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INCHTURE VILLAGE FETE

Fete Opening Ceremony

Nominate a local boy and girl into the new Fairy Tale Royal Family of Inchture.
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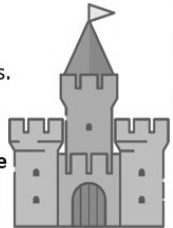
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Collection for Bottles, Biscuits and Teddies on Wednesday 10th June, 5-8pm.
All donations welcome.

Volunteers

As always, the fete would not be a success without the amazing volunteers.
If you would like to help this year get in touch.

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INCHTURE VILLAGE HALL

It is now spring in the Carse and we have a busy few months ahead of us. You will be hearing lots in this newsletter about our upcoming village fete. This year's theme is to be fairy tales, and we will be kicking things off with a trail around the village as this was so popular last year. So get your thinking caps on and you will be able to register to be involved in the trail at Olly Bobbins shop. We will let you know when you can sign up on our fete facebook page. If you want to be involved in the fete and can help in any way, please don't hesitate to get in touch either through our facebook page, website or contacting me directly.

I'd also like to let you all know we now have a website for the village hall that will: take bookings, keep you up to date on our groups and the village fete, and will also have an online version of our newsletter.

Check it out at www.inchturevillagehall.org

Unfortunately, we have been unable to find a volunteer to deliver the newsletter to Kilspindie, but extra copies will be available in the Inchture Post Office, Spar and Olly Bobbins shop, as well as being downloadable from the website.

As always, our classes are available to all. If there's something going on you fancy getting involved in, please contact the group leaders directly. All class times and contact details are in this newsletter.

Hope you all have a wonderful spring and we look forward to seeing you all in June, for our annual fete.

Angela Bailey
Chairperson Inchture Village Hall

Inchture Village Hall – Regular Classes

Day	Class	Time	Contact	Other Information
Monday	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30 – 11.30	Dawn Sime	See Facebook page
	Lunch Club	12.45 onwards	Ann Davies – 07799 295 830	Last Monday of each month
	Rainbows	Evening	inchtureainbows@hotmail.com	Email for more information
	JM Pilates	7.15 – 8.00	Jacqui McIntosh – 07963538596 or jacqui6793@gmail.com	
Tuesday	Playgroup	9.25 – 11.25	Donna Edwards – 07738 555 853	
	CACE Bridge Club	2.00 – 4.00	Bill Munro – billmunro02@btinternet.com	
	Musical Theatre Classes	6.15 – 7.15 & 7.30 – 8.30	Kayleigh Wilson Kayleigh@showcasethestreet.co.uk	
	Brownies	Evening	inchturebrownies@googlemail.com	Email for more information
Wednesday	Playgroup	9.25 – 11.25	Donna Edwards – 07738 555 853	
	Kettlercise	6.00 – 7.00	Steph Douglas – 07753 147 062	
	Box-it	7.15 – 8.15	Steph Douglas – 07753 147 062	
	SWI	7.30 – 9.30	Rosemary Campbell – 01828 686 407	1 st Wednesday of each month
Thursday	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30 – 11.30	Dawn Sime	See Facebook page
Friday	Baby and Me Fitness	9.15 - 10.15	Steph Douglas – 07753 147 062	
	Kettlercise	6.00 – 7.00	Steph Douglas – 07753 147 062	
Saturday	Tenshinkan Ecosse Karate	9.00 – 10.00	John Easley – 07985 290 683	
Sunday	Rugbytots	9.30 – 11.45	Sama'an Akel	samaan@rugbytots.co.uk

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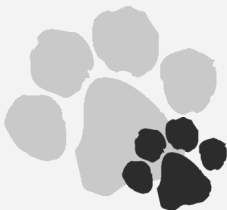
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Maundy Thursday 9 April	Inchtured Church 7pm Rev. Liz Kay	Remembering Christ's last meal with his disciples. The sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated at this service. (Common cup and individual.)
Good Friday 10 April	Longforgan Church 7pm Rev. Dr. Marjory MacLean	Remembering Christ's crucifixion and his death on the Cross for us.
Easter Day 12 April	Tinkletop, Southfield Farm 7 am Drive past the Abernyte Antiques Centre and turn left past the Primary School on to the Kinnaird Road. Southfield Farm is a few hundred metres along the road on the left hand side. Rev. Dr. Marjory MacLean	Celebrating Christ's resurrection from the dead. After the service, a simple breakfast is served. This service takes place outside. Wear warm clothing.
Easter morning services will take place in all four churches at the normal times. Kinnaird 09.30 – Inchtured 09.45 – Abernyte – 11.00 – Longforgan 11.00.		

Services take place in each of our churches every Sunday at the following times:

- Abernyte 11am
- Inchtured 9.45am
- Kinnaird 9.30am
- Longforgan 11am

Night Prayer is held in Longforgan Church on the first Sunday of the month at 7pm and generally follows the Compline. All are welcome to come to this service.

Please feel free to join us at any of our services. You can come to the church nearest to you or to the one where the time suits you better. We look forward to welcoming you.

Easter Services

A very warm welcome is extended to all to come and join us at our Easter Services. This is a special time in the Christian calendar

and we invite you to share this with us.

Easter morning services will take place in all four churches at the normal times.

Meetings or Classes?

Inchtured Church is available for booking to hold meetings or classes. We have a modern up to date sound system with loop and TV screens which can show input in the sanctuary, meeting room and café area.

If you would like to book, then please contact Mrs. Mary Mellor, Session Clerk by email on:

inchturedandkinnairdsessionclerk@outlook.com

Inchtured Church Community Cuppie

Operating on the second Tuesday of every month in the church from 10am to 12noon

in the upstairs café. The church is fully accessible with a lift to all floors and has accessible toilets and baby changing facilities. Let's not forget the free Wi-Fi access either.

Come along and meet friends old and new. Enjoy a cuppie and some lovely home baking. Sometimes we even have lovely homemade tray bakes! This is a really friendly and welcoming morning with plenty of chat and fun.

Minibus Outings

A series of monthly outings have been arranged offering the opportunity for those who aren't so able to get out and about on their own. These have been running over the last few months on the third Monday of the month. It is hoped that these will continue in the New Year. For further information, please contact Liz on 01828 686029.

A Photographic Display

The fundraising committee of Inchturre and Kinnaird are planning to have a

photographic display early next year and hope that folk from the local communities will provide the photos. The photographs can be of anything of interest – school classes, picnics, weddings, SWI, yesteryear, farming etc. It would make it all the more interesting if people in the photos can be named.

All photos will be returned so please put name and address on a sticker on the back.

The photos can be handed to any member of the committee. Brenda Laing 01821 670359, Euan Smith, Rosemary Campbell, Agnes Smith.

CARSE CHURCHES – Abernyte, Inchturre, Kinnaird and Longforgan

We would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that as congregations of the Church of Scotland we are Parish Churches. This means that we are here for EVERYONE who lives in our bounds. There is no faith-test for those we are here to love and serve so don't hesitate to get in touch if you need help in any way.

THE CARSE CHURCHES

Abernyte, Inchturre, Kinnaird and Longforgan

- Want to explore church membership?
- Thinking about getting married?
- Wondering about baptism or a blessing for the children?



It couldn't be easier to arrange an informal chat and find out what's involved. Give our minister Marjory a ring. Marjory will be delighted to speak to you and explain everything.

Rev. Dr. Marjory MacLean can be contacted by telephone on 01382 360238 or by email: MMaclean@churchofscotland.org.uk

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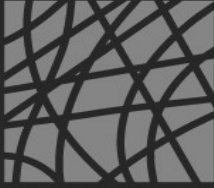
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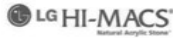
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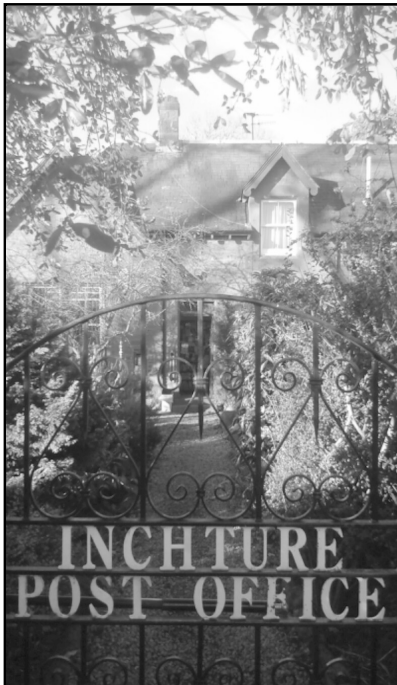
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INCHTURE AREA TWINNING ASSOCIATION

On 31st January 2020 the United Kingdom left the European Union, but this is certainly not the end of our Twinning partnership with our French friends in Fléac and our German friends in Markbreit. Britain may have terminated its 47-year membership of the EU, but we have maintained the mutual understanding and respect between our communities, which Inchtüre Area and Fléac set out in our Twinning Charter 27 years ago. It's worth repeating the closing comments our Chairman made at our 25th Anniversary visit to Fléac in 2018.

“With the uncertainty of the current political situation, it is even more important to maintain our links and friendships, for regardless of Brexit, we are all still European with much in common. What has been forged over the years cannot be broken”.

French Bistro/Pop-up Restaurant

Inchtüre Village Hall

7.30pm Saturday, 29th February 2020

We are organising a Leap Year Pop Up Bistro (“Chez Nous”). Great value at £15pp for 4 course French menu [see below]. This is a social event open to anyone in the community, come on your own and meet people, or come with a partner or in a group

as we will have individual tables or trestle tables set up to suit. BYOB (bring your own booze) Bistro Ambience will be provided!

For catering purposes, we must know in advance who is coming, which main course you would like or if you have dietary requirements. All ticket sales and enquiries to be texted to 07588 003002 or emailed to inchtüreareatwinning@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you – A BIENTOT

For more details about this event or information about twinning, contact one of the committee.

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Set Menu

Leek & Potato soup
Beef Bourguignon OR
Veggie sausage & bean casserole
Dauphinoise Potatoes & veg
Cheese & homemade oatcakes
Lemon tart & Tea/coffee

Menu fixe

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Tarte au citron & thé/café

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BRAES OF THE CARSE CONSERVATION GROUP

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT NOVEMBER 27TH 2019 two girls were walking back to Rait and were struck by a van during the summer.

Overview of the Year

It has generally been a relatively quiet year for the Group -:

- i) The Group collated and submitted objections to several planning applications relating to the Braes of the Carse. A massive 'Thank You' goes to Stephen Hole for diligently checking the PKC website every week, and flagging up applications relevant to our area. Also a big thank you to our Group Secretary Marilyn Webb for all her hard work notifying members of the applications and then collating responses, and for all the other work she does for the Group.
- ii) The Group has also been involved in another aspect of Planning and Development over the past year – the Local Plan II. Alison Ramsay co-ordinated and submitted members comments to PKC. Please see attached summary from Alison.

Walking and Cycling Routes

As all of you will be aware, some sections of roads on the Braes of the Carse have been designated 40 mph Walking and Cycling Roads, and this has encouraged more locals out to walk or cycle.

Some members have commented that as the speed restrictions only apply to some sections of road, there are occasions where drivers then speed off at the end of the restricted section at speeds which are totally unsuited/unsafe on our narrow winding roads, and where people are still walking or cycling in order to get back home. Everyone will be aware of the awful accident where

There was a meeting with local councillors in Rait to discuss road safety issues/concerns, including the potential increase in the volume of traffic driving on the Braes roads with people taking short cuts from the Scone area to Dundee etc as the Perth/Scone housing developments continue. As you will all be aware, our roads are narrow in places (the locals know this and plan ahead to use the passing places), with awkward bends, and are not suitable for large commercial vehicles or drivers who want to travel at 60 mph. Individual members have also had separate meetings with local councillors to discuss issues relating to our local roads. So far there has been no response from PKC Councillors following these meetings.

Should BCCG be putting forwards proposals to PKC for further designation of Walking and Cycling Rotes or even sections where speed limits should be put in place on particularly dangerous sections of roads that are not designated for Walking and Cycling? This would provide a better network of Routes for exercise and also reduce the potential for accidents.

It was agreed that a members meeting should be arranged to take this forward.

Annual Accounts

Thanks to Tom Dowie, our Treasurer, for producing our Annual accounts.

The BCCG is very frugal, with the only money spent being payment for the BGGG domain name and the maintenance of the website. Thank you very much to Gordon Nicol for undertaking this work for the

group. Stephen Hole volunteered to help with keeping the website up to date

Secretary Marilyn Webb

The group runs on the goodwill of its members, with numerous people providing their time for free. However, funds are low, and we do need to top them up if we are to continue.

Area Reps

Pitroddie Marilyn Webb and Christine Hall

Kilspindie Tom Dowie

Rait Fraser Lawrence, Eddie Anderson, Graham Nicholson

Kinnaird Lachlan Gunn

Ballindean Alison Ramsay

Abernyte Malcolm McSwan, Stephen Hole, Barry Caudwell

£55 was raised at the AGM.

If you would like to donate to BCCG, please post a cheque to our Secretary Marilyn Webb, or to make a direct payment to our bank account. Please email secretary@braesofthecarse.org and Marilyn will be happy to supply the Bank details..

If you would be interested in joining the committee, please contact Marilyn Webb.

Membership

Membership of BCCG is free. Since the Group started in 2009 the membership has dropped a little, as people move out of the area, or possibly forget to inform the Secretary when they change their email address.

Abernyte School

Malcolm McSwan gave a brief update on the closure of Abernyte School. Closure had been agreed for Spring 2019. There was an appeal to the Scottish Office, who then called it in to review the decision. A response is expected in the next few months.

At present we have 132 members, with another 26 emails bouncing back when mailings go out.

Nest Box Scheme

Barry Caudwell gave a short report summarising the results of months of his hard work checking the nest boxes and ringing the chicks. See attached table.

Looking back over the years since the Group began, we have achieved quite a lot, but it is important to have as many members as possible so that we have a strong voice about local issues.

Guest Speakers

There were two excellent presentations on the 'Butterflies and Moths of the Braes of the Carse', including lots of fantastic photographs.

Please spread the word about BCCG and the work we do. More information is available from the BBC secretary, Marilyn Webb by email at secretary@braesofthecarse.org

Cathy Caudwell shared her extensive knowledge of the Butterflies and Trefor Woodford shared his extensive knowledge of the Moths. Both speakers included lots of useful information about what locals could do in their gardens to ensure that we keep these beautiful creatures for future generations.

Election of Committee

The Committee are as follows:-

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When we are not in harmony with nature, things can go very wrong. Disease and even premature death can occur. So why, if humans are considered to be the most intelligent beings on earth, are we so out of touch with how we use our environment? It seems as though the intellectual power of our brain has lifted our feet off the ground and away from our logical roots on how to live well! Or, DO we know what is really good for us, but just choose to ignore it?

Plants run on glucose as we know, and they make it by taking in light via the top of their leaves, water via their roots and carbon dioxide through the stomata in the

underside of the leaf. Simply put, one molecule of glucose is made from six carbon atoms, twelve hydrogen atoms and six oxygen atoms ($C_6H_{12}O_6$). As carbon is not available in pure form, the plant takes in carbon dioxide (CO_2) instead. So, for every carbon atom, two oxygen atoms come for free! Hydrogen doesn't come alone either, but two atoms can be found with one oxygen atom in water (H_2O). As you can see, there is a surplus of oxygen atoms after the plant has made a molecule of glucose and this is released into the air for us and our animals' benefit. We are inextricably linked to our environment. If water, air and light are insufficient or in excess, the plant will suffer, just as it will if it gets too hot or too cold, or is growing in soil that is too acid or alkaline rich. The pH balance must be right for optimum health. So where is all this going, I hear you ask?

Well, just like plants, humans need the right ingredients in order to make the energy required to operate efficiently, grow strong and live well. Simply filling our bodies with whatever is fast and convenient, regardless of whether it is good for us, will leave us ailing and dependent on artificial intervention, which usually comes with side effects. With this in mind, let's see how you would answer the following questions:

- 1) Would you water a plant with hot or ice-cold water?
- 2) Would you stick a flowering plant in a place with very little light?
- 3) Would you keep a plant in its polythene gift bag with insufficient air?

If you answered 'No' to all these, then we can probably safely assume that your house plants are looking pretty healthy. Plants don't live well if their basic needs are not met. They become stressed, sick and unhappy; sound familiar? So just like them, we need equilibrium, as do animals. So, how do we look after our pets?

- 1) Would you feed your dog whenever it is hungry?
- 2) Does your cat have Irn Bru, coffee and tequila instead of water?
- 3) Is your dog partying into the wee small hours every week?
- 4) Does your cat stay inside all day?
- 5) Do you feed your dog chocolate and toffees?



Hopefully, you have answered 'No' to these too, and common sense tells us if our pets lived like this, it would likely result in them becoming ill, obese and sad. So, if we don't look after our plants and pets in this way, why would we think for a moment that our bodies can grow and develop healthily on a poor diet, with limited exposure to sunlight and small amounts of fresh air? And before saying, 'but we are very different to our pet dog and cat', note this: A study by the European Molecular Biology Laboratory showed that the gene content in the gut microbiome of two dog breeds is very similar to that of the human gut microbiome (our army of microbes that protect us against germs). Also, one of our best loved cat breeds, the little domestic Abyssinian, (that was brought to Great Britain in 1860), is 90% genetically similar to humans!

Our microbiome is made up of trillions of bacterial cells. We have approximately ten times more bacterial cells than human cells. Sugar can prevent good microbes from colonizing the gut. Without these we struggle to absorb essential minerals that are needed to help shore up bones, heal wounds and boost our immunity. What we consume is literally the key to our health. We are powered by, and our cells repaired and replaced by, what we eat, drink and breathe. So, when you wake tomorrow

Think 'Nutritious' and choose foods that are as close to their natural, raw state as you can. Organic meat and fish, vegetables and fruits, freshly prepared and cooked at home are best. Eat fermented foods and restrict foods that are processed, high in sugar, glutenous or that contain grains, to less than 30% of your daily diet. Don't snack and leave at least 12 hours between your evening and next morning meal.

Think 'Pure' when you drink. Have at least 6 glasses of water per day to help flush out toxic metabolic waste.

Think 'Move'! Get up from sitting at least every hour for a little walk about. Don't worry about looking strange, use a door frame to have a little stretch too.

Think 'Fresh' and go for a walk outside for at least 10 minutes twice a day, and fill your lungs with fresh air.

Human beings are probably the epitome of Mother Nature's creative genius. This spring give your body what it needs. **LIVE BETTER, LIVE WELL, LIVE HAPPY!**

*Article researched & written by Becky Gunn,
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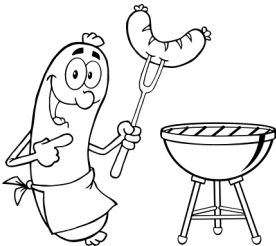
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INCHTURE AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Inchture Community Council (which also covers some of the villages near Inchture such as Abernyte, Kinnaird and Rait) continues to meet regularly to discuss and work on issues affecting all the villages. We monitor social media for issues which may be of concern in the area covered by the community council and can be contacted through our website (www.inchture.com).

Planning applications continue to be a major topic at community council meetings – we monitor applications being made to Perth and Kinross Council and do our best to represent the views of the community on any applications of concern. If there are any planning applications of concern to anyone in the area, we would ask that you make us aware through our regular meetings or by contacting members of the community council. As we have said before for any contentious applications it is vital to raise any objections at the planning application stage.

At this time of year it is common for issues to arise with roads in the surrounding area – we would encourage everyone to use the on-line road fault reporting mechanism available through the Perth and Kinross Council website to ensure issues are reported for potential action.

We have also mentioned before the traffic survey which was carried out in the village last year – we are currently pursuing the results of that survey which will be key in identifying any potential for improvement in traffic management throughout the village. Traffic flow and parking continues to be a regular topic of concern at recent meetings and we would ask everyone to be

mindful when driving around the village.

If there are any other issues that you would like to be raised at a community council meeting where we nearly always have good attendance from local councillors, then please come along to one of our meetings and let us know – we always encourage as many people as possible to attend.

We also always welcome new members and are particularly keen to improve our representation from the villages surrounding Inchture.

Due to some recent changes in the running of Community Councils we modified slightly the dates for upcoming meetings. Upcoming meetings are as follows :

- 5th March 2020, Inchture Village Hall
- 7th May, Kinnaird Church
- 4th June, Inchture Village Hall
- 3rd September, Rait Hall (To be Confirmed)

All meetings start at 7.30pm

Derek Henderson,
Secretary

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ABERNYTE NEWS

ABERNYTE TREE PLANTING DAY

Saturday 7th March 2020 10.00am

Volunteers from the community of Abernyte are going to plant approx. 200 trees on Abernyte hill. We have a mix of native Scottish trees on order, together with stakes and protective tubes.

Meet at the stile into the paddock field next to Abernyte House at 10.00. The activity will last about two hours.

All ages and abilities are welcome. The walk up the hill to the planting site is steep and involves crossing low fences. If you would like to take part but need 'all abilities' assistance please let a member of the organisation team know.

We plan to have some volunteer drivers of 4x4 vehicles to access the site from below (via the old Drove Road) or above (via the Listening Post) - as long as the ground is not too wet.

It is good fun. Trees take in carbon dioxide and give out oxygen to make the world better, and make people happy. Simple.

You will need good stout footwear and weather proof clothing as there is no shelter up the hill. Bring a garden spade, and small mallet if you have one. Clean your spade thoroughly please.

If you would like to take part but would prefer to bring warm drinks and home baking to share instead of a spade, you are especially welcome.

Questions? Ask Ron Neville

(rondelnev@gmail.com), Malcolm McSwan, Gordon Nicoll or Alastair Strickland.

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Friday 13th March at 7pm

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Thursday 2nd April 2020 19.00 to 21.00

Abernyte School

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It is good practice for lay people to refresh their basic life support (BLS) skills every two years.

The NHS Tayside Heartstart volunteer team are once again willing to come to the village to train residents, using mannequins and a defibrillator similar to ours. The event will be held in the school to give pupils the opportunity to take part in a shared learning opportunity.

We need to know numbers of potential attendees so that NHS Tayside Heartstart can organise volunteers and equipment. Can you let Ron Neville (rondelnev@gmail.com) or the Head Teacher (abernyte@pkc.gov.uk) know if you are a 'definite' or a 'maybe'.



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INCHTURE MOTORCYCLE GROUP



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Whether you ride a 50cc scooter or a Ducati Panigale V4 you are more than welcome to join the group.

There are frequent ride outs arranged where everyone is welcome. It's a good place to share routes and meet like minded enthusiasts.

There are discussion points regarding mechanical issues, advertising related to

This group was setup for anyone around the surrounding area with a passion for motorcycles. It really doesn't matter if you ride a

50cc scooter or a

Ducati Panigale V4 you are more than welcome to join the group.

motorcycles plus so much more.

But most importantly if the weather is bad then there is always the Inchtire pub nights.

Previous events during 2019 included the following:

- 3 day trip around the North 500.
- Track day event at nockhill with tuition provided by Sean Gilfillan.
- Frequent ride outs and attending Perth bike nights to raise money for charities.
- Advance cornering & knee down course held in York.

There is a good mixture of members & riding abilities so don't be shy come and check out the Facebook page, I look forward to meeting some new faces this season.

MADOCH COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Madoch Community Transport is a new service, launched in October last year, to provide transport for anyone in Errol, St Madoes and Inchtire who needs a lift to the Carse Medical Practice, or to the Madoch Centre for Exercise Classes or Support Groups.

To request a lift, passengers must first be registered with the service (pick up a form



at Madoch Centre, Carse Chemist, Errol Post Office or Carse Medical Centre). Then, simply call 01738 310412 or email transport@madochcentre.com with your name, address and details of when you need the transport.

The service is available to residents of any age, who don't have their own transport. Passengers must be able to climb the step into the vehicle (approximately 10", with handrails), and we can bring the vehicle to you ahead of time if you'd like to give it a go.

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♥ Valentines Quiz 15th February with Betty and Mark

🏉 All Scotland rugby matches showing in the Club (free pies)

💰 Bingo continues last Saturday of the month

(Please check our FB page for any updates)

Any local business interested in advertising on our "banners" around the Green (visible from the road and passing buses) please contact Bruce Duncan on 07710014893 or phone the Club direct on 01828 686323 for more details.

Membership fees are £85 adults, £20 age 17/18, £10 one off fee for under 16s. New adult members this year can benefit from 1st year fees of only £20 which proved very popular last year.

We have informal hat nights every Monday starting beginning of May. This is a chance to try bowling at your own pace (check fb page for updates)

Juniors 6.00-7.00pm

Adults 7.15-approx 9.00pm

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Please also see our Race Night, the bowling club bar will be in the Village Hall that night. ALL welcome

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COUNCILLOR BETH POVER

I hope you are all doing well and have recovered from the Festive period as Spring is just around the corner once again – how time flies! Thank you to everyone who has made contact in recent months and I look forward to hearing from other Carse residents as we progress into 2020. I have been speaking to constituents in different parts of the Carse as I have been out and about and I welcome any opportunity to hear your views – don't hesitate to come over and have a chat if you see me around. I'm just about to post Surgery dates for 2020 and I hope to see you there.

One of the main issues constituents have contacted me about is - when will the Carse of Gowrie Medical Practice open? I would like to reassure residents that opening of the new temporary health facility is expected very soon and delay has been attributed to NHS Tayside's challenges in respect of lease and issue of completion certificate. Staff at NHS Tayside have agreed to update me on progress, and I will share information when I receive it.

Another important issue relates to Dundee City Council's plans to change the catchment area of Harris Academy to exclude pupils from the Perth & Kinross area. This means that Invergowrie pupils will no longer be considered as part of the catchment area which could result in a

20mile journey to attend Perth High School, particularly as plans for the tri-Council School has been shelved after Angus Council pulled out of negotiations.

I will be attending a public Meeting at Invergowrie Parish Church on Friday 7th February where Deputy First Minister, John Swinney, will address this issue with concerned parents. Dundee City Council have agreed to carry out a consultation and I will update in the next Newsletter.

I had the pleasure of assisting constituents with housing and environmental issues in recent months with successful outcomes and I would urge residents to make contact if I can assist with any issue.

As always, please contact me at BPover@pkc.gov.uk or (01738) 475036 / 07557 813405 outwith Surgery times as required. I'm always willing and happy to assist and support with any issue you may have. For more information check my Facebook page - Cllr Beth Pover. I hope to see you all at various events in the Carse of Gowrie during the Spring / Summer months.

As always, please don't hesitate to come over and have a chat. I'm also happy to attend any Community Groups as required.

Cllr Beth Pover

COUNCILLOR ANGUS FORBES

It's lovely to see Spring arriving gradually as I write this newsletter article.

The Inchtute area has been relatively quite since the last newsletter, there are just a few things to report back on.

I am pleased to report that the Defibrillator has finally been bought and is in the Spar shop, hopefully by the time you read this article Gordon will have managed to get it mounted on the outside of the shop so its available outwith shop hours. This has been

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a mammoth fund raising event by the Community so thank you to everyone who contributed.

I have had a few reports of fly tipping around the area, some in the village which I have managed to get the Council to collect but more often on farmers fields in the more rural areas. Sadly as this is private land, the Council wont collect it and the responsibility lies with the owner of the land. Fly tipping is something that really bugs me and I wish the penalties were higher and it was easier to fine people for it. Perth and Kinross Council are taking an active lead in trying to catch and prosecute people who fly tip. Most of the fly tipping is clearly from commercial operators so if you are employing a gardener or a builder, please try to make sure they are disposing of waste responsibly.

You will have heard of the crime wave currently affecting Invergowrie. The Police have now arrested two individuals for this crime. Some local people have contacted me with concerns that the criminals may travel up the carse to Inchtute. The Police tell me that they are fairly sure this is localised crime and there is no evidence of them traveling much further.

I know the Pensioners Party in January was another great success and everyone I spoke to who was at it had a great time so a huge thank you to the Inchtute Hotel and all the organisers for a really well organised event which benefits so many people.

The Council budget is just starting as I write this article, its still unclear exactly what the outcome will be although by the time you read this it will be clearer. The one thing that is almost guaranteed is that the Council will be looking at further cuts to the grant from the Scottish Government. This will impact on services and our decisions as elected member is where those cuts come from. Things like education are largely protected so the cuts always end up coming from areas like ground maintenance and roads repairs.

As always, I am here to help with any issue and can be contacted on 01738 475412 or aforbes@pkc.gov.uk

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COUNCILLOR ALASDAIR BAILEY

It's great to see the new nursery building coming on so well at the school. All being well, that will have its first children in August this year when the new extended hours for the pre-school kids begins.

Stagecoach have made some changes to the buses recently with the most noticeable one being that the bus serving Inchtute and the villages through the Carse has gone back to being a 16. This is good because it's again

running only from Perth to Dundee. The year or so when it ran as a 39 all the way from Arbroath to Perth was beset with problems and delays. Hopefully this change gives us a more reliable service.

We're fortunate in Inchtute to have two buses an hour in each direction during the day (if we include the fast ones on the A90). It's frustrating that those X7s don't call into the village proper and rest assured that if

the flyovers were built again in 2020, I'm sure we'd get some arrangement so that the buses could leave the main road at both ends of villages like here and Longforgran. That way they wouldn't have to do all these ridiculous 'loop the loops' to pick people up. If we're to put the climate and air quality first and reduce car miles, we have to make public transport work properly!

Some people contacted me worried that a sign appeared at the Riverside Recycling centre in Dundee last year informing us that only Dundee residents can use that facility. I'm pleased to report that Perth council are in the final stages of setting up an agreement so that we in the Carse will be able to use that skip and no longer have to drive all the way to Perth to get rid of recycling/rubbish. I'll update on Facebook and I'm sure the local papers will run

something once that is finalised.

At the council, I was pleased that my motion calling for all council employees to be paid the new £9.30/hr Real Living Wage rate 6 months early was passed back at the end of 2019. Thank you to both of my ward colleagues Cllr Forbes and Cllr Pover for supporting this. It's only right that we ensure our lowest paid colleagues aren't left out of pocket by rising costs of living including housing.

I'm looking forward to another fantastic fete this year in June. Hope to see lots of you there again. Please do continue to keep in touch and let me know if there is anything I can help with.

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