

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 Newmills dry ski slope.

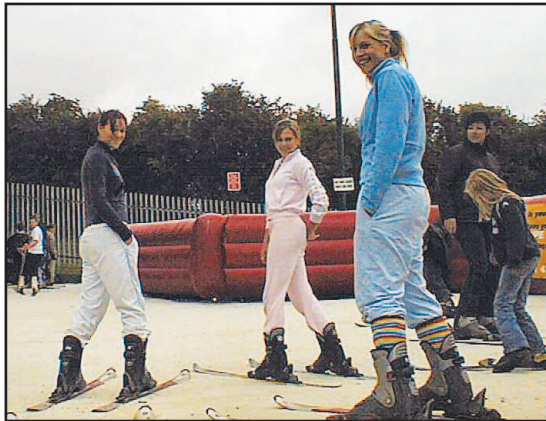
The club would like to thank all staff involved for making it a great summer and also the local action fund for grant money made available through the Scottish Executive which made the whole thing possible.



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.

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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 above 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 McCole] 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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