

STRATHDEARN NEWSLETTER

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Looking for a different way to enjoy your day whilst helping the Community? Why not spend a day with a friend running the shop? A chance to catch up with friends and neighbours whilst supporting the shop.

We are looking for community volunteers to help by giving occasional cover to run the shop.

WRT directors, Alison and Margaret, will be first to be trained but regret tartan paint will not be available on their day behind the counter.

No previous experience required, full training will be given and we promise not to sign you up for more than you wish.

If interested please contact Lee-Anne in the shop.

Strathdearn Community Council

publishes the "Strathdearn Newsletter" quarterly, delivering it free to every home in Strathdearn. The Newsletter is sponsored by Tomatin Distillery and Mr & Mrs George McLeod.

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POLICE CONTACT Any concerns about Law and Order, information on vandalism, requests for advice, or any other police related matter should be passed on to our community policewoman: Catherine McGibbon, Community Beats, Burnet Road, Inverness. email catherine.mcgibbon@scotland.pnn.police.uk
To telephone, for matters not urgent enough to require 999 ... **please call 101** and you will be put through

LOCAL NURSING SERVICES

Strathdearn nursing services are covered by the Inverness East Community Nursing Team.

The Nursing Team's telephone number is 01463 230850

The NHS24 telephone number is 111

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

First Monday of the Month
September to May (ex. December & January)

SWI

7.30pm Strathdearn Hall
Contact: Mrs Margaret Robertson 511243

3rd Monday of Month

Gardening Club

7.30pm Strathdearn Hall,
Contact: Mrs May Buckle 511448

2nd Tuesday of Month

Community Council

7.30pm Strathdearn Hall
All welcome

Every Wednesday

Community Coffee Morning

10.30-11.30am Strathdearn Hall
All welcome, £1

Every Wednesday

Walking Group

2pm meet at Strathdearn Hall car park
Contact: Kathy Bonniface 511740

Every Thursday

11.30am – 1.30pm Tomatin Shop

POST OFFICE

Every Thursday (term time)

Toddlers' Group

10am-noon, Strathdearn Hall
Contact: Helena Ekerot 07958 477735.

Every Thursday

Art Class

1.30– 3.30pm Strathdearn Hall,
Contact: Mrs Betty Watson 511271
Mrs Pam Hardwick 511766

Monthly, usually on a Thursday

Natural History Club

Some indoor, some outdoor, events.
Days vary, so look out for posters.
Contact: David Bonniface 511740
or Carol James 531220

Strathdearn Hall

For booking or access into the Strathdearn Hall or Sports Facility in Tomatin please ring the Hallkeeper **Steve Culeen 01808 511321** or email s.culeen@hotmail.co.uk (please note there is a dot in the name)

The Public Toilets are open until October..

The Sports Facility is free for local youngsters (under-18's) to play ball games. Evening/regular groups of adults will be charged. Available for ball games and tennis. No cycles, animals or food & drink allowed on the pitch. No blades or studs. **Open 9am-9pm.**

Sports Facility Light tokens free to under-18's only, available from Debbie Mackay 511466, Lewis Macleod 511354 or Gavin Edward 511427.

Hire rates (local)

Findhorn Room	£9 p/hour
Funtack Room	£6 p/hour
Clune Room	£5 p/hour
Sports Facility	£11 p/hour

Findhorn /Funtack Rooms together: £14 p/hour

Double rates for non-locals
(ie outside Strathdearn district)

Badminton Club (adults only) will restart on Wednesday 25th October, 7-8pm, at the school.

MOY, DALAROSSIE & TOMATIN PARISH CHURCH

Two things happening this Autumn you may like to come along to:

Saturday 16th September : 'Doors Open Day' at Dalarossie Church from 10am-4pm

Saturday 21st October 12 noon to 2pm - in the Strathdearn Hall -

*Soup & Pudding Lunch for Church Funds
(No Charge – Donations)*

All welcome

“CHARACTERS”

Sketches written and performed by Bettine Mackenzie

Monday 7th August 6.30 pm
Tomatin Village Hall

Tea, coffee and home baking

Donations welcome for Dalarossie Church

Betsy trained at Drama Centre London. She has written and performed two solo shows, both of which ran at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe in 2015 and 2016. Her most recent play, 'Perfidious Lion', transferred to the Platform Theatre in London this year and has just finished performances at the East Riding Theatre in Beverley and the International Arts Festival in Galway. Other acting/writing credits include 'The Night Season' (ERT), 'Not With a Whimper' (Arcola), 'Marion's Scandal' (Southwark Playhouse), 'Betsy and Bella are Cousins' (Cannes Film Festival, 2016). Betsy is currently working on writing projects in development for Sony Pictures and Tavistock Wood.

Part time Housekeeper, mainly seasonal sought for large house in Tomatin. Would consider job share. Contact Lucinda 07717437831 or lucindafleming@icloud.com

ADVANCE NOTICE – Put the date in your diary NOW!!!

We will be holding a **Messy Church BBQ** on 20th August from 15.00-17.00 at The Old Manse, Moy.

There will be a bouncy castle, hot tub, garden games and lots of lovely food!

Whether you currently come to Messy Church; don't come but are interested; aren't interested or have never heard of it - everyone is welcome. Come along and enjoy the activities or just have a blether. We'd particularly welcome any men who would be willing to help with the BBQ on the day.

Any queries contact Liz Cooling 511353.

ART IN STRATHDEARN EXHIBITION

Celebrating our 20th year!

This year we are holding the exhibition over the weekend of August 19th/20th with the Friday night- August 18th - a preview night- everyone welcome.

The theme for this year's Children's Painting competition is 'The four Seasons of the Year' and as usual entries and winners will be on display throughout the exhibition.

New this year-paintings created during the summer Fun Day will be on display in the hall foyer.

Our club competition for the Memory Bowl Trophy is definitely a challenge for some of us! It is 'A Bridge' in any medium. This topic is in memory of one of our founder members -Alasdair Wallace- who would undoubtedly have won the trophy himself!

The Memory Bowl Trophy was made by Alasdair and is in memory of members of the club no longer with us. Please remember to vote for your favourite picture –they will be displayed in the entrance to the hall.

Over the weekend Member Cliff Jones will be doing a painting demonstration.

One of the art panels this year will be dedicated to paintings of flowers but the rest of the exhibition will as usual be a mix of styles and topics to keep you browsing for some time! Don't forget to enjoy a cuppa and a cake as well.

There will also be a Raffle –to be drawn just before the close of the exhibition on Sunday.

EXHIBITION OPENING TIMES FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY AUGUST 18TH 7PM TO 9PM
PREVIEW with wine/juice & nibbles. Everyone welcome.

SATURDAY AUGUST 19TH 11AM TO 6 PM

SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH 11AM TO 5PM
Tea/coffee/cakes available both days, donations welcome.

LOCAL NEWS *by SMG*

Jackie Tatlow had a hip operation on 12th May and is feeling so much better, getting her confidence back – driving now (end of July) and getting around again.

Lois Ferguson, Lorraine Macdonald and another three youngsters from Strathdearn won the Schools Cup in Inverness and Lois won quite a few medals at the end of May.

We remember Debbie and David Mackay, and Fraser and Lewis, on the death of Debbie's mother, Mrs Campbell, and send them all our deepest sympathy.

We send our best wishes to all in hospital – Mrs Christie, Mrs Wallace, Mrs Cameron and Mrs Noble.

Congratulations to John and Aimee Williamson (nee Holland) on the birth of Charlie. We hope they are all well.

We keep thinking of Linda in America having treatment, and we are thinking of all her family too.

Good to see Rab and Jenny Mulheron regaining their health again.

We will miss Roger in the Post Office in the Shop for two hours on Thursdays, who has just retired. He was so helpful and kind.

We remember Mrs Mary Yule (nee Macdonald, formerly of Drumbain, and with Balvraid connections, now of Carrbridge) and her family, on the death of her husband Jimmy, who formerly worked as a shepherd in Strathdearn, and who was held in great esteem and affection by so many, as evidenced in the huge turnout for his funeral at Inverness Crematorium. We send his family our deepest sympathy.

We are looking forward to the Moy Game Fair and the 12th August, the start of the grouse season – good luck to all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Megan and Gavin Edward who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on 30th May, 2017. Here's to the next 25 happy years!

Edwin and Sarah MacDonald are delighted to announce the 2 week early arrival of Mya Belle MacDonald, born at 9.15pm on Friday 21st July weighing 7lbs. Kyle, Lorraine and Laila are delighted with their new little sister. We would like to say a special thanks to Nana Avril and Grandad Eddie MacDonald, who jumped into action for us and have been a huge help

Linda Halliday (nee Campbell)

As most of you will know, our daughter Linda is over in Jacksonville, America, receiving treatment as she was diagnosed earlier this year with extra-skeletal myxoid Chondrosarcoma. This is a very rare type of sarcoma (one in 65 million) and it is also in a very unusual place in the spinal column. As she will be there for 13 weeks with the family we thought we would take this opportunity to update you on how things are going. Initially Linda has had various MRI CT kidney function and blood tests done and has also been measured and marked for treatment. Linda has to have 41 sessions and by the time you read this will have had 8 treatments: 3 proton beam and 5 of the newest pencil beam. As her cancer is so rare they are using her for research too.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came to the ladies fundraising lunch, the table top sale and to all who have also contributed with both time and money at various fundraising events. We cannot express how touched and grateful we are for everyone's support and generosity.

Liz and Doug Campbell

GRADUATION SUCCESS 2017

Congratulations to Hannah Bell, Callum Carson and Robbie Taylor on their graduations in June/July.

Hannah graduated from Dundee University with an MA in Primary Education. Hannah will spend her probationary year teaching a Primary 5 class at Cradelhall Primary School, Inverness.

Callum graduated from Edinburgh University with a Bachelor of Education with honours in Physical Education. Callum has been offered a post as PE teacher at Kingussie High School for his probationary year.

Robbie graduated from Edinburgh University with an MA Honours in Linguistics.

May you all find great happiness and success in your careers.

MORE SPEEDING COMPLAINTS!

A few weeks ago there was a bit of a debate on speeding in Old Mill Road, which seemed to end fairly amicably. Having said that, I have noticed quite a few heavy construction vehicles, and some smaller ones, passing up Old Mill Road presumably en route for Distillery Wood recently – and some of these could do with slowing down a bit! There have also been complaints about Station Road, where, like Old Mill Road, the legal speed limit may be 30mph – but surely common sense would dictate driving much slower past houses where there are children or older people who might not be as quick on their feet as they used to be (getting to that stage myself these days!)

Speeding is an issue that comes up regularly at Community Council Meetings, and the advice from the Community Police Officer is to forward offending registration numbers to them. But surely, with a bit of goodwill and consideration, that won't be necessary. We're a small community with a good reputation for caring about each other – so let's put that into practice this summer, and ease off that accelerator!

The front page of the Courier today shows a wee boy of four, in a hospital bed after being knocked down outside his house in Inverness - don't let this, or worse, happen in Tomatin or Moy. Nobody wants a tragedy here. It's lovely to see so many wee ones around the village (Tomatin) now – let's try to keep them safe!

Vivian Roden

Moy folk go green!

Food dye is to be sprayed on an area of forestry near Inverness in an effort to better understand how pesticides might work against tree diseases and pests.

Forestry Commission Scotland said the aerial spraying trial planned for between 1-10 August would not involve pesticides.

The test would be done over forestry near the hill Meall Mor south of Inverness.

The area involved would be closed to the public during the trial.

The commission said any future use of pesticides to control the spread of diseases and pests would be a "last resort".

The trial involving food dye would be weather dependent.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-40726865>

Duncan Bryden

Gardening Club Flower Show, 2nd September

The previous Newsletter had a copy of this year's schedule for the Flower Show on page 8. If you have filed your copy so safely you can't find it, individual schedules are available in the shop or from Carol James and May Buckle.

The Club meeting on 21st August will be concerned with the detailed arrangements for the show. With some club members not available this year, we need outside help to assemble and then take down the staging in the school hall. A number of people kindly volunteered to help when this subject was raised earlier in the year. I would very much appreciate it if anyone who can help set up in the afternoon of Friday 1st (meeting at the Strathdearn Hall at 3pm) or take things down after 3.30pm on Saturday could either come to this meeting or contact Carol James (531220) or May Buckle (511448). The show will not be the success it has been without your help.

Lucy Lister-Kaye will be talking to members on 18th September about the organisation of the Yellow Book open gardens scheme. It promises to be a most interesting evening, so why not join us to learn about the hard work involved.

Carol James (Chairman)

Betty's Recipes

Oven scone recipe.

We do like scones at the coffee morning and someone asked for my recipe so here it is again!

Hot oven. I cook mine at 220 deg C and put the tray in to heat. Scones cook in 10 mins, but practice makes perfection!

12oz SR flour

1 teasp baking powder

3oz butter. 1 heaped tablespoon sugar.

1 beaten egg

About 6 fl oz milk

Mix flour and baking powder. Cut and rub in butter.

Stir in sugar.

Beat egg lightly with milk. Save a little for glazing.

Add to flour and mix to soft but not sticky dough.

Turn out on to floured surface and form into round (about 2cm thick)

Stamp into rounds with cutter and brush with egg mixture.

Bake 10 mins or till golden on top.

Recipe can be varied by adding fruit, eg raisins, chopped apple and cinnamon, bananas or cherries.

[Betty has decided to retire from providing her recipes, which she has been faithfully sending in every quarter for the last ten years. Thankyou Betty for your support and all your lovely recipes. **Editor**]

Tomatin Golf Course

This ambitious venture began as six greens, situated on either side of General Wade's road between Smithfield, Mo Dhachaidh and the old A9, with the first green and clubhouse nearest to the layby and approach road to what was Fred Kelly's lorry park. There is a venerable larch tree nearby, which could have many a tale to tell of close fought competitions and much enjoyment for many years, as well as voluntary labour on a challenging site.

A public meeting chaired by Mr Junor, the Station Master, was held on 23rd September 1904 in the village hall (then tucked in on railway property between Bail an Duin and the stone viaduct) to discuss the question of a golf course "for the place." A letter was read from Mr Macbean of Tomatin, granting the use of Tomatin Aird during his lifetime for the purpose in view. Mr MacGregor, tenant, who was present, expressed his approval of the project and stated that he would have no objection as long as his lease lasted. The thanks of the meeting were conveyed to Messrs Macbean and MacGregor, and it was agreed that a general meeting be held at an early date to elect officers and a committee.

Thus the germ of an idea for a golf course at Tomatin took root, and there swiftly followed several meetings, held in the waiting room at the station – much more cosy than the words suggest, with a fine coal fire in the grate. Mr Ludovic Macbean Esq, Tomatin, and E Cox Esq, Balnespick, were elected Hon. Presidents; J Macdougall Esq, Tomatin, President; the Rev A J Morrison, Manse of Moy and John Mackintosh Esq, Ard Kyllachy, Vice Presidents. The Secretary to be A J Macdougall, Tomatin; Treasurer, Mr A Noble, Woodville. The Committee: Mr J B Leonard, Convenor, Midvie; Mr J W MacGregor, Heights; Mr J Junor, Station House and Mr F Macleod, the Hotel.

Two names are a puzzle to me, 'Ard Kyllachy,' and 'Migvie' – no 'Dal' as now. The Macdougalls lived in a fine house at Hazelbank, burnt down latterly. 'Woodville' was later 'Strathview,' then Cottage of Free; and in the latter decades of the last century the Heights was renamed Smithfield before reverting back to its original name – although in his great enthusiasm for the enterprise, Mr MacGregor at one stage named it 'Golf View!' He agreed to accept a rent of £2 for the course and made a present of that due for the first year as a donation to the club.

Fund raising went on apace, and a Mrs Sefton arranged concerts. All members paid an annual subscription of 5/-, with an entrance fee of 2/6d. Ladies 1/-, visitors or non-members 6d a day or 1/- per week.

The successful tender for the golf course work was from Mr S Macdonald, at £14. Turf was offered by Miss Shaw, Miss Ross, Mr Macbean and Mr Noble, Free. The conveying of it to the greens was given to Mr Sharp, carter.

After many discussions and several readjustments to the course, it was finally declared ready for play on 13th July 1905, and at the opening ceremony Mrs Macbean of Tomatin drove off from the first tee with a specially donated silver mounted club, suitably engraved. Play followed by foursomes – "the sporting nature of the ground affords scope for a great variety of play, and being situated about 1100 ft above sea level, is probably the highest golf ground in Scotland to date." Lady members of the Club provided tea afterwards. (How I wish there had been a photograph to record the occasion).

By 1908 it was suggested that three further greens be added, and the need for a shelter or Clubhouse emphasised. There were by then 34 Club members on the roll. A special meeting of the Club was held in February 1910 to decide about the Clubhouse – hitherto there had been insufficient funds for a building. The Hon. President, Mr Macbean of Tomatin, came forward to offer a free site, as well as £5 towards the erection of the Clubhouse. He was heartedly thanked for his generosity, as well as his kindly attitude towards the Club since its commencement. It was agreed that "the Clubhouse is to be built on the small knoll to the North, not far from the first green, constructed of wood, 14' long, 9' wide and 7 and a half feet high with a corrugated iron roof to jut out horizontally on one side to form an overhead projection 3' broad, supported by four wooden pillars. It would have 3 windows, 16 lockers, and be lined and varnished within and painted without. The work all to be done by Mr William Dunbar, carpenter, Dalnahoin, Corrybrough, Tomatin." There were accounts for various fittings indoors and out – including one from Messrs Howdens & Co for 18 rhododendrons @ 9/-, plus 1/- for carriage!

Mention is made of Mrs Campbell, 'Sawmill Cottage,' who was appointed caretaker at a salary of 10/- per annum, for which she offered to open and shut the building during the golfing season and keep same thoroughly clean. (I am not sure where her cottage was – there was a sawmill near where Fred Kelly's lorry park used to be, but Mo Dhachaidh was a ruin, known as 'the burnt house,' as far back as I can recall, 1930s. I well remember 'Hercher's' Funfair that came to the site each summer – great fun).

Subscriptions raised locally amounted to £32.19/- and previous expenditure was £29.9.8d, so the Clubhouse was not only free of debt but a surplus of 7/9d was handed to the Treasurer! Members could now enjoy a copy of the Daily Graphic at a half-penny to peruse in the Clubhouse during the season, and a mower was purchased in 1912. There were 40 members on the roll in 1910.

I will not weary readers with details of minutes of meetings, changes of membership and expenditure – mostly maintenance of the greens and keeping rushes and heather at bay, not to mention rabbit and cattle incursions, also Mr MacGregor said that players looking for lost balls were damaging his crops!

Many more lady members joined the Club and in 1915 it was noted that "competitions were greatly enlivened and the comfort of members kindly considered by the Matrons who provided an excellent tea on each occasion." There were numerous generous prizes donated, with several impressive-sounding cups, including the Noble/Macpherson Ladies Challenge one and the

Callingham Cup – Mr Callingham was one of the Tomatin Distillery directors. From 1916 it was decided not to compete for cups as, owing to the War, there were fewer players taking part – these recommenced in 1919.

In 1920-21 there was an exchange of letters between John Macdonald, timber merchants of the Sawmill, and the Golf Club members over damage to the course by their carts, but there seemed to be no satisfactory result from their requests for recompense, lasting several months.

By 1922 competitions were being held with neighbouring clubs including Carrbridge and Rothiemurchus, and players were transported by ‘motor,’ hired by Mr Farquhar – Distillery Manager and a staunch supporter. Mr Mann took over the Heights in 1923, following the sadly regretted death of Mr MacGregor, who had been held in high regard and had done so much for the Golf Club ever since its inception in 1904.

I do not know when the final games were played, probably up until after World War II, with a dwindling number of players, but the Golf Course had given great enjoyment and competition for seniors and juniors alike, and a sincere debt was due to those who helped voluntarily to maintain it, despite Nature’s efforts otherwise.

One visiting sportsman in 1923, Sir Perry Robinson, commented that he had played in various parts of the world, including Trinidad, the Canaries and China, but the Tomatin Course had “features of its own.” He and his wife had come to play with 10 balls – had lost 127, but still possessed 8!

The clubhouse went into dignified retirement as a henhouse – the lockers providing ideal nest boxes!

Ann Glynn-Percy

(Written in 2002 and revised in 2017)

2017 Postscript:

The Golf Course area is of ancient historical interest because on the upper level there was once a settlement in the Bronze Age. There is not much to see, just the low profile of three hut circles, or round houses as they are now known as, and one of them was partly overrun by General Wade’s Road. It is fascinating to think of a small Pictish community living there; tending their animals, hunting, and growing basic crops all those hundreds of years ago. On the site, between the buildings and the A9, there are a number of small mounds of stones, which were clearance heaps to make more ground for cultivation. When I found the first one I thought it might be a burial mound, but there are too many. Also, the deceased were interred in stone box-like cists, a crouched burial which would probably leave no remains owing to the type of soil there; maybe offerings of basic pottery or a rudimentary tool, not weapons. There were similar families of people living in Strathdearn during the same era, all almost within sight of each other in similar hut houses, at about 1,000 feet above sea level, above the nearby river flood plain and with easy sight of approaching strangers, although it seems to have been a mainly peaceful area then.

The inhabitants would have been pagan, worshipping sacred groves or springs, and I wonder if the unique Invereen carved standing stone was in place for special ceremonies or great gatherings as at an Equinox, overseen by the spiritual shamens or Druids.

How I wish an archaeological investigation would be undertaken on our Golf Course remains so that we could maybe see any artefacts buried there; shards of pottery, early types of tools, even charcoal, to bring the Long Ago to life for us.

Church of Scotland
Parish of Moy, Dalarossie and Tomatin
Interim Moderator: Rev Morven Archer
T: 01463 237840

Since the closure of Tomatin Church, we now meet in the Strathdearn Hall every Sunday at 10.30am, except for the Services which are held at Dalarossie on the first and third Sundays of the month from March – November, inclusive.

We have Tea after the Services in the Hall at Tomatin, and on the Second Sunday of the month, invite donations for the Highland Foodbank.

Any of the following items will be much appreciated:- Breakfast Cereal / Pasta or Rice / Tinned Potatoes / Oatcakes or Crackers / Tinned Vegetables / Tinned Tomatoes / Tinned Fruit / Long Life Fruit Juice / Tinned Ham or Corned Beef / Tinned Soup / Tinned Tuna or Salmon / Tinned Mince or Stew / UHT Milk / Tinned Custard or Rice / Teabags or Coffee / Sugar. Further information from Vivian on 01808 511255.

Afternoon Tea:

Join us at the Strathdearn Hall for a chat over freshly made sandwiches and delicious scones and cakes between 3 and 4 pm on the second Monday of each month. Further information from Vivian on 01808 511355.

The Guild:

Meets at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday of the month between September and April, inclusive, usually in the Strathdearn Hall unless stated otherwise. New members welcome. Further information from May 01808 511448.

Messy Church:

We also have Messy Church, usually on the last Sunday of each month, in the Strathdearn Hall from 4pm – 6pm. We have some fun with crafts to begin with, and then have a Bible storytelling time with a hymn and prayer. Then we have tea together (proper meal, that is, not just a cup of tea, although we usually have one of these after our meal as well!)

All are welcome. Adults and teenagers as well as children - you don't have to have a child to come along and it doesn't matter whether you go to Church or not. Messy Church comes under the 'fresh expressions' of Church and it's Church for people who think a traditional church service isn't really for them – although many of us who go are involved in traditional church too! It's for everyone really!

Children have to bring an adult with them – they usually enjoy it too! Parents/grandparents/carers don't have to do anything (unless they want to try some craft work etc!) You can just chill out with a coffee if you want.

No charge, but donations welcomed.

Further information from Vivian 01808 5112355, Sandra 01808 511246, or Liz 01808 511353 and we'd love to see you there.

SUNDAY SERVICES from Sunday 6th August to Sunday 19th November:

AUGUST:

Sunday 6th:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am
Sunday 13th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am
Sunday 13th:	Dalarossie Church	6.30 pm Evening Service (Holy Communion)
Sunday 20th:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am
Sunday 27th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am

SEPTEMBER:

Sunday 3rd:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am
Sunday 10th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am
Sunday 10th:	Dalarossie Church	6.30pm Evening Service (Songs of Praise)
Sunday 17th:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am
Sunday 24th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am

OCTOBER:

Sunday 1st:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am	Harvest Thanksgiving Family Service
Sunday 8th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 15th:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am	
Sunday 22nd:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am	
Sunday 29th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am	

NOVEMBER:

Sunday 5th:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am	
Sunday 12th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am	Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 12 th :	Strathdearn War Memorial	3pm	Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 19th:	Dalarossie Church	10.30am	
Sunday 26th:	Strathdearn Hall	10.30am	

All warmly welcome at any or all of our Services and Activities

TOMATIN LAUNCHES LIMITED EDITION 1972 SINGLE MALT

Scotch whisky distiller Tomatin has today unveiled its hotly anticipated, limited edition single malt from their Warehouse 6 Collection, the 1972 edition.

Following the launch of the extremely well received 1971 edition last year, the award-winning distillery has now released the 1972 Warehouse 6 Collection to the market, the second release in a series of six.

A single malt captured in its prime by the distillery men before too much was lost to the angels, the 1972 Warehouse 6 Collection is bottled at 42.1%abv and has a limited run of only 380 bottles.

The 1972 Warehouse 6 Collection has a distinct and complex character - with aromas of summer meadow wildflowers and flavours of sweet almond, coffee and winter spices - which have been developed over four decades of maturation, under the watchful waiting of the casks' dedicated custodians.

This exquisite single malt is part of Tomatin's Warehouse 6 Collection - a celebration of casks matured in its traditional dunnage warehouse. It has been aged in three sherry hogshead casks (23404, 23405 and 23406), laid low on antique wooden rails, above cool earthen floor, in the very heart of the Tomatin Distillery grounds.

The 1972 Warehouse 6 Collection is presented in a stunning wooden presentation box. The box is opened by pressing lightly on two rose gold metal buttons found on the side of the box, which allows the top to be lifted off revealing the bottle and glasses. Inside, a wooden podium base holds the hand-blown Glencairn Crystal decanter and glasses decorated with solid copper bands. The bottle boasts a solid copper stopper and a numbered certificate detailing the story of the whisky.

Stephen Bremner, Sales Director, said, "It is very exciting to finally launch the 1972 Warehouse 6 Collection malt, which has been sitting patiently in some of our most treasured casks, maturing and growing in flavour; just as the Tomatin brand itself has grown throughout the years. We wanted to create a range of whiskies that truly capture the heart of the distillery. This we achieved initially with the 1971, and now with the 1972."

The 1972 will retail at £2,000 and will be available from luxury whisky retailers by mid-August.

Tomatin recently won Distiller Of The Year 2016 and Brand Innovator Of The Year 2017 at the Icons of Whisky Awards. Tomatin currently ranks in the Top 10 Single Malt brands in the USA and is one of the fastest growing in the UK.

Natural History Club

Strathdearn has been home to people for thousands of years and their impact on the land is still visible. After Anne-Glynnne Percy retired she spent many hours walking the countryside photographing evidence of ancient settlements. Some members of the club have started revisiting the sites and recording them. Our meeting on Thursday 28th September will show Anne's original photos and some of our more recent ones.

Over that time the Strath has been home to a great variety of wildlife. Many of today's birds and animals will feature in a talk by a local keeper on 27th October.

The wildlife of a very different environment will be the central part of Carol James' talk on her trip to Madagascar on 23rd November.

Please join us for any or all of these talks at the Strathdearn Hall at 7.30pm. .

Wednesday Walks (SIU)

Come and join us for a breath of fresh air, a good chat, some walking and a cuppa afterwards. We meet at 2pm outside the Hall and decide where and how far to walk when we know who is joining us. With at least three leaders, and sometimes four, the walks can be tailored to individual abilities, so there is no excuse for not joining in. We all meet up at the Hall afterwards to enjoy a cuppa and finish the conversation.

It does not cost you anything but time, as Step It Up Highland pay for the Hall - time that could hardly be better spent than in healthy exercise.

Do join us any Wednesday from the 9th August onwards. For more information, contact Kathy or David Bonniface 511740 or Carol James 531220.

Romania 2017 Trip

I have recently returned from Romania along with six fellow Millburn Academy students. The trip ran from the 24th of June to the 11th of July.

Our first week was spent running a summer camp for local children and the second was spent in Illisua, an orphanage. We spent our weekends exploring Romanian culture and respecting the strong Christian values that we proudly shared with our hosts and Blythswood.

Upon reflection, I believe I have developed valuable skills during our crafts and activities and emotionally feel proud of the work we did with the children. To the children and teenagers of Strathdearn, the opportunity to be involved in projects such as these should not be passed up. I hopefully look forward to sharing my experience with the primary school children.

Without the donation from the Strathdearn Charitable Trust and those who supported our fundraising events this would not be possible therefore I would like to thank them.

Struan Gardner

SAVE STRATHDEARN CAMPAIGN: JULY 2017 UPDATE

Extensive clearfell operations have taken place as part of the construction activity to permit access from the southern end of the Farr wind farm haul road to the substation site at site 5 in Garbole wood. A wide track has replaced the trees and undergrowth.

The use of the Glen road by Scottish Hydro Electric-Transmission (SHE-T) vehicles has been “justified” as “enabling work” – not construction.

Currently SHE-T is seeking to alter Condition 9 of the Planning Decision Notice in order to carry out weekend working. Condition 9 addresses working hours and states *‘The normal working hours during the construction phase within the site shall be Monday-Friday between 0700 hours and 1800 hours and on Saturdays between 0800 hours and 1300 hours. Any work requiring to be conducted outwith these times shall only commence with prior written approval of the Council with an expectation that there will be no deliveries on Sundays and any workings outwith the permitted hours be limited to such activities that are not significantly audible beyond the site boundary.’*

The absence of Saturday afternoon and Sunday working was flagged up by SHE-T as important when submitting its planning application and was welcomed by a number of Councillors when the application was being debated and determined in November 2016. However, SHE-T is now looking to extend working hours from early September to include Saturday afternoons and all day on Sundays. In a paper produced for the June Strathdearn Community Council (SCC) meeting SHE-T states *“...the Contractor is seeking permission for additional weekend working. This is in recognition of the adverse weather conditions that are likely to be experienced in the winter months on the substation site and the exposed access route. Weekend working would allow the construction work to stay on programme by providing an important degree of contingency.”*

The Community Council passed a motion approving weekend working providing work was halted during services at Dalarossie Church. This approval was used by SHE-T to support its application to Highland Council for weekend working.

However, there were various shortfalls in the procedure followed by SHE-T and further consultation has been requested. In addition a number of objections have been lodged with Highland Council.

The matter will be on the agenda for the August SCC meeting to permit discussion **by local residents and Strathdearn community**. The appropriate planning officer at Highland Council has been advised and has agreed to defer determination of the application until feedback from the SCC meeting has been received. If you have views about SHE-T seeking to alter planning consent conditions please come along to the meeting at 7.30pm on 8 August.

Further information available from Pat Wells (tel 01808 511351).

BEES

We are currently making a short film with Nigel from Struan Apiaries about the bees that summer on the hills of Tomatin making about 21 tons of heather honey. Nigel is based near Conon Bridge and his bees winter on farms around the Black Isle where they are fed ambrosia to keep them going. When the oil seed rape starts to flower in late spring they start making honey. When this flowering period is over Nigel packs them up for their summer visit to Tomatin. He tends to move them at night when they are least active and overall there will be 500 hives (almost 100 million bees) in the area by early July in readiness for the heather blooming. They are still fed ambrosia in the early days till there is enough bloom to sustain them. The colonies have to be checked at least every 10-14 days to make sure there is enough room for them.

The heather burning is essential for the honey bees, and the wild bees, of which there are at least 5 or 6 species. The most productive heather is about two years post burning and they work their way over the mosaics. Rank heather tears their wings and kills them.

Struan Apiaries is the only commercial size honey operation in the North of Scotland. Nigel is a one man band and has had bees on the Tomatin hills for decades. He does everything himself, working very long hours and everything has to be done manually. You may have spotted his red pick up in the area or smelt the waft of honey as he drives past. Please look out for the film on the Tomatin Moorland Group Facebook page at the end of August. Part one was filmed as the hives arrived and part two will record the peak honey making activity towards the end of the month (August). He is a fascinating chap!

JL McCallum Agricultural Consultant Ltd, Tomatin Moorland Group

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks Knocknagael – Tomatin project

Construction works in and around your area – Safety is our number one priority at Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks. With this in mind and following the recent tragic incident at an Argyll Forest, we ask that you please remain vigilant of signage or direction around the construction and forestry works and **do not** enter our working areas. We ask that all members of the community please ensure when they are using the associated woodlands that they follow the points below:

- Obey all forestry warning signage or direction
- Ensure exclusion zones of machinery are adhered to on work sites
- Never climb on timber stacks
- Plan all movements when walking through woodland areas
- Obey the countryside code at all times

Tomatin substation - The enabling and access works commenced on site at the beginning of April '17. The existing track and extension from Farr Wind Farm is currently being upgraded, works will be ongoing with regular stone deliveries throughout July and August '17. The tree felling to allow the new section of the access track to be formed is now complete.

Overhead line - The Section 37 application for the new overhead line remains with the Energy Consents Unit and the Scottish Government to approve, this is due to conclude in the coming months.

Discussions with The Highland Council are on-going regarding the road improvements that are required in order to gain safe access at the agreed access points along the route of the overhead line. Works associated with this are expected to take place between August and November '17. The construction of the road improvements will utilise traffic control measures and temporary traffic lights where necessary to protect our workforce and the general public. Our delivery team will work to ensure there are no unnecessary delays during this period. However, as a result of this there may be some short increases in journey times and we would ask for the co-operation and understanding of road users.

Key contacts - Our Construction Manager, Neil Macdonald is on site most days and is available to address any queries or concerns, Neil is contactable on 07584 313588. Jenna Black is your Community Liaison representative and she can be contacted on 07342 027725 or jenna.black@sse.com

Community Liaison Group – We are holding the next Community Liaison Group meeting on 9 August '17. The Community Liaison Group (CLG) comprises of representatives from the local community, representatives from Strathdearn Community Council, Councillors of Inverness South and project representatives from Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. Meetings will take place at regular intervals to discuss any matters relating to the Knocknagael – Tomatin project in the lead up to and during the construction period. Minutes will be made publically available via the project website –

<http://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/knocknagael-tomatin/>

Be the Difference - Since the launch of SSE's volunteering programme we have helped over 2,500 projects, with our big-hearted employees dedicating their time to projects that matter to the communities where we live and work. All colleagues are encouraged to "Be the Difference" by volunteering a day in the form of skills-based assistance, painting, DIY, gardening and even school visits. If you have a project in mind that you think we could help out with please contact Community Liaison – Jenna Black on 07342 027725 or jenna.black@sse.com who will provide you with further information.

Tomatin and Moy SWRI

Autumn is approaching and with it the prospect of darker evenings. Why not spend one of them each month in the company of friends, listening to a varied programme of talks, having a blether over some homemade refreshments and bring your experience to our business meeting?

The 2017/18 session starts on Monday 4th September at 7.30pm in the Hall. We hope the talk will be about red squirrels (this will be confirmed on the posters on notice boards in the community at the end of the month). The competition is for a jar of raspberry jam and the hostesses are Carol James and Margaret Robertson.

If you have ever wondered about the work going on on the railway viaduct, the meeting on 2nd October will answer your questions: a representative of Taziker International will tell us all about it. The competition is for an unusual filling in a bridge roll and the hostesses are Kaye Francis and Madge Fraser.

There will be a chance to try your hand at Crochet on 6th November when Carol James will first demonstrate some stitches and then help everyone reproduce them. The competition is for a baby's bonnet in any material and the hostesses are Helen Garmston and Betty Watson.

The session promises to be another enjoyable one, so come along and be part of it. *Carol James, President.*

I have written the following lines in response to a poem from Robin Smith of Transport Scotland:

It's pleasing that you took the time
responding to my little rhyme,
the tough decisions you enforce
can ease the pain when set in verse.

Your latest gig in Strathdearn hall
has shown the power of state control,
a simple bypass through the Slochd
received the usual planned rebuff.

The savings made by pruning junctions
should strengthen local road connections,
your service roads a waste of money
unless they meet at Dalmagarry.

I listened to some poor excuses
and bogus engineering issues
local needs demand this link
despite what desk-bound planners think.

as the Brexit fairy waves her wand
and EU funding nears its end,
on standards now you must renege
like the cheap-john access to Lynebeg.

preserving local thoroughfares
should be your main remit,
so vital in a highland strath

where rights-of-way were set.

Donald Macaskill

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Firewood (can also do mixed loads & cut from 20-50cm length (in 5cm increments))

Tipping Loads:	
Softwood	
Cut to around 25cm	Cut to around 20cm
1m ³ load - £60	1m ³ load - £70
2m ³ load - £110	2m ³ load - £120
3m ³ load - £150	3m ³ load - £165
4m ³ load - £180	4m ³ load - £200

Palletised Loads (wheeled of back off trailer):	
Softwood	
Cut to around 25cm	Cut to around 20cm
1 x 1.6m ³ load - £90	1 x 1.6m ³ load - £100
2 x 1.6m ³ load - £170	2 x 1.6m ³ load - £180
3 x 1.6m ³ load - £240	3 x 1.6m ³ load - £250
£5 Credit Each pallet picked up on next delivery	

Tipping Loads:	
Hardwood	
Cut to around 25cm	Cut to around 20cm
1m ³ load - £90	1m ³ load - £95
2m ³ load - £170	2m ³ load - £180
3m ³ load - £240	3m ³ load - £255
4m ³ load - £300	4m ³ load - £320

Palletised Loads (wheeled of back off trailer):	
Hardwood	
Cut to around 25cm	Cut to around 20cm
1 x 1.6m ³ load - £150	1 x 1.6m ³ load - £160
2 x 1.6m ³ load - £260	2 x 1.6m ³ load - £280
3 x 1.6m ³ load - £370	3 x 1.6m ³ load - £380
£5 Credit Each pallet picked up on next delivery	

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Nestro Wood Briquettes			Verdo Wood Briquettes		
1 Packet (10kg)	£3		1 Packet (10kg)	£3.5	
10 Packets (100KG)	£30		10 Packets (100KG)	£35	
48 Packets (1/2 pallet)	£140		48 Packets (1/2 pallet)	£160	
96 Packets (Full Pallet)	£250		96 Packets (Full Pallet)	£270	

Wood pellets (£15 off 48 packets or more when bought with firewood or ½ or full pallet of briquettes)

Woodlets Pellets (BSL)			Verdo Wood Pellets (BSL)		
1 bag (10kg)	£3		1 bag (10kg)	£3	
10 bags (100KG)	£30		10 bags (100KG)	£30	
48 bags (1/2 pallet)	£140		48 bags (1/2 pallet)	£150	
96 bags (Full Pallet)	£250		96 bags (Full Pallet)	£260	
192 bags (2 Full Pallets)	£480		192 bags (2 Full Pallets)	£500	

Peat: £7 per bag or 5 for £30

Kindling: 4 offcut kindling bags for £10

Coal – (Top Bruce Lindsay, bags also sold individually)

Quantity	Premium House Coal	Doubles	Ecobrite ovoid	Burnwell ovoid
5 x 20kg bags	£36	£33	£42	£38
10 x 20kg bags	£65	£55	£80	£70

Please note these prices are for deliveries within Strathdearn only and are subject to availability/ change.

*Properties past Glenmazeran may incur additional cost due to additional distance and time

Progress Report on the Community Hub



Those of you wondering about progress on the Community Hub project may not have seen much activity on the surface but like the proverbial duck, there has been a lot of furious paddling going on beneath. Here's a quack summary

After our old hall was condemned, a replacement became top priority. We also urgently need a permanent home for our community shop. The shop is a service to the community and is not intended to make a profit, and although the hall and sports area will generate some income through hire fees, not enough to cover its running costs. Our wind farm money will not last for ever, so we plan to cover the shortfall in two ways : we will invest in quality materials and an energy-efficient design to create a low-maintenance building with minimum running costs; and we will incorporate a gift/craft & cafe area alongside the shop to cater for tourists and even small distillery coach parties and thus generate an income from visitors. Millennium Hall will be converted to house the shop and cafe, conveniently close to the new hall to provide opportunities to save on staff, heating, security, etc.

It's not going to be cheap - £2.4 million! - but we believe we are getting good value for money which compares well with buildings of similar size and quality. The new hall will have a floor area of 795 m² - increased from 550 m² in response to consultation with user groups on their space and storage requirements. It will incorporate toilets/changing rooms which will enable us to better market the sports facility, an upstairs youth area, and its own kitchen for weddings and functions. The building will also function as a resilience centre in times of extended power cuts or extreme weather. The figure includes the cost of converting and extending Millennium Hall to 240 m².

We applied to the Big Lottery for a grant towards the cost. When we began the process more than a year ago, we were one of several hundred applications. We survived the first culling, then made it to a second shortlist of a few dozen who were interviewed by a BL panel, and now finally we are one of just a handful of projects still being considered for funding. We are asking for £1million when the average award is £750K so we are taking nothing for granted. A huge thanks to Charles Morgan for foregoing his summer holiday in favour of guiding the application through its final crucial stage.

Naturally enough Big Lottery had a list of stringent conditions, all of which took time to fulfil.

They required that our plans were scrutinised by a quantity surveyor, and that we conducted a preliminary survey of the site including some test pits. We applied for and received grants from BL to cover these development costs.

We also had to prove that we had the funding in place to complete the project at its estimated cost. Charles arranged a loan facility with Social Investment Scotland Bank which required a lengthy process of due diligence which I'm pleased to report that all the directors passed!

The next two SCD meetings are July 27 and Aug 24, and our AGM will be 27th Sep, all in Strathdearn Hall at 7.30pm.

SCD Membership forms are available from the Company Secretary, Strathdearn Hall, IV13 7YN, or you can apply online through the community website : www.strathdearn.org. Membership entitles you to attend our meetings, stand for election as a company director, vote in elections, and receive news updates.



At the core of our application is a 48-page strategic review detailing the background, needs and aspirations behind our funding request, including sections on finance, alternate fund-raising, our other projects, community consultation, fact-finding visits, and more. If our application is successful, it will be due in no small measure to the tremendous work and professionalism of our admin team - Victoria, Tricia, Joan, and Ed who compiled and wrote this document. It will be made available on our website when the application process is over.

Our completed application will be considered by the Big Lottery panel when they meet in September and we hope to hear the result in October. Our admin team will then finalise applications to other possible grant sources - our chances of winning them may be enhanced by Big Lottery endorsement. This will be done as quickly as possible so that work can begin with a minimum of delay.

Fingers crossed, everybody!



Bits 'n' Pieces

A massive thanks to Steve MacLennan for organising our very first Strathdearn Fun day, raising £218.20 funds for the new hall. It was a huge success and it was great to see so many residents supporting the event – the sun even managed to make an appearance.

SCD are planning holding a car boot morning in August, with a £10 a table fee, all proceeds going to the New Community Hub. If anyone would be interested in having a table, please get in contact with scdassist@hotmail.com for more information.

The SCD Board spent the hottest day of the year, 26th May, in a minibus on a fact-finding trip to the West Coast, learning how similar communities manage their affairs. They visited Loch Torridon Community Centre and the GALE centre in Gairloch and picked up many useful ideas. DTAS paid for the bus and a pub lunch.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on 5th October, 2017 at 7.30pm in Strathdearn Hall. You need to be an SCD member to attend but there will be enrolment forms at the door.

SCD has been negotiating a contract with Eneco to release the monies owed from Moy wind farm. After several months of wrangling Eneco solicitors have now agreed to most of the alterations we requested and the contract has been signed. Happily all legal fees, including ours, were paid by Eneco. We recently received the first payment.

SCD Admin team would like send a huge thank you to Strathdearn primary school children for their contribution to the Lottery application where they let us know what the community hall means to them. The comments were collated and made into a wordart picture which we plan to display in the new hall when it opens. It was fantastic to see such excitement and enthusiasm.



Broadband

In November last year, Moy voted almost unanimously to support an SCD project to bring fibre cabinets to the area. However before engineers had finished surveying the job, a new cheaper method of installing fibre cable became available. Consequently Open Reach has come back to SCD with a much better offer for the same price - fibre cable direct to every premise and speeds of up to 330 Mbps for EVERY home!! After a two week consultation period with Moy folk in which we received nothing but enthusiastic feedback, SCD gave Open Reach the formal go ahead to proceed with the scheme. Work will begin in late August/early September and is scheduled to finish by Christmas.

Open Reach engineers will soon begin a survey up to and beyond Glenmazeran to explore whether SCD's broadband project can be extended to this area. Due to the greater distances involved, we are encouraging local landowners and householders to consider how they can contribute. The scheme's viability will probably depend on locals undertaking to do some of the work on a DIY basis and/or contributing a proportion of the cost.

Because we have demonstrated that we are serious about improving broadband throughout Strathdearn, Open Reach is willing to invest some of its time and resources surveying an area which they normally wouldn't consider viable. Soon they will get back to us with some costed options and SCD may only have a short time window to assess whether it can responsibly back any of them.

This is an opportunity : fast broadband can change people's lives, improve business, education, and leisure opportunities, raise property prices. SCD would love to make this happen but it will require the commitment of locals too. Please give it your serious consideration and contact thelordmacpherson@googlemail.com or steve@highland-games.co.uk if you have any questions or comments.

Tomatin Shop

Looking for a different way to enjoy your day whilst helping the Community? Why not spend a day with a friend running the shop? A chance to catch up with friends and neighbours whilst supporting the shop. We are looking for community volunteers to help by giving



occasional cover to run the shop. WRT directors, Alison and Margaret, will be first to be trained but regret tartan paint will not be available on their day behind the counter. No previous experience required, full training will be given and we promise not to sign you up for more than you wish. If interested please contact Lee-Anne in the shop.

Thanks to Carol and the gardening club for planting flowers and brightening up the store front. Cyclists and travellers using the picnic benches now have a lovely area to sit and enjoy their lunch.

There have been some minor issues with people leaving their cars parked for long periods of time when they aren't visiting the shop. There are only 4 parking spaces so please be considerate.

Paths Project

SCD Board is pondering the cost of additional requirements demanded by the roads department to meet new planning conditions. A cost revision carried out by McGowan's indicates a price tag several times the original quote. Engineers acting on behalf of SCD have been in contact with Planning to see if a solution can be found to relax the conditions and allow the project to complete in an affordable manner. Lead director Duncan Bryden is consulting with local councillors in an effort to find a way to progress.

There is a feeling that this stage of the path project is unviable unless a compromise can be found. Barring a breakthrough, a decision on whether to proceed with the project will be put to company members at the AGM on 27th Sep.

Website

Don't forget to check Strathdearn Community Website for bin days, bus timetables, school holidays, library van visiting hours, local news, SCD and Community Council documents, photo gallery, and much, much more.

Grants paid by the Strathdearn Community Charitable Trust

		<i>All Grants</i>
	<i>Balance c/f from 2016</i>	<i>453,144.38</i>
2017		
Jan	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for Dec	635.00
	SCD Village Hall - Public toilet for summer months 2016	1,070.00
Feb	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for Jan	635.00
March	Vouchers for pensioners - Tomatin Firewood	125.00
	- M Mackay	100.00
	- Tomatin Country Store	<u>1,275.00</u>
		1,500.00
	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for Feb	635.00
	Strath Comm Council - Printer lease	820.80
	Luke Williams - Triathlete training	1,000.00
	Mhairi MacSween - Pre-school children activities	648.00
	E Ross - Clay shooting competition support	1,000.00
April	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for Mar	635.00
	Tomatin United F.C.	3,500.00
	Art in Stratdearn workshops	526.50
May	Strath Daycare Committee - Support payment 2 of 2	14,000.00
	Tanzania expedition - Vine Trust - Dempster, Dey, Raine, Gardner & Morrison	6,000.00
	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for Apr	635.00
	Asia expedition - World Challenge - C Crooks	1,000.00
June	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for May	635.00
July	Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi for June	635.00
		<u><u>488,654.68</u></u>

STRATHDEARN COMMUNITY CHARITABLE TRUST

Financial statement for the period 1 April to 30 June 2017

Income

Bank Interest and dividends	3,415
Increase in value of investments (see Note)	<u>11,106</u>
<i>Total income</i>	14,520

Expenditure

Grants:		
Art in Strathdearn workshops	527	
L. Williams - Triathlon training	1,000	
Tomatin United F.C. support	3,500	
Tanzania expedition via The Vine Trust - six Millburn pupils Tanzan	6,000	
Asia expedition via World Challenge - one Millburn pupil	1,000	
Strathdearn Daycare - payment 2 of 2	14,000	
Weirs of Aviemore - Taxi to/from Aviemore day centre (Mar, April)	1,270	
	<u>27,297</u>	
Administrator (Jan - Mar '17)	1,250	
" mileage	7	
Hall hire	18	
Tilney Bank investment fees	1,399	
<i>Total outgoings</i>		<u>29,971</u>
Excess of income over expenditure for the period		<u>-15,450</u>
Funds at 31 March 2017		563,825
Funds at 30 June 2017		<u><u>548,375</u></u>

Consisting of:

Deposit and current accounts with Royal Bank of Scotland	89,159
Investments managed by Tilney Investment Management	457,214
Income due at 30 June 2017	<u>3,401</u>
	<u>549,773</u>
Less: Payments due at 30 June 2017	<u>1,399</u>

Funds at 30 June 2017	<u><u>548,375</u></u>
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Investments managed by Tilney Bank are valued to 31 March 2017 as the valuation to 30 June 2017 is not yet available.