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GLENKENS COMMUNITY BUS LAUNCHED BY TOP AUTHOR

Pete McCarthy,

of television and radio fame and the award-winning author of two internationally best-selling travel books, was in the Glenkens recently to perform his one man show, 'The Road to McCarthy'. However, while he was here he also helped in the official launching of the Glenkens Community Bus. The ceremony took place on the morning of Saturday, 28th September and was attended by a large gathering of interested folk from all over the Glenkens.

Speeches were made by Councillor George Prentice and Mr Phil Munton (Chairman of the Dumfries & Galloway Accessible Transport Forum).

Pete McCarthy explained that, though he had opened many things in the past he had never before opened a bus. Discarding the tin-opener which he had brought with him, he produced a small piece of ribbon and a pair of scissors. With the help of Robert Newlands, winner of the competition to design a logo for the bus, the ribbon was cut and Pete declared the bus open. His commitments required him to be in Wigtown later in the day, so the inaugural journey of the bus took him there. The driver for the occasion was Brian Edgar,



Pictured above, from left to right, are Brian Edgar, Cathy Agnew (Chairman of GCAT), Pete McCarthy and Councillor George Prentice

who is Chairman of the Glenkens Transport Initiative, the management group for the bus.

The bus has been funded by the Scottish Executive, Help the Aged and the Stewartry Area Committee. The seating arrangements are flexible, so that up to 14 passengers may be carried or, by removing seats, up to 3 wheel-chairs.

Anyone wanting more information about the bus, how to register a User Group, how to become a MIDAS trained volunteer driver, or wishing to book the bus should contact Mary McIlvenna at the GCAT Shop, High Street, New Galloway or telephone 01644 420374.

(more pictures on p11)

The Law of the Land by PC Ewan Cannon *Glenkens Community Officer*

They say time flies when you're having fun, and September sees me having served 6 years as a Police Officer. That said, before I joined full time I served for 2 years as a Special Constable, based at Lochaber Police Station, which provided me with an invaluable insight and experience into the role of the modern Police Service.

The Special Constabulary plays a vital role within the Police service, made up of volunteer members of the public who come from all walks of life, who provide Operational Officers with assistance in their duties, and we are currently recruiting people who can provide a few hours a month to help the Police in your community. No formal qualifications are required, as the main attributes Special Constables need are the ability to communicate with the public and a common sense approach to life.

If you feel that you could assist the Police in being a Special Constable, either contact myself for further details or apply to the Personnel & Training Dept, Police Headquarters, Cornwell Mount, Dumfries DG1 1PZ.

As summer comes to an end it is a timely reminder to all householders and businesses to make sure your property is secure, as over the past couple of years reports of break-ins have increased in Autumn and Winter. Free Crime Prevention advice is available on request from a trained officer who can carry out a survey of your property and advise on possible ways to help stop thieves.

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GLENKENS BROWNIES

The Brownies meet on Wednesday evenings in the Community Centre, Dairy. We take part in a wide range of activities, including games, crafts, outdoor activities and the popular cooking - or is it the eating afterwards that makes it so enjoyable! Often these activities lead towards the Brownies gaining either a challenge or an interest badge.

Most years the girls are given the opportunity to go away on Pack Holiday. This year we took ten girls to Stronard Outdoor Centre. Our theme was bears. The girls each took along a bear and we had a Teddy Bear's picnic. Unfortunately

this had to be held inside because of the rain. They also made a teddy bear and we went on our night hike, which is always enjoyed.

This term we began by thinking about the Earth Summit and how we can help with conservation in our part of the world. We hope to attend the Harvest Festival service in Balmacellan Church. To

celebrate Harvest ourselves we are going to prepare, cook and eat our own Harvest supper.

Any girls of seven years of age or older would be very welcome to join us on Wednesday evenings. We have spaces available. For more information please contact Joyce on 420763 or Sarah on 430993.



Girlguiding UK



Pete McCarthy speaking at the launch of the Glenkens Community Bus. On the previous evening he had entertained a capacity audience in Dairy Town Hall with his effortless and winning style of humour, including readings from his travel books. In the second half Pete invited questions from the audience and these he answered with candour. Book signings followed the show and, indeed, continued the following morning at the launch. We were very fortunate to be able to enjoy a visit from such an accomplished and high profile writer and on

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NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL FOR DALRY



Fraser Simpson, Dalry's new Head of School

Teacher of Geography. It is said that among life's more stressful events are moving house, being promoted and starting a family but my wife, Margaret, and I survived that and enjoyed life in Stranraer for the next decade. The arrival of Jane in 1989 completed the family.

In 1996 I moved to the Douglas-Ewart High in Newton Stewart as Assistant Head Teacher, moving house to the town in 1998. My six years there have been a very positive experience and, I would hope, ideal preparation for the challenges of my new job.

My first impressions of Dalry are of a relaxed but well motivated group of youngsters and a hard working, committed staff. Add to this an excellent staff-pupil ratio and there can be few places in the UK where the quality on offer to pupils could be surpassed.

Before applying for the job I attended the meeting of the Stewartry Council group that was addressed by a number of local groups and individuals; it was this meeting and the enthusiasm of the Glenkens community for its schools that convinced me to 'go for it'.

I look forward to working with Mrs Plummer at Kells, Miss Rutherford at Carsphairn and Mrs Brown along the corridor to build strong primary-secondary links and with the staff at Castle Douglas to ensure that the transition from S4 to S5 is completed smoothly. Above all I look forward to being part of the whole school community of The Glenkens and hope that the worries of the last year can be put behind us.

W Fraser Simpson

I am writing this article at the end of one of the busiest but most pleasant four weeks of my working life. On the 19th August I took up post as Head of School, Dalry / Depute Head Teacher, Castle Douglas High School - surely a candidate for longest job title in Scottish education! As you will know the post arose as a result of the formal linking of the two schools and my line manager is Mr Proudfoot, Head Teacher of Castle Douglas.

Dalry is the fifth school I have worked in having started my career in Central Region at Dunblane High and then Wallace High in Stirling. In the spring of 1987 with the arrival of our first child, Neil, imminent I moved to Stranraer Academy as Principal

A Seat for Summer

Dalry SWR have presented a summer seat at Dalry Town Hall, positioned by the main door, to celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee. The official unveiling took place on Tuesday, 17th September as members assembled for the first time after the summer break.

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Part XI The Development of Roads.

The 18th century was a time of change and development, and New Galloway saw many improvements during this period. As people began to travel more freely the gentry and wealthier farmers used horse drawn transport rather than travelling on foot and horseback. Roads, which up to this time had been rough drove roads, pack roads and smugglers' tracks following the glens, were slowly improved to facilitate wheeled transport.

An Act was passed for the upkeep of roads and bridges. "All tenants, cottars and their servants within the bounds appointed for their parts of the High Ways will have in readiness horses, carts, sleds, spades, shovels, picks, mattocks, and other such Instruments as shall be required for repairs to the said High Ways.

"High Ways shall be 20 feet of measure broad at least or broader, and shall be so repaired that horses and carts may travel winter and summer there upon."

However, when General Roy made his survey for the construction

of military roads in the 1750's, the "High Ways" were still in a deplorable condition, so the Act had largely been ignored in this area. In some places bridges had, however, been built to replace fords. The Dee Bridge at Duchrae and the Upper Bridge of Dee both date from circa 1700.

General Roy's survey shows that in those days New Galloway was mainly centred on the crossroads formed by the Old Edinburgh Road and the old smugglers' road from the coast, which followed closely the line of the present A762. Further north, however, the route turned onto the Old Pack Road, over Stroangassel Hill to Polinaddy village, then via Bardennoch to Carsphairn.

In the event the Military Road was not built through New Galloway: the route via Gatehouse of Fleet proved more suitable for both military and civilian use. It was a further forty years before New Galloway got its turnpike road, linking Dumfries and Newton Stewart, via Crockettford and New Galloway. Turnpike roads

were financed by the collection of Tolls, thus their upkeep was paid for by those who used them most. Toll Houses in the New Galloway area were situated at the Ken Bridge, Clatteringshaws and Tainotry.

The drovers continued to use the old routes away from the turnpike roads, therefore avoiding the payment of tolls on their cattle droves.

Roads were not the only means of transport to be developed in the 18th. century. The discovery of large deposits of shell marl in Carlingwark Loch, and its potential as a fertilizer for sweetening the acid soil in the area, caused Sir Alexander Gordon of "Culvennan" to cut a canal from Carlingwark to the River Dee near Threave Island. This lowered the level of the loch, and also facilitated the carrylag of marl, in flat bottomed barges, up through the Dee and Loch Ken to farms at New Galloway and further north. The barges returned to Carlingwark carrying timber from Kells parish, and oak bark for the local tanneries.

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This year it will be held on Wednesday October 9th in New Galloway Town Hall from 10.30 - 12.00 noon. All our friends old and new are welcome. We look forward to seeing you and charging you £1.00 for your refreshments.

The story has a serious message. It is important that we respond quickly and efficiently to disasters both natural and man-made. These are the activities which, understandably, get media coverage. We do also however continually work at home and abroad with local aid workers to provide children and their families with basic human needs. In our society we accept, and possibly take for granted, such things as clean water, adequate food, shelter, education, health care, love and freedom from abuse. Unfortunately for many children these ideas have as much reality as a fairy tale. Please help us provide a happy ending.

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the scottish ALTERNATIVE games 2002

Another successful Scottish Alternative Games was held in New Galloway Park on Sunday 4th August, when hundreds of spectators and competitors descended on Scotland's smallest Royal

Burgh from as far afield as Japan, Taiwan, Australia and France. However the Gird 'n' Cleek World Championship was not destined to go overseas as it was won for the second time by Jayde Devlin from Balmacellan.

Once a few outstanding amounts are known it is likely that the profit from the Games will be around £500, which will be donated to International Water Aid and the Cancer Macmillan Fund.

New Galloway & Kells Community council would like to thank most sincerely everyone who helped on the day or contributed to the success of the event in any way. Everyone's support was greatly appreciated.



Gird 'n' Cleek		1	Jayde Devlin	RESULTS
World Championship		2	Tracy Murdoch	
		3	Rachael Seed	
Gird 'n' Cleek -	Men	1	Jayde Devlin	
		2	Thomas Seed	
		3	Joe Bruce	
	Ladies	1	Tracy Murdoch	
		2	Rachel Seed	
		3	Cairan Murdoch	
	Juniors	1	Aaron Edgar	
		2	Peter Birch	
		3	Bill Ramsay	
Hurlin' the Curlin' Stane		1	Jayde Devlin	21' 4"
		2	Robert McCulloch	21' 1"
		3	Colin Ramsay	18' 2"
Tossin' the Sheaf	Men	1	Jayde Devlin	24' 6"
		2	Tam Pope	22' 0"
		3=	Gary Taylor	21' 0"
		3=	Tam Kerr	21' 0"
	Ladies	1	Cairan Murdoch	18' 6"
		2	Tracy Murdoch	18' 0"
		3	Fiona Ramsay	17' 0"
Tug o' War	Men	Thistle Inn, Crossmichael		
	Ladies	The Galloway Girls		

The 'Schools of the Glenkens' Exhibition that has been on all season has ended. The exhibition covered all twenty one schools that have existed at one time or another since 1658 in the Glenkens. Over one hundred photographs were on display and throughout the season more came in from all the communities. Captions on the photographs have been amended and revised, in some cases several times as discussion and lively

CARSPHAIRN HERITAGE GROUP

debate has gradually lessened the question marks regarding some of the children's and teachers' names.

The Group has decided to publish a book of this exhibition which will include some of the photographs dis-

played, as well as the extracts from log books and memoirs from former pupils. The launch of the book will take place in Lagwyne Hall in Carsphairn on 15th November. The book will cost £7. A limited edition of 500 copies is being published, so if you would like to order a copy - an ideal Christmas present - please contact Anna Campbell at Holm of Daltallochan, Carsphairn (01644 460208).

GP's NEW CHALLENGE

after

18 years in the Glenkens

I arrived with my family in the Glenkens in September 1984 to take over the New Galloway and Dalry Medical Practice, on the retirement of Dr Kenneth Halliday.

In those days the New Galloway Surgery was located at Learigg, off the High Street. The building was a small listed Galloway cottage. During the surgeries I had to dispense all the medicines myself at the end of the consultation. I remember on one occasion receiving an urgent call to Carsphairn during evening surgery, with a waiting room full of patients. I locked the dispensary door, popped my head into the waiting room and told those who were waiting "back in an hour". By the time I got back there were one or two souls waiting with urgent complaints, while the rest had gone home. It was a bit like rural practice as depicted in Dr Finlay's casebook.

In those pre-mobile phone days the doctor had to be available at the end of a telephone 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It was difficult getting out at weekends as a family. We had to resort to short excursions and relied on telephone answering machines leaving a "back soon" message. It was like living in paradise, but under house arrest.

In 1985 I was able to purchase the former Kells Schoolhouse and with the help of an improvement grant the build-

ing was modified to become the New Galloway Surgery. During our open day in 1986 one member of the public was heard to remark, "This is the nicest Surgery in the whole of England!"

During that year Dr Shelagh Neil became a partner in the Practice, and we received our recognition as a Training Practice. Our first GP registrar, Dr Dolores O'Loan, started in February 1987 and from then on it was wonderful to have every second night and every second weekend off call. For ten years we had the benefit of GP registrars and our final registrar, Dr Bernard Jones, joined the practice as a partner in 1997.

Improvements were made to the Dalry Surgery in 1994 with the addition of an extension providing an office/dispensary.

In 2001 a large extension to the New Galloway Surgery was completed, with great improvements for both patients and staff.

The most difficult period of my time was when the Practice joined the After Hours Medical Service in 1997. There was a lot of local anxiety and opposition expressed to this move. However, I felt it was an essential move which would ensure the ultimate survival of an independent medical practice in the Glenkens. Later that year we were able to enjoy our first Christmas off call for thirteen years.

I am naturally sad to be leaving the Glenkens Medical Practice, but also excited to be taking on a new challenge in Edinburgh. It has been a privilege to work in this beautiful part of the world and to share in the lives of its people for the past eighteen years.

Dr John Neil

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The four members of Phoenix: (l to r) Barry Wynne (tenor), Lis Perkins (alto), Alison Stanley (soprano) and Adrian Stanley (bass)

On Saturday 27th July PHOENIX, a quartet of singers from North Wales, entertained a large and appreciative audience in Car-sphairn Church. This co-promotion between Car-sphairn Church and GCAT brought the group, who are well known in their native land and beyond, to the Glenkens both to delight with song and to raise funds for the promoting organisations, aims which were richly fulfilled.

PHOENIX - AT CARSPHAIRN

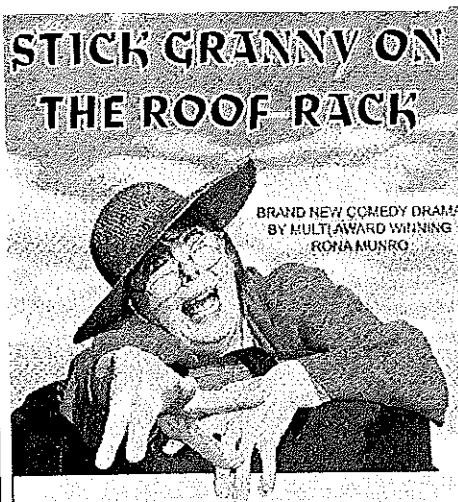
*Like the legendary phoenix
They rose from the ashes of
groups
Forming a new ensemble
Creating their own distinctive
sound.
As their music rose to the rafters
So our spirits soared
Floating on the mellifluous
strains
Lapping the shore of Heaven.
Harmonies flowed in Welsh and
English
Taking us along a meandering
river
Of Gershwin, Lloyd Webber,
Flanders and Swann
Between the rocks of classics and
folk.
Then, interspersed, were verses -
Noah's Ark as never before!
Filling the Church with joy
For every taste - every age.
The audience responded
spontaneously;
Phoenix thrilled and were
thrilled,
Asking to return -
Who would dare refuse?*

M.S.S.

FIONA KNOWLES will be in New Galloway Town Hall on Saturday 16th November to present her one woman show, 'Stick Granny on the Roof Rack'. This show has been described as depicting the 'compassionate catastrophe of family relationships' as a family embark on a fortnight's holiday (won on a scratchcard) in an exotic island paradise.

Fiona is one half of the duo known as The MsFits, the other half being award-winning playwright Rona Munro. Rona has written many stage and radio plays as well as film scripts. Fiona has worked on stage, TV and Radio since 1975, appearing in productions for both BBC and STV. Her recent stage appearances have included the hit shows 'Love & Money' and 'Sex & Chocolate'.

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The Annual Dalry Horticultural Society Show took place in Dalry Town Hall on Saturday 24th August. Though the weather had not been at its best in advance of the show, the tables in the hall seemed to be overflowing with fine produce of all kinds, not to mention the handicraft, photographic and other displays. The prizes were presented by Mrs Plummer, Head Teacher of Kells Primary.

Two exhibitors, Elizabeth Ramsay and David Grieve, each won four trophies.

The central table - full to overflowing

VEGETABLES, FLOWERS AND MUCH, MUCH MORE...

Below is an article about David Grieve with reflections on his many years of exhibiting in shows.

This year the trophies won by David Grieve were the Barlae Trophy for the best exhibit in pot plants, the William Cooper Trophy for the most points in vegetables, the Edgar Trophy for most points in vegetables and the George McAdam Trophy for the best exhibit in leek and onion classes. And this was not an unusually good year!

David Grieve has lived in New Galloway for over 18 years, having moved there from Corsock. He comes originally from Ae village and it was there that he began exhibiting in shows. His father produced all the vegetables the family needed in their own garden, but was not interested in exhibiting them, so David did so on his behalf. His interest in gardening had been discovered and developed at school, so the progression was quite natural.

David's main interest is in showing on-

A Gardener's Tale

ions. Leeks give more work, requiring tubes to keep them straight and a packing of moss to whiten them. Added ingredients? Just cow manure—pure and simple.

For the first time this year David showed fuchsias, and he also has an interest in begonias and dahlias. It is his opinion that the cut flowers displayed in Dalry this year were superior to those in the Kirkcudbright show, in which he had also entered exhibits. There he won 2nds and 3rds, thus showing that he is not invincible. Of this he is glad, as it means there is room for more work on his part. He would like to have the spur of more competition also at Dalry, and so hopes that more new exhibitors will appear.

David says that he is not after records

with his flowers and vegetables and after the shows everything is eaten, including

peas, beans, beetroot and shallots.

David had a good start, with a mother who was an active show exhibitor and a father who worked seriously in the garden. His early interest has continued to develop

and looks set to continue to do so for many years to come.

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WORLD CLASS MUSICIANS VISIT THE GLENKENS

The Glenkens and District Music club excelled on Saturday 14th September by bringing the virtuosity of Tommy Smith (tenor and soprano saxophones) and Murray McLachlan (piano) to Dalry Town Hall.

It was a revelation to hear the unique instrumental mix of saxophone and piano, playing not jazz, but the classics given a new freshness. There was almost a hushed silence at the end of Tommy Smith's opening composition in four movements for both instruments. Then the applause took everyone by surprise - even the musicians.

Tommy Smith, the lad from Wester Hailes in Edinburgh, was a legend in Scottish musical circles even in his late teens before he studied in the USA. He has developed a somewhat American persona, with an accent and witty repartee to match. The classical aspects of the programme ranged from Greig, Satie, Poulenc and Bartok to his own compositions of modern classical music. The 'extra notes were free', he told us. He slipped seamlessly into improvisation, particularly on his soprano sax in Corea's Children's Songs. This gave the feel of his jazz expertise for which he is perhaps more famous. My personal favourite was Satie's 'Je te Veux' which left the audience longing for more. This man breathes a sensuality and lyricism into the saxophone which most of us have never had the pleasure of hearing before.

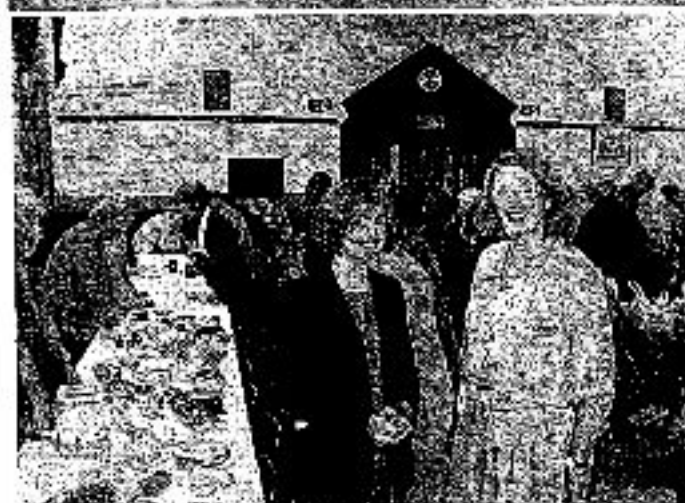
Both instruments were exploited to the full and reverberated in subtle harmony together. The praise lavished

on the saxophonist should not eclipse the magnificent piano playing of Murray McLachlan - another Scot to be proud of. While he played himself down, nothing could play down his playing ability (the page turner could barely keep up). I have never seen the strings of a grand piano drummed in such a way to such good effect.

To sum up in two words: these musicians were WORLD CLASS, and they blew the audience away.

S.P.N

SALE OF WORK RAISES FUNDS FOR THE CHURCH



Merryn Fergusson opened the Sale of Work of Dalry Church Guild on Friday, 30th August. She is pictured above with Marion Bone, Assistant Convenor of the Guild, who expressed thanks to all who supported the event. The sum of £559 was raised for Dalry Church.

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On Saturday 10th August in fine weather a group set out from the Session House of Dalry church to raise money by means of a sponsored walk for its restoration. There is no damp course in the walls and

the building is set into the earth bank at the rear and sides. There is also a need to convert the toilets so as to allow for wheelchair access, a legal requirement as from 2004. It is hoped that further funds will come in the form of grants. The sponsored walkers raised the magnificent sum of £590 - a good start to the fundraising.



SCOTLAND AND NEW ZEALAND EXCHANGE MINISTERS



As Revd David Bartholomew and his family fly out to New Zealand we welcome to the Glenkens Revd Selwyn Yeoman, Natalie, his wife, and Monica,

their youngest daughter. The exchange is for the months of October and November.

David Bartholomew writes: 'A special Songs of Praise will take place in Dalry Church on the evening of Sunday 20th October. It will be the main autumn event for the Glenkens Church Choir and will also celebrate the presence in our midst of the Yeomans from New Zealand. It will have a special flavour both of Scotland and New Zealand and promises to be an inspiring evening not to be missed.'

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Brian Edgar and Aileen Hay demonstrate the wheelchair ramp

Pete McCarthy is presented with a memento of his time here a 'backless t-shirt' of Dumfries & Galloway



Weather Statistics from Glenlee

August 2002

wettest Wednesday 29th 24.5 mm
warmest Thursday 4th 24.3°C (75.7°F)
sunniest Tuesday 20th 10.1 hrs

August Rainfall Totals

2002	97.7 mm	(3.9 inches)
2001	74.9 mm	(2.99 inches)
1985	271.3 mm	(10.8 inches)
1976	8.3 mm	(0.3 inches)

I apologise to those who have asked for more about sunshine and less about rain. The sunshine recorder has been at Glenlee for only a couple of years so there are no earlier records. Anyone interested in further statistics (back to 1937), please contact GCAT (01644 420374).

NB All readings are taken at Glenlee Power Station and so can be only a rough guide to the weather in the Glenkens generally. Dannie McMillan

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OCTOBER

Saturday 5th SMNDA Coffee Morning. 10am-12 noon Dalry Town Hall.

Wednesday 9th Save the Children Christmas Card Sale & Coffee Morning 10.30am - 12 noon New Galloway Town Hall.

Wednesday 9th Balmaclellan & Kells Guild meeting. 7.30pm New Galloway Lower Town Hall.

17th, 18th, 19th & 20th Glenkens Annual Art Exhibition. Dalry Town Hall.

Sunday 20th *Songs of Praise* in Dalry Church.

Friday 25th *The Gallovidians* 7.30pm New Galloway Town Hall.

NOVEMBER

1st-3rd *Jo Miller & RSAMD students*. Schools' Workshop & Ceilidh weekend. Various venues.

Saturday 2nd *Jo Miller and Friends* Concert/Ceilidh 8pm New

Galloway Town Hall.

Saturday 9th *The Carducci Quartet*. Glenkens & District Music Club concert. 8pm New Galloway Town Hall.

Wednesday 13th Coffee Morning. 10.30am Balmaclellan Village Hall.

Friday 15th Book Launch - 'Schools of the Glenkens' 8pm Lagwyne Hall, Carsphairn.

Saturday 16th Macmillan Christmas Fair. 2pm Dalry Town Hall.

Saturday 16th *Fiona Knowles*. 'Stick Granny on the Roof Rack' 8pm New Galloway Town Hall.

Saturday 30th St Andrew's Night Concert. Mossdale Village Hall.

DECEMBER

Sunday 8th Carol Service. 6.30pm Carsphairn Church.

20th & 21st *Sleeping Beauty* 7.30pm Dalry Town Hall.

Deadline for December/January

issue: Saturday 16th November.

Please contact Philip on 01644 420374, or by email: editor@glenkensgazette.com with dates of events for free inclusion in the Diary or with any other news or pictures.

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Times of Christian worship in the Glenkens

Church of Scotland		Sundays
Balmaclellan	12.00	1 st
Carsphairn	10.30am	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th
Dalry	12.00	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th
Kells	10.30am	2 nd & 4 th
New Galloway	10.30am	3 rd
Town Hall	(Family Service)	
United Service		5 th

Episcopal Church in Scotland	
St Margaret's, New Galloway	10.30am Every Sunday & Wednesday (Eucharist)

Roman Catholic

Mass is celebrated at the following times:

Castle Douglas	6.00pm	(Sat)
Gatehouse of Fleet	10.45am	(Sun)
Kirkcudbright	9.00am	(Sun)

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