

# LOGIE LIFE JANUARY 2023

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Hall

#### **Anne Somerville**

Anne Somerville of The Doocot, Powis, Logie, FK9 5PX sadly passed away suddenly on 14<sup>th</sup> December, aged 75. Dearly loved mother to Alison, Christie and Jamie; treasured Grandmother to Alba, Matilda, Emilia, Aviana, Elliott and Louie; a dear sister, mother-in-law, aunt and friend. Her funeral service will take place at Stirling Crematorium on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 3pm. It is requested that there are only family flowers please. Donations will be gratefully received for The Royal Horticultural Society.

Anne was a stalwart member of our Monday yoga class. I will remember her sense of humour and great generosity and what a brilliant yogi she was!

Una Bryce

#### **EPIC - Enabling Projects in Clackmannan.**

EPIC is active throughout the Hillfoots, but many people have little idea as to what it does. EPIC is the successor to the Ochils Landscape Partnership. The Ochils Landscape Partnership aimed to increase access to the hills and glens of the Ochils, improve the quality of our rivers, and restore parts of the historic built landscape. The project worked to provide opportunities for community involvement and volunteering to tell the story of the area's cultural, social and industrial heritage. It aimed to enhance the lives of people in the Hillfoots and to increase visitors to the area. The partnership ran for five years. The website is: http://Ochils.org.uk.

The OLP was responsible for replacing the footbridge on the path east of the village and for resurfacing the village square.

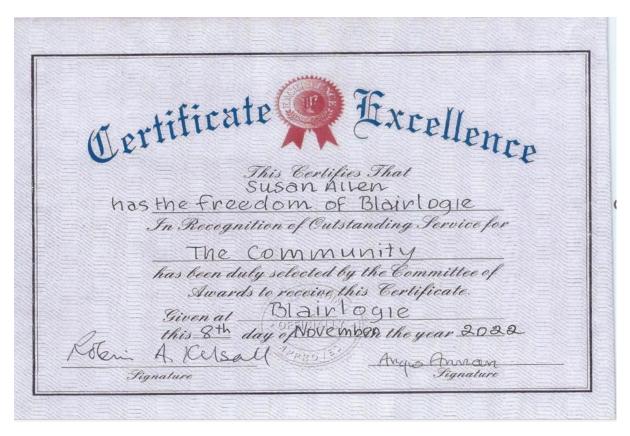
EPIC was set up to continue this work and to make provisions to maintain the paths and other works completed by the Ochils Partnership. The themes of EPIC work are: Biodiversity, Conservation and Supporting Communities. It works closely with The Conservation Volunteers (TCV) as the delivery agent. It also has an SLA with Clacks Council for some aspects of the work. In this it aims to provide training and opportunities for volunteers operating in the open air. The operation is funded by windfarm money and it will continue until 2040. It is a charity SCO/045576. The website is <a href="http://epicochils.org.uk">http://epicochils.org.uk</a>.

More recently EPIC has collaborated with the Future Forest Company. This company now owns the former Dumyat Farm area. It provides investment opportunities for carbon compensation and it is anxious to work with local organisations to provide access to the Ochils for leisure.

Angus Annan was a trustee of the OLP and is now Chair of EPIC.

Angus Annan

## The Freedom of Blairlogie



Susan Allen was awarded the Freedom of Blairlogie after the AGM of the Blairlogie Community and Heritage Trust.

Susan has worked tirelessly to awaken us from our Covid Torpor and she is responsible for:

- The resumption of Table Tennis
- The creation of a new group that meets in Crowsteps for Craft Work
- Various kindnesses for other people in the village

With this award she is now entitled to:

- Drive her sheep through the village square
- Graze her goat in the play park
- Eat an apple from a tree in any garden in the village

### **Hall Use**

Gushetneuk resident Bettina Zenz used the hall for her daughter's birthday party in November.



Great to see the hall being used by the young members of the community.



Another good turnout for the Boxing Day gathering.

For information concerning the very popular Whatsapp Community Group contact Sue Allen 07738666009

If you want to book the hall for parties, meetings, clubs contact Clem Flanagan blairlogierr@gmail.com