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CHURCH NEWS

Maybole Parish Church

THE Church of Scotland community has gone through huge changes in the last few months.

Both Churches were closed at the beginning of August with Rev Dr John Lochrie, moderator of Ayr presbytery, preaching at both closing services.

They were very sad occasions as we took leave of our much loved Church buildings with over 300 years of service between them. The buildings have been used for the glory of God, for the ministry of Word and sacrament and have provided refuge and comfort for God's people in their time of need; they have served the household of faith well.

In mid August we moved to our temporary home in Maybole Baptist Church and a fine home it is. We have all been very touched by the warm welcome that we have received.

We have been also very touched by the offers of help from all the Christian communities in the town.

Worship will continue in the Baptist Church at 10am on Sundays until the new church is built.

There will be a sign going up very soon on the new site at the Greenside and drawings are now being finalised.

Applications are being prepared for major grant funding and we hope to begin construction work in the new year.

All in all, very exciting times.

Rev Dave Whiteman

Maybole Baptist Church

WE at the Baptist Church are happy to say that Rev. Tom McVicar has now settled into his position as pastor of the church, although I'm sure it has taken him a little longer to settle into the manse.

As you know, when you move to another house, it takes rather longer to get everything the way you like it, but Tom and his wife Elaine are now getting things just as they would like.

Tom has a commitment to preaching in a church in Tenerife and would like to continue the association, and so he is there for around four weeks in the year.

The Baptist Church has begun sharing our church building with the Church Of Scotland fellowship (from 21st Aug) and we are very much looking forward to this. There will no doubt be teething troubles with the practicalities of sharing a building, but I'm sure these will be overcome very quickly, and we pray that the Lord would bless their time here.

The service of the Church of Scotland will now begin at 10am with our own services at 11.30am, and 6.30pm, so although the services are quite close, I'm sure there won't be any congestion at the changeover, and we are extremely glad that we are in a position to share the building with another fellowship.

We are also hoping to have an evening of praise maybe once a month involving both fellowships, and of course as with the church services, these will be open to all who would like to come along.

Once again may I take this opportunity to say, if you know of any children between the ages of 8 and 12, and would like to go somewhere on a Wednesday evening at 6.30pm then we have the Carrick St. Kids Club on each Wednesday in the church hall, throughout the winter months.

There is also the café each Friday from 11.30am till 1.30pm for meals or just a cup of tea and a chat.

As I said before our services on a Sunday are 11.30am and 6.30pm, if you would like to come along you will be made very welcome.

If you would like to know more about the Baptist Church and what we are doing or if you just want to talk to someone, please contact: Rev. Tom McVicar - Tel. 01655 882205 or; Mr. Tom Barry - Tel. 01655 889508.

Tom Barry

Our Lady & St. Cuthbert's Church

THINGS are changing at Our Lady & St. Cuthbert's Church. No, we have not got another new priest - Fr. Stephen is thankfully still with us.

But inside and outside of the building a very busy group of volunteers are to be seen daily, repairing, painting and generally sprucing up the Church buildings.

Already the exterior stone and paint work has given the buildings a new lease of life. Some scouts on holiday from Belgium and using the hall for an overnight stay were recruited to help wash down inside walls. Scaffolding was erected to paint interior ceiling and walls. And of course the whole congregation is being targeted for clean up jobs.

A thorough assessment of longer term maintenance needed to the buildings - tracery window, gable ends, stonework etc has shown up lots more needing to be done. So this kind of practical activity - and related fund raising will be ongoing for some time.

August 14th saw senior parishioners take a trip to Barr for afternoon tea. Fr. Stephen and some young people from the parish and the

diocese of Galloway returned from World Youth Day in Cologne in mid-August, and the following Sunday two mini-buses departed for the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Whithorn where St. Ninian landed to spread the Christian faith in Scotland.

On Sunday 4th September, Fr. Stephen led over fifty parishioners to join a national pilgrimage at Carlin, and later everyone enjoyed high tea at the Fenwick Hotel.

So life is pretty hectic at Our Lady & St. Cuthbert's and a new course for people interested in finding out about the Catholic faith is about to begin. Anyone interested should call Fr. Stephen at 882145 or Ellen Hawkes at 882747.

Ellen Hawkes

The Episcopal Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway



Josephine Rwaje, the Bishop of Byumba's wife, meets some of the local children.

THE Episcopal Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway has a companion link with the Diocese of Byumba in Rwanda. Following the civil war in Rwanda in 1994, there are many very poor widows and orphans living there.

St Oswald's children are working on a mission project to raise money to sponsor six children in Byumba through secondary school for six years. It costs £45 per year for a child in Byumba to go to school, £270 for six years, so the target is £1620 for the six children.

Our children have made a PowerPoint presentation so they can share their project with others, and decided to raise the money by making and doing things, just like the people in Byumba do. They have worked hard making cards, gift boxes, key rings, lavender bags, notelets, posies of flowers, home baking, jam and marmalade (with a little help from Mums and Grannies!) - anything they think will sell, they produce. We have visited our sister churches, St John's in Girvan and Holy Trinity in Ayr, with very successful fundraising.

On Sunday 26th June we were privileged to be invited by our Bishop, Idris, and his wife, Alison, to meet Josephine Rwaje, the Bishop of Byumba's wife, who was visiting Scotland. She was able to answer a number of questions and explained how they select the children to be sponsored by working closely with the Pastors in their parishes to ensure that sponsorship goes to those who need it most. She also emphasised the anonymity, the money goes to the school, but no one knows which children in particular have been sponsored, everyone is treated fairly and equally. What a wonderful way to avoid peer pressure too!

We have two fundraising events planned during the autumn: Sunday 25th September - 6.30 p.m., Harvest Praise at St Oswald's With Holy Trinity Choir & Maybole Concert Party. Followed by refreshments and sales table in hall.

Friday 21st October - 7 p.m., St. Oswald's Hall, "Can't Cook, Won't Cook", An evening with The Pampered Chef, Cookery demonstration. Kitchenware on sale. Ticket £3—including refreshments. Byumba calendars for 2006 and our cookery book "Tasty Bites" will be on sale at both events.

FAMILIES from the Maybole churches recently enjoyed a day of warm sunshine at Kelburn Park near Largs. A happy coach of children and parents from the Sunday schools in Maybole spent the day exploring the Secret Forest with its maze, walking in the glen and picnicking by the waterfalls, daring the adventure playgrounds and visiting the pets corner. The highlight of the afternoon was a falconry display with an eagle flying low over a row of children - and we didn't lose anyone! The trip was financially supported by Carrick Round Table and Maybole Council of Churches.

Are you using the resources?

MAYBOLE Resource Centre is now halfway through its three years lottery funding. The aim of the project is to provide a resource facility for voluntary community groups, and leave a legacy of community managed facility at the end.

'Has your group made use of any of the facilities?'

The community advisory committee are to hold two events in October to find out what community groups wish to do with this facility, what else is needed, what is missing from Maybole, what new group are needed etc.

'Will your group be represented at these meetings?'

Meeting to be held on the following

Thursday evening	October 13th
7.00pm-9.00pm	
Saturday morning	October 15th
9.00am-12 noon	

Both events will take place in Maybole Town Hall.

The Centre has run training courses on Microsoft Word, Internet use and Publisher. Are there other courses groups would like?

'Is your group interested in applying for grants?'

Details of local and national funding grants will be discussed at the October events.

Through the Resource Centre your

group can have free use of computers, the centre for meetings, produce leaflets, posters, letters for only the cost of the paper.

The Resource Centre is to expand into the seven rural villages surrounding Maybole through grants from Fairshare & South Ayrshire Council. A rural community worker will be in place by October to assist voluntary groups in these villages.

The Resource Centre has also been given a grant from South Ayrshire Community Learning Partnership to deliver 4-week courses on accessing the Internet in each of the 7 villages. Details of dates & times will be advertised in each village.

Maybole Memories

MANY people from Maybole have moved away from the town for lots of different reasons over the years.

However, you can take the man out of Maybole but you can't take Maybole out of the man, as Bobby Paterson explains.

"I usually arrive in Maybole when it is dark after my 7 hour drive from London.

"You can see the lights twinkle in the distance as you come in the Ayr road and the hair on the back of my neck stands on end - never fails.

"I drive to Roderick Lawson Terrace to my parents' house and think 'who came up with that street name?' I used to get cramp at school writing my address you see.

"I was born at 8 Red Brae - now that's what I call an address - on 9/9/52. A fine year, God is it that long? 53 this year.

"As soon as we walk in the door handshakes, kisses and cuddles, good to be home. Strange that I left in 1972 but still call it home.

"You must be hungry," says my mum and so begins a week of eating all that lovely Scottish food unrivalled any where on the planet, sit up late talking about the old days crying with laughter.

"Next day dad picks 6 bunches of flowers and we head for the graveyard to see my mates no longer here; pass Wullie Meek's shop (bought many a sweetie in there) and then down Crosshill Road.

"We wander round and lay our flowers, a tear comes easily. I can see and hear them as if it was yesterday. So many characters and many so young, you could write a book. It was a joy to have known them all.

"We head back past the Glebe Park and I said to my dad, 'Where is everybody?' He said, 'Nobody plays football now, like your day.'

"We used to play on a Sunday - two hour each way halves, 25 a side, no quarter asked for and none given and scores of 42-39 not unusual.

"On we go up the Cairnfield, where my grandparents lived. I remember him yet,

coming in from work so dirty and so tired my grannie had to fill the big steel bath help him in it and wash him. We don't know we are born these days.

"On past the Cairn school, it is so small, as a wee boy there I thought it was at least 10 times that size.

"What memories of the Cairn school in Bobby Elder's Gang, charging round the school like maniacs, my first love Jan, my first game of football in a proper team. How much I owe Mr Rosamond the Head Master and football daft.

"On we go down Kirkland Street, number 61 gone - now a 3 storey tenement The Parrs, The Wilsons, The Browns, The Whitefields, The Brydens and us the Patersons.

"We kids had the time of our lives but looking back it must have been awful for our parents. Up the High Street and it hits you; crumbling, once proud buildings, many closed and lorries thundering down the street - a disaster waiting to happen. It is sad.

"No Joe Capaldi's café, no King's Arm's, no Morton Wallace where everyone in the town had the same haircut, no Jackie Dent's, no Bruce and Stella arguing with each other in the chip shop.

"Then down the Croft and home.

"It is time to go home, a week has past and I have enjoyed meeting a lot of my many friends and going out to the shore. It was deserted, the National Trust has seen to that.

"No fires, no camping, no dogs, no laughing, nobody goes now except Tootie and his hardy lads. National Trust - more like national disgrace.

"We head back to London, my wife never speaks to me until we get to New Cumnock.

"She spots the lump in my throat and the misty eyes; parents getting older; will I see them again and Maybole, my kind of town.

"My wife does not understand - she was not born in Maybole."

'Maybole shoes' end up in the Gambia

TWO or three times a year Maybole Charity Shop's committee donates surplus clothing and shoes to a charity in the Gambia, the smallest country on the continent of Africa.

Workers from the Edinburgh branch of fundraisers for the Yiriwa Nursery School Fund travel to Maybole and then take the donations to the Gambia.

Recently photographs of the children wearing the clothes and shoes were sent back to the committee and with



this one they had written "Maybole Shoes!"

We wonder if they

know Maybole used to be world famous for producing shoes - around 1,000,000

pairs of boots and shoes were produced annually by the town's ten factories.

Councils launch A&E petitions

A PETITION aimed at keeping the A&E unit at Ayr open has been launched by the Association of South Ayrshire Community Councils.

Community councils from all over South Ayrshire had met in Girvan recently to hear representatives from NHS Ayrshire & Arran present their proposals which arose from a review of the service in the county.

Afterwards, the community council delegates decided to form a small group to draw up a petition in protest to one of the proposals which would mean the A&E unit at Ayr being moved to Crosshouse.

A public meeting was held in Ayr and was attended by about 400 people. The meeting was chaired by Ayr solicitor Graeme McKinstry and speakers included John Scott MSP, Adam Ingram MSP, Ian Taylor, Consultant anaesthetist in charge of

Ayr Hospital's Critical Care Unit, David Ryan, Consultant anaesthetist, Douglas Brown, former chairman NHS Hospital Trust, Archie Monkhouse, chairman of the Association of South Ayrshire Community Councils, and David Kiltie, chairman of Maybole Community Council.

Mr Kiltie explained that community councils were set up by statute to ascertain, co-ordinate and express public opinion so they were ideally placed to carry out a petition.

The petition reads: "The Board of NHS Ayrshire & Arran is to consult the public on proposals which, in the view of this Association, will lead to the closure of the A & E Unit at Ayr Hospital.

This action could be catastrophic for the people of Ayrshire and we are confident that the general public will wish to oppose it.

If you wish to support the retention of the full accident and emergency facility at Ayr Hospital please sign this petition."

Mr Kiltie said that each community council would be responsible for making it available in their own area.

In Maybole they will be in various places and are to be returned to Maybole Resource Centre where they will be collated by the community council.

He also urged everyone to email, write or phone the Health Board as well as signing the petition.

A public meeting has been arranged by the Health Board in Maybole Town Hall on Thursday September 29 at 7pm.

Maybole Community Council is urging everyone to attend that meeting to find out what is being proposed and to make their views known.

Any interesting news stories?

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YOUTH GROUPS
Maybole Youth Action Group, Mrs S Whiteman. 889456; Carrick Street Kids, Mrs Moira Gill. 883238; Maybole Youth Club, Ms Yvonne Kiltie. 882105; The Carrick Colts, Mr T Dempsey. 882726; Maybole Beavers, Mrs J Boughen. 882683; 1st Maybole Boys Brigade, Mr J Shields. 882662; 1st Maybole Brownies, Ms S Fergusson. 882660; Maybole Cubs, Mrs J Boughen. 882683; 1st Maybole Guides, 7th Ayrshire Scout Group, Mr L Boughen. 882683.

To add any new details for organisations in Maybole please contact Maybole Resource Centre.



THE girls of Cairn Primary weren't expecting any homework during their stay at the Dolphin House!



IT felt champion to make it to the top of the hill.



READY to make a splash with sailing and kayaking at the Dolphin House.

Treat of their lives for Cairn pupils

AT THE end of last term Primary Seven at Cairn Primary School had the treat of their lives, and went to the Dolphin House to stay for three and a half days.

Most of the children in P7 managed to go, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Those who did not manage to go for the full stay did get down for a day to join in the Environmental Studies activities.

The Dolphin House is really well equipped, and the dormitories are excellent, having bunks for either four or six pupils in each dorm.

All the pupils got on really well, and their teacher, Mrs Owens had a great time too.

The Head Teacher, Mrs McDougall, and two of the other staff from Cairn Primary visited one evening each to join in the fun!

The Dolphin House staff were excellent with the children, and made the trip really enjoyable for them all, even catering for the fussier eaters, by making food adaptations! Julie, the cook was considered brilliant!

Activities involved group Team Building exercises on the beach the first night, a scavenger hunt, orienteering in the park at Culzean, sailing, kayaking and 'the seal slide' at Loch Ken,

country walks, hill walking and environmental discovery – studying rocks and plant life at nearby Cornish Hill. The class were also delighted to have a go at archery, led extremely capably by Kenny, one of the Dolphin House Staff – even Mrs Owens, had a go, although most of the class were better than her at it!

There was a diary session each night, and on the last night there was a disco and a barbecue. Gary, one of the Dolphin House staff was voted the Best DJ In The World – Ever!!

The class had great fun rock-pooling, and all were absolutely amazed at the huge variety of sea life in the waters around Culzean – some of the creatures even the class teacher had never seen before!

At the end of the last morning there was an award ceremony, and Emma Alexander was voted the Person Who Shone Most – the Pupil of the Week award.

Everyone thanked Mr Anderson and all the staff for a superb trip, and reluctantly went back to school.

A great time was had by all – and the current P7 can hardly wait 'til it's their turn!



These kids had a blinding time during their three day stay.



Cairn kids take aim, and hope to hit the Bullseye!



You've got to hand it to those Cairn Primary Kids, they know how to enjoy themselves.



Adventure was the name of the game at the Dolphin House.



Everyone agreed that the visit to the Dolphin House was a great treat.



Smiles all round as these lads look forward to some fun on the water.

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Sensational Summer!

MAYBOLE Youth Club enjoyed an action packed summer programme, with events such as BBQs, karaoke, yoga, hip hop dancing, circus, loads of arts and crafts and competitions like pool, scavenger hunts and quizzes.

Greg McGregor won the pool competition and Grant Kidd came top at the scavenger hunt. Over 50 young people also enjoyed a range of outdoor adventure activities that included sailing, canoeing, skiing, fishing, climbing wall, horse riding and even sledging at Newmilns dry ski slope.

The club would like to thank all staff involved for making it a great summer and also the local action fund for grant money made available through the Scottish Executive which made the whole thing possible.



The wet suits were on and the members of Maybole Youth Club were ready to make a splash this summer.



The karaoke competition was a hit for winner Stacey Scott.



These girls were sloping off to have some fun skiing.



Shaun Scott making waves at the windsurfing activities.

www.maybole.org



JACK Eaglesham, right, with new found family members. Jack's uncle Jackie, centre, left Maybole with the family at the age of six and arrived in Quebec aboard the White Star liner Laurentic on October 19, 1929.

THE internet site dedicated to Maybole has shown that it really is making the most of the world-wide web as long lost relatives are reunited.

The site www.maybole.org receives hundreds of thousands of visitors every month from all over the world. For one former Maybole resident a visit to the site led to a trip to Canada to meet long lost relatives and family members he did not even know he had.

When former Maybole man Jack Eaglesham found a mention of his family on the website it was to lead to a trip to Toronto and meeting with family members that he had long lost touch with.

Jack, who left Maybole in 1956 to do National Service explained: "I was pleased and excited when my old school chum Bill McCubbin steered me to the web site."

"Bill brought to my attention an entry on the notice board regarding my family 'Eaglesham' resulting in me making contact with relatives in Canada with whom I had lost touch and some I was not even aware of."

Not only did Jack make contact with his relatives in Canada, he and his wife were delighted to make the trip across the Atlantic to visit them.

He said: "Since then I have made a trip over to Toronto and visited my only living uncle on dad's side of the family and cousins I'd never met before and with their help we are now compiling a family tree (all of dad's family

emigrated from Maybole to Canada in 1928/29).

"I was fortunate to find no fewer than three cousins and an uncle and aunt with whom the Scottish side had lost touch after my mother died."

"Through my new found cousin Harry I was able to take part by proxy in my uncle and aunt's Diamond Wedding celebration on June 10 2004 and in June this year my wife and I flew to Toronto and we were able to meet up with two of my cousins and my uncle and aunt for the first time."

Jack was full of praise for the Maybole website which brought him and his family members together after all those years.

He said: "Thanks again to all concerned with the running of the site, it is certainly one of the best town and area sites I have ever visited and must be a constant source of pleasure to all who log on to keep in touch with their heritage. Keep up the good work!"



Some of Eaglesham family before leaving Maybole taken about 1915.

THE local website www.maybole.org continues to be a unique source of information, bringing people together from all over the world, helping people trace their family trees, introducing people to the internet and letting people know about a fascinating and much loved part of Scotland.

HAVE just recently found your web page and think it is fantastic.

The pictures you have posted are great: gives you a feeling of the country. Keep up the good work. My grandparents emigrated to Canada in 1905.

If anyone has information on the following I would very much appreciate it.

- 1) My great grandparents William Bone/ Harriet Erskine Burns Brown married Jan 1, 1858 in Edinburgh.
- 2) My possible GG grandparents William Bone/Marion Fergusson. Married in Maybole parish Dec. 22, 1822.

My e-mail address is j.bone@sasktel.net

Jim Bone.

JUST visited your website for the first time and would like my name added to the surname registry. I was born in Maybole on 02/11/1916 and would like to contact anyone who may remember me.

I read the entry from Margaret Pederson and guessed this must be Margaret McCulloch who lived about the Whites at Society St. I sent an enquiry and surprise, surprise my guess was correct. We have been in touch and will keep corresponding.

I am still feeling my way round my new toy and will send photos when I learn how it is done. I left Maybole to join the Army in Sept 1939 and never returned to live there, but talking to Campbell Ingram and Ann McCrindle [nee McColl] on the phone I decided a laptop might be a good idea, so wish me luck.

A few names from the old days for starters:- Edgar Kelly, Jackie Porter, Charlie Reid, Jim Houston, Ritchie Robb and my best friend Jimmy Kennedy (South American Joe). Also all the members of the pre-war brass band and The Metronomes Dance Band, Alex Mackay, Albert Holmes, Bobby Colquhoun, Jasper McDowall, Jim Monteforte.

William Macfarlane White.

I HAPPENED upon your website through a search engine and am delighted to find such an informative place to continue my genealogy search. In that search, I've been stopped short at the point where my great-grandmother, Margaret Henderson gave birth to my grandfather Robert in Ladyland Poor House, (aka Combination Poorhouse), Maybole.

Seems she was unmarried and so used her maiden name for the child. I have no idea how to find her parents or the father of her child, so I must focus on finding her birth certificate somewhere in Maybole or surrounding area.

Robert attended Maybole Public school. I haven't yet looked throughout the site, having just discovered it, but perhaps you could start me off with a suggestion on where to start. I'm looking forward to a long association with Maybole, and hope to visit there when next I'm "back home". Thank you for your interest and help.

Deana Weyman, (nee Henderson)
Toronto, Canada.

I JUST found the web site of Maybole tonight while looking for some other things about Scotland. It's a great site, and very interesting. I spent a few hours reading all the things about Maybole, and other places around Maybole.

The surprise I got was reading about the Minishant schoolmasters, as I'm sure that one of them was my school teacher at the Bentinck School (Kilmarnock) Harry McCulloch. The last time I saw him was around 1950. I was wondering if he is still around Minishant. He was ex-Navy and ran a tight ship or classroom. My wife and family have been in Canada for 39 years. We used to live in Ochiltree, and I played football against Maybole with Cumnock and the Talbot. I will now check the web site more often.

John C Wilson.

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IF it's good enough for the men, it's good enough for the ladies!

That was the view of Maybole women when they decided to get in shape and start their own health forum.

The Women's Health Forum started up nearly two years ago, and the group has been able to continue due to the support they've had from South Ayrshire Council. However, they are desperate for more members as a good turnout will ensure the group will be able to continue.

Founder member Senga Fergusson said: "The group is for women of any age and fitness. It's not high powered athletics we do here, but gentle workouts, and the classes are overseen by fully qualified trainers." Senga added: "We all feel much healthier for coming here every week, and there's also a good social side to the group."

The ladies take part in circuit training, aerobics, and some have even had important health checks.

The ladies meet from 7.30pm until 8.30pm every Monday at Gardenrose primary school. Entry is £2 for people who work and £1 for non-earners.

If they don't get more members, the group could fold, so make a decision to get fit and support a local group at the same time.



The ladies would urge other females of any age and fitness to join them on a Monday night.



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Serendipity for Sara and Briggs at their Culzean wedding

CULZEAN Castle has a rich and varied history, drawing visitors from all over the world.

For American couple Sara and Briggs Cunningham from Washington DC the castle proved to be a poignant venue for their wedding in more ways than one.

Sara takes up the tale: "Two years ago, my fiancé and I decided that we wanted to elope to Scotland (we're Americans). We had both always wanted to go to Scotland and we also knew that somewhere back in our ancestry our families were from there. We streamlined our criteria to include being married in a castle, along the sea, and at sunset. That's a tall order, and I immediately began the internet search and ultimately found Culzean Castle...Perfect! We both agreed."

"So, last September 25th, eleven months after his proposal, Briggs and I were mar-

ried by Reverend Arrick Wilkinson of Kirksowald Parish at Culzean Castle overlooking the sea. And just as we hoped it would be; it was perfect. The sun made a last minute appearance after raining all day, just in time for our outside ceremony."

"While having our pics taken in the castle, we noticed a framed portrait on the wall of William Cunningham, the

9th Earl of Glencairn. Jokingly we asked Robert our photographer to take a pic of 'Uncle Bill' for us. He did, and included it in our wedding picture disks."

"Shortly after our return to the USA following our honeymoon in France, Briggs' Mom gave us a document which had been packed away among her things for years and she only discovered it because of a recent move. In any event, the document was their family history which had been researched for Briggs great-grandfather many many years ago. And it revealed that not only was Briggs family from that immediate area, but that William Cunningham, the 9th Earl of Glencairn, was in fact a direct ancestor! We were both floored. It was serendipity! Briggs and I will return to Maybole and Culzean Castle this year for our first wedding anniversary and will look forward to finding out more about our Scottish history!"



Wartime photos sought

FROM August onwards there has been a series of events in Maybole and at Culzean Castle to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II.

The idea was to mark this with veterans of the war and to specially remember the efforts of those unsung heroes of the home front whose contribution was equally as important, and to give modern day children some inkling of what life was like during the war years. This was made possible thanks to successful bids to the Big Lottery Home Front Recall Fund.

The first event was the Royal British Legion Scotland parade from the Greenside to Memorial Park for a Drumhead Service on Sunday 21st August; and a reception at the Town Hall followed by a social time at the Welltrees Inn.

Then there was Maybole on the Home Front at the Castle on Saturday/Sunday 27th/28th August with military vehicles from WWII on

display.

Shona Law of Gardenrose Path won a competition for the best recipe using war time rations and she received her prize at the 1945 day at Culzean on Sunday 18th September.

That was a great day out with 1940s vehicles including jeeps & ambulances, Pathe news-reels, a fairground, a British Army Field Kitchen, jiving, George Formby and Max Miller impersonators, "It Ain't Half Hot Mum" style concert parties and, of course, Maybole Pipe Band.

Still to come are special concerts which will be held in the Town Hall and a book of WWII Maybole Memories.

If you have any photographs of Maybole or its people which capture the war time era of 1939-1945 please hand them in to the Resource Centre, 48/50 High Street. If you have any memories of what life was like then please write them down and hand them in as well.

Scroll nominations invited

ONCE again, Maybole Community Council is inviting nominations for 'Scrolls of Appreciation.'

The community council presented scrolls in 1999 and in 2000 and previous recipients were:

1999
Mary Anderson, Shaun Anderson, Pearl Barton, Leonard Boughen, William Boyce, Jean Boyd, Gavin Campbell, Graeme Campbell, John Campbell, Jack Conkie, Murray Cook, Maureen Craig, Margaret Davidson, James Drennan Snr, William J Grant, Cooper Hay, Alex Kelly, Jean Laidlaw, Ria McCulloch, John McDowall, Margaret McGawn, Alex Meek, William Paterson, Rich Pettit, Nell Samson, Frances Strachan, Jim Sym, Anne Walker, and Derek Walker

2000
Jacqueline Boughen, Sam Coulter, Rosemary Eccles, Senga Fergusson, Anne Findlay, Janet Graham, Ellen Hawkes, Deborah Hearton, James Hearton, Christopher Jackson, Margaret Kenny, William Kenny, Roger Martin, Agnes McCreadie, Janet Rodger, Isobel Seymour, and

Denis Ward.

Everyone who has been presented with a Scroll of Appreciation has been nominated by organisations or other people in the community.

David Kiltie, chairman of the community council, said: "We were delighted to acknowledge the contribution they have made to the quality of life in Maybole. Some are very well-known locally and others perhaps not so well known; others are known further afield; all have helped make Maybole a better place or better known."

In the past the awards were split into three categories: people who had brought recognition to Maybole through their achievements; service to the Community; people nominated by local organisations.

Mr Kiltie said that the community council was very happy to accept nominations for the same categories which would be looked at by three independent members of a panel.

Local groups are being written to and the last date for nominations is October 28.

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Scotland debut caps a great year for soccer starlet Danni

A MAYBOLE teenager has fulfilled one of her dreams this year after being chosen to play football for Scotland.

And the icing on the cake for 15-year-old Danielle Connolly was being part of the winning team at the Annual Tri-nation Tournament in Northern Ireland.

Queen Margaret Academy pupil Danni, said she was "stunned" to find she had been chosen to play for Scotland.

"I didn't think I was good enough on the day of the trials and lots of other girls were trying for the

same position as me, so when I was told I had made the squad, I was over the moon," Danni said.

Before setting off on the four day trip to Bangor, Danni and her team mates got together for a training session and a night out so that they could get to know each other better.

"When we got to Ireland it wasn't all about football," she said. "We spent a fair bit of time shopping and sightseeing as well."

During the tournament, Scotland beat Ireland 4-3 and Wales 4-2 in two hard fought close contests, and winning the coveted International Rosebowl was the first Scottish victory for three years.

A civic reception was held after the final where the trophy and individual caps and medals were presented to the players. Danielle played in all of the games as sweeper, even though she was one of the youngest in the team.

Remembering how she felt, Danni explains: "When I got my first cap I was so excited. I didn't think this would happen yet because I'm quite young, but I was really thrilled to be picked for the team, and it is one of the highlights of my life. I just hope I'm picked for the team again next year as I don't want it to be a one-off."

Midfielder Danni trains a minimum of twice a week, and plays a competitive game most Sundays. The youngster is a mem-

ber of Caledonia and Paisley Saints, and she also train with Glasgow Youth Development. She said: "Football does take up a lot of my time, but I wouldn't do it if I wasn't happy."

With two older brothers and a dad who referees, football was always a priority in the Connolly household.

"I've always really liked football, ever since I played it at school in America where we lived until four years ago. I can't imagine not ever liking the football, but I still enjoy girlie things like make-up and clothes!"

"I also like swimming, athletics and hanging out with my friends, just like any other teenager, and my family are really supportive of me."

Not all of Danni's dreams have come true, however. Within the next few years, she would love to secure a scholarship to play football in America.

She said: "It would be great if I could play football in the States, and I know you have to work hard if you want to follow your dreams. It takes a lot of practice to get good at the things you enjoy, but if you put your mind to it, anything's possible."



Danni in action for Paisley Saints against Hibernian.



Maybole teenager, Danielle Connolly, was thrilled to get her first Scotland cap this year.



Danni, pictured bottom left, with her Scotland colleagues after winning the International Rosebowl.

Carrick Amateurs – Maybole's very own team



MAYBOLE have their very own amateur football team once again with the formation of Carrick Amateurs earlier this year. Managed by George Logan and assistant manager George McCulloch, there are also a few local familiar faces in the team as well.