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Coupar Angus Magazine

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High Winds Cause Havoc

**WINNERS OF THE PERTH & KINROSS CUBS
CONSOLATION CUP 2011
SOCCER SEVENS**



*Back row: Aedan Milne, (Captain) Moray Robertson, Marc Finlay,
Logan Grant, Richard Mitchell, Harvey South.*

Front row: Luke Archibald, Adam Jacobs, (absent) Jack Carr.



6TH PERTHSHIRE (COUPAR ANGUS) CUBS





Gala Day

This years Coupar Angus Gala Day will be on Sunday 26th June, on the Common, Forfar Road from 1-4pm. Some of the attractions and sideshows will include marching and pipe bands, dancers, flyball dog display competition, stilt walker, fire engine, BBQ, beer tent, tombolas, raffles, cake'n'candy, childrens races, kiddies funfair, face painting and car boot sale.

(The price for the car boot is £8 for cars, large vans £15 and trade stalls £20. Just come along to the common on the morning to get a space.)

There will also be a Childrens Fancy Dress Competition with prizes to be won and it would be great to see a few more children entering this year.

Money raised on the day will be donated to local groups and charities, so please come and support your local Gala Day.

Any help on the day or donations of any kind would be most welcome. There will be people on the common from around 9.30am putting up tents, stands etc so if you can help in any way just come along.



Minutes of Council meeting

Attendance: Ann Campbell,
Bob Curran, David Carson,
Debbie Hughes, Steve Cummings

Apologies: Michael Gallagher

Minutes: Proposed David Carson,
Seconded: Steve Cummings.

Letter Drafted to Stagecoach, Michael and Bob. Curran have done some research, Emergency Services seem to be neutral/pro the numbering idea put forward by Kate Noble last month

Treasurer: Treasurer appointed Steve Cumming elected unanimously.

Citizen of the Year criteria discussed as below

- 1) Residents Only
- 2) Be involved in 1 or more activities that help and improve aspects of life of people in Community.
- 3) Activity takes a lot of regular activity or creates something of an annual event.
- 4) Resident who volunteers for other things in other areas.
- 5) Resident who proposes, does not inform Nominee.(see Notes)
- 6) Date of Award Mon 19th September or thereabouts. All nomination forms in by the 8th August.

Jill at CART would like a letter of support from CC regarding Paths grant from Leader.

Steve has stated that Bendochy would really like to get all footpaths joined up throughout Perthshire.

Received 1 complaint re mild smells from Sewage and logged. ScottishWater

requested a meeting with Community Council June 13th June 2011 unanimously agreed. R. Curran, to write letter, and get confirmation from Scottish Water.

Residents Complaints re Brodies Yard, Issues talked over by committee Brodies Yard have problems regarding nuisance, Police have been contacted, the requirements are 3-4 calls, from differing residents to Perth Police Non Emergency Line.03001112222 listen too options. Ask for calls to be logged.

Exactly what are the implications of takeover of the housing by P&K.??

Traffic Calming needs to be pushed forward by P&K all of committee agreed 100% on these actions.

Will be re pursued tomorrow Bob Curran to make contact with Jillian (Roads Engineer)

Common Good Fund requires a transparency from P&K regarding the common good fund and would like more efficiency from Council. Michael to carry on and Debbie Hughes will forward email address of expert on this type of issue.

Car Parking situation is still terrible 13 Parking Spaces are missing. We would appreciate P&K input about the reinstatement of 13 missing spaces as promised before work began.

Balhousie Care Home discussed MG to correspond.

Softer Signage on outskirts of Town could be looked at if P&K will authorise a small spend.



Pride of Place



Pride of Place would like to thank everyone who attended and supported their plant sale and coffee morning on Saturday 28th May. The event was very well attended and the group would like to thank everyone who donated and bought plants and cakes. A sum of £1100 was raised to support the summer floral display which will be on show later

this month. The group meets on the last Tuesday of the month in the Town Hall and anyone wishing to come along and hear more about the group would be made most welcome.



Pride in Your Place

Due to council cut backs this year, Pride of Place are asking residents to help the appearance of the town by assisting the group by pulling out weeds and picking up litter on their doorstep.

The group are concerned that due to the current financial times the same attention to detail which won the group a Gold and the Best in Category at last years Take a Pride in Perthshire campaign will not be maintained.



PoP are therefore asking residents to help the appearance of the town by binning litter and pulling out weeds growing out of walls, pavements etc. around their property. Maggie Langelaan, chair of the group said "a little support to the appearance of the town benefits all residents so we ask that many hands do a little!. This approach will go along way to support the towns entry in the Take a Pride in Perthshire competition which will be judged in early August".

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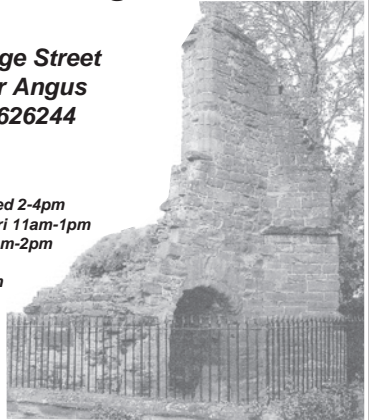
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CACA SERIES 1

Coupar Angus Conservation Area

The need for management

Change is inevitable in most historic areas. The challenge is to manage change in ways that maintain and, if possible, reinforce an area's special qualities. Conservation Area designation will enable management of change. The character of conservation areas is rarely static and is susceptible to dramatic and incremental change.

The qualities that make a conservation area appealing can make it vulnerable to pressure for large development. Positive management is crucial if such pressure for change, which can alter the very character that made the area attractive in the first place, is to be directed appropriately.

The role of the local community

Coupar Angus is of special architectural and historic interest. The character of the place is made up of several ingredients. These are:-

- groups of buildings and individual buildings;
- green spaces such as parks, gardens, trees and woodland;
- public spaces such as squares, street furniture and paving;
- historic layouts of roads, paths and boundaries;
- views within and looking out of the town;
- the immediate setting

Building groups or spaces or features which are valued by the local community may add a new perspective to what is considered to be "special" by the local planning authority. It is essential therefore that the local community is involved in the conservation area designation and appraisal process.

What buildings, architectural details, features, monuments or open spaces do you think are "special" in Coupar Angus? What buildings or places are particularly cherished in the town? Please write down your thoughts and suggestions on the sheets provided.....



Coupar Angus has a rich and diverse townscape, with building groups of different sizes and architectural styles ranging from the oldest buildings constructed from the red sandstone of the Abbey to the Georgian era at The Cross and through to the Victorian expansion, producing buildings such as the Town Hall and the Arts & Crafts style dwellings.



Right: Landmark buildings pierce the skyline above Coupar Angus such as the Abbey Parish Church and the Steeple

Different architectural styles and settings -
Above: Georgian Commerical Street
Below: Denburn House, Union Street, part of the Victorian expansion



Landmarks

Key or significant buildings of a grand scale or historical importance, visible from several locations both near and far

Cumberland Barracks
Above: c.1900
Right: present day



REGULAR ACTIVITIES**MONDAY 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th**

* **Exercise Class with Sophie** 12noon – 1pm, Town Hall, £3.00/session (inc tea/coffee) Suitable for all abilities

* St Anne's Church **Parent & Toddler Group**, 1-3pm Tea/coffee & children's snacks, £1/family

* **Zumba** 7.30pm in the Town Hall, dance fitness programme, follow Fiona! £3/session **NOT on 13th**

TUESDAY 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

* **Stars Drama Group** – in the Town Hall, 3-5 year olds 2-3pm and for the older group 4-5pm **NOT on 28th**

* **Tiny Tigers** – Meigle and Kettins Taekwondo Club 4.15-4.45pm in Kettins Church Hall, Instructor is Rev. Nicola R Frail 01828 640074

* **Youth drop-in Session**—for Secondary School Pupils from 5-8pm in the YW Hall, Union Street

* **Ippon Karate** in the Town Hall 6.30pm – 8.30pm

WEDNESDAY 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

* **Youth drop-in Sessions** for Primary 5-7 pupils 6pm – 7.30pm at the YW Hall, Union Street

* **Karate Sessions** with Ally Whytock in the Town Hall, 6.30pm-8pm £3.50/session

* **Tai Chi Sessions** (CA Adult Education Assoc.) at the Guide Hut, School Road Coupar Angus from 7pm-8.30pm. £30.00 for 7 sessions, Call Elaine McKinlay on 01828 627040.

THURSDAY 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

* **ZUMBA** – 10-11am in the Town Hall, dance fitness programme, follow the teacher! £3/session

* **Exercise Class with Sophie** 12.30-1.15pm in the Town Hall, suitable for all abilities, all welcome just turn up! **NOT on 30th**

* **Line Dancing**, Coupar Angus Town Hall, Thursdays 7.30-8.30pm Just turn up on the day.

FRIDAY 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

* **Relax Art & Craft Group** 9.15am - 11.15am, upstairs in the Town Hall. £3.00/session,

* St Anne's Church **Parent & Toddler Group**, 10am-12noon Tea/coffee & children's snacks, £1/family

* **ZUMBATOMIC** in the Town Hall— **Lil' Starz** 4 – 7 years old at 3.45 – 4.40pm

Big Starz 8-12 years old 4.45pm – 5.35pm Contact Fiona on 07921 180715 for more information.

* **ZUMBA** – 6.30-7.30pm in the Town Hall, dance/fitness class, just follow the teacher! £3/session

SUNDAY 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

* **Ippon Karate** in the Town Hall 10.00am - 11.00am

Other Events and Activities**WEDNESDAY 8th**

* **Over 60's Day Out**, leaving the Town Hall at 12.30pm. If you would like to join us call Tom on 628342 or Michael on 627124 to book your seat and for details

THURSDAY 9th

Coupar Angus Book Club has arranged its monthly meeting at 8 o'clock in Talbot Hall and the members will exchange their ideas on the book 'Way to Go' by the Scottish writer Alan Spence."

FRIDAY 10th

Red House Hotel for **Coupar Angus Country & Western Music Club** Evening with Live music, at the Red House Hotel, Coupar Angus from 8pm onwards. Music by American Band The Calhouns.

SATURDAY 11th

Coffee Morning 10am – 12noon at the Talbot Hall (Toc H) in aid of the Mid Strathmore SNP Branch. Cake/candy, Raffle, Tombola. Adults £1.50, children under 12 free.

MONDAY 13th

* **Community Council Meeting**, 7pm in Coupar Angus Town Hall

* **SNP Bingo Tea** in Coupar Angus Town Hall, eyes down at 7.30pm – 9.45pm Bring own cup.

TUESDAY 14th

* **St. Anne's Church Ecumenical Lunch Club** from 12.30pm. Soup and a roll, cheese toastie and tea/coffee £2.00/person

THURSDAY 16th

Quiz Night, 7.30-10pm, at the Red House Hotel Forward Coupar Angus will hold a quiz night, with quiz master David Carson. To enter, the cost is £10 per team of four, call David on 01828 627506.

SUNDAY 26th

COUPAR ANGUS GALA DAY from 1pm - 4pm, on the Common, Forfar Rd. There will be all the usual attractions and side shows, marching and pipe bands, dancers, flyball display, stilt walker, fire engine, BBQ, beer tent, tombolas, raffles, cake'n'candy, kiddies funfair, car boot etc. (The price for the car boot is £8 for cars, large vans £15 and trade £20 - just come along on the morning to get a space)

Children's Fancy Dress Competition:

Prizes 1st £10, 2nd £5 and 3rd £3. Money raised is donated back to local groups and charities. Any help on the day or donations of any kind would be most welcome. There will be people around on the common from approx 9.30 to put up tents, gazebos etc.

TUESDAY 28th

St. Anne's Church Ecumenical Lunch Club from 12.30pm. Soup and a roll, cheese toastie and tea/coffee £2.00/person

* **Little Fishes**, St. Anne's Church, stories and music for the under 5's 9.30-10.30am

THURSDAY 30th

Bookbug Rhymetime in the Library in the Town Hall, Coupar Angus 10.30-11am. Free story, song and Rhyme sessions for babies & toddler

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* **Blood Transfusion Service** in the Town Hall 5-8pm. **Please give Blood**

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If you have an event you would like included in the CAN do What's On, please email details to cartrust@btconnect.com.

Dates to remember in June...

Sunday 19th

FATHER'S DAY

Tuesday 21st
Longest Day

Friday 24th
Midsummer Day

Saturday 25th
Armed Forces Day



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WARNING OVER LANDSCAPING FIRM'S CLAIMS

Perth & Kinross Council's Trading Standards team are warning local residents and people living in neighbouring council areas about the claims of a landscaping business working door to door.

It has come to Trading Standards' attention that the firm, going by the name Target Landscapes, has been distributing leaflets door to door in the Perth and Kinross area, advertising their business. The trader claims on the professionally produced leaflet to be a member of the 'better business partnership' and displays the scheme's logo, although without the wording 'Perth & Kinross' on it.

The Council would like to stress that Target Landscapes are not, and never have been a member of this scheme. The Better Business Partnership is intended to give consumers confidence in local firms, knowing that they will be treated fairly and honestly, especially if something goes wrong.

In addition to the leaflets circulated locally, the Council has also been made aware of identical incidents from Fife in 2008 and Aberdeenshire in 2010.

The Trading Standards team are now working to try and trace the business in order to take appropriate action. Nothing is known about the standard of work carried out by this business, however, it is a serious offence to mislead prospective customers by falsely claiming membership of any recognised scheme. It is also possible that the business will not comply with other legislation designed to protect consumers, e.g. making customers who have entered into a contract with them aware in writing of their cancellation rights. Failing to give the necessary written notice is itself a criminal offence and, in those circumstances, consumers would not necessarily be bound to pay for the work carried out.

Community Safety Convener, Councillor Willie Robertson said: "When traders perceive membership of the Better Business Partnership as a selling point, this is clearly a compliment to the scheme. However, we are rightly concerned that a firm is out there claiming to be a member when it is not, and never has been, and we will be doing all we can to deal with this situation.

"This issue is also a reminder to residents that cold callers are frequently around at this time of year offering building, tarmac and landscaping services. Consumers can be put under a lot of pressure to agree to works, which often end up being of poor quality. Our advice is if you don't know the trader, don't engage with them."

Here are some additional do's and don'ts when dealing with doorstep sellers and cold callers:



Do

- * Fix a security chain to your door, and make sure you use it every time someone calls. If in doubt say “No thank you” and close the door. Don't be afraid to say No – it doesn't have to be personal, just have a policy of never buying anything at the door.
- * Find out the name and address of the seller's company.
- * Ask the seller what will happen if you change your mind. In most cases, you will have a seven day 'cooling off' period during which you can cancel the contract (if you've agreed to buy goods and services at your door following an visit by a salesperson) and, if the firm fails to give you notice of this in writing, you may not have to pay as the contract may be unenforceable.
- * Ask for more time if you're not sure, a reputable seller will understand. Ask the caller to leave you with information to study at you're leisure. a genuine representative will understand your concerns and will be willing to return e.g. when you have someone with you.
- * Get a receipt with the name, address and phone number of the company on it. Check out the details; if only a mobile number is provided be cautious, a mobile number may not be helpful on its own if something goes wrong.
- * Call Trading Standards for advice on 01738 476476, where membership of the Better Business Partnership can also be verified. Or ask friends and neighbours for recommendations.
- * Check out reputable firms by choosing ones that are members of a recognised Trade Association.

Don't

- * Ask a doorstep seller to call or let them into your home unless you are sure you want to buy.
- * Let the seller pressure you into making a decision there and then. If you are asked to sign anything, always ask if you can have a copy to read first. If necessary, ask them to call back when you have read it. If they refuse to let you think it over, this should make you suspicious.
- * Pay a deposit unless you're sure you want to buy.
- * Agree to have work done on your home without getting a second opinion or further quotes, two or three if possible.
- * Keep large sums of money in the house and keep purses out of sight, away from the door. Do not accept transport to your bank or building society to withdraw money to pay for the work. If this happens, tell the bank cashier.
- * Believe the 'scare stories' a seller may tell you – they are rarely true.
- * Believe genuine companies have loads left over or cancelled orders – they generally don't.

Traders who have a genuine interest in providing fair and honest service to customers can find out more about joining the Better Business Partnership by visiting the Council website, www.pkc.gov.uk/betterbusiness

Get on your bike for a Cycling Summer

Cycling events are taking place throughout Perth and Kinross this summer, and the 2011 Cycling Summer leaflet produced by Perth & Kinross Council details how you can get on your bike and enjoy the stunning local scenery while keeping fit and active.



Rides for all ages and abilities have been arranged up to October 2011 by the Council together with sustainable transport charity Sustrans, cycling campaign group ByCycle and local bike clubs. Whether you're an ardent cyclist or you've not got your bike out of the garage for a while, there is something for you.

Among the highlights of the next few weeks are the first in a series of monthly, women-only rides. *Women on Wheels* begins on Sunday 29 May with a short circuit along the River Tay from Perth to Almondbank and Luncarty and back. Starting in June, *Easy Rides* will offer a relaxed way back into cycling with rides starting from a range of locations around Perth and Kinross. The Council is also offering hour-long lunchtime rides in and around Perth.

For more experienced cyclists, ByCycle and Perth United Cycle Club will be holding longer, more challenging events, from group rides of 30-40 miles to evening runs and a 60-mile ride from Dalwhinnie to Perth.

National Bike Week is also coming up in June, with the annual celebration of all things pedal-powered offering the chance to get involved in cycling activities. Watch out for more details of this soon!

The Cycling Summer 2011 leaflet, and further information about cycling clubs and activities locally is available from Council offices and libraries, by calling 01738 476476

emailing cycling@pkc.gov.uk or by visiting the Council website at www.pkc.gov.uk/cycling



Citizen of the Year 2011



Nomination Forms will shortly be available in the following locations:

**Business Centre / Cart Office / Davidson's Chemist /
Health Centre / Heritage Centre /
Library / Scotmid / Town Hall/West's**

The Community Council has reviewed the criteria it believes are appropriate to the Award, and these are printed on the Nomination Form.

Completed Nomination Forms should be handed in to the Business Centre or West's by
Monday 8 August 2011.

The Award Ceremony will take place in the Town Hall on
Monday 19 September 2011.

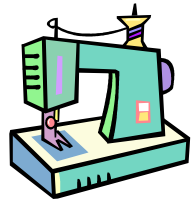
A & A Morrison

After 46 years, Ally Morrison is hanging up his apron for the last time. Throughout these years, he provided a great service to the people of Coupar Angus and we at Cando, as well as countless others, wish him all the best in his retirement.

Ann Davidson of Scone
takes over the shop on 6th
June

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