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Autumn colours on popular walks through the Balbithan Woods.

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The KDCC Team

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# **GIRLGUIDING KINTORE**

## What we have been up to ....

#### **Achievements**

Our Ranger Maisie was awarded her Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. A lot of hard work and stamina is required to complete these so well done Maisie.









Gold awards for Eilidh, Nia and Rebecca (above left) and Silver awards for Ava and Lottie (above right) of 3 rd Kintore Brownies Chloe (left) from 3 rd Kintore Rainbows achieved her Gold Award, great work girls.





Guides enjoyed their end of term treat, which involved getting on the train at Kintore, travelling to Inverurie and walking to Tutto Gelato for an ice cream. Confidence building by getting their tickets, handing over to be checked and ordering their ice cream. Leaders on hand to guide them and it was an extra special night for Leader Catriona Skinner (above left) who has given many girls all different experiences and opportunities over 10 years. It was her last night as Guide Leader and she will be missed.

Thankfully she will still be part of the Duke of Edinburgh awards team within Guiding. Glad you will still be in Guiding!



# Nat5 & Higher Exams

The pressure youngsters are under with their exams is immense. So, Rangers decided to have some relaxing activities during those weeks. They enjoyed a Bake Off, painted some rocks and designed their own tie dye t-shirts. It was good to leave the studying for an hour or so and catch up with friends.







Both our Rainbow units enjoyed a trip to Gordon Riding for the disabled at Tweedale. They got to brush the ponies, walk round the sensory trail and finish with some juice, snacks and games. It was a fantastic afternoon. Thank you to all the staff there for giving the girls this unique experience.







Guides took part in an Olympic Challenge badge which included taking part in their own sports challenges, baking French foods and making their own crowns.





All our units also took part in a sleepover at Skyline, Gnome Games and a giant sleepover at Pittodrie, Wullies Chocolate World County camp at Templars, Maryculter, Aberdeen (which was very wet), completed an Out and About badge which got everyone outside and in the fresh air.

For us to continue giving our girls as many opportunities and life challenges as we can, we need to fundraise. Our next fundraiser will be a stall at The Kintore Street Party on 31 st August 24 selling hot drinks, home bakes and crafts. We hope to see you there as the event is looking like a whole day of fun, just keep your fingers crossed for some nice weather!







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# KINTORE COUNCILLOR REPORT - J. Gifford

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to this edition of the Kintore Konnect. As I type this, we are into August with the year disappearing fast - and it has been quite a year already.

# Financial Challenges and Council Plan

In my last newsletter, I detailed the challenges that we had faced as a Council in producing a balanced budget back in February – the latest in a long line of challenging budgets.

Years of under-funding are really catching up on all of our council services which has been accelerated and exacerbated by the continuing aftermath of all things Covid, the high rate of inflation, supply chain volatility and high – but thankfully decreasing - interest rates that have affected all of us for the last few years.

When we set the budget, the council also agreed to produce a new Council Plan to better reflect the current financial challenges and help all services prioritise their scarce budgets. Having put that new plan in place, work is now progressing to create all the Service Plans that prioritise essential spend and produce the Key Performance Indicators – KPI's – that will allow monitoring and scrutiny of the delivery of the many and varied council services.

This is, and will be, a challenging year all round and unless something dramatic happens, the following few years will be no better. The process has already started on producing next year's budget and all councils are lobbying government hard to try and get more resources to feed into that process.

# Waste and Recycling

One of the many changes over the past few years has been the introduction of the three-week bin collection. This change was brought in to try and improve our recycling rates, was delayed by Covid, but in now well established across the 'shire.

This change, like many others, was not without its challenges but seems generally to have settled into the new three-week pattern.

If you haven't done so already, please get the Aberdeenshire App on your phone. This will remind you what bin to put out each week and send warnings, and tell you what to do next, if there any issues with collection.

A common complaint is about the many glass recycling points not being emptied. This is a direct effect from the budget cuts over many years.

This service, like many others, is operating on the limit and one broken down lorry (and the fleet is rapidly aging) or some staff off sick means a missed collection. The service tries to catch up as soon as they can but we are often seeing a mess of dumped bottles at the collection points until that happens – and that can be sorted!

If you are taking bottles to the bottle banks and they are full – please take them home again and drop them later!!

#### **Teacher Numbers**

As I type, the exam results are out for this year and they don't make great reading across the country and here in Aberdeenshire. Much analysis will now be done on what has caused this drop in the general pass rate and especially the widening of the attainment gap when so much effort has been put into trying to close that gap.

There will no doubt be many and varied reasons brought to light but one factor is stark and clear – we do not have enough teachers in Aberdeenshire.

Last year we asked for an allocation 66 newly qualified teachers for our secondary schools and we ended up with 12. This year we asked for 44 and have been allocated 22 (we will see how many actually start!)

All parents will know that subject choice is becoming more and more restricted in many schools but these staff shortages are also affecting the core subjects like English and Maths.

There are probably many changes that will be suggested on the back of these very poor exam results but this annual lottery of the allocation of new teachers is something that the Scottish Government could and should deal with ASAP.

Parents at all 17 Aberdeenshire Academies have formed a very powerful group adding their voices to the pleas of our Director of Education for a better system – if you haven't done so already, please join them in sending a strong message to Edinburgh that this cannot continue!

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- Tee Times 9am-1pm, £15 per person

Quiz Nights - they are back by popular demand

- Starts 7:30pm Friday (13th Sept, 11th Oct, 8th Nov)
- £10 per person (Team of 6)
- Basket suppers from 6:30-7:15pm, booking essential

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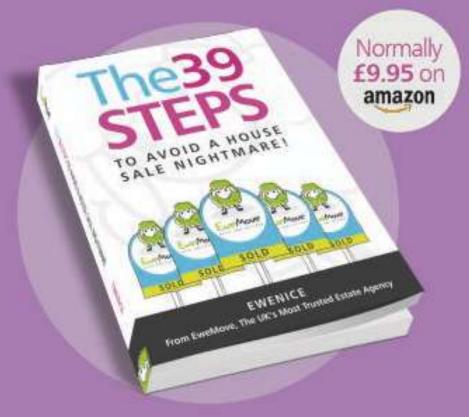
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# **KINTORE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

# Kintore and District Community Council

Well, it has certainly been a very busy last few months for the Community Council and the many volunteers who have been taking part in the It's Your Neighbourhood (IYN) project. Massive thanks to everyone Kintore looks amazing with the improvements and it is much appreciated by many residents in our town. We would also like to thank the many businesses and individuals who gave donations towards the project. We would also like to recognise the support and funding grants from Aberdeenshire Council. The floral displays, the freshen up of the Town House and the area around it including the repainting of the Millenium Stone. The repainted Coat of Arms will be going back up on the building in the near future and the Fountain has had a service and is working again

## Project's Completed :-

- North Kintore-Roundabouts tidy up, Welcome to Kintore Sign-floral display and grass maintenance, Hedges trimmed & Lochburn Bridge
- Lochburn Drive End- Display of flowers, It's Your Neighbourhood Themed display, New Benches and improved communal seating area.
- Kintore Kirk- Benches Refurb, granite wall cleaned, grass cutting maintenance
- Kintore Town House & Square- repainting of doors and windowsills, Millienium Stone refurbished,
   Coat of Arms repainted, Car Park potholes repaired and general tidy.
- Area between Kintore Primary School & Torryburn, hedges trimmed, weeding carried out, grass cut, and general appearance improved along with perennial planting.
- 13 Bus Shelters (main Kintore thoroughfare) Graffiti removed, washed and cleaned, weeded









# Ongoing Projects: -

- Pleasure Park Pavilion General tidy up to appearance, weeding, reforming of paths and slabbed area, pressure wash, repainting, roof and gutters moss & dirt removal
- QR Benchmark Kintore Exciting new project to help highlight & Damp; tell a story about the historic areas in Kintore to residents and visitors alike. WATCH THIS SPACE

#### **Kintore Best Garden Competition**

We had over 20 nominations from people for either their own garden or from individuals nominating the garden that impressed them. The judging took place at the end of July, and we are delighted to share that the winners are:

#### Best Large Garden

#### Winner

Lina Moles 8 Wyness Place

#### **Runner Up**

John & Freda Simpson 15 Henderson Crescent



#### Best Small Garden

#### Winner

Runner Up

Bill & Sandra 12 Smithfield Road Alistair Douglas 32 Kingsfield Road

#### **Best Low Maintenance**

#### Winner

Runner Up

Freda & Doug McDonald 63 Kingsfield Road Bill Beagrie 54 Henderson Drive

#### **Best Planter**

#### Winner

Runner Up

Stuart Taylor Fiona Shaw 8 Castlefields Garden 16 Brae Cresent

#### **Best Planter/Basket**

#### Winner

Runner Up

John & Freda Simpson 15 Henderson Crescent Anita Gauld
12 Lochburn Drive

**Best Overall Garden competition Winner** – Congratulations Lina Moles, 8 Wyness Place who had been nominated by several people and was chosen by the Judge as having a garden full of beautiful flourishing colours. Hopefully you will be around at the Street Party on 31 st August to accept the cup.

A Certificate will be issued to all winners.

## **Election of Community Councillors**

Aberdeenshire Council have revised the elections for Community Councils and going forward every Community Council will have the same election date. This means that all current Community Councillors step down as of 18 th September and an election takes place. We need several members of the Community to come forward and nominate themselves to serve on the Community Council. We have had so much participation over the past few months from residents in the town that we would appreciate some of you step forward and work with us to continue the excellent work that has been ongoing this year, we cannot do this without you. There are 10 monthly 2-hour meetings where we get together and discuss and decide on many topics that affect Kintore, such as events and planning issues. Events such as the Summer Festival, the Floral displays, the Street Party, the Christmas Lights, Action Kintore and the Fireworks Display rely entirely on volunteers giving some of their time to bring these events to the Town, without volunteers this cannot happen. Nominations open on 19 th August and close on 8 th September, forms can be found on Community council elections - Aberdeenshire Council below is a little explanation of the role. You can give as much or as little time as you feel able to.

Community councils are comprised of people who care about their community and want to make them a better place to live. We hope that previous members will want to continue representing their communities but are also keen to encourage new people to become involved and give up some of their time to sustain and develop their communities. Whatever your background, you have something to bring to your community council. If there are not enough candidates to meet the minimum numbers to form the community council, a community council will not be able to be formed. This will leave a considerable gap in the representation of local views and involvement in development of policy and how your area develops and grows.

As a community councillor you will be provided with training and support and you will learn about how things work, get to develop and undertake projects and get a real sense of achievement when you see the difference you can make.













We are an over 55's club who meet in the Church Hall on Wednesday afternoons from 2 pm to 4 pm during the Winter months.

Our programme includes Scottish, Country & Western and Irish musicians and singers. Our 2024/2025 session starts on the 2nd October and we are always looking for new members to join our friendly club.

If you want to be entertained on a Wednesday afternoon,
Please come along as all members old and new are most welcome.



# **Dates for your diary**

Sunday Afternoons.
Please check Messy Church Kintore.
Facebook page for details.

8th September 15:30-17:30
13th October 15:30-17:30
10th November 15:30-17:30
1st December (Mini-Messy) 14:30-15:30

We start at 15:30 with refreshments at Kintore Church.

#### **Community Council Elections 2024**

In 2024, Community Council elections are changing and for the first time all Aberdeenshire Community Councils will be elected on the same date, with nominations sought for all spaces on all Community Councils.

Nominations to join your Community Council will open on 19 August 2024 and close on 8 September 2024.

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If you are interested in becoming a Community Councillor you can find the nomination forms at Community council elections - Aberdeenshire Council or by scanning the QR code









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# KINTORE COMMUNITY CHURCH

# Bringing new life to the town centre

From sorting eggs to selling furniture, 16 Forest Road has had an eclectic mix of uses over its long history and once again is taking on a new life as it prepares to be home to Kintore Community Church this autumn. For the past 18 months, a team of volunteers and tradesmen have been painstakingly transforming the former Moars premises to a contemporary meeting space and welcoming environment for the whole community in Kintore.





Kintore Community Church launched in 2017 and since then has been gathering in the Kintore Public Hall on Sundays as well as running a variety of community events over the past seven years. Now, as the comprehensive renovation nears completion, the family-focussed congregation are excited about their new home according to church elder Charlie Carnochan: "16 Forest Road is in the process of becoming an incredible facility. To be able to find a building with this amount of space and potential was an amazing opportunity. The team have been working really hard to create a space that will be a great hub for the community moving forward."

"When we were buying the building, our heart was not only to create a permanent home for our congregation, but also to be a positive presence in the centre of the village. With a large auditorium, classrooms and a cafe space, we are excited about the range of future possibilities as we seek to use our new home to serve the community in Kintore. Ultimately we hope that the facility will not only breathe new life into an old building, but will be life-giving for those who are welcomed into the building over the coming months."

Look out for updates about the final date for building launch on the Kintore Community Church Facebook and Instagram pages. In the meantime, Kintore Community Church continues to meet at 10.30am every Sunday at the Kintore Public Hall and everyone is welcome - for more information check out www.kintore.cc.





# KINTORE COUNCILLOR REPORT - G. Reid

# Glass Recycling - Request to build new sites/expand existing sites

Following the recent build up of glass recycling in Kintore, I requested that it be remedied asap, and it was. However, it's apparent that there is very little room within the system for any fleet breakdowns and therefore we need to build in some capacity for whenever there is a breakdown so that we can avoid glass lying around awaiting collection.

I have asked council officers to investigate possible new sites within our communities to expand our capacity for when we have these issues. I also said that if we can't identify new sites, can we expand the number of receptacles at the existing sites? More capacity has to be introduced to tackle this issue as they are unfortunate regular occurrences now. The Area Manager agreed with me and has informed me that they are now actively doing this. I would like to stress however that if the recycling is full, you should not simply leave your glass recycling there as it may get smashed and pose a danger.

# The Bothie Signs

It has taken over a year, many emails and meetings, but finally the decision to remove the sign which directed people to our wonderful Bothie has been reversed. Originally Roads said that the Bothie "was not a big enough destination" to warrant a sign, despite putting the sign up themselves in the first place. However, I petitioned on behalf of the Bothie and Kintore and District Community Council and three signs were recently erected.

I am slightly disappointed that one has not been placed at the junction in the Square, but officers said the original sign hadn't been there and therefore they chose the original location and one opposite the Bothie as the two sites. I have raised this separately saying that as it stands, you can drive through Kintore, along Northern Road/the Square/School Road and not know where to turn off for the Bothie. I will pursue this, but at least the original decision has been reversed.

#### Kintore Bus Changes and Kintore ARI Connection Reinstated

Stagecoach recently announced changes to their service provision for Kintore which has left many people confused as to what the service will be like moving forwards. I have been in touch with Stagecoach to gain clarity on this and, although some of the changes may not be liked, I am glad that Stagecoach have taken on board my repeated requests (on behalf of constituents) for the reinstatement of the Kintore direct bus route to ARI and our previously hard fought battle to keep the connection between Blackburn/Kintore/Kemnay so that our pupils can get to and from school outwith the set hours.

I have scanned their timetables, so this may not be 100% accurate, but the frequency of service provided will be as follows:

From Aberdeen:	Mon-Fri (daily)	Sat	Sun
9	11 buses	12 buses	12 buses
10B	4 buses	4 buses	3 buses
220	12 buses	11 buses	5 buses
To Aberdeen:	Mon-Fri (daily)	Sat	Sun
To Aberdeen:	<b>Mon-Fri (daily)</b> 12 buses	<b>Sat</b> 11 buses	<b>Sun</b> 10 buses

#### Gauchhill Woods - Formation of disabled parking space

I am delighted that I have finally been successful in winning my argument that there should be a disabled parking space created at Gauchhill Woods. It has taken over a year, countless emails to the Roads dept, raising it with the Area Manager, discussions with other officers, but finally they have relented and seen common sense.

I was initially told that there was not enough demand, then that they would carry out a feasibility study and, after eight months that it wouldn't proceed due to land ownership issues, significant funding being required and ongoing maintenance costs.

I was stunned, as we are just talking about painting a parking space and wrote a strongly worded email in reply questioning their reasoning and saying, "I cannot understand the requirement for significant funding as we, the council, own the woods on behalf of the public and the surrounding roads are all adopted and therefore owned by us.

We are also talking about painting one disabled parking space and therefore there should be no significant material costs nor ongoing maintenance ones. We spent considerable amounts of monies on making the path throughout the woods wheelchair accessible, but have refused to put a disabled space in despite the request of the community council and a disabled member of the public who wishes to access the woods, but cannot due to the lack of this space".

Finally they accepted that this was an entirely reasonable requested and have just replied saying, "An on street disabled parking bay for general use will be marked on Birch Wood adjacent to the path... We do not currently have a timeframe for these works, but the lining will be conducted soon and a traffic order to make these spaces official will follow."

I will press for this to be carried out asap to ensure that all members of our community can access these woods.

#### **Surgeries**

Dates for my regular constituent surgeries are as follows:

02.09.24	The Axis Centre, Newmachar	6.30 <b>-</b> 7.00pm
14.10.24	Hatton of Fintray Village Hall	6.00-6.30pm
04.11.24	Kintore Primary School (Link Room 3)	5.45 <b>-</b> 6.15pm
09.12.24	Kinellar Primary School	6.30-7.00pm

There is no need to book so please come along if you feel that I can assist you in anyway.

Cllr. Glen Reid Community Champion - LGiU Scottish Councillor Awards East Garioch (Ward 12)

# **ABERDEENSHIRE LIEUTENANCY**

Thank you for including a Lieutenancy page in your wonderful Kintore Newsletter and congratulations to all those who contribute to such an informative and interesting community publication. This Newsletter is a great example of helping to build an ever more engaging and cohesive community spirit.

Many people may not be too familiar with the work of the Aberdeenshire Lieutenancy. There are 35 Lord - Lieutenants throughout Scotland, essentially one representing each county with the Lord Provosts of Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh and Glasgow also fulfilling the role of Lord-Lieutenant in their city. I was delighted and honoured to be appointed as Lord-Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire by Her Late Majesty, The Queen in April 2020. In my duties I am supported by my Vice Lord-Lieutenant, Lady Aberdeen, and 18 Deputy Lieutenants (DLs).

As Lord-Lieutenant I have the privilege of being His Majesty, The King's, representative in Aberdeenshire and my first and foremost duty is to uphold the dignity of the Crown. In this role I support The King in His capacity as "Head of Nation" in which The Sovereign acts as a focus for national identity, unity and pride; gives a sense of stability and continuity; officially recognises success and excellence; and supports the ideal of voluntary service.





Seed Box, Ballogie, King's Award for Voluntary Service

We are very fortunate to welcome Their Majesties and other Members of The Royal Family on visits to Aberdeenshire from time to time and they take a great interest in what is happening in our local communities. Another hugely enjoyable part of our work as The Aberdeenshire Lieutenancy is to support, thank and encourage the remarkable work done by so many selfless volunteers in our communities. Whilst so much work often goes on "behind the scenes"

and no recognition is expected, we are delighted when people nominate others for recognition such as a National Honour for their exceptional contribution to our society. For example, In June Lady Aberdeen presented the King's Award for Voluntary Service to the Seed Box at Ballogie. Deputy Lieutenant, Sarah Mackie, was also delighted to visit Inverurie Men's Shed to take part in their 10th anniversary celebrations.

Another of the Lieutenancy's roles is to ensure that messages of congratulations are delivered from Their Majesties, The King and Queen to those celebrating their 60th, 70th or 75th wedding anniversaries and 100 th and 105 th Birthdays. Myself or one of my Deputies are also delighted to visit on the day of such special milestones and present a card and our personal congratulations. The Aberdeenshire Lieutenancy is keen to know of any individual or voluntary organisation who have made an exceptional contribution for the wider benefit of others in their community and assist in giving full consideration for appropriate recognition. Please contact us at the email address below, in confidence, should you have any suggestions.

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> Walking Group - Aged 12+ Resumes in March 2024

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# KINTORE'S UNSUNG HERO

# **Meet Moira Moran**

**Chair of Kintore & District Community Council** 



## Do you originally come from Kintore?

No, I was born and raised on a farm at Bourtie, between Inverurie and Oldmeldrum and attended Oldmeldrum Primary and Inverurie Academy. I settled at Thainstone in 1978 and have been here ever since except for a five year period in Abu Dhabi.

# Can you give us a bit of background on your career?

I trained as a psychiatric nurse at Kingseat and Cornhill, moving to Withington Hospital in Manchester for a couple of years then spent a year in Stavanger, on return to Aberdeen became one of the first Community Psychiatric nurses in Grampian. I moved to Abu Dhabi for five years where I was Office Manager in a marine insurance company, on my return to Aberdeen worked in the same role in Aberdeen. After a couple of years, I moved to the Rowett Institute as Office Manager in the newly opened Commercial side of the Institute. Following 10 years there I started as an administrator with Halliburton in Dyce where I was for 14 years becoming the UK IT Manager with offices in several locations in both Scotland and England. After I was made redundant in one of the oil industry downturns I worked for Weatherford for a couple of years before retiring.

# What local Kintore Groups are you involved with now and have been in the past?

Initially it was the Community Council and through that have worked and tried to assist many of the groups in Kintore in various ways.

# Have you always been involved in the Kintore Community?

I joined the Community Council in 2019 when I was concerned about some of the issues in the area and found that I could raise awareness through them. I was Secretary from 2022 and became Chairperson in 2023.

# Would you recommend readers to get involved with the community and what would success look like for Kintore in your eyes?

I would definitely recommend people get involved, there is so much to learn about Kintore and the many and varied groups in the Town. It has been great this year to see more of our residents get involved in the It's Your Neighbourhood project and many people getting stuck in with the tasks we have been doing to improve the look and feel for Kintore both for the benefit of residents and visitors. Until I got involved in the Community Council and particularly in the compiling of the Kintore Konnect magazine I never realised the amount of groups in the Town with something for everyone.

# What are your interests outwith the Community Council?

I am an animal lover and have had several cats, only two at the moment and a stray who I feed. I also have a big garden so spend many hours out there, particularly in the summer, when I have a bountiful supply of raspberries, strawberries and blackcurrants.

I have always been interested in local history and was particularly keen to see the outcome of archaeological digs at Thainstone in preparation for the expanded Business Park. They found the following, "excavation identified the remains of a Middle Bronze Age roundhouse and a contemporary urned cremation cemetery. Evidence of Late Bronze Age cremation practices was also identified. A large roundhouse and souterrain dominated the site in the 1st or 2nd century AD. Material culture associated with the Iron Age structures suggested a degree of status to the occupation there.", should anyone be interested in the complete published paper please get in touch and we will forward to you.

We are all familiar with more history in the form of the Roman Camp at Deer's Den but there is much more history in Kintore and surrounding districts.



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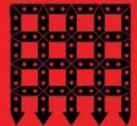
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# **DONVIEW VETERINARY - Sticks**

## Sticks a bit of fun or more of a danger?

If there is one old doggie habit that makes vets curl their toes more than any other, it must be fetching sticks. But why on earth would I say that? Surely people have thrown sticks for their dogs for centuries?

Fetching a stick might be one of your dog's favourite pastimes and many people enjoy throwing a stick for their dog, seeing their faces as they run to retrieve it for you. However, not infrequently, we see major injuries as a result of dogs playing with sticks.

The most common stick injury is damage to the roof of the mouth. When dogs run at full speed back to their owners with their stick, all it takes is one little trip to propel the sharp splintery stick right into the soft tissues in the back of the mouth or throat. If the dog is unlucky, these injuries may be fatal. If they are "lucky" they escape with often major tears in the sensitive tissues of the mouth. More than once I have had to repair a large hole in a dog's soft palate (the soft bit at the back of the dog's mouth). These holes can affect their breathing and requires emergency surgery. Other mouth injuries that I have seen include sticks wedged across the back of the mouth – slightly more straightforward to repair as they are usually stuck between teeth and have to be prised out. I once even saw a long stick that had gone into the dogs stomach; it was sitting all the way from the back of the throat, through the gullet, into the stomach!

Sometimes, stick injuries can lead to more long term consequences than us stitching up a nasty hole. If a splinter manages to break off a stick inside the dogs mouth, it can track through the soft tissues of the neck. This will lead to large neck abscesses caused by a migrating splinter, and can happen even several months after the original stick injury. Cases like this need to be referred to a veterinary hospital for an CT scan to locate the splinter, and also need major surgery performed to remove not only the splinter, but the trail of destruction that it has left behind it.

Apologies again for the doom and gloom. I'm very happy to say that these are not the most common injury we see, however it is something that is entirely preventable - dogs love playing with balls just as much as sticks. These next gen dog toys are designed not to cause splinters in case of an accident.

Enjoy the last of the summer weather and play safe!







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#### The Heart of Love

"At the centre of the universe there beats a heart of love." Alan Maker

When the Russians threatened to overrun Finland in December 1939 and much of Helsinki was being evacuated, the composer Jan Sibelius remained at his home in the city's suburbs, reportedly sitting on his porch shooting his rifle at Russian aircraft overhead. "You can't stop an invasion with your little rifle," his friends scoffed. "No," he replied, "but at least they'll know which side I'm on."

Over the summer I was preparing a Bible Study for our congregation on the Biblical understanding of the Creation. The essential message of the Bible in relation to Creation is that God created all things good, that God intends there to be harmonious relationships within creation and that humanity was created with the special task to help God realise that intention and maintain such harmony.

When one looks at all of the injustice, hatred, fear and violence in our own country and around the world, however, it's easy to see why people lose hope in such global harmony ever existing and why, over time, even Christians have come to long more for an escape to an other-worldly heaven than to participate in the redemption and re-creation of this world, which the Bible teaches.

When violence, hatred and greed seem to be winning in the public arena and on the world stage, it can feel exhausting and even futile to keep plugging away with kindness, compassion and love. But at least they'll know which side we're on. As Martin Luther King Jr. put it "The arc of the moral universe is long but it bends towards justice."

Or as my good friend Rev Dr Alan Maker wrote, "Any act of love or kindness, be it in simple matters of compassion or larger matters of taking ethical stands in business or politics, makes the beat of the heart of love at the centre of the universe a little more audible and slightly more credible."

Grace and peace, Rev Neil Meyer





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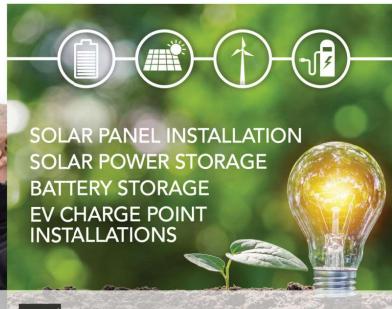


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# **Bailies of Bennachie**

Exciting times are ahead for the **Bailies of Bennachie** with various new projects at the early stages of planning and introduction to the hill. With our current financial reserves in good shape, we are looking to expand upon projects working with landowners on path improvements, information boxes and signage.

**New information boxes** will be installed at low level from late summer, early autumn onwards, so look out for these. **The Kailyard garden** has had most of its harvest collected, look out for the report on this on the website, to see how the modern reproduction of the 19 th century garden fared on the hill.

**Work Parties** are making progress continuing with maintenance work on the water bars and cross drains to improve drainage efficiency and clearing vegetation from many of the paths to aid the visitors.

Our **Wildlife teams** have not stopped either, with a BioBlitz earlier in the season to record flora and fauna from a fixed area. We have purchased new wildlife cameras which are now being installed. These will give a greater insight into what happens near the trails when the human visitors have gone. Previous trail cameras recorded wildcats, badgers, deer and even pine martens amongst other animals and birds and will be interesting to compare. Watch out for our progress updates on our website **www.bailiesofbennachie.co.uk**.

Contact details of our **existing membership** of the Bailies of Bennachie are being reviewed to ensure we have up to date information. This will allow us to keep members informed of what is happening and help us be compliant with current GDPR regulations. To fulfil this, we require **only existing members** to agree and date the electronic form which we have prepared. Please use the QR code & weblink below to assist with this. As all our members were converted to Life Members in 2017, if you think you were a member of the Bailies, you probably are!





It's also likely that some of **your family**, parents, grandparents, etc., may have been members and for folks joining before 2000, we don't have email addresses, so it is difficult to contact them. Can you please help us reach those who may not see our campaign on Facebook or our website, thank you. If you do require a printed copy to fill in, contact us by telephoning 07768 306106, respecting the 9 – 11am timeframe only please or email **info@bailiesofbennachie.co.uk** 

Bailies of Bennachie **Big Summer Dig 2024** – ongoing July and August, see our website and Facebook pages for more information.

# Scottish Ambulance Service

# **Inverurie First Responders**

# Who are we?

Inverurie community first responders are volunteers who for over twenty years have been supporting the areas of Garioch, Formartine & Marr along with Aberdeen City in times of need providing lifesaving intervention to you, the public.

Responders are managed and trained by the Scottish Ambulance Service and our aim is to reach a potential life-threatening emergency in the first vital minutes before the ambulance crew arrives. Our role is to help stabilise our patients and to provide the appropriate care until a more highly skilled ambulance crew arrives on scene to take over the treatment.

Currently, we have three teams strategically distributed around Garioch. Inverurie, Kintore and Oldmeldrum. We're dispatched at the same time as the ambulance service but may arrive first as we are nearer and can provide important early interventions in those crucial first minutes of an emergency.

We deal with an extremely specific list of emergencies & interventions, providing care, compassion, and support to both our patient and their family.

When not on duty, we like helping to bring CPR training to our community.

Alan Milne: Group Co-ordinator



# 'Aye, the nights are fair drawing in'

The clocks are changing in the next few months, this means darker nights and challenging times for the emergency services.



When a 999 call comes in, it is vital that the emergency services can find your address quickly, day or night.

Emergency response crews regularly find house numbers and road signs obscured by hedges that have overgrown over the summer or paint work that has faded or no number at all. When it's dark, it's even more difficult to identify properties.

If your house number or name can't be seen from the roadside, there's going to be a delay getting help to you.

#### 'It's Around Here'

Have your house number or name clearly visible from the road and lit up at night to save those vital seconds.

Even better, get someone to wait outside a property, waving their arms to flag us down so that we know exactly where we're going. It may sound simple but it's a welcome sight and saves valuable time.

Emergency vehicles are equipped with satnav systems to help crews locate properties but if the house number cannot be quickly identified or is not known, responders spend vital time looking for clues on your street including numbers on neighbouring properties and rubbish bins.

# Community Support and CPR Demonstrations







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# KINTORE SCOUT GROUP

The last term of Scouting in Kintore before the Summer holidays was a busy one, with the weather improving the various groups from our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts all enjoyed more outdoor time for our weekly activity nights, camps and other activities. Our Beavers meet 6:00pm to 7:15pm on Tuesday and Thursday, Cubs meet 6:30pm to 8pm on Monday and Wednesday and Scouts meet 7:30pm to 9pm on Tuesday and Thursday. Part of being a Scout is developing Skills For Life, helping prepare for everyday challenges, having opportunities to travel, learn from others, meet people from all over and gain memories for life.

Last term the Beavers had a lot of fun while making new friends, they have been busy on their meeting nights doing crafts, games, cooking, and gardening. There was also plenty of opportunities to get out and about around Kintore, visiting Gauchhill Woods, and making bird Boxes, and ending the term doing some drumming with the Kintore Pipe Band. Finally a water filled night at the Scout hut saw them finish up for the summer.



During June, our Cubs were camping at Daviot, a great campsite that we often use allowing plenty of activities to give the young people the opportunity to learn new skills, as seen in the images, wood skills and in particular the "wood grenade" for splitting the rounds is a favourite. Cubs were also able to try out archery, setting up hammocks, rope work, pioneering and generally having





a lot of fun! Getting their campsites in order, setting up tents, cooking, campfires and teambuilding are also teaching them valuable life skills which they will carry forward as they progress in Scouting. The Cubs have also been lucky to get a few nights of Kayaking and Paddleboarding this year, a firm favourite. The end-of-term water fun at the Scout Hall is always an exciting night for many, not a dry Cub in sight!

Our Scouts have also been busy! In February there was the Subzero at Auchengillan Outdoor Centre North of Glasgow, it was a cold camp but a busy weekend of activities for all the Scouts, from climbing walls and archery to the funfair at night, they had a blast. There has also been camping at Daviot, as we held patrol camps, preparing the Scouts for the Gordon District Flag Camp, where they competed in Patrols against other District groups. It was a brilliant camp

for the Kintore Scouts, as our Tuesday patrol came first, and our Thursday patrol a close second! Both Tuesday and Thursday Scouts have also enjoyed many nights of learning, teambuilding and visiting some great places in Aberdeenshire. We've been fishing at Lochter, treasure hunts, DIY skills, BBQ's and Pizza making as well as camp skills ready for being self-sufficient.

Another big event this year for our Scouts was the Blair Atholl Jamborette Satellite Camp, with 15 Scouts heading down to see six of our Kintore Young Leaders attending the main two-week camp. This was an unforgettable experience, as we joined 900 Explorers in the main camp to see how the sub-camps competed, sat at the dining tables built with pioneering poles and rope, met new friends and had a lot of fun. The Blair Atholl Jamborette sees Scouts from all over the world gather, so it was a multicultural experience for our young people, who enjoyed every minute. We'll be looking forward to the next event in two years.

We have some amazing Young Leaders at Kintore who help with our younger sections, enjoy various camps and work towards their Duke of Edinburgh's expeditions and awards. Throughout the year we have seen our older Scouts and Explorers win many awards in recognition of their efforts. Isla Miller, Reece Harper, Callum Brown and Poppy Troup got their Chief Scout's Gold award. Freya Miller, Cameron Troup & Hannah Wright got their Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award and both Cameron & Freya were also awarded the Chief Scout's Diamond Award. Well done to them all.

The new term will be exciting, as we welcome new members to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts as they progress and start the next chapter. In addition, older Scouts will be progressing to Explorers and some of our older Young Leaders will be heading off to university. With many activities planned, it will be an exciting second half of the year, with camps to prepare for and new Skills For Life to learn. Additionally, we are in the startup phase of introducing a Squirrels group for 4-6yr old, requiring new Volunteer Leaders to take on the challenge (training will be given). We already have a waiting list!

Many thanks to all the volunteer leaders, parents and helpers who make it possible, we look forward to seeing everyone over the coming months!

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# **BIKEABILITY**



## Help us stay safe on the roads!

As P7s at Kintore Primary, we took part in Bikeability training in May this year. We are now looking for instructors and helpers to teach Bikeability to the new P7s in August and also the P5s and P6s in May next year. Help us stay safe on the roads!

Bikeability is important because it keeps you safe on the road. It has two levels that teach you about bike and road safety. Level 1 is in the playground, and you do fun cycling games to practice and build your confidence. You also learn how to check your bike before a journey. In Level 2, you go out on the roads and learn to identify and respond to hazards, maintain suitable riding positions, signal to other road users, do U-turns and pass parked cars. We also had to negotiate junctions by going in and out of them and merge into the traffic.

Here is what some of the P7s said they'd enjoyed about Bikeability:

"It helped boost our confidence because people used to be scared of the road but many of us aren't now. For example, we're not scared of the bin lorry any more! And how can we forget the excitement of getting our certificates!" (Lewis & Callan).

"I enjoyed Level 1 because we got to ride around cones and high-five our coaches." (Merryn & Jessica-May)

"Bikeability was really fun because the people were helpful and funny as well as keeping you safe." (Matthew & Nathan)

"It has increased my confidence on the road by teaching me how to indicate and let cars know I am turning." (Taylor)



#### Can you help us?

We are looking for people who would be interested in doing the Bikeability Instructor training with a view to running future sessions. We also need volunteers to help us run the sessions in mid-August and May next year. Please help our school to deliver this important training to keep our children safe on the roads.

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Our wish list for the current month is always to be found on our website (https://aberdeenshirenorth.foodbank.org.uk) or on our Facebook page and is usually displayed on our local collection points in supermarkets both in Kintore and Inverurie. The wish list reflects food items that we are particularly short of that month and can change quite quickly. Some items are always in short supply – we never seem to have enough UHT milk or long-life fruit juice! On the other hand, our stocks of tinned soup, tinned beans and packets of pasta are usually quite good. We can prove that many of you do look at our lists of shortages before you go shopping because, as each month passes, we see highlighted items coming in as donations in greater quantity and for that we are truly grateful.

We often tell you that we cannot continue to provide the help for households living in food poverty without your ongoing support and that is so true. Whether you donate items of food or make donations of money (details provided on our website), your good will and generosity is what keeps us going. In the first three months of this year, our food bank in Inverurie supplied 177 households with food parcels, feeding 239 adults and 126 children. In the same period, across our whole Aberdeenshire network of 5 food banks (Inverurie, Ellon, Huntly, Peterhead and Fraserburgh), we provided a total of 1124 food parcels, providing for 1572 adults and 462 children. In April, while we took in stock amounting to 4435 kg of food, we distributed 6827 kg in food parcels. We really do depend on your donations.

We volunteers are just so grateful that we are surrounded by communities who truly care about their neighbours and are willing to help in whatever way they can. We long for the day when the existence of Food Banks is no longer necessary but, until that happens, we can just say a heartfelt 'thank you' to you all for your support.



# Kintore Street Party Music and more in the heart of kintore August 31st 2024

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What's on	Venue	Time
Children and Dogs assemble for the Parade £1 per entry	Village Hall	10:30
Opening Parade	Village Hall – The Square	10:50
Pipe Band demonstration	The Square	11-11:20
Chalmers Mackay Bands		11:20-5:05
Face Stencils		11-4
Various Stalls		11-4
Phoenix Magic – walk about card magic		1:30-2:30
Face Painting	The Bothie	11:30-2:30
Family Fun Activities		11:30-2:30
Fire Station open House	Kintore Fire Station	11-4
F1 Simulator		11-4
Hot Rod Elite car		11-4
Vintage Tractors		11-4
Variety of musicians	Kintore Church	12-2
Magician (tickets need to be purchased after the parade from the booth by the Town Hall)	Kintore Church Hall – The door is round the side behind First Photographics	2-2:30 2:45- 3:15
Bouncy Castle	Scout Hall	11-4









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# **WHAT'S ON - WEEKLY CLUBS**

EVENT	WHEN	WHERE	TIME
Junior Group - P5, P6 & P7	Every Monday	The Bothie	15:30-17:00
Girl's Brigade Groups (P1 up to and including S6	Every Monday	Church Hall	17:00-19:00
3rd Kintore Brownies	Every Monday	Kintore Public Hall	16:00-17:15
3rd Kintore Rainbows	Every Monday	Kintore Public Hall	16:15-17:15
1st Kintore Rainbows	Every Wednesday	Kintore Public Hall	18:15-19:15
1st Kintore Guides & Rangers	Every Thursday	Kintore Public Hall	19:00-20:30
Kintore Scouts - Cubs (8-10 years)	Every Monday & Wednesday	Kintore Scout Hut	18:30-20:15
Kintore Scouts - Beavers (6-8 years)	Every Tuesday & Thursday	Kintore Scout Hut	18:00-19:00
Kintore Scouts - Scouts (10-15 years)	Every Tuesday & Thursday	Kintore Scout Hut	19:30-21:00
Young & Free to speak (YAFTS) (All kids S1	Every Tuesday	The Bothie	19:00-21:00
Toddlers' Group - Kintore 0-3 Group	Every Monday & Friday	Kintore Public Hall	09:30-11:30
Kintore Community Church	Every Sunday	Kintore Public Hall	10:30
Bumps & Baby - Kintore 0-3 Group	Every Wednesday	Kintore Public Hall	10:00-12:00
2's Group - Kintore 0-3 Group	Every Tuesday & Thursday	Kintore Public Hall	09:30-11:30
Kintore Golf Club Non-profit Community Sports	All week	Kintore Golf Club	10:00-20:00
Kintore Taekwon-Do School	Every Monday & Wednesday	Kintore Parish Church	19:00-20:30 19:30-21:00
NKI Kintore Karate	Every Friday	Kintore Primary School	16:30-17:30

# KINTORE LIBRARY

# Would you like to access newspapers, magazines, e-books and audio books for free online? – then please read on.

Kintore Library is open 15 hours a week, on a Tuesday morning 9 - 13.30, Wednesday afternoon 14.00 - 18.00, Thursday afternoon 13.00 - 17.00 and Saturday morning 9 - 11.30.

- You will be able to access the public computers and print from your own/ our, device. Paying either beforehand with your card or in cash at the desk (correct change please).
- You can send your printing from home and collect within 24 hours using the Princh App, (you can pay by card at home or in cash when you collect).
- You may also photocopy (cash only correct change please).
- Of course you will be able to choose your own books.
- You can also pick up NHS hearing aid batteries /distance aware badges and lanyards /dog poo bags/ food caddy waste and battery bags.

## What else can you do at the library?

**Knit and Stitch** - is on a Tuesday 10 – 12, no booking is required but spaces are limited.

**Doorstep Delivery** - if you are unable to come to us we may be able to come to you, please phone us direct for details 01467 532605 or email kintore.library@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

**Bra Bank** - bring in your new and gently worn bras and we will arrange for them to go to Africa, via a charity partner.

**Jigsaws** - there is a wide selection of adult's jigsaws available for borrowing.

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# WHAT'S ON

# Get involved with your community

EVENT	WHEN	WHERE	TIME
Kintore SWI	First Tuesday of every month	Kintore Public Hall	19:30
Kintore Community Council Meeting	Third Tuesday of every month	Kintore Primary School	19:00 - 21:00
Kintore, Kemnay & District Rotary Club	First & Third Thursday of every month	Ask for location	18:45
Messy Church	See Poster on Pg 12	Kintore Church	15:30 - 17:30
Kintore Fireworks Night	Sun 3rd November	Kintore Pleasure Park	18:00-20:30
Christmas Lights Switch On	Sat 7th December	Kintore Square	16:00

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