THE CRAIC MONTHLY ISSUE #1



# The Craic Monthly

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GLEN STRATHFARRAR

FREE

### Welcome to our 1st Edition

### by Brad Collins

Welcome our very first edition of what I hope will be many more to come. There is always so much going on in our area and not everybody is connected via the internet so I thought we could use another medium, namely this newsletter to help everyone stay in touch.

#### How much will it cost?

FREE, that's right absolutely nothing. The plan is to make the newsletter available free of charge to anyone and everyone who would like a copy. The Craic will be available from the shop in Cannich each and every month for you to grab a copy when you come in next. I will also make it available online via the shops website for those that want to read it online, our website is www.cannichstores.co.uk

#### What will it cover?

This is probably the question most people will want to know. Well that is entirely up to you. The Craic is a community newsletter made for the Strathglass community so if you want to contribute then please let us know. It would be great to get articles from any of the groups in the area; reports about whats happening at school, at Shinty, In the

Hall or just something that is going on in your village or little corner of Strathglass that you want everyone to know about.

#### How can I get in touch?

If you do have an article to submit, an event to publicize or anything else you want to share then you can either email it direct to me at the shop (<a href="mailto:shop@cannichstores.co.uk">shop@cannichstores.co.uk</a>) or bring in a copy of your article next time you come shopping and we will put it in the next issue for you.

#### Can you advertise?

Of course you can. This is your newsletter; you can have anything you want in it. If you want to advertise your business or maybe you just want to run a classified ad, then just let me know and we can see what we can do for you.



#### What's On

We all lead busy lives but we also need to let our hair down and relax from time to time, so this section will showcase what is coming up in our area for you and your family to do.



### Can You Help?

Do you have a story to tell? Would you like to contribute? You can help make this newsletter great for everyone in our area so please get in touch with your submission.

This newsletter is for everyone in the community and it is for whatever you want it to be. So get writing and get your submissions in so we can together make this newsletter great for everyone

### Black Dragon Scotland

### Practical & Effective Self Defence

For two consecutive Thursday nights in September the Black Dragon Martial Art Academy of Drumnadrochit called the Cannich Hall home giving our local kids a chance to see just what it is all about.

For those they didn't manage to get along to see; Black Dragon Scotland is a multi-styled martial arts & self defence club. The club covers a range of disciplines like Combat Hapkido, Ju Jitsu, Hand to Hand fighting and Tai Chi.

The second of the two visits to our hall was not just for training and practice; there was also some official business that took place. Congratulations go to Cameron from Drumnadrochit and to local kids Rowan & Jack who graded and were awarded their white belts. Well done to you all.

Open to all ages and all skill levels it's a great way to exercise and learn a new skill. If enough people remain interested in learning, then the organisers will look to holding classes more permanently in Cannich. If not, then don't worry you can always attend the weekly classes in Drumnadrochit.



#### LITTLE DRAGONS

Little Dragons is the children's class for ages 6 upwards, classes are relaxed & friendly and tailored towards the ability of the student.

JUNIOR CLASS: 5:45PM TO 6:45 SENIOR/ADULT CLASS: 6:30 – 7:30

### Halloween 2016



It's that time of year again, time to get your scariest outfit on and join everyone for a great night out down at the hall. Tickets as usual will be available from the shop. This year the party will be on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October, so make sure you mark it in your diary and get your tickets early.

The night is BYO and funds raised will go towards the maintenance of the hall floor.

### Winter is coming

As the nights get longer and the temperature starts to drop its time to think about winter fuel again.

For those that don't already know we here at the shop have been fighting for some time to get lower gas prices and have finally won our battle and can now offer you prices that can be up to 40% cheaper than what was previously charged.

We are now an official Flogas stockiest and that means big savings; a 47kg Propane tank that used to be £98 is now only £63; so come on in to the shop and swap over now to begin saving big money this winter



### What's on

### **October**

4 - Cannich Bridge Primary Open Afternoon: From 2pm

5 - Cannich Craft Club: Cannich Hall 7pm - 9pm

6 - Whist Taster: Cannich Hall 7:30pm - 10:30pm

8 - Cr. Margaret Davidson 10am - 11am

- Earthgems Jewelry Beginners workshop: Cannich Hall 12-4:30pm

12 - Strathglass Community Council meeting: Cannich Hall 7:30pm - 9:30pm

17 – Highland Archive Resources for Family Historians: Marydale Church 7:30pm

19 - Cannich Craft Club: Cannich Hall 7pm - 9pm

29 - Halloween party: Cannich Hall from 6pm

### November

16 - Cannich Craft Club: Cannich Hall 7pm - 9pm

17 - Whist Drive: Cannich Hall 6:30pm - 10:30pm

19 – Earthgems Jewelry Beginners workshop: Cannich Hall 12-4:30pm

### **December**

31 - Hogmanay Party: Cannich Hall from 5pm

Do you have an event you want listed? Is there an important date we have missed? Please let us know so that we can include your event in the next edition.



So what do you think?

Is the newsletter a good idea?

Do you like the layout? the content?

What have we got right and where have gone wrong? This is your newsletter, a newsletter for everyone in Strathglass and without you and your input and feedback we cannot succeed.

### Classifieds

### **Wanted**

Seeking a small 4x4 up to £1500 please contact Sara at the shop if you can help.

### **Positions Vacant**

For Sale

### A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY...

## The Millionaire Stalker

Walter Winans, the American millionaire, who rented nearly 250,000 acres in Glen Strathfarrar, was it's most famous and most notorious sporting tenant. He also rented land at Fasnakyle, Knockfin and Glens Cannich and Affric. Before stalking was established, deer were driven to the hunters. Winans had gigantic drives, culminating between Lochs Beannacharan and a' Mhuillidh, which local stalkers considered wholesale slaughter, compared with the skill of stalking. Winans could bring down stags galloping at 100 yards, and once went so far as to paint a white horse dapple-grey - the colour lasted ten weeks and the chemicals kept the midges off!

Source: www.glenaffric.org



