

# Perthshire Open Studios

1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> September



Lydia - our new receptionist!

This year's Perthshire Open Studios in **St Columba's, Crieff** was launched on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August with a Wine and Nibbles Evening in the church which was a very enjoyable occasion and a great start to a busy week.

There was a wonderful variety of paintings on display from many local artists. In addition there was an excellent selection of craft work which, considering the work involved in producing them, were sold at very reasonable prices.



During the week many people came in each day not only to look and in many cases purchase a painting or craft items but to enjoy Café Columba and the wonderful selection of snack lunches and cakes with their tea or coffee.



Our thanks to all those who contributed their work to give such a wonderful display as well as all those who came along to help. However special thanks are due to Jane and Maggie for all their hard work in organising the event as well as for all that they did during the week.

Not forgetting a very special thanks to Jane for all her hard work with the excellent catering. Everything combined to make it such a happy experience for everyone who came.

Along in **St Serf's, Comrie Jonnie Sainsbury** had a delightful display of many of his nature paintings, this year focusing on birds seen in and around his garden. The detail in the paintings was so precise that they



could easily have been mistaken for photographs. The sound of bird song in the background made it a very relaxing experience. One afternoon two Primary School classes came along and there were interesting discussions, including one where Jonnie demonstrated to

the children, through rough sketches, all the processes involved in making a muffin from the wheat and the egg to the end product!

All in all another very successful year for Perthshire Open Studios in Crieff and Comrie.

