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## NEWS – OCTOBER 2011

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### Committee News

Congratulations to committee member Carol of Create Communications on the birth of her son Archie. I have delivered a beautiful floral arrangement (courtesy of Jo Larcombe – Flowers@7) and done enough oooing and aaahing for all of us. In my usual personal fashion, I have started Archie's library of books.



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### Membership

Welcome to new members:

- Jennifer McMillan – Artist
- Joy Rivett-Gill – Chiropractor
- Fiona Gibson – Pampered Chef

AABW's "soft-networking" really works and I am constantly amazed and delighted at the amount of business done between members. I wish every success to our new members and always remember that "YOU KNOW A WOMAN WHO CAN".

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### Events

I must thank member Lyndsey Phillips of Stimuli for the terrific workshop at the September event. I wonder how many of us also recognised ourselves in the female case study illustrated by the event's sponsor – Anne Fairlie of Anne Fairlie Therapies. Congratulations to both ladies for a wonderful evening.

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### Association of Scottish Businesswomen (ASB)



Annie Lennox was Ayrshire's nomination and winner of the "Scottish Woman of Achievement" Award.

Lisa Tobias of Domino's Pizza (**Ayr**, Kilmarnock, Irvine and Glasgow) won the Outstanding Contribution to Business Award.

On your behalf I would also like to thank Susan Chan of New Horizons Creative Solutions for representing Ayrshire in 2 Awards categories. Susan was runner-up in the Scottish Awards which took place recently in Aviemore.

### Member News

"I know it's a bit early to mention the "C" word, but Sarah Plant of Sarah's Creative Occasions is holding her own Creative Gift Fayre locally in Prestwick in time for Christmas, bringing to you a variety of unique gifts on sale by a wonderful array of personally selected suppliers from in and around Ayrshire.

Sarah would love it if you could join her for some shopping, enjoy some seasonal carols and all whilst the children busy themselves with a free treasure hunt. Please spread the word to family and friends. Further details on the event can be found on-line at [www.sarahscreativeoccasions.com/blog](http://www.sarahscreativeoccasions.com/blog) or at Sarah's Creative Occasions on Facebook"



Our newest member, Fiona Gibson from The Pampered Chef, is proud to present "Help Whip Cancer" throughout October - raising up to 25% of sales from fun, enjoyable Cooking Shows for Cancer Research UK. A variety of "Pink" products are available also. To host a Fundraiser or to order some Pink Products, please call Fiona on 07545093195.

### Recommendations

I have used several tradespeople recently and have no hesitation in recommending them to you:

- ✚ John Tominey – hedge trimmer (T: 01292 318 208)
- ✚ Yvonne Sweeney – decorator (T: 07871159780 or 01292 591 933)
- ✚ Mark Winton – heating engineer (T: 01294 557 484 or 07967 348 707)

### PSYBT

The recent Ayrshire award winner was the restaurant "Su Casa" in the Lorne Arcade Ayr. Several members have recommended their food – particularly if you like vegetarian and vegan. Their on-line reviews are "Excellent".

Save the Children Art Exhibition and Sale

I guarantee that you will have a great day out if you attend this exhibition in the Maclaurin Galleries in Rozelle (Ayr).



**Save the Children**  
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During the next 4 weeks over 400 paintings will be up for sale. The artists and volunteers have raised over **£1/4m** in the past 17 years. While you are there, why not pop into the lovely restaurant and sample some fabulous home-baking.

Chamber Events

AABW is taking a stand at the Business Week event in the Racecourse on Tuesday 11 October. I do hope we will see you there – keynote speaker is Sir Tom Hunter.

I look forward to your company also at the Brig o’doon lunch on Wednesday 12 October with guest speaker Fiona Lees. Fiona is Chief Executive of East Ayrshire Council and a past speaker at AABW.

I wasn’t fortunate to see any live moose during my recent trip to Cape Cod and Vermont but now have a “very” large stuffed toy Christmas Ornament (much admired at Committee meeting this morning). Thank goodness the husband’s luggage always has room for my purchases.



Looking forward to your company at the next event on Tuesday 25 October with former Enterprise company Giglets and also at our November Cashmere Evening in Beggs (a wonderful shopping opportunity right on our doorsteps).

Bye for now – Best wishes

***Liz***