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Blast from the past:-

MINISTER: Rev. Alan T. McKean
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The Wednesday Afternoon Social Club

This club for retired people meets in Kirkmichael School during the winter terms at 2.30pm. About once a month there is a speaker or slide show, the other Wednesday afternoons the members play whist, and there is always a cup of tea and a biscuit. Chairman: Mrs Violet Walker, Ardlemount.

The Thursday Club

The Thursday Club meet every Thursday during the school terms in Strone of Cally School at 12.30pm and enjoy lunch together. Sometimes this is followed by slides or other entertainment and sometimes just by a chat. At present it is a very flourishing club with an average of about 15 older people attending. The organiser is Mr. John Maxwell, Alt-na-Feadh, Bridge of Cally.

NEWS IN BRIEF

The Auction Sale held in Kirkmichael Hall in July in aid of the Church was a resounding success. During the course of a most entertaining day the sum of £1,951.62 was raised. The refreshment stall raised £136.13.

Captain Duncan Ellin R.N. and Professor Hamish Miles were both awarded the O.B.E. in the Queen's Birthday Honours list.

A small ceremony was held in Kirkmichael in November when a new Play Area was opened. The equipment was given in memory of Dr. Archie Stewart.

Dr.G.F. Dutton received a Scottish Arts Council 'Autumn Book Award' in Edinburgh recently. He has just published his second collection of poetry entitled 'Squaring the Waves'.

Bridge of Cally raised over £600 with a Ceilidh in aid of their Village Hall.

Kirkmichael Woman's Guild organised and enjoyed an evening of entertainment in Dirnanean the home of Mrs. Balfour. Over £154 was made with the sale of tickets and at a small stall. £125 has been contributed to the funds of the Church.

Vaila Macdonald has been chosen to train with the Olympic Ski Team.

The Sunday School

The Sunday School meets in Netherton on the first and third Sundays of the month. The children go to Church and leave the Service for Sunday School after the children's Address with their teacher Mrs. Flora Noonan (Bridge of Cally). At present there is an average of eight children whose ages vary from four years to ten.

A picnic is held every summer and this year for the first time the children are presenting a Nativity Play in the Church on the 20th December at 12.15pm. This is the new time for the Services at Netherton. Everyone will be welcome.

Ordination of Elders

At the Service in Kirkmichael Church on December 5th Mrs. Margaret Brookes and Mrs. Mary Ringer were ordained as Elders and welcomed by the Kirk Session.

Editorial Committee

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It is hoped that the next issue will come out towards the end of March in time for Easter and any suggestions to make it helpful and more interesting would be much appreciated.

We would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year and especially our warmest wishes and prayers go to Mrs. McKean and our Minister and to all who are ill or unhappy at this time.