

Scouts' coffee morning date

SCOUTS in Alloway are holding a coffee morning on Saturday, December 5.

All are welcome to the church hall event, on from 10.15am to noon.

There will be book and bakery stalls as well as a raffle, and admission is £2.50.

Cash raised will go towards the Scouts' planned expedition to Belgium in July next year.

A SPECIAL service took place on Sunday, November 15, to rededicate the war memorial after extensive refurbishment. Dalmellington Community Council would like to thank all local organisations and individuals who contributed to the appeal for funds. Thanks also to the Minerals Trust, whose contribution secured the funds needed to carry out the work.

The presence of Deaconess Muriel Wilson and the Rev Father Alan Wilson was much appreciated. Scouts, the Masonic Lodge and Dalmellington Band also attended.

Paper mill visit

SEVEN members of the Prestwick-based Phoenix Explorer Scout Unit paid a visit to the UPM Kymmene Caledonian Paper (UK) Ltd Papermill at Irvine.

They heard a talk on how paper is made, and given samples of the product at various stages of the process.

Next came a tour of the plant, starting with the arrival of timber and the removal of bark.

Safety glasses and ear defenders were provided inside the hi-tech plant.

And the Explorers saw how the timber ends up as finished rolls of paper, ready for shipping to printing facilities all over the world.

They also heard how quality checks are carried out to ensure the paper is the required strength, thickness and colour. The group also heard how the plant recycles as much of the materials used as it can.



PAPER BOYS: Explorer Scouts visit the big mill.



MEMORIAL: Danni Cullen and Callur Carruthers lay a wreath on behalf of the Scouts.



SERVICE: War memorial rededication service.

Craigmark Inn on Saturday, November 28 at 7pm.

● DALMELLINGTON 33rd (Ayrshire Scout Group will again be delivering your local Christmas cards. Leave your local cards (10p per card) for delivery at Martha's Chemist, Jim Bone's shop, Gibson's Garage or Nine Strands, Bell's and J. Pat.