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Fantastic Weekend at Gargunnoch House!

The weekend of events at Gargunnoch House held on 1st to 3rd May was a huge success and raised over £8,000 for the Community Centre refurbishment.

It started on Friday with a drinks evening and an opportunity to explore the house and view the artworks donated for the auction. The cocktail party on Saturday was sold out long before the event and was a memorable evening. Angus Scott and his band provided the music while Maitland, Trevor Boyd and Euan Hunter mixed the cocktails. Canapés in the grand dining Room were provided by the Gargunnoch Inn. Bidding for the lots at the art auction was fierce, no doubt fuelled by margaritas and pina colodas, and the revelling continued right up to carriages (Aberfoyle Cabs minibus) at midnight.

Amazingly, the sun came out on Sunday for the family day and open gardens which helped to attract record numbers of visitors. The car park field was full, and the tea room packed as hundreds of people descended on the estate. There was something for everyone. The gardens were in full spring splendour and the local traders put on a great display at the craft fair. The kids in particular had a fun time exploring the staircases and passages of the house and searching for 'treasure' in the garden.

Finally on Sunday evening, David Farquhar and his band of helpers served up a delicious hog roast and the weekend was rounded off with a fantastic raffle draw.

There were lots of smiling faces throughout the weekend and it will be remembered for many years to come.

Dozens of people helped to organise the weekend and make it so enjoyable and such a success. There are too many to mention here, but special thanks go to the Gargunnoch Estate and Willie Campbell for giving us access to the house and grounds, and to Wendy Pizey for coordinating everything and making it happen.

Gargunnoch Art Auction

The Gargunnoch Art Auction took place on the Saturday evening of the fundraising weekend. All the pieces were sold, raising a massive £2,465.

Many, many thanks to everyone who generously contributed a piece to the event: Ali Beck, Fiona Campbell, Colin Ferguson, Gill Fortescue, Marie Hunter, Fiona James, Brian Lawrence, John McLaren, Alex Milne, Leo Norris, Stuart Ogg, Annette Paget, Christine Radford, Greer Ralston, Lois Simpson, Sarah Thomson, Colin Tinto and Pauline Upton.

Thanks also to all the people who bid successfully (and unsuccessfully!) at the auction; to Neil McCrae our fantastic auctioneer; Robin Kyle who provided and erected the display boards and Ali Beck for helping me organise everything.

Jaine Marriott

Athletes, local and from further afar, are reminded of the Gargunnoch Hill Race which this year takes place on 6th June as part of the entertainment at the Show. The "off" is at 2.30pm and involves tackling 7.5 kilometres and a climb of 200 metres. What a view you will get from the summit!!!.

Entrants should be over the age of 16 and preferably fit! Entry fee is £4 payable on the day and further details and enquiries should be directed to David Hay 860522.

Gargunnoch Does The Caledonian Challenge 2009

In the good old days before Pot Noodles and digital watches, Lovat McGregor discovered the Caledonian Challenge, ('The Cally Chally'). This is a 54 mile race along the West Highland way that should be completed in under 24hrs. Thinking this was a good thing to do and filled with youthful enthusiasm he set out to compete in it with all his friends. Not happy with doing it on his own, he tried again the year after and once finished vowed 'never again'. But 'never again', as we all know, especially after a village fund-raiser, can often mean 'OK, just one more then', so a few years later he found himself on the start line once more in a team with three other Gargoyles – Andrew and Lois Simpson and Paul Gilhooley. Their exploits were documented in the late village quarterly and are too gruesome to repeat here; suffice it to say that all four concluded that 'never again' would they be silly enough to repeat the painful experience.

Well, a year on and it would seem that a fair few more people from the village have decided to give it a go and the pre-event training has seen a veritable log jam of athletic souls pounding up to the cairn or hot-footing it around Watson House and further afield. There are now 10 competitors in 3 teams from the village due to line up on a crisp June morning, their athletic abilities ranging from the sub-4hr marathoners to people whose last physical effort was wafting smoke from in front of the TV, but all are enthusiastic, hard into training and eager to get started. So, here is the full run down:

Gargunnoch Bogtrotters

Andrew and Lois Simpson, Paul Gilhooley and Alistair Martin
(*Team most likely to never do it again...*)

Zoneless

Henk Berits, Marshall Dallas, Ally Thomson, Bill Shankie and Steve Beck
(*Team most likely to have a good laugh along the way*)

Scot Beef

Alistair Scott, Duncan Leask, Adrian Loudon, Nicky and Robbie Galloway.
(*Team most likely to break all records*)

So we're under starters orders and ready for the off – only one thing remains and that is to complete raising money for the Scottish Community Foundation, the charity supported by the Cally Chally. This charity channels money into local community groups otherwise overlooked or unqualified for larger grants and assistance. If you'd like to sponsor individuals, teams or all of us (split across the teams) then please contact Lois Simpson (9, Millbrae / 860255 / lois.simpson@btinternet.com)

Next year perhaps you'd like to add yourself to the growing ranks of brave Gargunnochkonians in the event, because of course, we'll never be doing it again...

Andy Simpson

Save The Date

2 nd June	Concert at Church
6 th June	Gargunnoch Show
11 th June	Playgroup AGM at Gargunnoch Inn
13 th June	Gargunnoch Gala
5 th July	Inn day at Ayr Races
11 th July	Ceilidh at Inn Car Park
13 th July	Gargunnoch Inn Golf Outing
9 th Aug	Gargunnoch Inn Beer Festival

Ten years of Gargunnoch Songsters

I never seriously thought, when Johan Mailer and I first discussed setting up a singing group in the village, that it would grow to be so strong and successful. The choir started from a base of the church choir plus a few friends - no more than 12 singers - keen to sing a carol or two in the 1999 village Carol Concert. Johan accompanied and I helped the singers to learn their parts. We kept going because we were having so much fun. We never advertised ourselves, and it came as a pleasant surprise that we got recommended for a wide range of outside bookings. I only became the group's conductor (very reluctantly) after the sopranos in the group refused to sing a particular piece unless I stood in front and brought them in. I was never allowed back to sing after that.

We borrowed the name of the group from an earlier singing group in the village - the Gargunnoch Songbirds. Practices began in my front room but later moved to the Community Centre after my sofa began to show signs of strain... and as our numbers swelled. The group now boasts a regular membership of 24 with most singers coming from Gargunnoch but others from Drymen, Doune, Thornhill and Kippen.

I regret that I never kept a full record of our performances, but on a rough count, including Gargunnoch spring and Christmas concerts, I think we have performed over 60 different concerts to audiences varying in size from 30 up to 250. Our outside audiences have largely included WRI and Church guilds, but we have also entertained summer tourists, local MP's and councillors and even a church full of Christmas trees.

Songsters is a warm close group of friends. We've supported each other through thick and thin - from the joys of new births and marriages through the sadness and pain of illness and bereavement. We are not stuffy about membership - many singers cannot read music - yet I firmly believe we make a good sound together. My only regret is that we have not been able to encourage more gentlemen to sing with us - it would make such a difference to the balance of sound.

I was asked to list a few of the highlights of the last ten years.

- The 2005 Music Festival brought the village together, showcased such an array of village talent AND raised a good deal of money for the Community Centre. My highlights included conducting for and being interviewed by Radio Scotland (to promote the Festival) and succeeding in pulling the whole choir through Zadok the Priest at the Gala concert probably by nothing more than sheer willpower.
- Songsters is a choir that sings on its stomach. Offer us a good feed and we'll leap at the chance at singing. But you would have to go far to beat the Christmas supper given to us by Thornhill WRI - we could barely sing after the interval, we'd been fed so very well.
- But it is always frightening standing in front of the group after they've imbibed a drink or two. The second half of our own Christmas concerts (following the interval mulled wine) is always 'interesting' as the singers grow in confidence, but not necessarily in accuracy. The same can be said of a Gartmore Christmas performance after the organisers laid on complimentary wine prior to the performance....
- It would probably be unfair to go into too much detail about the concert in Milngavie when Johan forgot her music case containing her glasses.....

I feel, after 10 years of leading and conducting, that it is time to hand over the baton. We all have our fingers (and toes) crossed that Samantha Anderson will secure a teaching job locally to enable her to take over as conductor next season. The group will continue.

Helen Cumming

Cystic Fibrosis Trust is the charity which will benefit from a concert to be held in the Church on Tuesday 2nd June at 8pm.

An evening of fine music has been promised, with the Vocal Ensemble "Philomel" presenting a programme of musical variety, ranging from Folk through Spiritual to Songs from the Shows.

There is something to suit everyone. This is not a church concert but rather a concert, which is being held in the Church. Entry is by donation and suggested amount is £5.

Village Recipe Cook Book



Demand for Gargunnoch Cooks has been overwhelming and copies are now sold out. We will be getting more copies printed and these will be available for sale around July.

If you would like to pre-order a copy please let me know and I will arrange delivery as soon as copies are available

Thanks, Jane
Tel 860287/jane@gargunnoch.com

Spring has sprung, Summer's come

Now that the daffodils have been and gone I caught myself thinking one day!! I noticed that some patches in the village are blooming, but some are quite bare. How about if we all bought a bag of daffodil or, particularly, crocus bulbs at the tail-end of the year (they can be got cheaply) and plant them in a patch near you. They will, of course, spread and after a few years there will be a mass of Spring colour all over the place. It wouldn't take much to enhance the beauty of the village. Let's go for it!

Thanks to the persistence of the Community Council, you will see that the rosebeds at the side of Main Street have been refurbished, with a good mix of varieties including "Ingmar Bergen". The beds have been a mess for a number of years but Stirling Council have undertaken to look after them properly. If not, we will be right on to them again!

Also, check out the fountain area. This has been re-planted too, with an Acer palmatum Chito Seyama in the central trough, with varieties of Daphne, Lencothoe, Euonymus and Lithospermum complementing each other in a lovely display. So let's all look forward to a village full of colour and one to be even more proud of.

A Keen Village Gardener

Housing Survey

Thanks to everyone who has completed and returned their questionnaires.

There might still be one or two of you out there who haven't - it's not too late there are some copies in the Shop if you can't find your original. We are now setting out to collate the responses and as mentioned elsewhere we'll be holding a meeting to tell you about and discuss the results.

Gargunnoch Primary School Sports

A fun time was had by all the children on Monday May 25th. Playgroup & Toddlers also joined in the fun.

Winning House - Vorlich

McCallum Trophy

Girls -	1 st	Hannah Gillies
	2 nd	Brenna Monaghan
	3 rd	Michaela Mayhew
Boys -	1 st	Alistair Petrie
	2 nd	Gregor Bain
	3 rd	Luca Berits

Gargunnock Church



During July and August joint services will be held with our sister churches, Blairdrummond and Doune, at 10:30am conducted by Rev. Richard Campbell.

Anyone wishing transport to these churches please contact Johan Mailer, tel 860313.

Notice regarding which church will hold the service on any of these Sundays will be in the Observer, on the village notice board and on the church notice board.

Golf comes Second at Tulliallan

It was a great day's golf last Monday at the first of the Gargunnock Inn's outings. After the obligatory rolls and bacon/sausage in the Inn, 28 "golfers" made their way by bus to Tulliallan Golf Club in Kincardine. Weather kept up well and the course was in excellent condition. Played under the rules of the Stableford game, some good scores were recorded (but only some)

Winner was David Miller (from Thornhill), second Trevor Boyd and third Stevie Buchanan. Longest drive prize went to Trevor Boyd and nearest the pin was Hamish Muirhead, although it took more than one stroke to get there!

The "not so good as the others" prize was won by Neil Sheriff. The social side was first class and competitors are already looking forward to the next outing.

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Buy a Brick Appeal

In order to raise funds for the redevelopment work at the Community Centre, Gargunnock Trust is holding a buy a brick appeal. The idea is to make a donation to the Community Centre appeal and in return you receive a brick which will be printed with whatever legend you wish, details below. Bricks will be laid at the Community Centre and will be a permanent display of your support. All profits made from the sale of the bricks will go towards the refurbishment of the building. Corporate bricks are also available and can be printed with a company/organization logo

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Community Council News

The May meeting of the Community Council included a report from Constable Kirsop. There was discussion on Villagers concerns about speeding and about traffic not giving way at the junction of Drummond Place and Main Street. Some random speed checks had been made but no prosecutable speeds detected. The point was made that in many instances within our village a speed, even of 30 mph, could be inappropriate and dangerous. Details of speeding and enforcement measures on the A811 in the vicinity of Gargunnock would be tabled at the next meeting.

Stirling Council had sent their Development Plan Scheme, which is the timetable and arrangements for involving the Community in the preparation of the new Stirling Local Development Plan. At this stage, Community Councils are being asked to identify matters they would like to see included in the Plan and to submit these to the Council by the end of June.

Linked to this our Community was represented at a meeting with Stirling Council officials on 29th May which provided information on Rural Housing, the Local Housing Strategy and how these would be affected by the Local Development Plan. It has been agreed that we will consult with you at a Public Meeting in June at which time we will also present the results of our Housing Survey. We don't know the date yet for that meeting but will tell you as soon as we can.

The final part of the Beeches improvement is to be carried out by the Council, however the team who will do this are presently fully committed and it will be a couple of months before the work can be done.

Letters to The Bugle

Many thanks to 2 local residents who emailed us at bugle@garunnock.com - keep the letters coming, names and addresses are supplied.

Sirs,

Further to your piece in the April edition on the improvements being carried out on the Beeches pathway, would it be possible in your next edition to draw attention to the continuing problem of dog fouling along the length of the pathway?

On a recent walk along the path there must have been well over a dozen recent dog foulings along the length of the path. Large dogs appearing to be the main culprits. Most, but not all, of the foulings seem to be on the grass verge at the side of the path but this remains an issue as path users have to step on the grass when passing others using the path.

It must spoil the enjoyment of using the path by the majority of users when a minority allow their dogs to foul the path and the grass edges without doing the responsible thing and use a poo bag to clear up the problem.

As you will know, a bin has been provided for dog poo bags and it does not seem to be a problem for responsible dog owners but it would be ideal if a bit of campaigning journalism in the Bugle could make the "drop and go" dog owners think again and make it socially unacceptable not to take full responsibility for their dogs.

You were asking for photos to be included in the Bugle but perhaps this subject is not ideal ??

Good luck with the Bugle and we appreciate your work in keeping this community activity alive and well.

An anonymous path walking contributor.

Dear Bugle,

Please can we have some safety sense and some etiquette on our village streets?

Firstly, the safety. Despite requests previously made in the Gargunnock News, there are still folk driving straight out of Drummond Place onto Main Street without pausing. One of these days, an accident will happen.

Secondly, the etiquette. Folk coming in off the main road and passing Mains Farm should pause/stop at the bend at the farm instead of driving on and forcing oncoming drivers already half way down the road to drive onto the verge and through the mud and grass.

This morning I saw a people-carrier being driven straight out of MacNeill Crescent beside the shop with the driver giving a brief glance up the hill and never a look towards the bridge - although the driver wouldn't have been able to see past the delivery van outside the shop anyway! No thought given to pedestrians (and it was just before 9am: there could have been schoolchildren about) or traffic passing the vehicles outside the shop. Several people in the shop commented on the number of people who drive over the bridge and out to Station Road or Manse Brae without pausing. Quite how we've avoided accidents until now I've no idea.

So, please, let's be nice and let's be sensible.

Sound the Bugle!



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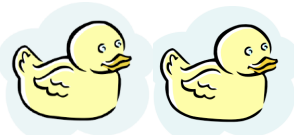
Just for Fun

The following are all anagrams of Scottish villages, towns or cities. Can you rearrange them?

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| 1) HUBREGIND | 11) RETRANSRA |
| 2) NUEDEND | 12) RORABATH |
| 3) ENEEBRAD | 13) LESOK |
| 4) SAALLSEIGH | 14) FEARYBLED |
| 5) FRIEMSUD | 15) RACKUNGONG |
| 6) NIGEL | 16) WONGITHILL |
| 7) RANBUD | 17) CONEGLE |
| 8) THAMLOIN | 18) HEASTORY |
| 9) ERTOPRE | 19) REELSOM |
| 10) SNOWYORTA | 20) UNDEO |

Thanks to John Craigen for providing Just for Fun, answers can be found on the back page.

A Grand Day for the Ducks!



While not all the water we had was already in the burn, it didn't seem to affect the ducks! 500 of them lined up for the annual football club race on Saturday 23rd May. Setting off in heats of 50 ducks the first 3 in each heat qualified for the final, with the owner of the heat winner getting a bag of sweets as a prize. To sporting shouts of "cheat, cheat" from the public gallery and, indeed, a more formal steward's enquiry, the results were finally confirmed as – 1st No 435 Joe Monaghan £50, 2nd No 14 Gerald Penders £30, 3rd No 85 Martin Cole £20

The sum of £380 was raised and grateful thanks are due to all who braved the heavy showers to make the event such a success – Kirsty, Hector and Trish (and family) Colin and Muriel (and family) Mark and Geordie – and a special thanks to Debbie and David for very welcomed tea and coffee!

A Hogmanay Mystery

The best investigative minds in Gargunnoch have been working ceaselessly for many months now in an effort to unravel a sinister disappearance. This chilling event took place on Hogmanay night in, or around the Square. Come to think of it there was probably more warming than chilling going on, given the quantities of whisky being swallowed.

Many people were relaxed, some more relaxed than others and a spirit (!!) of goodwill prevailed. A mellifluous hand bell had been rung from time to time as villagers celebrated the festive event and an illuminated, dancing snowman watched over the scene from a table beside the fountain. (NO – this was not Maitland)

Some time later, Shock! , Horror!, Jings crivens, neither the bell, nor the illuminated snowman could be found. Where could they have gone ?

There is evidence that the bell was last seen in the possession of a gentleman who we feel we should not come right out and name, but he lives at the top of Manse Brae and his wife is called Karen. He denies all allegations that he has taken possession of the bell. Further interrogation will be needed. His brother, given that he is a farmer, could well be of assistance here, because if the bell cannot be traced, he will know how to get a grant from the E.C. to replace it. We need to speak to anyone who may have seen anything suspicious.

The Snowman has gone without trace. Reports that he had been abducted to be trained for a part in an Irn Bru commercial next Christmas cannot be confirmed at this stage. The presumption is that he has simply been kidnapped. In an emotional appeal his owners Dave and Isobel King called for his captors to treat him well and make contact through bugle@gargunnoch.com if there was to be any question of a ransom.

We need your help folks !! – contact us if you have any information.

Are You Ready to Boldly Go ???

- Get your fancy dress outfit sorted – our theme is Space! [e.g. Dr Who, Star Wars, Star Trek, MPs (waste of space – bit of political satire there!!)]
- Decorate a float (rocket?) and join in the fancy dress parade
- see Gala Queen, Rowan Bovill, and Laird, Gregor Bain, crowned
- Enjoy the side shows
- Take part in the jousting
- Enjoy a cup of tea in the marquee
- Win a prize in our fabulous raffle?
- Enjoy the culinary delights of the Gala BBQ.



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Word of the month

Confabulate : (psychology) To fill in gaps in one's memory with fabrications that one believes to be facts.

Recent research shows that human memory is unreliable (I think we all know that!) We forget some facts and then, later on, substitute fiction for what we have forgotten.

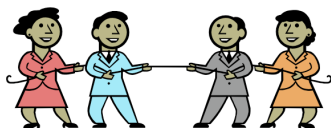


We would like to add our thanks to everyone who helped and attended the May weekend celebrations. The actual cast list (to use a Disney Term) included 71 people from the village all working together to have a fun time and provide support by giving their time, effort and talent. Much thanks to all of you.

Douglas Johnston – Community Centre Management Committee

WANTED FOR GALA

Tug-o-War Teams



Charles St v Stevenson St/McNeill Cres
Drummond Pl v Manse Brae/The Square
Millbrae v The Glebe
Main St v Leckie Rd

3 men, 3 women in each team
(plus a coach)



Cakes can be home
made or store bought



Donations for Sweetie
Tombola, all value of
sweets welcome



Helpers for Tea Tent

Sweetie donations can be handed to Jane or Maitland

Footballer names to Colin Ferguson

Tug-o-War to Maitland

Netball & Basketball players to Jane

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Well Done Gargunnoch Primary

Throughout each year the school's Pupil Council nominate charities
or good causes to help raise funds for. This year the chairperson,
Sam Christie P7 suggested helping the local community with their
target of raising money for refurbishment of the village community
centre. Sam was supported by the Pupil Council and also the
school following his presentation to P1-7. The children felt they
did not want to lose the community centre facility in the future and
were all keen on Sam's idea.

The Pupil Council then arranged a school fundraising day, which
involved each class coming up with their own sponsored event.
On Friday 24th April 2009 each class carried out the following – P1
Crazy hair and clothes, P2/3 Dance and Dress up, P4/5 Silence and
Jump, P6/7 Gender swap clothes day. With money still coming in,
over £930 has been raised.

The Things I Get Involved In!

While in our local shop one day I was approached by a young lady who
asked for help with a project she was doing for her college course. She needed
photographic evidence of her abilities with regard to make-up, hairstyling and
dressing to add to a report she had submitted. Her own photos had been rejected
so she reasoned that since I had done so much photography for the local magazine
over the years I must therefore be an expert and would fit the bill nicely!

How could I possibly refuse such a request?

It was arranged that she would prepare a model at her house and we agreed to meet at the bridge near the old sawmill in Leckie
estate a day or two later. It was November and as it turned out on the day was bitterly cold. I was wearing several layers to
keep warm. As you can see, Aimee, the attractive model, wasn't exactly well wrapped up but she showed no signs of feeling the
cold.

I wouldn't class myself as a people-photographer (give me a good landscape any day) and for that reason didn't feel all that
confident or comfortable in the task. After all when it comes to it what instructions do you give: stand this way, turn that way,
crouch down, stand up, tilt your head a bit, look at the camera, don't look at the camera etc etc. ? Suddenly a great
responsibility seemed to weigh heavily on my shoulders. Things weren't helped by the fact that although the place was deserted
initially, very soon what seemed like half the village appeared, out for their afternoon walk and all no doubt wondering what I
was up to, cavorting around Leckie woods with a camera and a couple of rather attractive young ladies.

We decided to move away from the bridge and into the wood itself but as luck would have it that's the route up to the old
reservoir and quite a few folks were heading up there anyway. I was quite glad when, after about 100 or so photos we called it
a day and went up to the farm to download them. In time word came through that the photos were accepted by the college as
being of sufficient standard.

So there you go, my debut as a fashion photographer after all those years. Perhaps I should have started earlier....?
As I said, the things I get involved in!



John McLaren

Art Project for Children and Young People

Over the next few weeks you'll notice lots of activity in the Community Centre garden. We have invited two artists, Liz Brown [felt-maker] and Kevin Blackwell [woodworker] to work with the pupils of Gargunnock Primary School and the young people of the village to embellish the Community Centre garden. We want to make the garden a more inviting place to visit and offer the young people of the village an opportunity to make a contribution to the 150th anniversary celebrations of the community centre.

We hope that you like the changes that will take place. If you'd like any further information please contact either Vanessa Paynton [860282] or Jaine Marriott [860624].



This project could not take place without the support and enthusiasm of Gargunnock Community Centre Management Committee and Gargunnock Primary School. Financial support has been gratefully received from The Robertson Trust and Stirling Council. Thanks also to Gargunnock House for supplying the oak.

Summer Events at Gargunnock Inn

Saturday 6th June : Gargunnock Show special set menu £15.95

Sunday 5th July : A Day at Ayr Races. These days have been a great success in the past. Cost of £50 includes a champagne breakfast, bus, racecourse entry, drinks voucher, bbq voucher, and free bet. £25 deposit to secure your place should be paid by 5th June.

Saturday 11th July : Ceilidh in marquee in car park 9pm

Monday 13th July : Golf outing. £45 includes golf, bus, lunch and some drinks.

Looking ahead - Sunday 9th August - a great day coming up! The Famous Gargunnock Inn Beer Festival. This is indeed a smashing family day, starting at 12.30. Enjoy a variety of local ales, live music, games, bbq etc. This proved to be a tremendous success last year so make sure you have this date in your diary!

Wanted Good Quality Books & Magazines

The Parent Council will be running a second-hand book stall at this years Gala and would like donations of good quality books and magazines. They can be left with Jo Dallas, 4 The Glebe or handed in at the school.

Community Trust Raffle – 3rd May

Gargunnock Community Trust raffle was the job no-one seemed to want so thanks to Mike Pizey I found myself nominated! Thanks Mike. With the help of my trusty team, mainly picked for their looks and their womanly charms and getting things out of people were; Lois Simpson, Carol Ferguson, Jo Dallas & Kirsteen Scott - thanks girls for selling, wheeling & dealing and delivering, you all did me proud!

Huge thanks to everyone who helped sell the raffle tickets, my daughter, Emma Christie who was excellent at door to door sales, Debbie Farquhar who kept coming back for more tickets; Mike Pizey, he held many of his staff to ransom, Geoff Peart, Douglas Johnston, Stuart Ogg, Iain Gulland or maybe I should say Jaine et al...sorry if I have missed anyone.

Even bigger thanks to everyone who bought the raffle tickets, whether through being bullied, cajoled, twisted arms...you were all very, very generous - thank you!

We collectively sold a massive 1395 tickets which gave us £1208.50 profit. The raffle was drawn on Sunday, 3rd of May, 7pm at Gargunnock House and there was over 30 fantastic prizes to be won.

First prize was an Ipod Nano and won by Mr J Brand.

Many thanks to all of the following contributors of raffle prizes, without their generosity we couldn't of done it!
Carol Ferguson; National Trust Scotland; Xscape, Braehead; Go Ape; Scotbeef; Kirsteen Scott; Deanston Distillery; Kesara; Nick Nairn; Berits & Brown; Castlecary Hotel; Gartartan butchers; Dalfoil Farm Butchers; Stirling Albion football team; The Peak Sports Village, Active Stirling; The Macrobert Cinema; Baxters; Sheree hairdressers; Bruce Crawford; Gargunnock Inn; Stirling Castle; Doune Antiques; Vue Cinema; Hugh and Maureen Ferguson; Ian and Cathy Rowley; Edmond and Liz Mansion; David and Debbie Farquhar.

Thank you all again, it was a great end to a great weekend.

Leona Paget

Girls & Boys JUNIOR BARBER CO.



**New Childrens salon
Now open within
Barber co.**

**20 Upper Criags
Stirling FK8 2DG
Tel: 07789146690**

No appointments required

Gargunnock Village Store

Part Time Sales Assistant Required

Variety of shifts available

Applicants must be over 18 as will be serving alcohol

Contact Carol on 860376



Kids - you can buy a brick too!!

We plan to create



in the Community Centre devoted to your bricks.

Come along to our **Pimp Your Brick Day** in the autumn, you'll be able to buy a brick and design and decorate it however you like.

Details will come nearer the time but meantime, get your thinking caps on.

We'll provide all the materials - you provide the inspiration!

For more information please contact
Jane Bain, Craigachan, 8 Millbrae, Gargunnoch
Tel :860287

Email : buyabrick@gargunnoch.com



www.justgiving.com/gargunnoch_bricks
Charity Registration No SC036793

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1/8 page £10 1/4 page £15
1/2 page £25 full page £45

If you commit to 6 Ad's you only pay for 5

We also offer a business card ad or a couple of lines for tradesmen/childminders etc for £5

Do you have any pictures, stories or letters you would like included in The Bugle, if so please email them to bugle@gargunnoch.com or hand them in to

Maitland 38 McNeill Crescent
Douglas 2 McLaren Park
Jackie 2 The Glebe

Delivering your Bugle

We hope, for the foreseeable future, to be able to deliver your copy of the Bugle to your door. However, we have only a small number of volunteers and struggle to cover the more "outlying" houses. We will always ensure that there are some copies available at the Shop for you to pick up. Please bear with us while we try to find a solution.

Forth & Endrick FA

18 April	Killearn 3 Gargunnoch 1	Paul Carruthers
25 April	Gargunnoch 2 Drymen 2	Paul Carruthers 2
2 May	Gargunnoch 0 Buchlyvie 2	
12 May	Blanefield 4 Gargunnoch 2	Nicky Anderson-pen Kyle Henderson
16 May	Gargunnoch 2 Aberfoyle 2	Ross MacSporran Ross Corry
19 May	Balfron 3 Gargunnoch 2	Ben Webb, Kyle Henderson
23 May	Gargunnoch 5 Deanston 2	Kyle Henderson John Lamond John Morris
26 May	Fintry 1 Gargunnoch 4	Nicky Anderson 2 Kyle Henderson Nicky Anderson Derek Hunter Ross MacSporran (?)

Last season, the football park was not always in the best of condition for matches, due to the Council's programme on grass cutting. As often as not the park was cut 2 days after a game! In spite of various protestations, the Council would not allow special cuts and so the Football Club has taken the bold step of purchasing their own sit-on mower. The Ransomes mower has already been tested and found successful, and so more regular cuttings will improve the condition of the park for football matches and also for general use of the village.

Just for Fun Answers

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| 1) EDINBURGH | 11) STRANRAER |
| 2) DUNDEE | 12) ARBROATH |
| 3) ABERDEEN | 13) KELSO |
| 4) GALASHIELS | 14) ABERFELDY |
| 5) DUMFRIES | 15) GARGUNNOCK |
| 6) ELGIN | 16) LINLITHGOW |
| 7) DUNBAR | 17) GLENCOE |
| 8) HAMILTON | 18) ROTHESAY |
| 9) PORTREE | 19) MELROSE |
| 10) STORNOWAY | 20) DOUNE |

Community Centre Hall Charges

Group Users Hourly rates for the various rooms available

<u>Room</u>	<u>Concession</u>	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
Main Hall	£4.40	£6.25	£11.50
Lesser Hall	£3.60	£5.00	£9.00
Leckie Lounge	£3.25	£4.50	£8.00
Surgery	£3.25	£4.50	£8.00
Drop-in Centre	£3.25	£4.50	£8.00
Main Hall & Lesser Hall	£5.50	£8.00	£15.00
Surgery with Leckie (as a waiting room)	£3.75	£5.25	£9.50

Main Hall – yellow room 12m x 6.5m

Lesser Hall – blue room 10.5m x 5m

Explanation of Rates

Concession	Charities, Groups fundraising specifically for Charities, Community Council & Trust
Standard	Community Groups (Bridge, Bowling, etc)
Commercial	External users (Stirling Council, doctor surgery) Profit making concerns

Private Users charges are per session

<u>Event Type</u>	<u>Main & Lesser Hall</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Private Parties	£25 £50	AM or PM max 4 hours 6PM – Midnight
Jumble Sales	£40	
Sale of Work	£40	
Wedding Reception	£100	Midday – Midnight
Disco/Dance	£60 - where tickets are sold	

Use of Kitchen is included in all the above rates