



# Newsletter Spring 2012



## The Rumbly Gets Licenced



Finally in March 2012 we became licenced and can offer organic wines starting at under £10 a bottle. Cairngorm and Black Isle Beers and of course Whisky with over 30 to choose from.

## Green Tourism Shortlist 2012

We are the only Scottish guest house or B&B to be shortlisted for the **Green Tourism Business Scheme Goldstar Awards 2012**. The shortlist is compiled from the highest scoring Gold graded businesses from 2011 representing the greenest 2% of the total 2400 GTBS membership. The awards will be announced on Friday 25th May 2012. Fiona is attending the event.

## The Lounge 2012 Revamp Complete

The lounge took some sorting out but we have finally completed what was planned. We have a new Bar Area, Tartan carpet and better split level arrangement. New Tourist Information Area and loads more reference books. We now have a larger range of Highland Soaps. Also a new laptop for guest use and of course free Wi-Fi.



## Solar PV Generating Well

Since the installation in November 2011 our panels have done really well and have produced 800kwh by the end of April. I am hoping to get the system linked to our PC so I can track what we generate on each day.



## Bio Mass Boiler Up and Running !

As we highlighted in the last newsletter our "planned" installation went ahead and is really making a difference. The new boiler provides us with a pressurised hot water system. The house is now running on compressed sawdust pellets, not oil. In the end we had to have our garage removed and a new double boiler room built. Some photos of the installation below.

## Garva & Laggan New En-Suites

As promised from our last newsletter we have pictures of our new en-suites, Loch Laggan on the left and Garva Bridge on the right. All the materials have been carefully selected for their sustainability and quality. Garva also gets new comfy chairs.



## Garden Development continues....

The garden has undergone some changes with some trees relocated due to size. The car park has had a revamp and more planting area created. We have a new hen house and a new veg raised area with a small new poly-tunnel. Potatoes in already and we have seeds growing in the greenhouse of courgette, red cabbage, Italian broccoli, runner beans, sprouts, cauliflower, and others.

