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Editorial Note

Following the issue of the July Bugle, I received several notes from those of you who receive the Bugle online, to the effect that the July edition took ages to download. The reason for the extra lengthy download time was, I believe, due to a variety of reasons but the most likely cause was because of the inclusion of two colour pictures. In future, where pictures are included, extra hard copies will be available on request.

Annual Beer Festival

Another very successful beer festival took place on Saturday 30th August and, as usual, was very well attended.

Congratulations to the RRR Committee for all their efforts. This was the second year that 'boules' has featured and this year the competition was won by a team of 'pensioners' with the last throw of the boule.

The evening saw the first draw of the 2008/9 '100' Club, which was won by Ticket number 1, held by Elizabeth Logan who receives £100.

Film Night

Over 30 villagers and friends thoroughly enjoyed the evening watching The African Queen staring Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn. Of those who made the effort and dressed for the occasion, George McIntosh was adjudged the best.

From a survey carried out on the night, it appears that there should be a Film Night on a quarterly basis. A note of a number of films you would like to see was taken including: Butch Cassidy, Mama Mia, Carousel, Oaklahoma and many others.

Local Achievement

For those of you who missed the article in the Stirling Observer of 14th October, Melanie Paget, daughter of Brian & Jill, successfully completed a trip to Northern Zambia to carry out a vital building programme for the local villagers.

The Chibobo project was to build a hammer mill and house for the mill operator and this was completed ahead of schedule and under budget. Congratulations Melanie.

New Arrival

Congratulations to Robert and Diane McGee on the arrival of their daughter.

Forthcoming Events

Christmas Lights

It is hoped to put the lights on the tree on Sunday 7th December and any volunteers to assist would be welcome and should pass their name to Colin Kilgour or Robin Kelsall.

The switching on of the Christmas Lights will be on Saturday 13th December at about 6pm. Weather permitting, carols will be sung around the tree or, if it is adverse, in the Reading Room where mince pies and mulled wine will be served. Please bring a torch/lantern with you to see the words

Hogmanay

Once again the 'Hogmanay in the Reading Room' Preservation Society invite you to an evening packed full of entertainment for all with dancing from 9pm until the early hours and including the second '100' Club draw.

Watch for the posters for more details.

Blairlogie Community & Heritage Trust AGM

This will be held on Tuesday 27th January in the Reading Room at 7.30pm.

Celebration of Burns

Next year is the 250 anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns and to mark the occasion there will be a celebration in the Reading Room on Saturday 31st January from 7.30pm to midnight. As we need to have an idea of numbers attending this will be a ticket event at a cost of £10 for an adult and £5 for under 12s and this will include a Buffet Supper with a dram. Please bring your own drink.

There will be music to listen and dance to and, in addition, if you can sing, dance, recite or play an instrument; we will be very pleased to welcome you to join in.

Watch for the posters for more details.

Film Night

On Saturday 14th February, which you all know is St. Valentine's Day, HOW TO MARRY A MILLIONNAIRE, starring Marilyn Munro, Greta Garbo and Lauren Bacall, will be showing at 7.30pm in the Reading Room.

As before, nibbles etc. will be provided but please bring your own drink.

Saturday 16th May has been earmarked for the second event of 2009 so please enter this in your diary.

Wine Tasting

Please make a note in your diary of this very enjoyable event, which will be on Saturday 14th March and include the third 100 Club draw. For catering purposes, this will also be a ticket event and these will be on sale from your Committee in late February.

Watch for the posters for more details.

Logie Community Council

The next meetings of the Committee are on Tuesday 6th January, Tuesday 3rd March and Tuesday 5th May starting at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Reminders

Table Tennis is up and running again after the summer recess and is on every Wednesday evening for an hour starting at 8pm.

Over the past few months, the lights in Crowsteps have been left on on three separate occasions. Could users of both the Reading Room and Crowsteps please ensure that all lights are extinguished when they leave.

As this the last Bugle before the festive season, the Blairlogie Reading & Recreation Room Committee wish you all a

Merry Christmas and a Happy & Peaceful New Year