BLAIRLOGIE BUGLE

Your Window on the Village and the Logie Community March 2018 Blairlogie, Cotkerse, Gogar, Manor, Powis and Witches Craig

What's Coming up!		
Every Wednesday	Table Tennis	New Members Needed
Mondays	Yoga	See details below
Tuesday 20th March	Community Council	
Tuesday 15th May	Blairlogie Trust AGM	
Tuesday 22nd May	Community Council AGM	Including a village social

The Reading Room is available to rent for social and other activities, from £5/hour. For details and to book contact, Paula Gardiner paulagardiner1969@gmail.com 07743 861493.

Village Barbeque

The community barbeque will be held on Saturday 25th August 2018. Details to follow.

The Chocolate Factory

Whatever Next? A chocolate factory in Blairlogie! Based in Manor Farm Business Park, Scotland's first bean-to-bar chocolate maker has developed a unique process for making a delicious chocolate, retaining all the nutrients found in the raw cocoa bean, all the way through to the finished bar.



"Happiness is Wellness" - A 2 Gold Star Great Taste award winner, iQ Chocolate has over 20 proven health benefits, and is Organic/Vegan/plant based/brain healthy/gluten free/nut free/no refined cane sugar and low Gi (suitable for diabetics.

You can buy this chocolate from Blairmains Farm Shop.

Blairlogie Yoga

Our wonderful yoga teacher, Paula Ribeiro, will be going to live in Australia at the end of March. Her loyal students will miss her enthusiasm and nurturing style of teaching. We wish Paula all the best for her exciting new move.

From Monday 7th May there will be a new teacher, Derek Doyle, who will take the day time class at 10.30-11.30am, £8 for an hour and a half. There will also be a new teacher for the Monday evening class at 7.45pm. Cost tbc. Everyone is welcome.

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Dementia Training

I would like to invite everyone on behalf of the events committee to an educational evening on Dementia.

The Iris Murdoch Centre based at Stirling University have kindly agreed to come and talk to us about their work and give advice on the subject. I also have a speaker to inform us about local support walking groups for people with Dementia. You can find out more about the centre at: http://dementia.stir.ac.uk/about-dsdc/iris-murdoch-building

The event will be Thursday 15th March at 6.30-9 in the Blairlogie Reading Room. A £5 donation is asked to go to the charity work and will be collected at the door. Please feel free to bring friends, family or anyone who works in this area that would be interested. Let me know if you intend on coming so I have an idea of numbers.

Paula. 07743 861 493

Pot Holes for All

The roads in the Logie area and Stirling generally have many potholes with the potential to cause accidents and damage to vehicles. You can report potholes If the pothole is dangerous and is likely to cause damage or injury, please call Stirling Council on 01786 404040. In general any reported potholes are fixed quickly. The problem is not unique to Stirling and the roads in Argyllshire are even worse. If the pothole is on a motorway or trunk road, please contact the https://distriction.org/

If your vehicle is damaged on a council road you can try to recover the costs of repair from Stirling Council, but to succeed you will need to show that the council has been negligent in inspecting the roads and fixing any reported potholes. It may be useful to make a freedom of information request and you can do that by email to the following — foi@stirling.gov.uk. You should give your full name, address, phone number, and the date range, and details of the road that you require the report for.

Fast Broadband

Yellow BT Open Reach vans have been seen in the area, but a check of the Stirling and Clackmannan Council planning portals show no plans for new BT Broadband cabinets for the Logie area at present. The BT cabinet in Alva is fibre enabled but our connections to it continue over the existing copper telephone wires. Some neighbours may find that this works well, but we are at the limit on distance from the Alva cabinet so fast broadband at speeds greater than 5 to 10Mb/s cannot be expected. Due to the vagaries of the local telephone wiring households may find differing speeds.

To find out more, go to Digital Scotland at https://www.scotlandsuperfast.com/ then click "where & when". Meanwhile the Logie Community Fast Broadband is available, provided the wireless signal from our mast to your house is not blocked by trees.

Marathon

The Stirling Marathon will take place on Sunday and will involve closures of the A91 and A907. Representatives of the Community Council met with the Race Manager Keir Sutherland and Jamie Still from Stirling Council recently. A summary of the situation is that all residents will receive a communication in March. The NHS and other public and private bodies are being contacted. Blairlogie will be sealed off (for cars) officially from 9am-3pm. It is likely residents will be allowed out until 10am, and again as soon as the last runner has past.

The Coffee Bothy will be severely affected i.e. no access for customers. They've been offered compensation of sorts (marketing, pop-up stand at start/finish) which may or may not be useful. It's very unfortunate but we can't see any options, except perhaps to lobby for a change of route next year.

Greenhouse for Sale

John Randall wishes to dispose of a greenhouse (6 by 4 feet approximately, metal frame). It can be seen at Morven by Logie Cross A91. Telephone 07779250963