly raring to go though some did not move as quickly as hoped by those who had backed them. One in particular never even left the starting line. However the fillies did particularly well, beating their male counterparts in the majority of races.

The whole evening was great fun ably supported by the bar and two excellent bar keepers, and also by the two dice throwers who were kept so busy making the horses move at a fast pace, - so much so that they were seen to be gently perspiring by the end.

The sum of £517 was raised for the Hall Fund, which was substantial considering the fact that there were not all that many punters present. More please next year! It really was a most enjoyable evening and many thanks of appreciation to all those who gave their time to make it so successful.

D. G-C.

#### **VILLAGE HALLS' SUMMIT, 2008**

The Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations organised the FIRST EVER Village Halls' Summit at The Aviemore Highland Resort on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2008. Fergus Gillanders and I were two of the 250 delegates who attended on behalf of their village halls. There were representatives literally from the length and breadth of Scotland. We met people from the Shetlands and Orkneys, the Western Isles and from John O'Groats to the Haugh of Urr in Dumfries and Galloway. It was heart-warming to see how well attended the summit was, in fact it was oversubscribed, so Fergus and I were lucky to be allocated places.

The day began at 10am and closed at 3.30pm and followed a typical conference style timetable with speeches, case studies, time for questions and round table discussions. However, as so often happens with this type of gathering the most valuable thing to come out of it was talking to other delegates. We found that their problems and experiences are the same as, or at least similar to ours, - namely funding and the recruitment of younger people to help run organisations, assist at events or even support them.

I think the majority of delegates who attended the summit, like us, were hoping to find answers to some of their problems, but sadly in many cases we felt disappointed.

Richard Lochead, MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs and the Environment, made a half-hour speech in the morning session in which he stressed the importance of village halls to their communities, and how valuable those of us who worked on behalf of the community centres are to rural life. He then pledged to make funding for their important work more readily available, but, later on in his address said that funding would still be at the discretion of the local councils, so nothing new there then!!! Unfortunately I felt, and I was not alone in my thinking, that Mr. Lochead's speech was a glorified party political 'broadcast' on behalf of the SNP, and that nothing much would change!

Sandra Hogg who was the SCVO Convener for the summit did give a brief and informative history of village halls and I found the following points interesting. There have been village halls around since the 18<sup>th</sup> century; there are 3,000 in Scotland; 30% were built in the 19<sup>th</sup> century; 72% are pre-1960; only 8 are really modern, so Kilmelford and Kilninver are lucky there; 66% are strictly rural and 20% were built as War Memorials. The SCVO have been involved with village halls since the 1940s and feel now is the time to raise their profile. Clearly the summit was the first of many, and I feel pleased that we were 'in at the beginning'.

Fergus and I did at least find out about some organisations which we may be able to approach for future funding, and we also gleaned some ideas as to how we could improve our existing facilities. After all K and K village hall is YOUR village hall and along with the two churches is the heart of our little community, and therefore should be 'user friendly'.

I hope the committee of the Kilmelford and Kilninver Community Association with its new committee members and the valued support of its longer standing members will feel encouraged to take on board some new projects and ideas to help make the hall a warmer and more welcoming place for all our residents and their visitors. However, this can only be done with your help. We cannot expect the same few people to organise, run and attend all occasions. You MUST support the fund raising events and help in other ways when and where possible.

I felt this summit was a very good inauguration into my new position as chair on the Kilmelford and Kilninver Community Association Committee, and I look forward to an exciting new period in the history, the second decade, of our village hall.

#### Antoinette Mitchell.

#### **CHURCH OF SCOTLAND SERVICES**

Services are held every Sunday at 12 noon alternately in Kilmelford Parish Church and Kilninver Parish Church. All visitors are welcome.

Kilmelford Church is in the centre of the village, and the car park is behind the church.

Kilninver Church is half a mile off the A816 road to Oban. At Kilninver take the turning to Easdale. You can park at the roadside.

	Kilmelford	Kilninver
April	13 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup>
May	11 <sup>th,</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> , 18th
June	8 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> (communion), 15 <sup>th</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup>
July	6 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup>
August	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 31 <sup>st</sup>	10 <sup>th,</sup> 24 <sup>th</sup>
September	14 <sup>th</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> (Harvest Thanksgiving)

Every Sunday there is a service of worship at Craignish Parish Church, Ardfern, at 10.30 a.m.

#### SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH SERVICES - St John's Cathedral, George Street Oban.

8 a.m. Holy Communion Sunday

10.15 a.m. Sung Eucharist (Fourth Sunday – Choral Matins)

11 a.m. Holy Communion Wednesday

#### CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES - St Columba's Cathedral, Oban.

7 p.m. Vigil Mass Saturday Sunday 10.30 a.m. Sunday Mass

Monday – Saturday 10.00 a.m. Mass

#### LETTER FROM OUR MINISTER

The Church Restoration Appeal Group has been very agreeably surprised by the response that has been made. To date we have received donations (largely against the pledges made at the beginning) of nearly £33,500. With the tax recovered through Gift Aid there should be an additional £4000. Grants have been promised to us amounting to £17,000. This means that we have cleared the original target of at least £50,000. A huge effort and a very generous response, and my thanks must go to everyone who has been involved in any way. There is still some pledged money to come in and we hope additional donations, for Peter Cross, our Fabric convenor has always said that this is the first (and major) stage in ongoing restoration and maintenance.

On Sunday 30th March about a hundred motorbikes assembled in Kilmelford for a sponsored pillion ride through Glencoe and back to Kilmelford. The moneys from this will be coming in for some little while yet, but so far almost £3500 has been given, and this is included in the above total. Christine and I were pillion riders, both of us for the first time, and we enjoyed it immensely, myself probably more than Christine, although the grin she had when she finished has not yet disappeared. Also from the village were two "Pillion Princesses", Cath Manchester and Christine Roberts, and they too seemed to have enjoyed the day. The event was a great day out for the bikers and a good one for the village and the Church.

The coming months will see the work started (and hopefully completed), and also the completion of the restoration work at Kilninver, again accomplished through the generous giving and support of the local community. As minister in this charge I am particularly pleased to know that through all these generous efforts that we will have a comfortable church in both communities that can be used for more than just the usual church services. Visitors are welcome at any time, and locals are particularly welcome to join in our worship Sunday by Sunday.

May God bless you all, Alastair.

#### We remember....

#### Alan Hill, 22/10/1916 - 11/1/2008

It was the love of sailing and adventurous family holidays that brought Alan, Hilary and the boys to Kilmelford. Alan and Hilary stayed a couple of nights at the Cuilfail while the boys camped on the shores of the loch.

They had understood that there were railway cottages for sale in Argyll for £50 and on hearing this "Old Mac" Mackenzie tempted them to have a wee look at a plot of land down the Degnish road. That was the beginning of building Coille Dharaigh.

Alan wished that his life would be remembered with joy and thanksgiving. In the church full of spring flowers and bright colours Peter, with contributions from family and friends, led the congregation through a descriptive celebration. Alastair shared Alan's love of steam trains and read W. H. Auden's "Night Mail", treating us to a recording of a steam train entering a tunnel and ending in a loud triumphant whistle.

Alex Stewart read the citation from Alan's award of the Military Cross. It commended him for "his tending the wounded and evacuating them from the front line. His courage and devotion to duty in the midst of enemy action deserved him the highest praise and his example did much to maintain the high moral of the troops".

Alan's work at the Stoke Mandeville hospital specialising in rheumatoid arthritis pioneered new approaches to the patients' treatment and well-being. He brought the orthopaedic surgeons into the consultations and advocated that everyone should have fair treatment and when beds were available, whether male or female, it was first on the list.

Hilary and Peter very kindly provided refreshments at the hall after the service, where family and friends could meet and raise a toast, in his favourite dram, to Alan and a celebration of his life.

#### Belle Clark, 1921 – 2008 (Formerly of The Lodge, Glenmore).

For the past three years Belle has lived very quietly at Ossians Care Home, North Connell, so we would like to thank everyone who visited her there, and for all the lovely cards and kind words when she passed away.

When Harry and Belle came back to live in Kilmelford in the early 70s it was a dream come true for them. They always felt that they had come home. The Lodge was a huge part of our families' lives and we all have special memories of them there. God Bless.

#### Grace Pollard, – born 29th June 1929, died 7th February 2008

Grace was brought up in Dumfries but she left Scotland in 1955 to join Ken in Aden for an almost nomadic life as a service wife. Following several further postings a more settled existence was possible when Ken retired from the RAF and began a second career as a school master, initially in the Bristol area and then south Devon. Grace herself worked for many years in the National Health Service at Frenchay and Torbay hospitals.

Grace and Ken arrived in Argyll towards the end of 1998 having been retired for many years in Devon. While living in one of Morag Mellor's chalets at Knipoch they looked for a suitable property. Actually building a house wasn't plan A but the plot at Cuilfail proved an instant attraction to Grace, so that no time was lost in submitting an offer and within a year they moved into Criffel.

Grace and Ken enjoyed life in Kilmelford which brought the added benefit of being in close proximity to some of their grandchildren. They also enjoyed regular holidays including an annual cruise on the Nile with a particular group of friends. Happily, after a break of more than forty years Grace was able to resume her association with the Church of Scotland on favourable terms – fortnightly attendance seemed lenient compared to the regime of her youth when three visits to church every Sunday was the norm.

Latterly Grace suffered from the onset of Alzheimer's. For more than two years Ken did a truly wonderful job of caring for Grace at home but as the disease developed she needed a high level of care and was admitted to the Lynn of Lorne Care Home.

Grace's funeral was held in Kilmelford Parish Church on 13<sup>th</sup> February, after which she was buried at Kilninver Cemetery on what seemed like one of the finest days of the winter. Ken would like to express his gratitude to friends and neighbours for their kindness and support and to the Rev. Alastair for conducting such a comforting funeral service.

#### And on a happier note....

We welcome Alexander Kenneth Forbes Burnett to the community, born on the 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2008. Congratulations to Sandy and Fiona.

#### KILNINVER AND KILMELFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The meeting of the above Council was held on Tuesday 11th December, 8pm at the Village Hall.

**Present:** Neil Manchester (Chairman), Nigel Mitchell, Robin Grey, Robin Asbury, Alasdair Oatts and Lindsay Davies.

Also in attendance were Argyll and Bute Councillor Donald McDonald and 17 members of the public.

**1.Apologies:** Christine McLachlan, Toni Mitchell, Christine Roberts, Judith and John Stannard.

**2.Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes of previous meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2007 were taken as read. The minutes were proposed by Neil Manchester and seconded by Robin Asbury.

#### 3.Matters Arising from previous meeting:

- a. Roads Issues. The Chairman reported on the following roads issues as updated by Neil Brown, Argyll and Bute Council
  - 1. Scrub cutting on A816. Neil Brown confirmed the correct procedure for dealing with the cuttings was for them to have been chipped. This will be arranged. Ian Tegner asked for it to be brought to the attention of Neil Brown that unchipped clippings are lying on the road from Kilninver School to Kilninver Church.
  - 2. Hedge at phone box. Neil Brown confirmed the proprietor of hedge is responsible for the trimming and noted that this has been done. Several members of the public commented this has not been done adequately.
  - 3. White lines at Degnish Road end faded and require re-doing. This has been noted.
  - 4. Acquisition of road for widening for HGV at Melfort Farm bend. Feedback from both Neil Brown and Cllr Duncan MacIntyre that Argyll and Bute Council have no plans to compulsorily purchase this land. John Christlieb has written to the Chairman asking for the Community Council's support in persuading the owners of Melfort House, Mr and Mrs Anderson, to sell or gift 700m² of land to the council for this purpose. The chairman confirmed that as per previous discussions on this issue, the Community Council would not be supporting the proposal, since the general roads in Argyll were of a condition that expenditure on this type of project would be wrong. Cllr Donald MacDonald is now in receipt of all correspondence regarding this matter and will deal with any issues.

- b. Speed Limit in Kilmelford.- process being followed in order for consideration for a reduced speed limit in the village. The Chairman suggested that a speed trap within the village might help matters, and to this end will contact Sgt. Ian Stewart. PC Moffat also confirmed the speed notices at Kilninver Primary School were being reviewed regarding timings.
- c. Bus Shelters in Kilmelford- Cllr MacIntyre confirmed the northbound bus shelter to be replaced.
- d. Blaran Road end- Bus report. No copies received as yet, unclear if report has been completed but Blaran Road has been removed from bus timetable. Chairman to contact Douglas Blades and for this to be Agenda item in February.
- e. Melfort Farm Bridge already dealt with under Roads issues.
- f. Kilninver Notice Board Permission has been received by ACHA to utilise area by bus stop in Kilninver. Cllr MacDonald to enquire regarding insurance cover. Grant application has been submitted. Nigel Mitchell to discuss with Cllr MacIntyre whether we can claim retrospectively or if we must wait for the grant in order to begin work. Costings Nigel has range of quotes from £467incl VAT to £499 excl VAT.
- g. Problem weeds in Scammadale Lindsay Davies to complete map with problem areas identified and liase with the Chairman.
- h. Community Defibrillator Cllr MacDonald asked for confirmation of interest regarding this issue. The Chairman confirmed that interest had been expressed by several members of the community.

#### **4.Land Around Kilmelford Village Hall:**

The planning application for the development of properties has been submitted in the name of Kilninver and Kilmelford Community Council with John Tilley covering the costs of applying. The chairman noted that two objections had been received from Mr Kennedy of Kinloch, and Mr Christlieb of Melfort Pier, both of which generally supported the housing development but objected to the community ownership of amenity areas. Both letters have been addressed by Mr John Coleman, Architect for Mr. Tilley. The chairman also pointed out that all steps in the decision making process had been discussed at the Community Council meetings. It was pointed out at the meeting that the planning application included reference to a document supporting operational need but no such document attached. Robin Asbury to enquire for next C.C. Meeting. Elizabeth Asbury asked for the Chairman to confirm that no member of the Community Council was gaining personally form this process. The Chairman confirmed this, also confirming the benefits to the community that the Community Company would be taking forward. Robin Asbury confirmed the football pitch area will be drained with the rest of the land being the responsibility of the Community Company to manage. The Chairman asked all present to indicate whether they supported proceeding with this project. There was unanimous support at the meeting with the actions taken so far, and a mandate provided to proceed as discussed.

#### **5.Land Reform Act:**

The Chairman asked for suggestions for a name for the Community Company. It was considered that the name 'Kilninford Community Company' was appropriate to the project. The Chairman proposed that a future consideration may be to combine Kilninford Community Company and the Village Hall Committee.

#### **6.Planning Applications:**

- 1. Alterations to dwelling house, Barnacarry house, Kilninver. No issues raised.
- 2. Installation of voltage regulators SSE Power Distribution, land west of Kames Farm, Kilmelford. No issues raised.

#### **7.Correspondence:**

The secretary reported that the following correspondence had been received.

- 1. Scottish Parliament Environment & Rural Affairs. Major inquiry into flooding.
- 2. A&B Council, notice of consultation period regarding post office closures.
- 3. Notification of Oban, Lorn & Isles Area Committee 07.11.07.
- 4. Argyll and Bute Licensing Board. Draft statement of Licensing Policy.
- 5. Notification of Community Engagement meeting 13.12.07. Lindsay Davies and Nigel Mitchell to attend.
- 6. Notification of Oban, Lorn & Isles Area Committee 05.12.07
- 7. Postwatch Scotland, Newsletter Issue 17 and request for volunteers in Christmas service survey displayed in Community Council Notice Board.

#### **Any Other Business**

Robin Asbury advised that when looking at the site of the chalet at Glen Euchar House with regard to a retrospective planning application, the building in the centre of the site listed as a garage appears to be a dwelling. The Chairman will enquire as to what planning permission was obtained for.

Fergus Gillanders asked if combining the Village Hall Committee and any Community Company would affect the charitable status of the Hall Committee. The Chairman will discuss this at Kilninver and Kilmelford Community Association.

#### **Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting of Kilninver and Kilmelford Community Council will be held in the Kilmelford Village Hall on Tuesday 12th of February 2008 at 8pm.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

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A meeting of the above Council was held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> of February, 8pm at the Village Hall.

**Present:** Robin Asbury (RA) (Vice-Chairman), Nigel Mitchell (NM), Alasdair Oatts (AO) and Lindsay Davies (LD).

Also in attendance were Argyll and Bute Councillors Duncan McIntyre and Donald McDonald and 8 members of the public

- **1. Apologies:** Neil Manchester, Robin Grey, PC Moffat, Dorothy Carmichael, Jane Rentoul, Judith Stannard and Beth Nicholson.
- **2. Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes of the previous meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2008 were taken as read. The minutes were proposed by Nigel Mitchell, seconded by Alasdair Oatts.

#### 3. Matters Arising from previous meeting:

- a. Roads Issues Vice Chairman Robin Asbury reported on the following roads issues.
  - 1. Scrub cutting no clippings apparent at this time.
  - 2. Hedge at phone box further cutting needed. RA will address.
  - 3. White lines at Degnish Road- RA to contact Neil Brown
  - 4. Melfort Farm bridge road No further action at this time. Cllr McIntyre reiterated that A&B Council have not been in discussions regarding this issue and have no intentions of doing so at this time.
  - 5. Speed limit at Kilninver Primary School –now flashing at correct time.
  - 6. Speed limit in Kilmelford Village- to be carried forward to a future meeting.
  - 7. Bus shelters in Kilmelford- north bound should be replaced before the next meeting.

- 8. Blaran Road End- Bus report awaited. To be carried forward.
- 9. Kilninver Notice Board- Grant application will be submitted by 05.03.08.
- 10. Problem weeds in Scammadale- map to be sent to Neil Brown.
- 11.Community Defibrillator- Cllr McDonald stated that Scottish Ambulance Service will provide training. He will send contact details to RA

#### 4. Land Around Kilmelford Village Hall.

Planning application made in name of Community Council but not as the developer. Will be presented at meeting in Seil Village Hall 05.03.08. RA & RG to attend. Ken Scaife enquired about missing support document from original planning package, RA will bring to next meeting.

#### **5. Planning Applications:**

- 1. Extension to existing farmhouse, Bragleenbeg Farmhouse, Scammadale. No issues raised.
- 2. Erection of dwelling house, land south east of Kilmelford Yacht Haven. No issues raised.

#### **6. Correspondence:**

The following correspondence has been received,

- 1. Community Newsletter from GRAB trust, group for recycling in Argyll and Bute.
- 2. Public Documentation Pack from Argyll and Bute Council, containing information re. Area Committee meetings and Development Control Hearings.

#### **7. AOCB**

- 1. Community Engagement Meeting attended by NM & LD on 13th December 2007. The second of such meetings held to promote relationships between Local Council and Community Councils. Useful meeting where the Local Councillors feedback re. their responsibilities and areas of particular interest. Followed by a presentation from Strathclyde Police Crash Investigation team on what is involved in the investigation of serious road traffic incidents. A presentation by Highland Rail Services explained the structure and strategic plans for the west coast railway service. Then followed a discussion session with questions submitted by Community Councils for the Local Councillors. It is intended that this meeting occur 3-4 times a year. It is also intended that the Area meeting be rotated through the localities. It was suggested by Cllr McIntyre that Kilmelford & Kilninver could host in June.
- 2. Planning at Glen Euchar house- RA to contact Planning Department.
- 3. Gritting- a lack of gritting during the recent snowy spell. Cllr McIntyre confirmed this was as a result of strike action. It was suggested that the roadside grit piles to be re-instated particularly at the Oude Dam hill.
- 4. Outflow pipe damage- it was noted that the outflow pipe into the burn near the hall had been repaired.
- 5. Water treatment plant- the meeting was advised that this is about to come on stream. To be double screened and septic tank emptied regularly.
- 6. Storm damage -Elizabeth Asbury commented about storm damage along Degnish Road, undercutting the road surface. RA agreed to add this to Neil Brown's letter.
- 7. Arduaine Shore Access-John Stannard advised the meeting re. discussions he is having with planning office about access to the shore at Arduaine where a fence and now a hedge has been erected. He had expected a response by 01.02.08. Cllr McDonald to check progress with enforcement officer and email Mr Stannard direct.
- 8. Village Hall Race Night-Toni Mitchell advised Race Night Tickets available £2 each.
- 9. Loch Avich passing places- Georgina Dalton that following local discussion the work has been carried out.

- 10. World Day of Prayer- Margaret Cross advised the meeting that this event will take place in Kilmelford Church 07.03.08.Poster to go up in Community Council Notice Board.
- 11. Pot holes- Bad pot hole in road by boat yard with Ramp sign. Cllr McIntyre confirmed that this and one on Loch Drymnen side have been reported.
- 12. Resignation of Neil Manchester, Chairman. RA advised that he had received Neil's resignation with immediate effect. Robin offered a vote of thanks for all the hard work Neil had done on behalf the Community Council over the past 10 years. RA will send a letter of thanks to Neil.

#### **Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting will be held in the Kilmelford Village Hall on Tuesday 8th of April at 8pm. There being no further business the Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Copies of approved minutes of all Community Council meetings are available on the Kilmelford website <a href="https://www.kilmelford.com">www.kilmelford.com</a>. In addition Community Council notices are displayed on the notice board near Kilmelford Post Office.

#### **COMMITTEE**

Kilmelford sub-area: Robin Asbury - Vice Chairman

Alastair Oatts - Planning Officer

Kilninver sub-area Lindsay Davies – Secretary

Robin Grey – Treasurer

Nigel Mitchell

#### **COUNCILLORS**

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#### **NEIL MANCHESTER - AN APPRECIATION**

You will see in the above Minutes, (AOCB item 12), that our Chairman, Neil Manchester, has had to resign his position because of business pressures. When this was announced at the meeting those present were unanimous in their view that a letter of appreciation and thanks should be sent to Neil on behalf of the Community, and indeed this has been done.

Neil and Cath first moved into Kilmelford over 20 years ago and have, from the start, immersed themselves in village activities. Neil became Secretary to the Community Council 10 years ago and was a tower of strength to the then Chairman - Angus Macfadyen, providing support before, during and after meetings involving correspondence and follow up to all sorts of matters arising. Furthermore he was a committed member of the Village Hall Association from the first days after the completion of the new Hall. He arranged the annual Beach Cleaning with its related grant claims, was involved in the various fund raising exercises, and was essential to the running of the New Year ceilidhs in the Hall. In addition he was also a key member of the Village Hall grass cutting team. On top of all that he took on the Chairmanship of the Community Council at the last elections and has spent much time in the discussions over the use of land around the Hall. In my opinion nobody has done more within the Community in the last 10 years to further the well-being of all those in this area. Unfortunately, as Operations Director of Landcatch - an expanding Company in the Lithgow group, he now finds that his travel and business pressures are not compatible with all the Community needs, hence his resignation. While we all wish him well in his future business life, all those who have worked with him in the Community will certainly miss his enthusiasm and commitment. Our grateful thanks to Neil for all he has done.

#### KILNINVER PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### **Blast Off**

The Staff, parents and pupils of the school would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Asbury and Mrs. Gray for leading the Blast Off club. We had great fun with the quizzes, craft activities, chats, singing sessions, - my goodness we were busy, - and we learned loads. Thanks again for your kindness and care, we will miss you, and your home baking too.

#### **Sports**

We have been busy on the sports field recently and have taken part in numerous activities from football tournaments and tennis sessions to athletics meetings. We have really enjoyed getting the opportunity to try out new sports and to get to make new friends from other schools. Our thanks go to Mrs. Melissa Oatts for offering to run the tennis club. The new sports and playground equipment that we ordered using the Tesco Sports for Schools vouchers that everyone kindly helped us to collect have arrived. We opened the big box at last week's pupil council and as you drive past the school you will be able to see us playing with the connect 4 game. It gives us something quiet to play when we don't want to join in with the noisy games.

#### Weaving

The whole school has been engrossed in this colourful and absorbing activity for the last few weeks. A visiting specialist came to introduce the activity and to show us some interesting and different techniques. We plan to weave some colourful designs through the school railings when the weather improves. So this should help to brighten the place up a bit.

#### **Maths Fest**

Some of our P7 pupils took part in the annual Maths Fest in Oban High school. We are very proud of the fact that they were part of the winning team. Well done to you all.

#### **DATES**

21st April School re-opens after Easter holidays.
30th April Scripture Union visiting school.
2nd May Highlands and Islands Music Festival.
5thMay School closed for Mayday holiday.

6th May School trip to see "Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat".

15th May P7 Choices for Life, at SECC Glasgow.

9th June Book Fair all this week.

9th -11th June P7 induction to Oban High school. 27th June School closes for Summer holidays

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Neil Manchester

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#### Sunday 18th May, 3.00 p.m.

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### Sunday 29th June, 3.00 p.m.

Susan Bullock (soprano) and Malcolm Martineau (piano).

A Crear Classics debut recital.

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#### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July, 4.00 p.m.

SCO Strings with Christopher George (director/violin) playing a programme of Tchaikovsky and Elgar.

#### Sunday 31st August, 3.00.p.m.

**Ilya Gringolts** (violin) and **Marianna Shirinyan** (piano) playing a programme of Maxwell Davies, Schubert and Szymanowski.

#### Sunday 21st September, 3.00.p.m.

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#### **USED STAMPS**

The following is a transcript of a letter addressed to Georgina Dalton, from Nikke Skinner of the World Mission Council:-

"I am writing to thank you for the collection of used stamps which the congregation at Kilninver and Kilmelford Church has sent us. Please thank everybody involved in collecting these stamps and for their continued support and hard work. It is through such efforts that a total of £2,057.50 has been raised to help disabled children in China.

This year's project is going to SUMI (Scottish University Mission Institute) in India. I have enclosed a poster for you. SUMI is a boys' school in Kalimpong. The Principal noticed that some of the girls in the surrounding district were bright and eager to learn but had, through some reason or another, dropped out of school. So he invited them to join SUMI so that they could be educated and get back into the mainstream school system again. The money raised from the stamps will go to help pay for the girls' education.

With every good wish, yours sincerely, Nikke Skinner."

Please continue to collect your used stamps, and hand them to Georgina Dalton, Christine MacLachlan, or Dorothy Carmichael. Many thanks\_

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

#### MOBILE BANKING SERVICE

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12.15 p.m. – 12.45 p.m.
2 p.m. – 2.15 p.m.

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All times in the following timetable are approximate, (very approximate!):-

9.30 a.m. Tullich Farm
10 a.m. Arduiane
10.30 a.m. Tuckers' house
10.45 – 11 a.m. Craobh Village Shop
11.15 – 11.25 a.m. Kilmelford Village Hall

11.30 a.m. Glebe

12.00 p.m. Council houses, Kilmelford

12.30 p.m. Scammadale

1.30 p.m. Council houses by Kilninver Primary School

#### MOBILE POLICE OFFICE

Further information will be provided in the next issue.

## GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE BLOOD DONATION SESSIONS

#### Corran Hall, Oban

Wednesday, 7th May 16.00 – 19.30

Thursday, 8th May 13.30 – 15.45 and 17.15 – 19.30

#### Community Centre, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead

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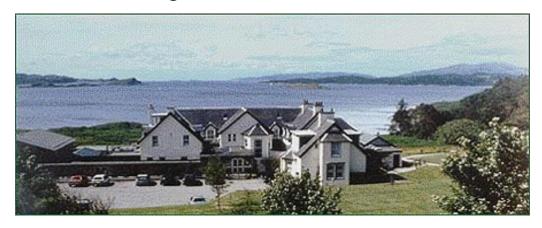
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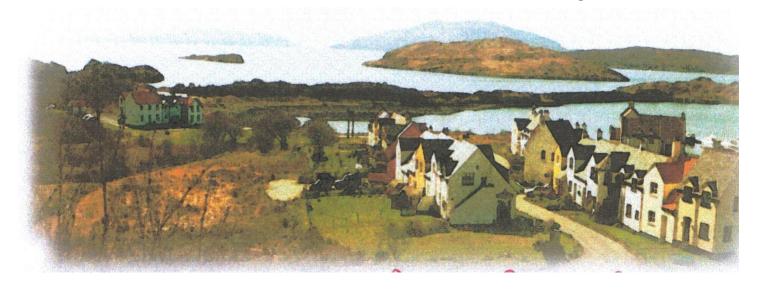
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