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Out And About With Tom Angus

THE annual rally of the Bailies of Bennachie earlier this month drew a crowd of 500. They gathered in a field adjacent to Esson's car park, midway between Chapel of Garioch and Blairdaff, and they enjoyed lovely sunshine!

The senior bailie James MacKay introduced the lord lieutenant, Dr Maitland Mackie, who, in his role of Guardian of Bennachie, welcomed the bailies and their friends.

Before the hot sausage rolls arrived, that well-known couple John and Alice Mearns entertained with stories and songs.

The Bennachie calendar was on sale for the first time and before the end of the afternoon a few hundred copies had been sold. The new Guide to Bennachie was also a very popular choice.

Incidentally, the calendar and guide are now available from local newsagents/book-sellers.

The guide is a joint effort with the Forestry Commission. The text was prepared by Senior Bailie MacKay and the illustrations are the work of Mrs J. D. Tait of Crichton Bank, Inverurie.

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MRS JOHN DIACK, of 10 Burnside Court, Inverurie,

It was hoped that this treasured photograph could be reproduced for printing in the "Advertiser." However, cameraman Jim Findlay says this is not possible.

Such a shame because there is a doubt as to where that match took place. Was it on the present bowling green or on the old bowling green—which was situated on that piece of ground next to the Kintore Arms Hotel, Inverurie, where well-known architect Mr Albert McCombie's house now stands?

If any readers have clues about this, please contact Walter Gilbert who will be only too pleased to show them this photograph.

Go-Karter

I DID once mention go-kart racing. However, it seemed to slip into the background but now I have some news regarding this rather interesting sport.

Mr Alex. Pratt (24), who lives at East Balhalgardy Cottages, Inverurie, and is employed by the Inverurie Versatile Steel Works, took up go-kart racing this season.

He is already leading championship at this

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