

THE ADVISORY GROUP

CENTRAL

Summer 2011

## Central TAG Magazine



## Welcome to the summer edition of the Central TAG Magazine.



You might be asking 'what is TAG?' and 'why have I got this magazine?'

Well TAG stands for **The Advisory Group** and we are service users from Central Scotland supported by **KEY** who meet every other month to talk about things that are important to us and to you.

We have designed this magazine because we think it is important that you know about us and that you have the chance to give us your ideas and comments.

We hope this will give you the chance to find out all the different things that are going on in the Central region.

If you know of a group or a good place to go, or have a story you want to share. Make sure you send it in for the next edition.

We hope you enjoy finding out what we've been up to and maybe by reading this think you'd like to take part either by joining TAG or by contacting us with some new ideas.

## A quick update...

You might remember looking through our last magazine in autumn 2009?

Here are a few things Central TAG have been doing since then...



We met with Alan Greenhill who some of you may know... he works for Falkirk Council in development of services for adults with learning disabilities



We were involved in feedback from **KEY'S** housing questionnaire.

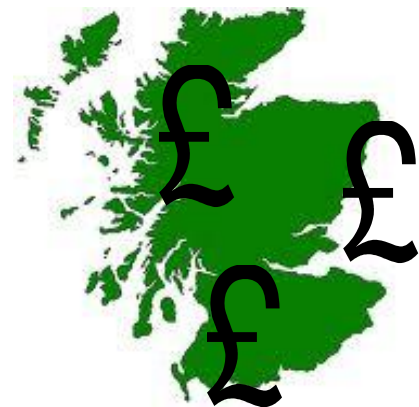


We discussed when it was OK or not OK for workers to use their mobile phones when supporting people. We were involved in contributing to the guidelines along side the other Regional TAG's.



Julian Michalowski was involved in the pilot project between National TAG and **KEY's** Management Committee. They were looking at ways in which people who are supported by **KEY** can be involved in being active members of the Management Committee. We are pleased to say that the pilot was a success.

We took part in a nation wide collection of information regarding the charging policy after it was found different councils were charging very different amounts!



## Have a Look...

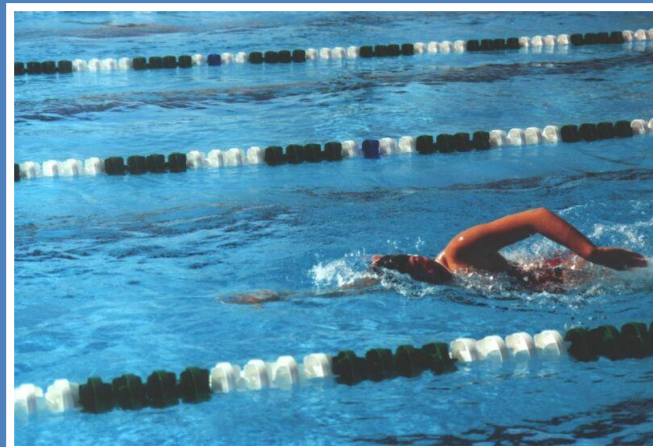
We want to use this magazine as a way to share information about our local areas Falkirk, Stirling and Clackmannanshire. These are just a few of the different groups and events that are going on which you may be interested in.

**Bainsford Baking Group**



**Thursday 1pm - 3.45pm**  
**Camelon Ed Centre £5**

**Dolphin Club**  
**Grangemouth Sports**  
**Complex**  
**Every other Saturday**  
**5pm – 6pm**  
**£1**



**Arion**  
**Swimming**  
**Club**  
**Stirling**

**Volunteering Opportunities at**  
**The Jupiter Urban Wildlife Centre**  
**Grangemouth**



# Action Outdoors

Union Canal

All ages and abilities

[actionoutdoors.webeden.co.uk](http://actionoutdoors.webeden.co.uk)



*Free walking  
scheme for all  
ages and abilities.*

*Contact Barbara*

*McConnell*

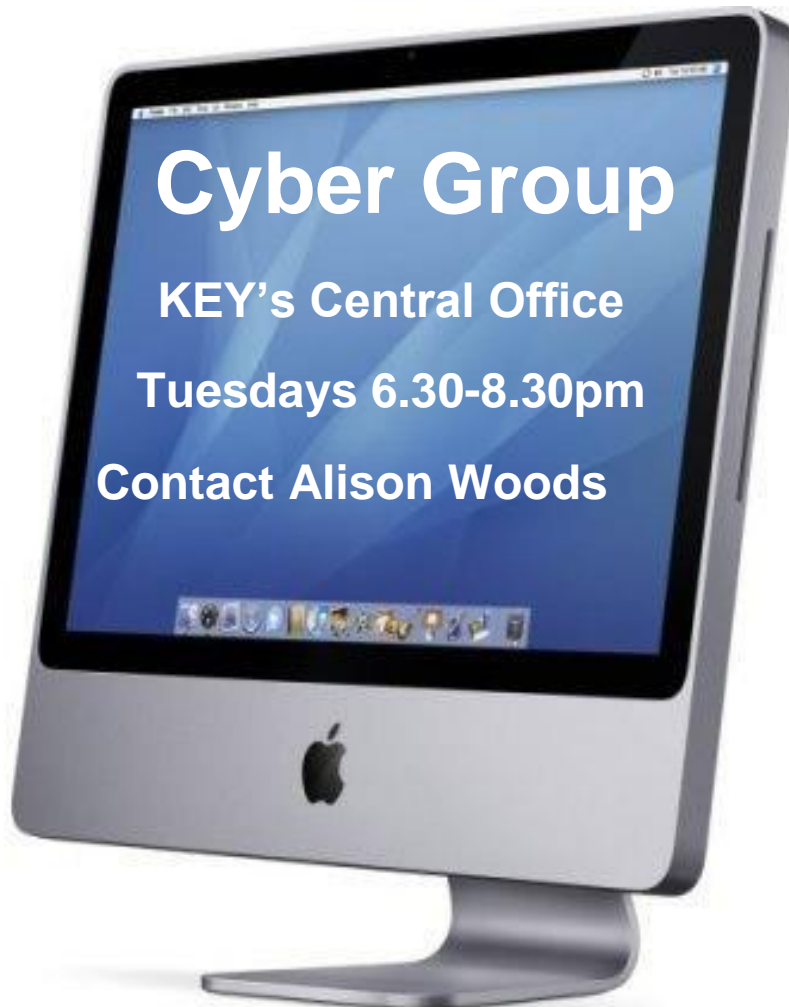
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## Cyber Group

KEY's Central Office

Tuesdays 6.30-8.30pm

Contact Alison Woods





**Dawson Centre**

**Bainsford**

***Fun 'n' Games***

***Thursday***

**1pm – 3.30pm**

**£1 Entry**

**Including refreshments**



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whole of Forth Valley**

**For more information;**

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**Phone- 01786 450971**

## Free Events and Activities...



**Ice – cream making** in the Georgian Kitchen, Callendar House throughout July and August. Booking is essential.



**Highland Dancing and Pipe Band Displays** – Port Street Precinct throughout July and August.

**Doune Action Day (Countryside event)** – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 10am – 3pm. Booking essential. For more information – [www.countryside@stirling.gov.uk](mailto:www.countryside@stirling.gov.uk)



**The Fly by Nights** (night walk bats etc) Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 8pm – 10pm, booking essential. For more information [www.countryside@stirling.gov.uk](mailto:www.countryside@stirling.gov.uk)

WHEN YOU VISIT  
KINNEIL HOUSE  
YOU CAN WALK  
AROUND INSIDE  
IT.  
YOU CAN WALK  
AROUND THE  
OUTSIDE AND  
AROUND THE  
DEAN.  
ANOTHER PLACE  
YOU COULD VISIT  
WHILE THERE IS  
THE KINNEIL  
MUSEUM WHICH  
IS NEAR BY.



**Kinneil Heritage Day** Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>  
August 12-4pm





**Fungi Foray** (autumnal fruit walk) Doune, Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2pm-4pm and 4-6pm. Booking essential. For more information - [www.countryside@stirling.gov.uk](mailto:www.countryside@stirling.gov.uk)



**Doors Open Days.** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Buildings across Falkirk open their doors to the public, various venues. For more information - [www.doorsopendays.org.uk](http://www.doorsopendays.org.uk)



**“Forth and Clyde 10”** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> of September marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the re-opening of the Forth and Clyde canal. A day of entertainment at Falkirk Wheel. Prices still apply to activities.



**Kinneil House Open Day** Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 12noon-3pm. A tour around the house. Also includes spooky tales for Halloween!



## Our Plans for this Year...

Central TAG have been speaking about social activities for a while now and looking at how to make the best use of support times.



## Let's Get Together...

Recently we received a grant from Stirling Council to run a local event to bring people together. We decided that this was the ideal opportunity to look at what activities and clubs we have around us and what things we would like to have available which are not at the moment.

We are still in the early stages of planning our event but here are some details for your diary.



*Central Connections*

*Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September*

*2011*

*Albert Halls*

*Stirling*

If you have enjoyed looking through this magazine then this event is the place for you! More details will follow shortly.

## Let us know what you think...

We really hope that you have enjoyed reading our summer magazine and have maybe found something new you'd like to try.

Central TAG hope to bring out a similar magazine in the autumn to keep you up to date with things going on over the winter, if you have any local clubs, groups or events you would like to have shown in the magazine please let us know!

Or maybe you're looking for a club to join? We can add a section for your questions and hopefully have some answers too!

This magazine goes out to every service user in Central!

**Please get in touch with our TAG Supporter Emma by...**

Posting any letters to;



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**Laurieston,**

**FALKIRK FK2 9PP**

**Phoning or texting Emma on**

**07864167069**



**(Please leave a message if I don't answer)**

**Emailing Emma at**

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**Emma**



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