

# The Quarterly



## Quarter & Cadzow Community Council

The Community Council over this past year has been pursuing the Council on the condition of the roads, for the safety of the school children and for the general wellbeing of the village. The roads have improved slightly, with repairs having been carried out and posts having been erected for what are assumed to be speed signs i.e. telling you what speed you are travelling at and encouraging you to slow down if necessary. The village school has been examined and it would appear that a new school would be a better option than upgrading the old building. What will happen to the old building is not yet clear but it is hoped that the Community Council will be consulted on the issue. The Council's Path Project is still ongoing and any information regarding walks in and around the village is still welcome.

## Quarter Community Association

The Association in conjunction with the Community Council and Quarter in Bloom has embarked on an ambitious project to redevelop the vacant plot at Cadzow Road into a restful park area with a monument. Planning permission is being sought but having talked to the housing and roads department who have no objections, it should be a matter of course before the Council receives permission. It is now up to the Association to discuss with the residents the proposed options and this will be taking place some time in the near future. Two Coal Hutches from the Mining Museum at Newtongrange, have already been obtained. Incidentally this is a very good museum to visit, with trips down a coal mine, a museum and a cafe. The picture shows the state of disrepair of the hutches, but they will be cleaned up and painted before going on display.



## IN MEMORIAM

### JOHN FURLEY

23-07-1933 to 17-05-2007

John Furley was born in Chester and moved to Lanarkshire in the 1950's. He and Sheila have been living in Quarter in the old Post Office and Shop building in Limekilnburn Road for the last 34 years.

In his youth John was a keen sportsman, playing rugby, cricket and tennis in his time. He trained as an electrical engineer and was well-known in Quarter, Strathaven and Chapelton for his help with PA systems for the agricultural and other shows. He served in the RAF as a maintenance engineer and worked for Plessey and Siemens in East Kilbride.

John was a faithful member of the Episcopal Church in Hamilton and was their Property Convener for some years.

He was a well-known and respected person in Quarter. His involvement over the years in community affairs, and especially with the Gala Committee, will always be remembered. He always had the well-being of Quarter and its people at heart and served for many years on the Quarter Community Council, of which he was the most recent Chairperson.

When John passed away on 17<sup>th</sup> May after a time of illness, the family lost a dear loved one, and the village lost an unselfish friend and a devoted leader. We offer condolences to Sheila and her family, Yvonne and Heather.



## Quarter in Bloom

A report from Liz Anderson

A busy time for us here in Quarter in Bloom! The 1500 little plant plugs were delivered at the end of April and with the help of our willing (or not so willing!) volunteers were potted up and delivered to our "baby sitters" to bring on in their green houses until planting out.

The planting throughout the village has been completed with the help of our core volunteers namely Matt Baird and his son Matthew, Yvonne and her daughter Heather. If you have planters or barrels near you can I ask that when watering your own plants that you water the barrels near to you. We will be round with our water bowser to supplement this but we really do need your help too.



All the plants which were removed from the barrels and planters can be used again and have been potted up and will be looked after by me until we replant them later in the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite all gardeners out there to join Quarter in Bloom and offer the wealth of knowledge of all things horticultural that I know you possess. Please contact me on 07734 303401 if you are interested in joining Quarter's very own gardening club, remember it is not just experienced gardeners that we need but anyone interested in growing plants, planting out, or generally being useful. Please think about giving something back to the village and joining Quarter in Bloom.

With the Cadzow Road project in the early stages we will be seeking your help in the planning and building of the memorial garden, rest area and parking for local residents and if we have enough members we might think of other projects to brighten up the village such as more adventurous planters and taking over some of the neglected spaces in the village. We would be interested in your ideas on the subject. We have now become part of Scotland in Bloom and as this is the first year, we are looking at the judging for guidance in our future efforts.

Thanks again to our "potty" volunteers and our "babysitters". :- Rachael Wood, Gary Wood, Yvonne, Heather, Iain, Marion, Matthew. Also Matt and Marion Sinclair for the fantastic job they did in looking after our wee plants!

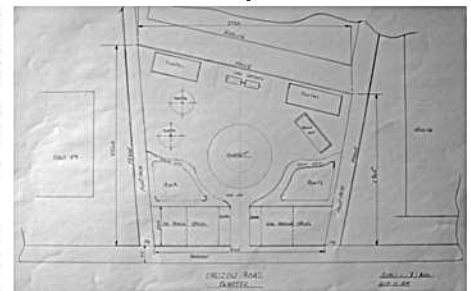
A special thanks to Harry Harris for his wonderful contribution of 12 fuchsia plants which have pride of place in the mangers at the church.

## New Web Site

By Webmaster Alan Johnstone

The Community Association has taken out a Domain Name to give an easier to find web site. The address for the site is :- [www.quarter-Lanarkshire.co.uk](http://www.quarter-Lanarkshire.co.uk)

Although there is a page called 'Notice Board' on the site I am not getting much feed back from villagers on what is happening around the village. If you do want an event to be publicised please email me with the details and I will add the item to our web site.



Cadzow Road rough plans



# P6/7 pupils Big Adventure

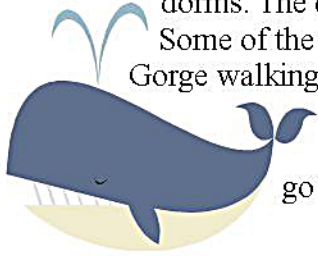
Recently P6 and P7 pupils visited an outdoor bound centre called Ardentinnny. The pupils took part in different activities on different days. They were joined by Killearn Primary School.

The pupils arrived by coach and on arrival were given a talk by the Head of Ardentinnny, then shown into their dorms. The dorms were reasonably big.

Some of the things the pupils got up to were; Kayaking, Rock hopping, Hill walking, Gorge walking and many more. They were told a story of a Hump Back whale going up Loch Long in front of Ardentinnny.

Everyone thought the week was a great success and would love to go back again.

By John Gordon Ballantyne



## A Trip of Our Primary School Lifetime

From the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> May pupils of Primary Six and Seven went to Ardentinnny Outdoor Education Centre in Dunoon. As one of the Primary Seven pupils I would personally say it was the trip of my primary school lifetime.

There was excitement in the air as we travelled to Ardentinnny. Once there we went to our dorms and unpacked. Our adventure began!

From there we went through four days of fun, muck and wetness all round with our instructors. It wasn't just the pupils that endured the challenges but also the teachers! From our school that included Mrs McGill, Mrs Ireland and Mrs McNaughton.

I'm sure everyone really enjoyed their time at Ardentinnny. Taking part in such activities like canoeing, kayaking, abseiling, gorge walking, rock hopping and many others. Even though we got dirty, wet and ran out of clean socks, we will always remember our time there!

By Eilidh Anderson



### **TEDDY BEAR ADVENTURE FOR ST ANDREW'S HOSPICE**

Well done to all the Primary 1 pupils who took part in the Teddy Bear Sponsor for St Andrew's Hospice as they raised the magnificent sum of £271. Fantastic effort Primary 1!!

### **ART COMPETITION**

Our Primary 5 pupils took part in an art competition run by Selkirk Street Church. The school winner was Sean Robinson and the runners-up were Lauren Allardyce, James Law, Elle Wilson, Nicole Lewis and Zoe Dundas. All the winners received their prizes from Alec Kelly (Outreach Worker) on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

### **LIFEBOAT APPEAL**

We raised the grand total of £50.59 for our Lifeboat Appeal. Many thanks to everyone who contributed.

### **ADULT / PUPIL NETBALL MATCH**

Due to the success of the last match, we are proposing to hold another match on Wednesday 27 June from 3-4p.m. Any parent who would like to take part should fill out the form available from the School.

### **HEALTH PROMOTING SCHOOL GOLD AWARD UPDATE**

We have already submitted our folder for judging and it has been given an excellent rating. The judges will be coming to the school for our final assessment on Tuesday 19 June.

### **WINNING HOUSE TRIP**

All pupils in Tweed House will be visiting Bilko's on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Congratulations to all the pupils in Tweed who worked hard to achieve the most points for politeness, courtesy, hard work and achievement.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Winning House Trip to Bilko's - Wednesday 27 June

Summer Holiday – The school closes at 1p.m. on Friday 29 June and re-opens on Thursday 16 August at 9a.m. (10a.m. for pupils in Primary 1).

Faye McNaughton Head Teacher

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# A week At Ardentinny



On the 14<sup>th</sup> May Primary 6 and 7 pupils from Quarter Primary and Killearn Primary School went to Ardentinny in Dunoon for a week. The pupils did various activities including Gorge Walking, Hill Walking, Canoeing, Rock Hopping, Abseiling, Kayaking and a lot more besides. The instructors took a group to each activity. Most of the pupils' favourite activity was Gorge Walking. The pupils really liked getting extremely muddy and wet and making new friends from the other school.



The pupils thoroughly enjoyed their visit and returned to their schools on the 18<sup>th</sup> May. They all had a wonderful time and worked well with the other school and demonstrated a great ability to work as a team. By Alison McMillan

Some of the pupils (P6/7) of Quarter Primary went to Ardentinny Outdoor Education Centre on May the 14<sup>th</sup>. You do lots of things that you normally wouldn't do. You got to do three to four activities on a daily basis.

There was an instructor for each group of people. There were lots of different activities. We did rock hopping, abseiling, gorge walking and many more. When you go rock hopping you are at the side of the sea jumping from rock to rock. At gorge walking you got to slide off of rocks into the water. The water was up to your hips. In abseiling you got to practice before you abseiled down the cliff. You have to climb back up a water fall. At dinner time you would take a plate and ask what you wanted and they would give it to you.

On the last day of Ardentinny we had to pack all our clothes into our suitcase and make sure the rooms were spotless then take them to the bus. As we were about to leave we got our photograph taken. Then we got on the bus and left. We said good bye to everyone we knew. Then before we knew it we were away. I had a great time and got to see a lot of my friends. By Emma Findlay

Quarter Primary School P6/7 went on a trip to Ardentinny, on the 14<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> May; where they took part in lots exciting activities. Nearly all the p6/7 kids went along and enjoyed a variety of activities like hill walking, rock hopping and abseiling. I think everyone that went had a great time at Ardentinny for the four days By Steven Dundas

## Brown trout up- date

If you liked our first article about our baby brown trout growing up and leaving the tank you'll be pleased to know we still have more to tell you.

Remember the brown trout that we raised. Well they've grown up a bit and have left Quarter for good and swam right into the busy world of the Clyde River. When we released our trout they had only started to look more like fish but now they will look *very* like fish and bigger too! We know now that there is no point in trying to look for them because they have started new lives away from us. Our plan was to try and find them after a few weeks because our class had become attached to them. We now realise that our fish no longer need us, but they will always be in our memories, as we were so lucky to have been chosen to look after the baby fish. Playing the role of mummy trout was never easy. Deaths and illnesses were painful to watch but all our fish I'm sure will live long and happy lives. By Lauren Barkby



The last time we told you about our fish we hadn't let them go. We have now let them go. I don't know if we had told you that we had given five fish to another school. We let our fish go in the Darngaber burn in March. We have not gone down to check as we think they will be gone now. We hope they will be ok now they are all on there own. By Matthew Griffin

## Quarters Carbon KILLER Comes Second !!!

Near the end of April some pupils from Quarter Primary School went to a competition called 'Tomorrows Inventors' they were away for most of the day. Out of 40 schools Quarter came second. This is a big achievement for the school and everyone is very proud.

Cara Macinnes, Emma Lewis, George Ballantyne, Gordon Swan and Luke Fallow were accompanied by Mrs McGill to Dalziel Country Park. They had to decide on what to make. They came up with, 'The Carbon Killer'. The carbon killer goes on the end of your exhaust the fumes go through a fan and two filters and then one more fan. The filters take out the Carbon which reduces air pollution. This invention really impressed the judges and they thought it could possibly work. Mrs McGill was in the one of the teachers teams and her group won as well. She got a lovely box of Cadburys chocolates.

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June a lady from Careers Scotland went to the school to give everyone on the 'Tomorrows Inventors' team a silver medal. They were proud to be presented with a medal and were very happy. They also enjoyed the lunch that was served especially the chocolate cake. By Cara Macinnes

## Pupils Teach Adults a Lesson

Every Thursday from 3pm-4pm, for four weeks in March, a group of primary 7s pupils taught computer classes for adults. This was an enterprise initiative. The classes were attended by parents, grandparents and teachers. The subjects covered were, surfing the internet, emailing, typing a letter and making cards on the computer. Everyone was also taught how to use the mouse correctly. It was considered to be a great success by all who attended.

At the end of the course, parents, grand parents and teachers were awarded a certificate for their computing skills. By Emma Law





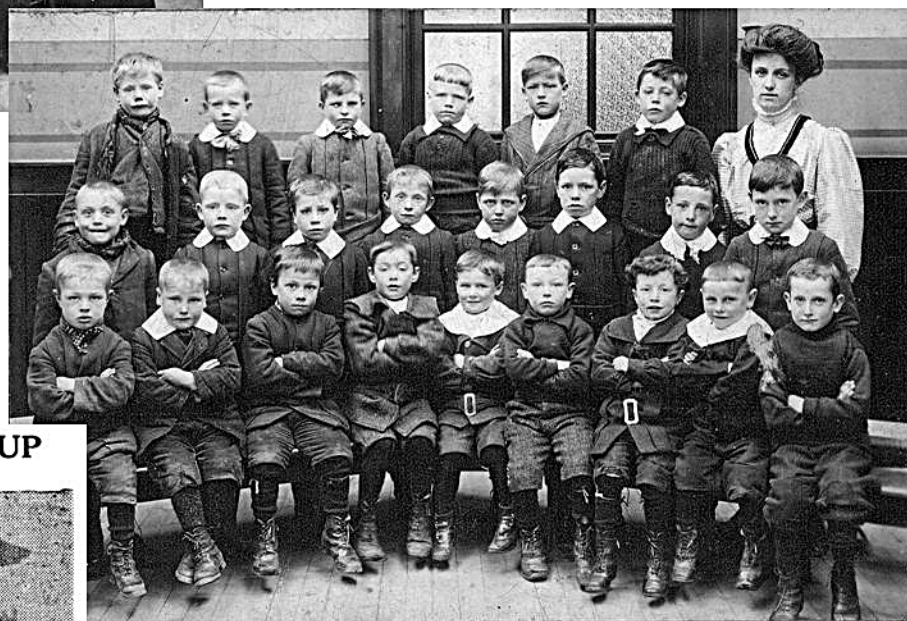


# Quarter People in Pictures



Mary Matthew, Hannah S. McClimont, Margaret S. Walker, Catherine Taylor, and one name missing.

The second photo is the class of 1905, who incidentally look a healthy and wealthy lot! It was clearly winter as they all have foot wear and thick looking clothing.



## SIR JOHN WATSON BOWLING CUP



Photo by W. B. Dickson.

Mr Hugh Martin, President of Lanarkshire Bowling Association, presenting Glasgow and Lanarkshire Trophy to Mr John Williams, president of Quarter Welfare Bowling Club.

- 2nd Row:-  
 Torrance, Lennox, Williams, McBeth, Russell, Todd,  
 Tool, ?, Higgins  
 3rd Row:-  
 ?, Lennox, ? Williams, ?, ?, ?  
 4th Row:-  
 ?, Ritchie, Anderson, ?.

The Third photo is a presentation to the Quarter Welfare Bowling Club.

The Fourth photo is the Quarter Welfare Bowling Club, the Glasgow and Lanarkshire Cup Holders of 1928.

Back Row:-  
 Currie, McConachie, Murphy, Thompson, McConachie,  
 McClare, Hanlon.







This photo depicts the Chelsea Football Club with Willie Russell 2nd on the left of the back row, 1926. He was born in Quarter, one of a large family and also played for Hearts.

George Williams playing carpet bowls in the Miners Institute 1925.



The picture is taken at the lower end of the new buildings around 1938 and includes George's Grandmother (known as May Williams) with her 4 sisters and brother who were on holiday from Canada. In the background is the Coal Washer.

This was an earlier photo I had of May Williams





### *Quarter Parish Church Summer Fayre*

The Church Summer Fayre was again a great success with over £2000 being raised and we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all the good people for your support.

### *Quarter Garden Competition*

Please remember that the front garden competition will be judged during the last week in August. All front gardens will be looked at, no need to apply. Great prizes to be won. Colour, variety and design will win the day. Prizes will be awarded for :-  
1st & 2nd Prize for Best Larger Garden 1st & 2nd Prize for Best Smaller Garden and prizes for gardens earning "Highly Commended Certificate"

### *Letters to the Editor*

Email from George Williams,

I am surprised that Racing Pigeons don't get a mention on your site. Quarter was a hive of Racing Pigeon Owners. A list of owners would include; Jock Russell who won the National Race from Rennes in France. others were Guy Wilson, Paddy Higgons, Andrew Hornal, & my Grandmother, & Busker Anderson, Hope this gives you more material. Regards George Williams



### *Quarter Athletic 1997's*

John Ritchie and coaches would like to thank all the boys for their hard work and effort throughout the season. The boys have had an outstanding season and have shown a great deal of commitment and determination to win. We would like to thank our new sponsor DGG Transport for his generous donations to the team and a big thank you to the ladies who provide hot drinks on match days! We are now looking forward to the player of the year awards where all players will be recognised for the outstanding season they have achieved.

Parent's player of the year for season 2006/07

#### **Red Team**

Adam Watson

#### **Yellow Team**

Adam Gerrard

The attached picture is of the boys wearing their new outdoor jackets provided by DGG Transport



Young men of Quarter Athletic 1997's accompanied by Coach John Ritchie and sponsor Darren Gardner Director of DGG Transport.





## Quarter Athletic FC Under 11s

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Season 2006 – 2007

That's it! The season's over, all association games are completed. We have also just completed the Quarter tournament on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. This is arranged between the 1996's and 1997's and has been done in previous years. Hopefully we will keep this running for years to come. It proved to be another fantastic morning with all games pretty keenly contested. Its great to see the boys enjoying the game and fantastic to see them developing and looks good for the future of QAFC. It's surprising how much work goes into the running of the tournament. Jackie John Mike and Louise all did the business, the refs did well, as did the coaches. One person we can't forget is the timekeeper, Cameron. Well done! You were pretty good at blowing your horn!

Training on the Tuesday is now finished. We have applied for a block booking and will advise as and when we get information. The block booking is still at the Jock Stein facility 7pm – 8pm on Thursday nights, reserved until Sept. We will give the players a few nights off so that the adults can get a game as there are a few challenge matches lined up. The purpose of keeping the booking is to keep the boys playing football, to learn about the 11 a side rules and keep them interested. Also if we cancel, the booking is lost.

The season in general has been good for both teams and its good to see the players making steady progress. We are arranging an awards night for the players on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June in the Quarter Bowling Club, starting at 7.30pm. The cost for the parents will be £5.00 per person, players are free - tickets will be restricted to two per player. There may well be some extra spaces so contact John or Stuart for information. There will be awards for the players (a Buffet and a disco), so after Blackpool I can imagine there will be few who can shake their pants!!!

About Blackpool; it turned out to be a great weekend thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. The only problem we had was feeding Brian H in the mornings. The feedback has been good from players and parents and this is something we may well do again next year. Both teams played well and certainly did themselves proud. They seemed to take days to recover.

We all know that this is the end of the Soccer Sevens and we move to the 11s game in the summer. Decisions have to be made; we are pretty much settled on what we are going to do but just need to clarify things a bit with the association. When we have this arranged we will advise all parents and players as soon as possible.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Willie Paterson and his associates at the Inside Line for being kind enough to sponsor us. This enabled us to purchase kit for training and pay for the Blackpool trip. Its very much appreciated. You will notice the logo on the training tops "The Inside Line". Check out the website [www.theinsideline.co.uk](http://www.theinsideline.co.uk). We would like this to be the start of a new partnership that will benefit both parties.

We would also like to thank Liz Anderson for her assistance in completing our application for grant assistance for QAFC. If successful the intention is to give all teams in Quarter a uniform image right across the board from kits to training equipment. There has been a huge amount of work put in mainly by Liz.

We have also applied for the SFA Quality Mark. This will open up a huge amount of resources supplied by the SYFA and their team of qualified coaches. There will be associations made with schools and the intention here is to build up the Quarter name, increase the teams - players and utilise the coaching certificates on offer.

Daily Record Kits for Kids :- Once again we have had a great response and have collected over 13000 tokens. A fantastic effort, this will allow us to kit out the players in brand new equipment for the new season. Thanks to everyone who helped with this and thanks to Stuart for arranging it all again.

If you have any queries on the football team in general please contact John or Stuart on the usual numbers.

The following is an extract from the local newspaper:-

"Leading Lanarkshire boys football club, Quarter Athletic Football Club, have attracted title sponsorship from Strathaven based marketing and communications company The Inside Line Limited.

TIL Ltd is one of the UK's leading sports management and PR firms who are involved in a wide range of projects branching internationally. Most notably TIL are recognised for founding the prestigious MSA British Rally Elite Coaching Scheme. The scheme was established in 2005 by former World Rally Champion Co-driver Robert Reid to drive young British rally talent into the World Championship, to follow in the footsteps of the likes of Reid's former partner Richard Burns and fellow Scot Colin McRae.

To continue with their on going commitment to young sporting talent in the UK, TIL Ltd saw an opportunity to support the Lanarkshire based club and pounced on it. Quarter Athletic under 11's team in just its second season has emerged as one of the county's leading teams winning more than 80% of its matches so far.

TIL Ltd Director, Gavin Miller is excited about the venture into a fresh wing of the sporting sector.

"It's a real pleasure to be able to assist such talented youngsters from our own doorstep. It's also quite refreshing to take our business into areas other than our more traditional motorsport discipline." Miller said

Quarter Athletic Team Manager, John Annand is extremely pleased with the new relationship and is confident that the support of TIL Ltd will be of great benefit to the club in both marketing and performance aspects.

"We are delighted to have the reassurance of such a successful team as The Inside Line backing the boys. Running a team such as ours requires a fairly heavy financial commitment for strips, training equipment and match expenses, however this sponsorship deal also delivers the club significant PR support as well." Annand said".

For information on any of the quarter teams please visit the web site [www.quarterathletic.com](http://www.quarterathletic.com) or contact the coaches through Neil Mclaughlan 07850746759 Fixtures Under 11s March – May

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