

Village Centre Update



The site continues to take shape despite the very wet weather. We have taken delivery of fourteen benches which includes the four wall recess seats.

Due to safety concerns involved with installing the community Christmas Tree on this site during development, it has been agreed by both the Board and Contractors that we should seek an alternative site for 2009.

KCT asked the Highland Council for permission to have the Christmas Tree sited outside the Police House/Surgery for this year only.

This was agreed by Highland Council and the tree has since been displayed and dressed with the lights.

B i k e P a r k S i t e

Ennstone Thistle have done a marvellous job of clearing the proposed area earmarked for the Bike Park Site. You will have noticed some activity and this assistance will be an invaluable starting point for this development.

Funding has been approved from Highland Council to assist with a design brief for the Bike Park subject to receiving a letter of support from both SportsScotland and the Scottish Cycling Association. We have received the appropriate letter from SportsScotland, but there has been a delay in gaining a similar letter from the Scottish Cycling Association. However, Robert McFarlane, Highland Regional Development Coach, has made contact and now has this matter in hand. Robert will issue an appropriate letter of support shortly.

A site visit is planned for Wednesday 9th December 2009 with Phil Saxena (who led the Nevis Range Bike Project) to establish how to make best use of this area for the youth. We have also invited pupils from Kinlochleven High School and Kinlochleven Primary School to KCT on Wednesday 9th December from the Bike Park Sub Group to speak to Phil and to come up with some firm ideas before any designs are completed.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ennstone Thistle for all their hard work and effort in clearing this site. All their equipment has been uplifted after their drainage contract has ended and the site is now being levelled out ready for the site visit this week.

Notice of Annual General Meeting of
Kinlochleven Community Trust
To be held in the Theatre Venue
The Leven Centre Kinlochleven
Wednesday 9th December 2009
7pm

The KCT Office will be closed from 4pm on
Tuesday 22nd December 2009 until 9am on 11th
January 2010.

On behalf of the Directors & Staff we would like
to send our best wishes for Christmas and the
New Year.

KCT Members

KCT has
welcomed 6 new
members this
month 😊

KCT Greeting Cards

A further selection of KCT Greeting
Cards can be purchased at the
Post Office or KCT Office priced at
£1.50 per card or 4 for £5.00.

KCT Christmas Cards

Greetings from Kinlochleven Christmas
Cards can be purchased at the Post Office
priced at £1.50 per card. The scenes on
the cards are from the calendar winter
scenes.

Volunteer Helpers required to clear Island Park and Pier Area



Can you help?

There is a strong desire within the community to clear the Pier Area, Boat Shed and Island Park. We are looking for some Volunteer Helpers to put the Island Park and Pier Area back into the place we (locals and visitors) would like to visit.

Can you spare the odd morning/day helping? If you are a *regular user of the area (*Daily - Dog walkers especially welcome), would you consider helping by reporting any 'fly-tipping' or damage that you see in the area? Particularly keen to clear up around the areas around the KBC boat-shed and encourage 'Park & Walkers' plus discourage Fly-Tipping/Rubbish. Longer term, anyone interested in Twitching (Bird-Watching) or general conservation work?- Idea is to 'manage' the wilder areas/scrub to improve wildlife habitat and giving the visitor something to look at.

Please register your interest with KCT via email moira@kinlochleven.co.uk, Tel 01855 831 779, via the Boat Club Members or kinlochvolunteers@googlemail.com. Any help will be much appreci-

COMMUNITY EVENTS DIARY

We have been asked to remind all fundraisers/ community groups via the newsletter that a community events diary is located in the library

POTENTIAL SITES FOR KCT DEVELOPMENT

You may recall that KCT invited any interested parties to view plans of two sites suitable to sell with planning permission to raise capital for future projects.

KCT have now instructed an Architect to proceed with the Planning Applications to Highland Council.

Site 1 is opposite the Astro Turf for one house and Site 2 is to the rear of Greymares Car Park for two houses.

Highland Council Discretionary Budget

Unfortunately KCT were unsuccessful in their recent application to the Highland Council's Discretionary Budget for the provision of two Broxap Litter Bins for the newly refurbished seating area outside the Aluminium Store Building.

KCT had already been awarded funds during the financial year towards the village square regeneration project.

Thanks are due to the Council for supplying a green wheelie bin for this area. We have also requested bins for Greymares Car Park, Post Office Car Park and at the entrance to the short cut area beside the pigeon hole.

Addition to Pre 65 Event

As an addition to the Pre 65 Event and creating a wee bit of history, the first Moidart Peninsula Classic Road Run 2010 will take place. This road run is for mature riders on old classic motorbikes who are no longer fit or able to ride the event but still want to be in Kinlochleven to soak up the atmosphere.

This run will be held on Thursday 29th April 2010 and will assemble in the viaduct car park for signing on and departing at 9am and returning there to sign off at approx 5pm. This event has the full support of the Pre 65 Trial organisers. Historically (pre 1965) the Six Day Trials route took in the Moidart Peninsula so this additional run will bring back a lot of memories.

2010 Calendar

Calendars are still available from the KCT Office and Kinlochleven Post Office priced at £2.99. Calendars can be posted on from KCT to any destination in time for Christmas. Return completed order forms to: Kinlochleven Community Trust, Unit 4A, Kinlochleven Business Park, Kinlochleven, PH50 4SH. Cheques made payable to Kinlochleven Community Trust please.

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Kinlochleven Community Trust Calendar and Greeting Card Order Form

Item	No.	Price	Total
2010 Photo Calendar Professionally printed calendar featuring twelve stunning winning photographs		£2.99	
Winter Mountain Notecard Set 4 hand finished notecards featuring scenes of local mountains		£5.00	
Seasons Notecard Set 4 hand finished notecards featuring different seasons around Loch Leven		£5.00	
Sunsets Notecard Set 4 hand finished notecards featuring glorious sunsets around Loch Leven		£5.00	
Sub Total			
Postage & Packing		£2.99	
Collect from KCT Office		Free	
Total			

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Malky's Walk

On behalf of everyone at Maggie's Highlands can I please thank Lodge St Kearan No 1155 and all the villagers who took part and supported "Malky's Walk" along the Crinan canal, in memory of your friend Malcolm MacSween. £2,300 is a fantastic sum of money to have raised and, as Maggie's is totally dependent on fundraising and donations to run our programme of support, a great help to us.

Maggie's Highlands is situated next to Raigmore Hospital and is available for anyone who is affected by a cancer diagnosis, their friends, family and carers. We offer a programme of support and information, we run sessions including yoga, meditation, stress management, expressive writing, expressive art and Tai chi, everything we offer is free of charge. No appointments or referrals are necessary.

If anyone would like to hear more about our work please do not hesitate to get in touch with the centre (01463 706306) or feel free to drop in to visit us if you are in Inverness.

Thank you again - Judith Ross Community Fundraiser

SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCH MENU MACDONALD HOTEL

Every day 12 o'clock – 2.30pm

Starter

Soup of the day served with a crusty roll
Garlic Mushrooms with a Garlic Mayonnaise Dip
Haggis Fritters with Caramelised Onion Chutney
Vegetable Spring Rolls with a Sweet Chilli Dip
Smoked Salmon with Balsamic Dressing
& Brown Bread

Main Course

Battered Haddock Fillet with Chips and Peas
Steak & Ale Pie with Vegetables and Potatoes
Haddock Fishcake with a Sweet Chilli Dip
Salad & Chips
Macaroni Cheese with Chips and Salad

Dessert

Sticky Toffee Pudding served with
Ice Cream or Custard
Choc Chip Pudding with Cream or Ice Cream
Mixed Ice Creams with a Pompadour Fan Wafer
Apple Crumble with Custard

Two Courses - £5
Three Courses - £7

MACDONALD HOTEL CHRISTMAS MENU
DEC 1ST—24TH 2009 £18.90 PP
SENIOR CITIZENS & CHILDREN £15 PP
BOOKING ESSENTIAL 01855 831 539

STARTERS

Carrot & Corriander Soup
served with a crusty roll
MacDonald's Prawn Cocktail
North Atlantic Prawns served with the Chefs special
Marie Rose Sauce & Salad
Breaded Baby Camembert
served with Spicy Fruit Chutney & Salad
Venison Pate
served with Oatcakes, Redcurrant Jelly & Salad

MAINS

Traditional Roast Turkey with Cranberry Sauce
served with all the trimmings and a rich Roast Gravy
Loch Linnhe Fillet of Salmon
on a bed of Spring Onion Mash topped with a Lemon
and Parsley Sauce
Duck Breast
In an Orange & Herb Sauce on a bed of Red Cabbage
Brie, Mushroom, Hazelnut & Cranberry Wellington
with Redcurrant Jelly

DESSERTS

Cranachan
Christmas Pudding
Tablet Ice Cream