



Edition No 2

Dear Community Member, I am pleased to announce a number of titles have been suggested for the Bugle's new name, serious and otherwise:

'The Logie Leader'; 'The Logie Post'; 'Logie Life' and 'Logie Spare Rib' are the suggestions. There is also the suggestion for it to remain the same. In the spirit of democracy I propose a vote for those mentioned; let me know your preference and we will go with the majority.

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A huge thanks to Paula Gardiner who has been such an integral part of the Reading Room Events team for the last two years. She has taken on two new jobs (with a long commute) recently and as such decided to stand down from the team. A hard act to follow!



Important Dates

Community Council Meeting 26th March

6th April 2019 Whisky Tasting

Wine Tasting, 6th April: you should have received an email about this a few days ago, there are now less than 10 places left so if you want to attend, email garadam@outlook.com straightaway!

Gordon Adam
07825 398740

Hall Rentals

Please see separate document with this email regarding hire of the hall. The hall is an underused resource, perfect for classes; meetings; exhibitions; family occasions. It is worth having a look at the document if only to remind yourself of the very competitive rates (only £5 per hour!) for local residents. There is also a booking form attached. Contact Paula Gardiner at BlairlogieRR@gmail.com

Tales from the Archives

From the Morning Post, London, 8th January 1846

'On Sabbath last all the combustibles in the Relief Church at Blairlogie under the pastoral charge of the Reverend Mr Anderson, was consumed or destroyed by fire, with the exception of the pulpit Bible. The fire began at the roof, and was caused, it is said, by overheating an ill-constructed stove, but, be that as it may, the interior of the church was a mass of ruins by the time the Parish Church bell rang for public worship in the forenoon. From the rapidity of the flames the kind assistance of neighbours and friends who crowded to the spot was of no avail. The deepest sympathy is felt for the venerable and much-respected clergyman, who has for nearly forty years been pastor of this congregation. There is every reason to believe, however, that but a short time will elapse before Mr Anderson and his flock will again be accommodated with a suitable structure. *Stirling Journal*'

The above extract from Blairlogie Archives provides an insight into the village in 1846. The burning question is was the Bible saved by Divine intervention or the scientific reason that it had a leather, non-combustible covering and being a block of paper where no oxygen could feed the fire.

Anyone wishing to help with the on-going work of the archives should contact Craig Bryce at craig_bryce@hotmail.com



Welcome baby girl!



The warmest congratulations to Beckie and Iain Little on the birth of their daughter, Heidi Lillias Little, on 17th February. What a gorgeous baby!

When Beckie had leisure time, she took up the Bugle Challenge and wrote a delightful piece on the trials and tribulations of owning a cockerel...

Anybody out there who would like to write a piece?

Feel free to send it to me una_t_bryce@msn.com

Beckie Little

It is a typical, peaceful afternoon in Blairlogie, the middle of January. The frosted grass sparkles and the stream bubbles lazily through the village. Bursting from the leafy hedge at Nethercraig flies a cockerel, a second later, a playful dog crashes through the thick branches. In hot pursuit, my dad breaks through the boundary and leaps over the stream. All manner of sounds fill the air. The cockerel screeches, the dog barks excitedly and my dad yells repeatedly. I am left to waddle, 39 weeks pregnant, after all three.

As I approach the front of the house, the cockerel is splashing downstream, my dad stands below in his smart work clothes, ankle deep holding a rather muddy yet still determined dog, and our poor new neighbour has abandoned his outdoor painting and is now also in the stream trying to stop the chicken escaping any further. Two men, one cockerel and one dog all in one strip of water within minutes of my dad's arrival. 'There was an old woman who swallowed a fly' springs to mind. The cockerel continued to wander until it settled under the bridge.

Darkness and peace descends once more upon the village and Iain arrives home from work to be informed of the drama. He dons wellingtons, bobble hat and waterproof jacket, he is a man on a mission: Operation Rescue Cockerel.

Iain has to climb over the wall and into the freezing water despite it being -2C. Stealthily crawling on his stomach upstream, he manoeuvres himself into the small space under our driveway. Anyone passing by would have been startled by the shock of a man emerging above the wall five minutes later, torch in mouth, dripping wet clothes, an arm around a rather wet- feathered chicken and water pouring from the top of his wellies. What a sight!

The poor bird recovered very quickly and was brought inside to the warmth of a radiator, an ample feed of corn and a nice wee tonic of water. The excitement of Blairlogie!

Congratulations also to Jenny and Peter Jennings on the birth of their granddaughter, Rachel Genevieve, born in London 11th February.



Another bonny baby!

I am aware of the talent of photographers out there in the Shire. Why not share them?
Photos of seasonal changes would be most welcome.



This great photo was taken by Alistair Maxwell-Irving. It's a partridge that has taken to dining in their garden. Farmers call it the Red-Legged Partridge, but it is more commonly known as a French Partridge. It is found, mainly, in eastern England, so maybe it's a tourist.

Handy Contacts

If you would like to recommend contact details for workmen/gardeners/chimney sweeps it might be useful for everyone, please share.

Central Chimney Sweeping Tel 07530210949

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For further details check: www.nationalwallacemonument.com/ht_event_cat/evening-lectures

If you have anything you wish to share contact me at una_t_bryce@msn.com

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