

# Ben Ledi View

## EDITORIAL

Wherever you are in Callander Ben Ledi casts its eye upon you; likewise the Ben is seldom out of sight from most of Callander. It could not be more suitable, then, that Callander's first 'Community Newspaper' should be called 'Ben Ledi View'.

A "View" to be appreciated must be looked at, and we would earnestly ask you the Callander Community, to do just that - it is your newspaper! But the 'View-Point' is of equal importance and this is personal to each one of us. Let us have your 'viewpoint' on any matter of local concern, controversial or otherwise. This new venture will only succeed in proportion to the support given by local people, individually or as members of clubs and organisations.

We would wish the spectrum of the "Ben Ledi View" to be as wide as possible, including all ages, interest groups, commercial interests and political opinions. We do not all agree about everything and in a democracy we would not have it otherwise, so lay it on the line in the 'View'.

Are you an aspiring artist, poet, story-teller or ideas person? If so, contact the "Ben Ledi View" editorial committee at the Council Offices, South Church Street - we are interested and so also may be the Callander public.

Success or failure depends on your involvement - do not let the chance escape you!

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FRIDAY, 5th JUNE.

KEN DUNN  
Co-Editor



## NEW LIFE FOR AN OLD FRIEND

After many months of uncertainty, Stirling District Council has announced plans which will keep St. Kessog's Church the centre of attraction in Callander. The beautiful victorian building, already known throughout the world due to its appearance in the popular Television series, "Dr. Finlay's Casebook", will now become a focal point for both the community and the tourist population. Gone are the concerns that the building might either fall into total disrepair or be mutilated beyond recognition by developers. Instead, the people of Callander can look forward to a beautifully restored St. Kessog's which will be in use seven days a week.

### TOURIST CENTRE

The building will house a computerised tourist information centre providing details of accommodation as well as an up-to-the-minute list of events in the area. Displays, slides and other audio-visual material will hopefully tempt visitors to stay in the glorious Trossachs for longer holidays.

### LITTLE THEATRE

For the local community, there will, at last, be a fully equipped "little theatre" enabling amateur and professional groups to present shows and musical concerts with ease. The presently over-crowded library on South Church Street will be re-housed in the building and will be extended in both size and hours of opening. Meeting rooms will be available for local groups. And great emphasis has been placed on ensuring that the centre is made accessible to the disabled and the elderly.

The newly-refurbished building will be seen in all its former glory with the abolition of parking in front of the church. Cars will now park in the garden adjacent to the North Hall.

### COMMUNITY EFFORT

Great credit is due to Stirling District Council for its vision in planning for the long-term future of Callander and the Trossachs, and to Councillor Ritchie for his encouragement of the plan. It will now be up to us, the community, the people who live and work here, to make the new "Callander Centre" an outstanding success.

MARYANNE URE  
Co-Editor

# SCHOOL NEWS

## McLAREN HIGH SCHOOL

Taking up the post as Head of the Mathematics Department is Mr. C. Pritchard, formerly of Baliburgh High School in the Western Isles. Also, joining Business Studies as Principal Teacher, is Mrs. R. Harris from Balforn High School. We extend a warm welcome to them and hope their stay at McLaren will be long and happy.

We welcome back to the Modern Languages Department, Mrs. Chalmers, who was greatly missed during her maternity leave.

The SCE examinations, which started on 22 April, are now well under way. The following dates have been arranged as Parents' Evenings:

S2	-	29 April
S4,5	-	28 May
S1	-	10 June
S3	-	18 June

It is hoped that as many parents and guardians as possible will attend.

The annual Leavers' Dance, open to all 4th, 5th and 6th years, will take place on 29 May in the School Hall.

With the school back to normal after the industrial action, the fun-filled Wednesday afternoons with Education for Leisure have returned. The wide choice of Leisure Activities ranges from Russian to Rug-Making, Snooker to Spinning, and the latest activity - Ecology.

The School Orchestra, with many new faces, has recommenced, and a senior choir is to be formed to participate in a concert at the end of term, on June 26th. Many of our budding young Choral Singers are planning to travel to London with the Central Region Youth Choir which was formed last year. Included in the programme are works by Dvorak and Bernstein. Pupils taking Media Studies as a SCOTVEC 16 Plus have written a letter to the McLaren Association, thanking them for the Video camera which the association has graciously donated to the school. It is already being used by the Media Studies

group preparing their end of term video.

The Stirling District Youth Theatre in which many school pupils are involved is hosting a production at the MacRobert Centre in June. To date this will be one of their major theatrical assignments. It is hoped that it will be well supported by the local community.

AMANDA MILLEN

## CALLANDER PRIMARY SCHOOL

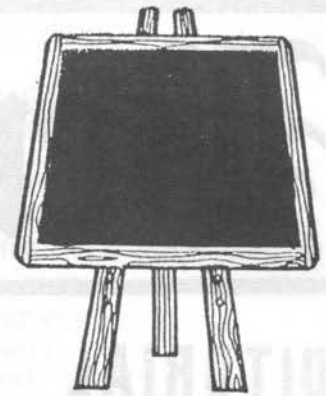
May and June will be busy months for pupils and staff at Callander Primary. Last term all 285 pupils were involved in putting on a very successful concert; and in raising £1000 for playground equipment.

Outings are planned for the senior school to see "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat" at the Playhouse in Edinburgh. Also the Black Box Puppet Theatre are coming to school to put on shows for all pupils. Great excitement has been generated by the proposed trip to Valkenburg in Holland. Thirty-five P.7 pupils will set off with a group of pupils from Thornhill for a week's excursion.

Another group of pupils will visit the Kelvin Art Gallery to enter in the Annual Art Competition.

Watch out for the Sunday afternoon (mid June) T.V. programme TELL THE STORY. Children from the primary school have painted pictures to illustrate the story of Moses. Some of their poems will also be read out.

Sports Day will be on 16th June or the first good day after that. All children will be involved in team events. An athletics programme will be ongoing throughout the term with overall champions to be decided.



Children will also compete in an inter-school swimming gala at McLaren High.

On the sports front Lucie Raynes narrowly missed a medal in the overall Central Region Athletic Club championship. Congratulations to Lucie.

Nicola Jones, Ruth Semple, Ian McLean and Alison Taylor are all members of Central Region Youth Orchestra. They are off to Pitlochry this month for a three day training programme.

Primary Six are preparing a T.V. video which will illustrate the work of the school. Parents will be invited to view this and hopefully the concert video later in the term. A musical evening is also planned.

We are grateful to parents for volunteering to escort groups of children to swimming at McLaren: this allows for normal curriculum to continue.

Callander Primary will close for the Summer Holidays on Friday, 26th June.

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## TROSSACHS HIGHLAND FESTIVAL RISES AGAIN FOR 1987

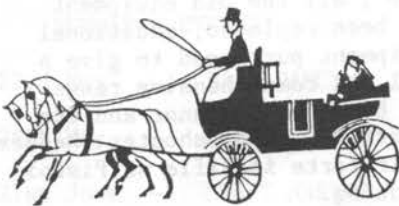
For the second year running the Trossachs Highland Festival will be dominating the scene during the last week of July in Callander and Aberfoyle.

Following the success of last year's very first festival, a new Committee has been set up with Keith Graham in the Captain's chair to steer a smooth course for a bigger, brighter festival in '87.

The proposed programme consists of the usual melee of ceilidhs and Pipe Bands as well as a few special events such as a 'Mary, Queen of Scots' show on Inchmahome in the Lake of Menteith. A boat trip is included in the price of your ticket. The MACCALMANS make a welcome return and newcomers to the festival, OSSIAN, are performing at Doune Castle on 26th July at 2pm with Jimmie McGregor compering.

### ROYAL VISIT

The theme for '87 will be Queen Victoria touring the Trossachs and this she will be doing in style - in a horse drawn carriage with John Brown her faithful attendant with her. Look out for 'Queen Victoria' in the Trossachs during the festival. 1987 is the 150th anniversary of her accession to the throne and she will be re-visiting some of her favourite haunts.



A special feature and a first for the Festival will be the DALGAIR FESTIVAL CLUB to be held in Dalgair House.

Other events include a combined CASTLE & DISTILLERY VISIT; a CEILIDH in Thornhill; the folk group GABERLUNZIE in Aberfoyle; the feature film "Mary, Queen of Scots" starring Vanessa Redgrave; the Festival Chorale under the baton of Ian Milligan and the Callander Round Table CHARITY FAIR with the HEAVYWEIGHTS including GEOFF CAPES.

# Callander Project



## THE CALLANDER PROJECT - INTO A SECOND YEAR

Following the Council decision to launch the Callander Project, initial studies by officials suggested that the main opportunities for development lay in the fields of tourism and housing. It was, therefore, heartening when the Project was jointly launched by the District Council, Tourist Board, and Community Council a year ago that these two topics were picked out by a well attended public meeting as the ones which they felt the Project should be tackling.

### ACTION

During the first year action has been taken on a wide range of subjects including:-

- a) Environmental Improvements, to improve the attractiveness of the area (such as planting of a tree screen at the Environmental Health Depot).
- b) Obtaining progress on schemes "stuck in the pipeline" (e.g. creation of play area at Glen Gardens and improvements to Old Folks' houses at Marshall Crescent).
- c) Investigating, designing and bringing forward schemes for the future, e.g. re-development of St. Kessog's, redesigning of the Meadows Car Park, and establishment of a community newspaper!

### BENEFITS

The Project has stimulated:-

- a) Financial and physical community involvement.
- b) Finding/liberating of District Council resources.
- c) The creation of both long term jobs and short term MSC employment.
- d) The community to establish the local Agenda for action.

### DIFFICULTIES

A number of difficulties have been encountered including:-

- a) Problems of establishing corporate working.
- b) Lack of "Pump priming" finance.
- c) Keeping the lid on the community's expectations.

### OPPORTUNITIES

The Project has provided considerable "value for money" during its first year of existence. The second year is likely to be of similar value. There is no doubt that it will be transformed into a major success now that the District Council has decided to promote the transformation of St. Kessog's into a Tourist and Community Centre which will allow the enhancement and extension of community and tourist services, will allow for the economic, corporate delivery of District Council services and will release a wave of beneficial secondary developments throughout the town.

GRAEME LAW

### PUBLIC MEETING

The Callander Project team have organised a PUBLIC MEETING to explain the plans for the conversion and restoration of St. Kessog's. The meeting will take place on THURSDAY, 14th MAY, 1987, at 7.30pm in the NORTH HALL.

Everyone is welcome to attend and the team are particularly anxious to meet and discuss the plans with representatives of clubs and organisations which will make use of the new "Callander Centre".



# SPOTLIGHT



## CALLANDER RIFLE CLUB

1909 - 1987.

Callander Rifle Club was founded in February 1909 partly as a result of a campaign by Field Marshall Lord Roberts whose ideal was born during the Boer War when it was found that the Boer farmers were better shots than the British Army!

Unfortunately, during the years 1909 -1946, not a great deal is known about the Club's activities as the Minutes of the Club have been lost. What is known is that the Club shot on a range which was sited between the Dreadnought Hotel and the old railway station called Blairs' Stables.

During 1914 -1918, the Club was disbanded when its members went off to fight in the Great War.

The Club was again restarted in the 1930's by a group of First World War Veterans - J.B.McFarlane; William McMichael; Archie Bryson; John Ferguson and Harvey Duncan.

During the Second World War, the Rifle Club became more or less the Home Guard for the area. This is reflected in the revised constitution which was passed during the first recorded Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 9th October 1946 at 8p.m. presided over by Sir James R. Wilson Bart. It stated: "All members or ex-members of the Home Guard are eligible for membership of the Club". The membership rules also went on to state that "No Lady shall be admitted into the Club as a guest except by invitation of the Executive Committee". This rule may surprise the Ladies of today, but it was enforced

as was demonstrated when the Bracklyn Rifle Club (which had lady members) tried to use the Callander Range one evening per week, but were rejected at the 1946 Annual General Meeting by 50 votes to 10. Ladies please note this rule has been abolished and Callander is glad to welcome any Lady Members.

The Club shot in a number of Perthshire and West of Scotland Leagues between 1946-55, similar to today.

1955-56 was not a good period for the Club. It saw the passing of five former members - J.B.McFarlane; John Ferguson; D. Ferguson; N. McInnes and G.C. Thomson. In addition, the Club had to move from Blairs' Stables when the rented accommodation was bought. This coincided with the Club closing down and being reconstituted in the Territorial Army Hut "next to the Flower Show Site in Pearl Street near the old Burgh Yard", this is approximately the site of the new Police Station.

The new Club started with "Cash in hand and Bank Balance amounting to £58.8.10d, 5 BSA Rifles 2 Telescopes, 1 small BSA Rifle a billiard table, table tennis table, dartboard and a quantity of electrical equipment".

The first Annual General Meeting in 1955 set the same subscription of 10/- that the 1946 Annual General Meeting set. They also agreed to sublet the new premises to Father Malley for R.C. uses.

It wasn't until 1956 after much debate and raising of finance that the Club managed to build a 25 yard 2 lie range onto the side of the hut.

Between 1956 and 1962 the Club continued to be well represented in the Perthshire, West of Scotland and the Stirlingshire "shoulder to shoulder" leagues.

1962/64 was another crisis period for the Club - the Town Council served notice on the Club to move from South Church Street, and as an enticement, offered to let premises to the Club free of charge if it was moved to another location. After much searching and disappointment, a site was finally found at Acre Sands, behind Camp Place, where the Club has remained to this day.

Since 1964, the Club has changed a great deal, The old Territorial Army hut moved to Acre Sands has been bricked up and roughcast, the Club's name has expanded to become 'Callander Rifle and Pistol Club', all the old equipment has been replaced, additional equipment purchased to give a full and comprehensive range for both the beginner and the experienced sharpshooter whether their forte is Rifle or Pistol Shooting.

Correspondingly, due to the increased facilities available i.e. two Rifle Ranges (one outdoor, the other an 8 lie indoor range) the membership has greatly expanded, and with Instructors ranging from Club Coaches to Scottish Team Coach the standard of enjoyment and marksmanship is continuing to increase - the ideal for which Field Marshall Ford Roberts strove.

JOHN RUSSELL

# Club Round Up

## SCOTTISH WILDLIFE TRUST INCHCAILLOCH (LOCH LOMOND) OUTING

Anyone wishing to come on the Inchcailloch Outing on Sunday, 17th May, must contact Cherie Bettison on 30847. Numbers are limited.

Cars leave 10am from Dreadnought Hotel; Balmaha Ferry leaves at 11.15am.

Return to Callander 4pm.

Cost - approximately £1.00.

## CALLANDER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

### ANNUAL SHOW 29th AUGUST 1987

The Schedule for the 1987 Show is available from the Royal Bank of Scotland, the Bank of Scotland, or the Secretary. It contains all the information about entering, and friendly stewards are always available before the Show to help first-time exhibitors set up their produce.

SO GET HOLD OF A SCHEDULE, decide which sections you would like to enter, and you will be two steps on the way to being a winner!

## CALLANDER LEISURE CENTRE FUND RAISING CONTINUES

### SUMMER EVENTS

- 23rd May - BARN DANCE
- 24th May - CRAFT MARKET
- 21st June - CRAFT MARKET

There is also a wealth of other sporting and social enterprises which will take place; all events aimed at swelling the coffers that little bit more and providing a few more bricks for the Leisure Centre.

We are now a properly constituted body, but we need more bodies! So come along and help us; whether it's with home baking or Carousel barking, raffle ticket selling or Quantity Surveying, the more the merrier.

## CRAIGARD SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

### JUMBLE SALE

SATURDAY 23rd MAY, 1987

CALLANDER KIRK SOUTH HALL

The Hall will be open on Friday evening (22nd) and Saturday morning for donations to the sale. Proceeds are in aid of club funds and will be most gratefully received.

### ROTARY

Callander and West Perthshire Rotary Club has arranged a CONCERT at the MacRobert Centre on MONDAY, 11th MAY, 1987.

The programme will feature the famous Linn Choir from Glasgow as well as an American group. Tickets are priced at £4.50 and are available from the Box Office and local Rotarians. Proceeds will be shared between Cancer Research and "Tak Tent", the Glasgow voluntary organisation helping cancer victims and their families.

The Rotary are also selling Raffle tickets whose first prize is the use of a self-catering holiday flat in Majorca plus £200 towards the cost of fares. The raffle, which will be drawn at the Concert, is in aid of Multiple Sclerosis Research.

## CALLANDER PIPES AND DRUMS

Are you a piper or a drummer? All former pipers or drummers from the CALLANDER area, we want you back! The band are thinking about going into competition.

Contact Mr. Fachney at Bridge of Allan 832956 or come to the Small Hall any Wednesday between 7.30 and 9.30pm.

### BRIDGE CLUB

Callander Golf Club Bridge Section has been growing steadily. Although the main season competitions are coming to an end anyone interested in joining should contact secretary Margaret O'Keefe on Callander 30260.

## CALLANDER GOLF CLUB

### EVENTS IN MAY AND JUNE

- 30 May - Captain's Day
- 7th June - Fiery Cross Open Tournament
- 20th June - Lady of the Lake Ladies Open Tournament
- 4th July - Open Mixed Foursomes

Contact the Hon. Sec. Harold Slater, Callander 30931, for details of competitions, club membership information, and junior tuition programme.

## BOYS' BRIGADE

### ANCHOR BOYS

Fridays 6pm South Hall

### JUNIOR SECTION

Mondays 6.30pm North Hall

### COMPANY SECTION

Fridays 7.30pm North Hall

CONTACT GARRY LAWRIE 30990

## CALLANDER DANCEFIT & YOGA CLUBS

Why not join the session already in progress on:

MONDAY EVENINGS - 8 - 9pm  
McLaren High School

FRIDAY MORNINGS - 10.15-11.15am  
Willoughby Centre

Classes are based on yoga techniques complemented by contemporary dance "warm-up" exercises. The classes are simplified so you don't have to be a budding ballerina to attend.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED AND WILL BE MADE VERY WELCOME!

R.S.S.P.C.C.

PRESENT

STIRLING DRAMA CLUB

in

DEAR CHARLES

Wednesday, 27th May

7.30 pm

McLaren High School

## ABERLOUR HOLIDAY SCHEME FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### CAN YOU HELP?

Life in the city without a break can be oppressive for everybody, but especially for children and families under stress. The largest holiday scheme for deprived children and families under stress in Scotland has now been taken over by Aberlour Child Care Trust in partnership with the Volunteer Centre in Glasgow. Its aim is to provide holidays for up to 300 children from in and around Glasgow.

The core of the holiday scheme is that a child goes to share in the ongoing life of the home and family, usually for one week during the summer holidays. Very often the children return year after year to the same family and in this way they form an extremely supportive relationship and are greatly helped by the alternative model of family life that they see.

If you would like to consider being a host in this very worthwhile scheme, please contact Rev. Kerr Spiers at 041 226 3431 or Muriel Sinclair at Callander 30339.

### ATTENTION ALL CALLANDER TRADERS AND HOUSEHOLDERS!

Would you be prepared to enhance the beauty of the Callander Scene this Summer by planting a window box with colourful flowers? The District Council hope to show the way with planted barrels in the Square and along the Main Street. Let's make this a real community effort for the benefit of of us all, especially in this European Year of the Environment. (E.Y.E.)

### CALLANDER SAILING CLUB

OPEN DAY: for sailboarding.  
(and come and try sailing)  
JULY 4th and 5th.

OPEN MEETING: Major event  
August 15th and 16th.



### CALLANDER PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

For the under 3's, including babies, and their parents or guardians. Juice and biscuits for the toddlers and coffee or tea for the grown-ups. 40p per meeting and £1.00 registration.

Willoughby Centre  
Mondays - 1.30-3.30pm  
Wednesdays - 10 -12noon

For details phone:  
Sheila Winstone 31209

### WILLOUGHBY CENTRE PLAYGROUP

For Children aged 3 - 5 years and their Mums. Our aim is to advance the development of per-school children, educationally and socially.

The playgroup meets every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday morning from 9.30 to 11.30.

For details phone:  
Muriel Sinclair 30339.



### CALLANDER PLAYGROUP

This long-established playgroup meets in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Leny Road every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning from 9.30 to 11.30. Fridays are for 3 year olds only to get them used to playgroup life. Table top activities, a selection of climbing apparatus and singing and storytelling are an integral part of each meeting.

The A.G.M. will be held at the church hall on 11th June, at 8pm. Afterwards there will be an Elizabeth Alexandra Party with savoury Supper and Wine.

For details phone:  
Margaret Cameron 31056 or  
Trish Johnson 30823

### JOIN THE 'HERITAGE OF SCOTLAND'

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at weaving? Would you like to trace your ancestors? Then why not join an International Summer School, being held at the University of Stirling? There are over twenty courses based on the Heritage of Scotland such as Scottish Culinary Tradition, the Clanach, Scottish Singing etc. As well as lectures and demonstrations, there are also practical sessions where you can try out the skills you have learned. These courses have been running since 1978, and are so popular that students return time and again. It is an ideal opportunity not only to meet fellow Scots interested in their own culture, but also students from all over the world.

The courses begin on 27 June and run until 22 August. Each course lasts for one week, and it is possible to book accommodation on the University campus. The cost for tuition only is £75 (if you live in Central Region, the Regional Council will pay 50% of this), and with meals and accommodation, the fee is £150.

For more information on these courses contact:  
Robert Innes, Director of Continuing Education, Airthrey Castle, The University, Stirling FK9 4LA

...but hurry! The closing date for applications is 29th May, 1987.

## CLUB ROUND UP

'Ben Ledi View' has been so overwhelmed by the response to its requests for information on club activities that the editors have decided to spotlight one club in each issue. Groups which have not yet done so, are urged to send a history of their club for inclusion in a subsequent edition of the paper. Clubs which have already done so may rest assured that their story will appear in a future edition of the paper.

Hello children!  
 Welcome to your very own page in the 'Ben Ledi View'. I am Newshound and I'm always sniffing around for news! Hopefully you'll write and tell me all about your hobbies and interests and something about yourself. Now for some jokes to tell your friends.

Knock-knock	Knock-knock
Who's there?	Who's there?
Hans	Eiffel
Hans who?	Eiffel who?
Hans up I'm a burglar!	Eiffel down and hurt my knee!

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Knock-knock	Who's there?
Easter	Easter who?
Easter anybody home?!!	

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PATIENT: If the swelling on my leg gets any worse, I won't be able to get my trousers on!

DOCTOR: I'll give you a prescription.

PATIENT: What is it for?

DOCTOR: A kilt!

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BATTY BOOKS

Listening to music by P. Anno  
 Dial again by Ron Number  
 The dustmans story by M.T. Binns  
 I need more land by S. Tate  
 Fasten your shoes by Ben Down  
 Football by D. Fence  
 Knitting by Mr. Stitch

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Now for a Limerick

There once was a teacher from Leeds,  
 Who swallowed a packet of seeds  
 In less than an hour her nose was in flower,  
 And her hair was a bunch of weeds!

\*\*If you know a limerick, let me know and the best ones will be printed in the next Newshound page.

To those of you who like to help Mum or Dad in the kitchen, here is a recipe for you to try:

CHEESE DREAMS

You will need: (for each person)  
 2 slices of bread, butter,  
 40g (1½oz) cheese, 1 egg or 1 large tomato.  
 A knife, cheese grater,  
 frying pan and small bowl.

1. Spread one side of each slice of bread with butter
2. Grate the cheese and put between the bread to make a sandwich.
3. Turn the ring on low (ask a grown-up to do this for you)
4. Melt a little butter in the frying pan and fry the sandwich slowly.
5. Break the egg into the bowl or slice the tomato.
6. When one side of the sandwich is golden, turn and fry the other side, adding the egg or the tomato slices to the pan.
7. Arrange the fried egg or tomato on the sandwich and serve.

COMPETITION TIME

Most of you enjoy reading about Garfield the Cat in the books by Jim Davis. So, let's see who can draw the best Garfield (this can be copied but not traced). The best entries will be put on display at the Callander Library and the winner of the best one will receive a book token. So, all you Garfield fans - let's have those entries rolling in!

Send your entries to:  
 'Ben Ledi View'  
 Newshound Childrens' Page  
 Callander Library,  
 South Church Street,  
 CALLANDER.



\* Or hand them in to the Library. CLOSING DATE is Friday 5th June.  
 \*Everyone who contributes or enters competitions will get a Newshound Badge.

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Well children, that's all for now. Let's hear from you very soon. Don't forget this is YOUR page. Write and tell me what YOU would like to see in the Newshound Page. Till next time, take care and a big WOOF WOOF! from me.

Your friend NEWSHOUND.

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CALLANDER CHURCH SERVICES

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 Fr. Neil Gallagher (30702)

SUNDAY MASSES  
 8.30am and 11am

WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS  
 10am

CALLANDER KIRK

Rev. Iain Goring (30097)

SUNDAY SERVICES  
 11am

JUNIOR & SENIOR BIBLE CLASSES  
 10am

SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 11am

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
 Rev. Terry Moore (Doune 841355)

HOLY EUCHARIST  
 9.30am - May 3, 31.  
 11.15am - May 6,13,17,20,27,28

EVENSONG AND HOLY EUCHARIST  
 6pm - May 10, 24.

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

"MORE POWER TO THE POOR!"

SUNDAY 10th to SATURDAY 16th MAY

THIS YEAR'S EVENTS INCLUDE:

- Sun. 10th - OPENING SERVICE  
St. Joseph's  
6.30pm.
- Wed. 13th - CONCERT  
North Hall 7.30pm  
£1. or 50p (conc)
- Thur. 14th - DISCO  
McLaren High Sch.  
7.30-10.30pm  
(Arthur Dean's  
Disco Unit)
- Fri. 14th - WALK  
around the Craggs  
area.  
STARTS 5.00pm
- Sat. 16th - SQUARE DEAL  
Ancaster Square  
11am - 3pm  
(baking, bric-a-  
brac, books,  
garden produce)

MOD 87

Many of you will no doubt be aware that the 1987 National Mod is to be held in Stirling from the 9th to the 16th October. However, as a warm-up for the 'main event' can we recommend to you the Stirling Provincial Mod?

The programme begins on Friday evening, 15th May, 7.00pm at the Albert Hall to the stirring sounds of the Junior Piping. The entertainment continues the following day, Saturday 16th, at St. Modan's High School with the Junior competitions from 9.00am and the Senior Competitions from 2.00pm. Saturday ends with the Junior Prizewinners in concert at the Albert Hall, 7.00pm, followed by a Ceilidh Dance featuring the Senior Prizewinners and Bill Black and his Band.

The Provincial Mod has been steadily growing in popularity and this year has seen more entries from the Callander area. For more information, please contact:  
Mr. Calum MacMillan  
Dunblane 824360

## CALLANDER OPERATIC SOCIETY TO BOOST CHILD'S APPEAL

On June 27th, Callander Amateur Operatic Society are to perform their original smash-hit musical "BY-PASSED" in the MacRobert Centre, Bridge of Allan, in aid of 5 year old Luke Smith from Callander. The proceeds will help towards raising the £12,000 needed to send Luke to the Philadelphia Institute for the Achievement of Human Potential for treatment for brain damage.

The show has received rave reviews following its performances in March of this year in McLaren High School. by Ian Ross (Director of Social Work for Central Region), with music by Ian Milligan (head of Music at McLaren) it is the story of a small community's attempts to come to terms with its isolation following the re-routing of the main road - and the consequent loss of trade. It is a delightful show for all the family.

TICKETS are available from the MacRobert Box Office and from their agent in Callander, Douglas Stewart, the dress shop.  
Tickets cost £5.00

A bus is being organised from Callander to the MacRobert Centre for "By-Passed" on 27th June.

Please phone Avril Macdonald, Camp Place, Callander (30430) for details.

## SCOTTISH POST OFFICE BOARD SHORT STORY COMPETITION

The Scottish Post Office Board is sponsoring the Short Story Competition at the National Mod in Stirling, October 1987. Very generous prizes are offered: £300 (first), £150 (second), and £75 (third). In addition, £20 extra will be paid if the story is published or broadcast. There may also be a trophy. So send your entries without delay!

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