



Pathway project
DIARY
Luss, Scotland, UK

8.-30.7.2006

Team Finland



The day before

- 9 of us met in Joutsa, Finland: Tiina, Tiinu, Mari, Pekka, Sonja, Liisi, Heikki, Heidi and Liisa
- We had a barbeque at Tiina's apartment and listened some live music and the last minute packing was done
- Some went to sleep at midnight, some did not



Day one 9.7.2006

- Waking up at 02.00, some were already up all night
- A bus took us to the Helsinki airport, departure from Joutsa at 03.00
- The flight was supposed to departure 7.20, but it was delayed by 3 hours:
 - Waiting at the airport was painful and tiring
- Finally we arrived in Edinburgh at 11.00 after almost 3 hours flight
- Neil from Thistle Coaches drove us to Luss
- We had a warm welcome at the Pilgrimage Centre by Bob, Dane and Lorraine
- We also had some warm soup and sandwiches
- We found out our accommodation and unpacked our luggage
- Some of us had some sleep and we also had a walk around Luss
- Elisa had an upset stomach from travelling☹
- At 6 we had pizza, chips and salad
- We got to know new friends: Gillian, Lesley-Anne, Sam, Grant and Matthew
- Writing this diary after dinner and waiting for the Czechs to arrive at 9 pm



Day two, 10.7.2006

by: Mari and Heidi

- Woke up at 8 am
- We had a nice breakfast: Toasts, fruits, croissants, cornflakes etc.
- We cleaned up the toilets and rooms
- We all sat down in the tent and Bob told us the routines
- Steven the ranger took us to nice little walk in the forest. He told us how to do the pathway and showed the beautiful nature
- Soup for lunch (tomato and chicken)
- We did some pathway (Whee!!)
- Some of us went to swim and we got a stamp of crazy-people on our foreheads.
- Dinner: mashed potatoes, sausages and peas
- We made friends each other via games
- The time of our own...Sleep



Day 3 (11th July)

Liisa😊

By Sonja😊 and

- Breakfast at 8:30, we had sandwiches/ toast, cereals, tea, croissants, sausage rolls etc.
- Morning was started by playing some nice Finnish games (by the help of Tiinu) dividing us into four separate groups
- Groups number one and two went to dig the pathway, groups number three and four stayed at the centre to do some pottery and “stone fishes” ; after one hour work a switch was made
- Lunch: lens soup, sandwiches, milk/ juice/ water
- Pathway project continued; we took some rocks/ sand to the pathway
- Free time: e.g. sleeping, reading, visiting the village centre (shopping 😊), being outside, swimming etc.
- Dinner: rice and chicken/ vegetables, dessert: traditional Scottish pudding
- Free time and playing outside with other people, watching movie...



Day 4, 12.7.06

- After breakfast, our Finnish group (including some people from country we cant write. (Czech Republic.)) went to shopping, near to Glasgow. Again people from other country, went for a little trip. (Hiking to Ben Lomond.)
- We came back at 4. pm and planned our Finnish evening. And baked pulla.
- At half past 7. WE MADE IT! (Heikki was the best in some cup-game.) We told everybody ALLMOST everything about Finland: Lappland, Santa Claus, Climate, Population, Food, Music etc.
- We ate PULLA and drank MAETOVA. We danced “letkajenkka” and listened music.



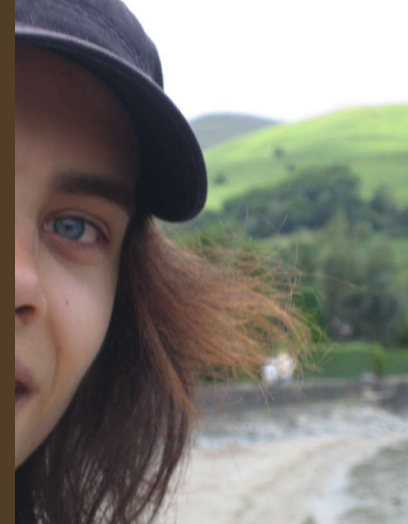
What do you know about Finland?

- It has same colours in the flag as Scotland.
- Green country
- They won the eurovision song contest
- Helsinki – capital
- Lappland
- Northern lights
- Long summer nights
- Sibelius
- Euro and EU
- Finlandia Vodka
- Icehockey
- The Rasmus
- “Mina rakastan sinua”, “Kiitos”
- Lot of lakes



13.7.2006 Thursday 5th day

- We woke up at 8 o'clock and the breakfast was 8.30 as usually. Weather was great. Sun shined and it was quite warm.
- Groups 1 and 2 started to work in Path way 10 am. And groups 3 and 4 went to canoeing to Loch Lomond.
- Lunch was at 12 o'clock and after that we changed the groups and it was another's time to canoeing.
- At Evening we had Scottish Ceilidh- dance show. There was little girls dancing traditional dances and bagpipes music. We also get a change to dance. After that we drank IronBru and ate Scottish sweets.
- About 10 pm we started to watch movie "Small Chocolate Shop", "Pieni suklaapuoti".



14.7.2006 Friday 6th day...

- We woke up like usually and we went to the breakfast 8.30
- Groups 3 and 4 went to working first. The morning was really warm and sun shined.
- Now we have dig 100m, but it's not ready jet, we have to fill it.
- When the others were working while we had a change to go to walking on nature.
- At 12.30 we had a lunch.
- We went to the local pub to listen some band.
- When we came back from pub we noticed that in girls toilet we had a flood. Water were everywhere and it was midnight when we dried the floor.



15.7. Saturday 7th day

By Tiinu

- Breakfast was at 7.00. So we had to wake up at 6.00.
- Then we went to buss station and took buss to Balloch. From Balloch we took train to Glasgow.
- Sam, Grant and Scott were our guides and they did a good work.
- We split in two groups and went to see sightseeing's (Modern art museum, Cathedral, necropolis, festival by the river...) and to do some shopping. Glasgow was really nice place.
- We came back with train and buss, from Glasgow to Balloch and Luss. In Luss we went straight to swim.
- In Luss they had a wedding and we weren't allowed to use toilets. At first we used toilet in Center, but during the evening we were told that we can use the toilets.
- In the evening we also had a barbeque, Bob was barbequing sausages, corn, rib, beef... and we had also salads, bred and drinks.
- We saw lot of kilts, even Sam and Dane were wearing their own kilts. We took lot of pictures.
- This was Sam's, Grant's and Scott's last evening in here, Sam and Grant went to Serbia to Jamboree. But they will come to Finland 😊



16.7. Sunday 8th day

- We had opportunity to sleep late. Breakfast was at 9.30. 😊
- We had the day off, like a holiday 😊
- Some of us went to church at 11.45 : Tiinu, Liisa, Heidi and Heikki. After lunch some of us went to hiking: Tiina, Liisa and Sonja (who is still a little bit ill) and the rest just rested, slept, took some sun, wrote postcards, wrote email...
- After dinner Dane told us something about the church, Saint Kessog brought Christianity to Luss at year 510, the new church was built at 18th century, nobody can go to the church tower (there is no door).
- After that Rachel told us about the kilt's history. She also told us about making of kilts. At the end we were able to try Dane's kilts. Wheeee..!
- Tiinu colored Elisa's hair
- Some of us went to sleep and the others watched Garfield the movie.



17.7. Monday 9th day

by Liisa and Sonja ☺

- We wake up at 8:00 and went to have our breakfast as usual 8:30 a.m.
- Groups number 1 and 2 went to build the pathway and after lunch number 3 and 4.
- Lunch: bread, cheese, fruits, salad and juice
- Some leisure time: sleeping, sun bathing, reading and so on
- A new boy, Jonathan from Wales joined our colourful groups and Leslie-Ann came back
- Dinner: kuskus (rice), chicken, salad and chocolate
- Quiz planned by Gillian (and also leaders); questions were about Scotland, Finland and Czech Republic → Group number one won it
- Some wanted to watch the movie “Braveheart” in which Mel Gibson acts



Tuesday 10th day, 18.7.2006

☺ Heikki

- We woke up at 8:00 as usual.
- After breakfast groups 3 and 4 went first to build the pathway.
- At the same time groups 1 and 2 washed our laundry.
- After lunch we changed turns. Soup was delicious.
- We had a very good supper; salads, pies and oven baked potatoes. Some went for a small cake picnic before dinner.
- After dinner we went to the church to listen to a French choir.
- In the evening some of us played football.
- now it is 9.56 pm and I am going back to watch the game



Wednesday 19.7.06, 11th day

- We woke up at 8 o'clock, as usually.
- After breakfast we cleaned and then we all went to do some work.
- We managed to finish the pathway and after that we had time to relax
- At 7 pm. we went on a cruise across Loch Lomond.
- After that we had disco.



Thursday 20.7.06, 12th day

We woke up like usually 8 o'clock

After breakfast we went to the kilt factory, which was closed and suddenly started to rain.

We had a break and after that we went to build some path.

In the evening we had a Czech evening.

They had a performance and introduction about their country.

Some of us watched videos later.



Friday 21.7.2006, 13th day

- Pekkis

- Breakfast at 8.30 am. (I think.)
- Lunch at 12.30 pm.
- Supper at 18.00 pm.
- At 19.30 pm. The Scottish evening started. Gillian and Andy made it possible. We ate HAGGIS, pancakes and some Scottish sweets. There were two guys who played us guitar and we sang with them.
- Then we Sang to our mates (Sam and Grant) song called: Loch Lomond. Andy video taped it and putted it to net where boys can watch that.
- After that Andy filmed me when I was dancing. AND HE PUT IT INTO INTERNET!

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Saturday 22.7.2006, 14th day

- Breakfast as usual, cleaning a bit later
- 6 of us went to Helensburgh by Dane's and Anne's car:
 - We stayed a couple of hours and walked around the village
 - Also visited one church and some shops (Mari, Heikki, Tiinu, Tiina)
- Others went hiking for the whole day (Liisa & Sonja)
- We did the laundry and relaxed
- It was two wedding going on in the church today (at 13 and at 15)
- We saw the latter wedding from the internet
- Bob arranged a barbeque with chicken, hamburgers and sausages
- Clan Colquhoun had a clan meeting and barbeque at the garden at the same time with us

Dane, the minister, looks handsome in his red tartan pants!!



Sunday 23.7.2006, 15th day

- We slept late, breakfast at 9.30.
- Some of us went to church and afterwards we changed addresses with Eve, May, Anne, Andy & Gillian
- We knew some of the hymns which were played during the ceremony
- After lunch we all headed towards Luss Highland Games to see some real Scot athletes: hill running, dancing, throwing of some heavy things...
- We bought souvenirs: kilts, jewellery, bags



- During the evening we packed our bags ready to go for a trip for 5 days



Monday 24.7.2006, 16th day

- At 10 am. Bus left from the Luss to the Oban via Inveraray.
- In Inveraray we had 2 hours time and we had a lunch.
- To Oban we departed in afternoon. We sign in to the hostel.
- At 5.30 pm we cooked dinner and after that we had free time.
- Some of us went to the beach with Scott and his friends.



Tuesday 25 July 2006 17th

- We woke up in Oban 8.30
- After breakfast we had free time, some of us went to watch views and places with Scott.
- We had a change go to the boat trip to watch seals and dolphins. Dane was there with us.
- In evening some of us went to the cinema to watch Pirates of the Caribbean.



Wednesday 26th July 2006

- We left Oban at 10:00 and arrived to Stirling at 12:30
- We ate some food and just relaxed a while
- We went to visit the Stirling Castle and some of us went shopping
- In the late evening we had tickets to Stirling Old Town Jail
- We went to shops but they were already closed at 6:00 p.m.
- Dinner and ghost walk, after that sleeping time



Thursday 27th July 2006

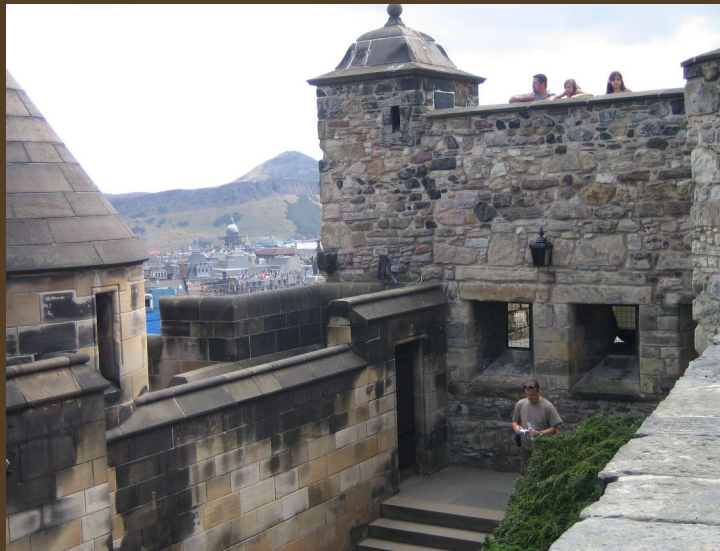
- About at 10 a.m. we left from Stirling to Edinburgh.
- Bus arrived to Edinburgh at noon. We ate lunch before we got our dormitories at 2 p.m.
- In afternoon part of us visited in Edinburgh Castle and Edinburgh Dungeon. Heidi, Pekka, Sini, Elisa ja Heikki ate supper in Wannaburger. Elisa is our hero!
- After supper we walked around Edinburgh.
- In the evening we sat in hostel and talked.



Friday 28th July 2006

By: Mari and Heidi

- We woke up at 9 and after breakfast singed out.
- We spent whole day shopping and looking around Edinburgh. Legs were quite tired after that.
- Mari, Heidi, Elina, Liisi end Elisa ate take away pizzas, which were full of cheese.
- We left Edinburgh at 6.30 pm
- Andy had made a DVD, where were all Dane's photos and we watched it and Sini and Heidi cried. Music in it was so sad.



Saturday 29th July 2006

- We spend the by packing our things and exchanging addresses and making evaluations about the trip
- We also went working to the pathway for a while before dinner
- Terka's birthday party!



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