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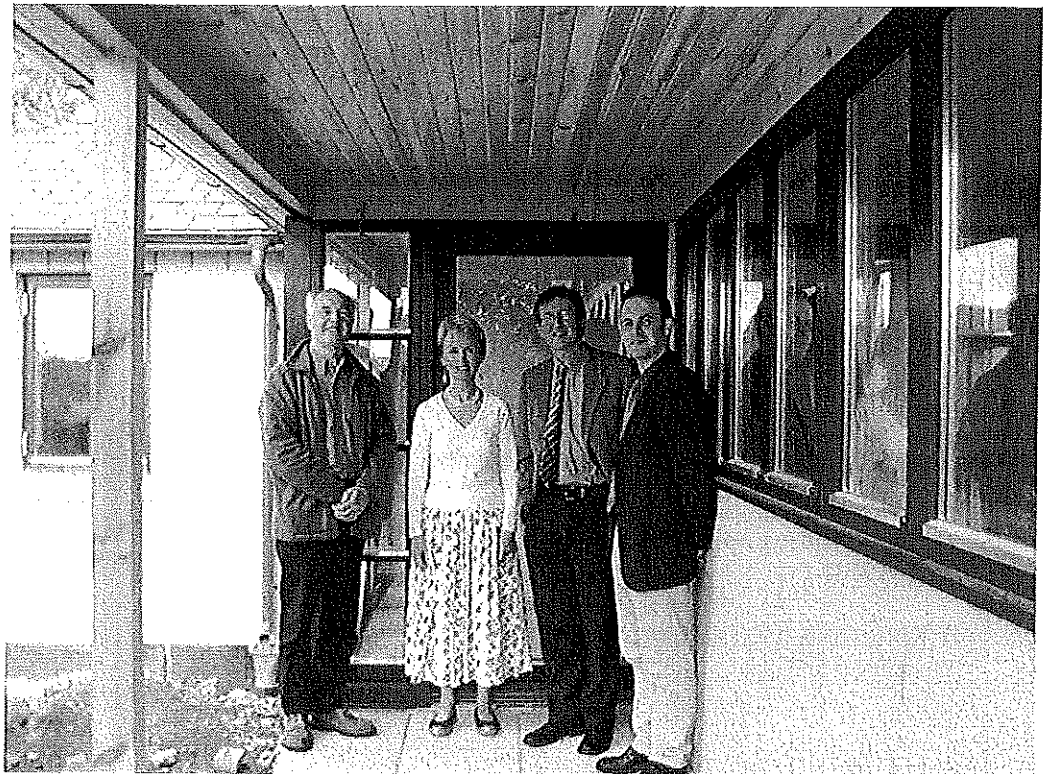
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Pictured above left to right are Simon Winstanley, Architect, Dr. Shelagh Neil, Dr. John Neil and Dr. Bernard Jones at the entrance to the new surgery in New Galloway. Builders Riddick & Son from Haugh of Urr completed the extension on time despite some setbacks due to bad weather. The official opening is hoped to be held in the last week of July.

Dr. John Neil says: "There are many benefits from the new building; greater privacy for patients; improved chiropody area; pleasanter reception area and more efficient dispensary services". Look out for further announcements confirming the official opening date.

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phase of the Scottish Centre for Renewable Excellence is being established within the Glenkens on an estate that has been in the Olsen family for over 50 years. Natural Power has now moved into the first phase which is a renewable energy sustainable office and up to 18 jobs are being created in

the near future. It is from here that information technology, design and sophisticated management systems will be offering I.T. services to Olsen related companies and others within the U.K. and Europe. The centre is being created for integrated sustainable

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Who's been advertising in The Glenkens Gazette

The Glenkens Gazette is a non profit making organisation which relies upon advertisements from local businesses and groups. We were given a grant from Dumfries Council and have received other donations from Scottish Power, Groundbase and The Bank of Scotland. Our aim is to report news and information to the residents of the Glenkens as well as provide a means of advertising for local businesses. Publication is every two months. Listed below are some of the advertisers who have supported us in previous issues. Contact one of the editorial group on the back page if you would like to be included in the next issue : August / September.

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businesses, with careful considered development and long term secure employment. Up to £8.5 million could be invested in developing the facility, plus related energy schemes on the estate. Natural Power director Jeremy Sainsbury said that the new business would work for clients throughout the U.K. and Europe.

"N P C are acting for clients who will build projects of 500 MW generating capacity of which 150—200 MW will be in the UK", said Jeremy. "We, as consultants, have a target to work on more than £1 billion of developments over the next ten years for a number of clients. We will be a planning and management centre for the U.K. and will offer a management service to European based developments." Olsen interests currently include 50 per cent of Windy

Standard, which is a 36 turbine farm in Dumfries and Galloway; 50 per cent of the Bears Down project in Cornwall; and another of N.P.C.'s clients owns more than 40 per cent of Sweden's 84 MW Lillegrund offshore farm near the city of Malmo. Besides the above scheme, Natural Power is planning for two windfarms in the North-east near Elgin and Grantown on Spey.

Jeremy added: "Forrest Estate wants a centre of excellence to expand its activities and our new office is the core. Besides being directly involved with onshore windfarms Natural Power is the consultant to the first potential offshore wind-farm in Scotland, which could be built in the Solway Firth area.

Jeremy Sainsbury is chairman of the Scottish Renewables Forum.

DALRY WOMEN'S RURAL LONG SERVICE AWARDS



Pictured left to right: Mrs Maureen Findlay Mrs Ada Collart, Mrs Betty Brinkman, Mrs Margaret Hamilton (Pres.) Miss Margaret Wood and Miss Nora Little.

Five ladies from Dalry Women's Rural were presented with long service awards by President Margaret Hamilton in Dalry Town Hall on May 15th. The occasion was also the Annual Coffee Evening event which was very well attended by local ladies and others from nearby Rural groups. Mrs. Hamilton gave a brief speech describing each of the ladies' length of service before presenting the awards.

Excellent musical entertainment was provided by Mr. Vincent Kingstree and friends.

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Mrs Hamilton informed those attending that the ladies had first come to the rural as young girls with their mothers, as was the case in those days !

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Joyce Cheronkoui, the Rural and Community Transport Development Officer is keen to help provide assistance for funding such a project.

Mr. Macdonald, Head Teacher at Dalry and Mr. Tom Carmichael, P. E. teacher have met with Ms. Cheronkoui and Community Councils will soon be asked for their views on the needs of the residents. A funded post for transport co-ordinator is planned and schools as well as the communities will have access to the bus.



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340gm green lasagne

For the Tomato sauce

3 tbsp olive oil 1 onion skinned and chopped
1 stick of celery chopped 2 carrots peeled and chopped
1 skinned garlic chopped 420gm tin chopped tomatoes
140ml red wine half tsp sugar

For the spinach and cheese sauce

84gm butter/marg 84gm flour
Litre of milk 225gm Loch Arthur cheese
1lb spinach chopped or pureed

Start by making the tomato sauce; heat oil in a pan with the celery and carrot, cook for 5-7 mins. Stir to prevent burning add garlic then tomatoes and cook for a few mins, then pour in red wine, season with sugar salt and pepper. Simmer with the pan uncovered for 20—30 mins or until carrots are cooked. Liquidise, season and leave aside.

Make the spinach and cheese sauce by melting the butter in a saucepan, stir in the flour and cook for a couple of minutes. Slowly add the milk stirring all the time until the sauce boils. Take off the heat and stir in the cheese and the spinach; season.

In an ovenproof dish put a layer of the cheese and spinach sauce, then a layer of tomato sauce then a layer of pasta; continue until the dish is filled ending with the cheese and spinach on top.

Bake in a moderate oven 350F/180C/Gas mark 4 for 45 mins, until the sauce is bubbling and when you stick a knife into the centre it feels soft.

You can make this recipe with organic ingredients or come and try it at the Green Tea House in Moniaive.

Recipe by Catherine Braid Organic Country Cook

Operation Safety

On Tuesday morning the Primary Sevens from all over Dumfries & Galloway went to Starrier to Operation Safety to learn all about being safe. We got there at the Starrier football club around 10 o'clock. First they gathered us up inside the stadium and told us about what is going to happen during the day. Then they split us into groups. Our group first went to Scottish power. There we got told how easy it is to get killed. The man then asked us to retrieve a bag and other things so Vondy could go in and get it and he did. Then the man dropped a banger and everyone got a fright especially Vondy. Vondy had put his hand in a danger area. The next place we went to was the police. They told us to clean up a small patch of grass, which was covered with rubbish. Among the rubbish were tied bags with white stuff in it, which our group did not touch. There were also syringes lying around which nobody picked up either. After the police ladies said, well done and told us what sort of drugs were on the ground. Then the women sent us up to the road safety. There was an accident. We had to look at the cyclist and see what he was doing wrong. We did very well in this exercise. Then we went along to the lifeguard section. There were two men. One man was sitting on a capsized boat. The other man was instructing us. We had to throw ropes, footballs, rubber rings to keep the other man afloat. Then it was onto the football pitch to have our packed lunch and into the coach for our long travel home. A fantastic day and we learned so much. Thanks to the Emergency services.

Many thanks to Calum Ansell for this interesting report from Kells School.

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NEW GALLOWAY, OUR HISTORIC BURGH PART IV

By Helen Bolton

Kenmure Castle: 18th Century to the Present.

When John Gordon inherited Kenmure in 1741 he promptly sold the lands of Tongland and Cross-michael to clear the debts and to restore the castle. Four years later, when Prince Charles Edward came to Scotland, he requested "Lord Kenmure's" support. However, although John attended the Prince at Holyrood House, wisdom prevailed and he declined his support, no doubt saving both himself and the estate from further trouble.

John died in 1769 and was succeeded by his son William and later by his younger son John. Despite his father's efforts to clear the debts, much was still owing, so in order to pay off the remaining creditors John sold more family possessions including their original lands at Lochinvar. His mother, Lady MacKenzie, also assisted with his finances after her father's death.

In 1817 John Gordon began extensive changes at Kenmure. The old courtyard walls were removed and the original mound was landscaped. A new driveway was constructed and ornamental trees were planted, including the splendid lime avenue, referred to by McKerlie in 1878 as "fine old lime trees". Ornamental canals and terraces completed the fine policies surrounding Kenmure.

Some of the alterations to the castle are misleading, as old stonework, such as a 17th century door frame, was re-used, this making the dating of these parts rather more difficult.

In 1822 John Gordon was appointed Vice-Lieutenant of the Stewartry and in 1824 the honour and titles of the Viscount Kenmure and Lord Lochinvar was restored and John became 7th Viscount.

In 1840 the 7th Viscount died and his nephew Adam inherited Kenmure, becoming the 8th Viscount. He died without issue in 1872 and the title became dormant, remaining so ever since.

On Adam's death, Kenmure passed to his sister Louisa, then to her daughter, also Louisa. In 1886 the castle was let to tenants while Louisa lived at "Overton" to the north of the village. No Gordon was ever to live at Kenmure Castle again.

Louisa's son James Gordon Maitland inherited the estate after her death and for a time the castle was let to an American tenant who made some further alterations to the building. In the late 1930's James's son John Gordon Maitland sold the castle and most of the remaining estate. A General MacEwan leased the castle during the second World War and after it became a hotel, which unfortunately did not pay.

By the end of the 1950's a demolition contractor had removed the roof and stripped the historic building of everything saleable. And contrary to popular belief, the castle was never burnt down.

In the 1960's Graeme Gordon, a descendant of the Gordons of Lochinvar, bought the old castle but by then it was an empty, roofless shell, as it remains to this day.

Sincere apologies to Helen for the number of errors in her previous article. The script was delivered word perfect and the spelling mistakes occurred when we typed it out. Many thanks for contributing such an interesting series of articles.

The MacMillan Cancer Relief Invitation Golf Trophy Tournament was first played in 1997 and has been played for annually ever since then. The competition format required that a New Galloway member lady or gent, invited a playing partner from a neighbouring club to take part in the competition. Mrs. R> Bryson provided a trophy in the form of a bronze male golfer (more gents play golf than ladies !) with an appropriate plinth to record the names of each seasons winners. The ladies of the Glenkens Cancer relief fund committee organized the catering with soup, filled rolls cakes, tea/coffee available during the afternoon of the competition.

Since the inaugural competition in 1997 the generous support of New Galloway Golf Club members and friends have raised over £1,300 for this worthwhile charity and is much appreciated.

Dalry Primary & Nursery News GARDEN REPORT

The garden club has started and hasn't been cancelled once because of rain! Last year we couldn't get started because of the awful weather!! Long may it continue. Mrs. Porteous has had so many volunteers she has had to make a rota of 3 groups of children, so no matter how enthusiastic they are the children will only be called upon once every three weeks.

Mrs. P. is happy to have had assistance from three secondary teachers—Mr. Jackson (Science) who dug trenches and Mr. Brown (English) and Mr. White (Maths) who planted some apple trees, which were kindly donated by Mr. And Mrs. Colin Mair from Carluke.

After Easter, Mr. White and Mrs. Porteous were back in the garden planting hedging and they asked that no children should come to school through the hedge at the bottom of the garden, thank you!

Mr. Bob Peace helped the children to plant some raspberry bushes and the rest of the hedging. Although the children can do a lot of the tasks in the garden it is extremely helpful to have adults help too. Our thanks therefore also go to Nancy Hunter Blair, Gillian Hilsley and Jane Trueman for regularly turning out on a Tuesday.

The recent "free" coffee morning raised £450!! £100 was donated to the school to help pay for the bus which took our senior pupils to the *Big Idea* at Irvine. **Thank you for your support.**

THE SCOTTISH ALTERNATIVE GAMES

The world famous Scottish Alternative Games are being held this year in New Galloway, Scotland's smallest Royal Burgh, on **Sunday 5th August.**

The games which have been held for many years in Parton will include all the usual popular events including the official World Gird an' Cleek Championships, Hurlin' the Curlin' Stane, Tossin' the Sheaf, Balmaclellan Skittles, Tug o' War and many others.

There will also be music, stalls and even a beer tent!

Come along to New Galloway Park for a unique, fun day out and you could even go home a World Champion

Jill Russell, of Greenhead House, New Galloway, thanks all those in the Glenkens who kindly sponsored her swim for the BT Swi-mathon. She swam 2,500 metres in 67 minutes, non-stop, in the Kirkcudbright Swimming Pool. The total raised by Jill's effort was £450. The charities that benefit include Macmillan Cancer Relief, Breakthrough Breast Cancer, The Prostate Cancer Charity and the BT Disabled Swimming Programme.

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CLACHAN FAIR DRAW

The citizens of Dalry celebrated a long tradition of Clachan Fair draws in the Town Hall on Saturday 8th June, despite the weeks events being cancelled due to the Foot and Mouth crisis. Entertainment was provided by Mrs. Agnes Keachie from Locharbriggs who was in fine voice and raised the spirits of the audience with several songs.

The Generation Gap, a new group to the Glenkens made its debut. Consisting of Tommy Edgar and his young grandson Colin, they had toes tapping with several up-beat numbers and are sure to receive a warm welcome when they next perform. The Draw was well organised by the Hamiltons, with the teas co-ordinated by Mrs. Irene Jordan and many willing hands. Tom Scott was master of ceremonies and a total of **£363** raised for good causes

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The old school building in its prominent High Street position has long been recognised as an ideal place to be developed as a focal point for tourism in the area and as an asset for the community as a whole.

The issue has been raised many times through the Community Horizons Initiative surveys and open days. Therefore when the building became available on the open market, the Community Council felt that all efforts should be made to acquire the building. A steering group, chaired by Cathy Agnew and with representatives from the whole Glenkens community, evolved to drive the project forward through the difficult stage of establishing feasibility and securing funding. The initial priority is to secure the purchase of the building and an offer has been lodged with the selling agents which is hoped will be successful; this could be confirmed in August.

In the meantime the steering group will contact the other Community Councils within the Glenkens to widen the project.

Public meetings and consultations will be held to give everyone the chance to have their say on the future developments.

The steering group have adopted the name "Glenkens Community and Arts Trust" (GCAAT) and ITS vision is to create a thriving and sustainable Arts and Visitor Centre, in the heart of the Glenkens, to benefit the whole community as well as giving tourists to Dumfries and Galloway the impetus to visit the area and stay longer.

GCAAT aims to nurture and encourage local arts and crafts talent by providing studio facilities and offering a showcase of their work to the public; it will host and facilitate events and exhibitions of all kinds, and plans to establish the "Glenkens Visitor Centre" as the focal point for the dissemination of information about the Glenkens, linking to existing local amenities and visitor attractions as well as to tourist routes and trails such as the Southern Upland Way.

In short, the Glenkens Visitor Centre aims to complement what we already have in the area but wants to help fill a cultural gap by providing something unique and special of which the community can be proud.

STOP PRESS At its meeting on 18th June the Stewartry Area Committee agreed to support this exciting new initiative by contributing £4,000 towards the feasibility study.

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The children of Dalry Secondary Class 3M recently completed a project on the subject of war. We are pleased to publish a small selection and congratulate them on the sensitive and mature way in which they described their feelings and emotions.

Cascading Morality

A sea of caps
Tobacco spray
The crest of our wave
Enlistment day

The gulls cried out
Name and address
Are you willing to die?
We all answer—yes.

Sent sailing out
We went to fight
Too young, we didn't
Know wrong from right.
Like sardines half buried
Under trench upon trench
Our thirst to save Britain
Was soon to be quenched.

It was far from easy
To see our friends caught
Reeled in by anglers
Against whom they'd fought.
And by the end
The tides had passed
The war was over
Peace at last?

Lucy Brown

Alone

It was official... We were at war
My dad was sent away to fight
A telegram.. He was dad
As if this wasn't enough

They started bombing
The piercing noise of the sirens
My calls to my mother were lost
Terrified I heard her frantic shouts

I obeyed her calls and fled to the shelter
Sat on the cold stone all night
I didn't understand why she didn't come
I thought it must be her
My hope was shattered
The people who looked after me from then on
Said she'd gone somewhere with
dad
Now I know what they meant

Megan Wykes

Prisoner of War

In war everybody loses
It is not the taking part that
counts
But the fighting for your country
That's till the body pile mounts

Jamie Biggar

The Disaster

Disaster strikes an innocent town
As bombers fly over high
People running in panic
As they try to cheat death

Like bullets from a machine gun
They crash to the ground
Like hailstones from heaven
People are running scared

Houses in flames whilst,
Parents look for their children
But they were being thrown
Into everlasting sleep
Animals are frightened
As they pull on their reins
But no -one can save them

After the disaster
When flames had cooled
Bodies rotted into the earth
The few survivors reappeared
Everything was destroyed
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But surely we would not fight again
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NEW GALLOWAY & KELLS

Masonic Hall. The Chairman updated members on developments which had occurred since the last meeting concerning the possible purchase of the Masonic Hall. Councillor Prentice said that our bid for Community Funding had been turned down by the D & G Council and so discussion on alternative funding took place. It was agreed that we should endeavour to secure the property in the first instance, possibly with the help of a loan. The Chairman added that D.&G. Council had agreed to survey the property free of charge and conduct a feasibility study into the uses we envisage. The survey will be conducted on Thursday 17 May and our options may then become clearer.

Scottish Alternative Games The Chairman asked members to reconsider holding the games in August. It was decided to draw up a plan of things to be done at the next meeting at which time a final decision will be made on whether to hold the games.

DALRY This years Clachan Fair has been cancelled due to the Foot and Mouth disease crisis. Proposals are under consideration to hold a bigger and better

Clachan Fair next year, the year of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations. Concern was expressed that the possibility of holding it in 2002 would upset the bi-annual pattern synchronised with New Galloway.

CARSPHAIRN

Heritage Web Site Anna Campbell reported it is up and running with the help of Ian Davidson and Roy Woolhouse.

Derelict Site Consideration was being given to purchasing the site. The cost would be in the region of £4,500 with legal fees of £600 approximately.

BALMACLELLAN

Playground The work on the playground. With any luck we will have a long hot summer and lots of children visiting the village to play on the new equipment. We still have to do some fencing to protect against dog fouling—unfortunately too many people let their dogs out to mess where they want and make no attempt to clear up after them. We have received grants and donations amounting to £12,500 for this work, with costs (excluding fencing) totalling £13,245.

(Extracts from last available minutes)

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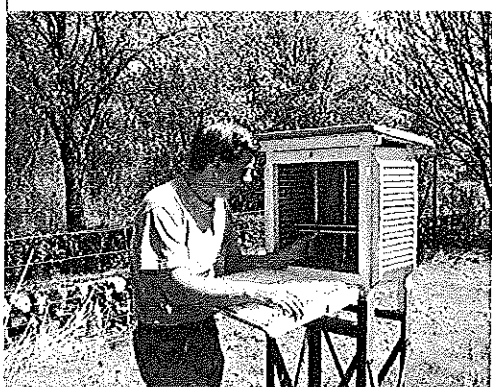
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Herbs - a free offer

For years I have grown Welsh onions, otherwise perennial chives, which keep green all year round. They are useful for sprinkling on soup, used as spring onions or adding to salads.

This year, unfortunately, grass has invaded the row of plants and they may have to be thrown out. Rather than this, persons who would be interested are invited to come, dig up a clump, tease out the grass and replant the chives in their garden. If so, you will be welcome. Please bring your own spade. Bin bags supplied. Miss.J.C.Gibson
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WHATEVER THE WEATHER



Donnie checking the temperatures

Glenlee Power Station is well known for producing electrical power but The Gazette was interested to learn of their weather recording procedures. Donnie McMillan was kind enough to show us around the various pieces of equipment and explain their functions and the importance some of the data has for the effective running of the generators.

The screen box, a white wooden slatted box raised several feet off the ground, houses four thermometers; one each for maximum and minimum temperatures and a wet and dry thermometer for the humidity. These are read daily and this information (like all the other details that follow) sent to the National Meteorological Centre in Exeter.

Rainfall is measured by the automatic tipping bucket rain gauge as well as read manually. The automatic gauge tips at every 0.2 mm of rain and the data is electronically stored in a cassette. Snow fall is calculated by melting the snow caught in the manual rain gauge. Ground temperature is measured daily by a separate thermometer.

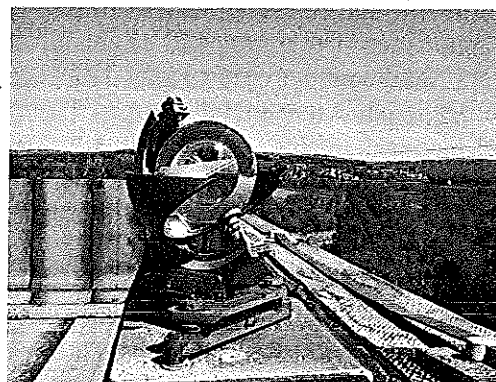
Perhaps the most interesting piece of equipment is that used to record the hours of sunshine. A large glass ball focuses the sun's rays onto a thin card strip marked in hours. As the sun moves across the sky it burns a thin strip through the card. At the end of the day the strip of card shows how many hours of sunshine there were and when it occurred. On the day The Gazette visited Glenlee, the sun had been out almost all day and the burnt strip was clear to see as it stretched across the card gauge. If only there were more cards like that !

Inside Glenlee Station is the final piece of equipment; the barometer. This records the pressure on a weekly sheet that slowly revolves around the drum inside. A drop in pressure can forecast rain; useful information for those who control the dam levels.

In addition to all the above information, wind speed, total cloud and visibility are recorded manually in the Station Pocket Register and a monthly return of the daily observations is sent to the National Meteorological Office in Exeter.

Rainfall recordings are phoned in from Loch Doon, Drumjohn ,Blackwater, Glenlee, Glenlochar, Brownhill and Clatteringshaws.

Donnie was keen to explain that all the rainfall information gathered was put to good use in helping to calculate the maximum usage for the generation of electricity. It can also help reduce spillage and wastage of water.



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Dalry Playpark Progress

Despite sometimes seeming to be lying dormant, Dalry playpark is progressing slowly but surely.

At a public meeting in Dalry Town Hall in March, the old Playpark Project Committee was reformed as the Dalry Playpark Association and membership was invited from as wide a selection of the community as possible. A new constitution was adopted and a management committee was elected. Glen Murray was elected chairman and Gerald Bell treasurer. No-one present at that meeting felt able to take on the role of Secretary. Other members are Liz Brown, Marion Bone and Jean Maltman. A letter has been received from the Head of Leisure & Sport, D.&G. Council, confirming that they are prepared to adopt the various items of play equipment that will be installed in the playpark, are willing to accept responsibility for grounds maintenance on the site and will assume full public liability insurance for the playpark and equipment.

Although unsuccessful with the Community Fund application several other charities and organisations have been approached for further funding and the picture is bright for the future!

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In September the Glenkens '73 Drama Club resumes its winter programme. Potential pantomimes are being read and now we would like people to join in the fun as members of the Drama Club.

*The pantomime season's soon starting again
And this year, as usual, we're desperate for men.
We'd also like girls, so come on, don't be shy
There's a whole lot of fun to be had in Dalry.*

*Age doesn't matter, whether 60 or 7
To have you join us is our idea of heaven.
You don't have to dance or have singing voices
In fact most of us make the most horrible noises!
If your memory's weak I tell you no fibs,
For most of the show we rely on ad-libs!*

*If acting is something you'd rather not do
Then how about joining our vital stage crew?
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hours.
The success of the panto relies on your powers.*

*Though the principal boy may look smashing in
tights
The gloss goes off the part when he ain't got no
lights.
Good may fight evil all over the boards
But a duel's got no point if no-one's got swords.*

*So come to the Town Hall in early September,
Get ready to let down your hair.
Make 2001 a year to remember!
We look forward to seeing you there.*

Christine Rae

For more information and encouragement
Please contact any of the Drama committee

Penny Gould	President
Rhoda Rugg	Vice president
Christine Rae	Secretary
Brian Edgar	Treasurer

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JULY

Sunday 1st Southwick House gardens open 2—5 and also from 3rd to 7th

Saturday 7th New Gallo-way Fire Station Bar & que Free Admin 7.30—1 am Licensed Bar & Raffle

In aid of Benevolent Fund **Saturday 21st** Clachan Inn Folk Night from 9 pm 01644 430241

AUGUST

Sunday 5th Arndarroch Cottage Garden 1.30—5.30 Plant Stall. Parking at Kendoon Youth Hostel. Teas in Dalry Town Hall. Proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Research D. & G.

Sunday 19th Vintage Tractors at Dunaskin

Saturday 25th Dalry Flower and Produce Show Town Hall

Friday 31st Dalry Annual

Guild Sale Town Hall

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 15th S M N D A Dalry Town Hall

Thursday 27th to 30th Glenkens Annual Art Exhibition Dalry Town Hall. Mr. Newton 01644 430225 or Hilda McAdam 01644 430383

NOVEMBER 2nd, 3rd & 4th

Clachan Fair Reminiscences A cheese and wine evening followed by an exhibition. Call Hilda McAdam 430383 for further details.

DID WE MISS YOU OUT? FREE LISTING FOR GLENKENS EVENTS

COMMUNITY CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS

Those cold meetings in the Glenkens Community Centre should soon be a thing of the past thanks to a generous award of £12,000. Nancy White told The Glenkens Gazette that the Stewartry Area Committee had made the award following the recent A.G.M. in early June.

"Work should be completed before the winter months" she said. "Many of the older folk had found the hall too cold and the management committee were determined to make improvements. We are very grateful for the grant, and look forward to warm meetings in the winter".

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GLENKENS WEATHER REPORT

May 2001

Total Rain	27.9mm	1.1 inches
Most rain	9.4mm	Tues 15th
Most hrs sunshine	14.4hrs	Sun 23rd
Highest Temp	25.6 C	Sun 13th
Lowest Temp	-0.6 C	Wed 16th

Last year Total rain was 66.8mm 2.67 inches

Ten years ago just 8.2 mm fell

And for those of you who were here 50 years ago 105 mm or 4.2 inches fell *Thanks to Donnie*