



Mrs Menzies pours her daughter, Danni, a cup of coffee.

# Coffee morning is a big success

THE WORLD'S Biggest Coffee Morning came to Mains of Taymouth Estate at Kenmore yesterday, with a major fund-raising effort on behalf of Macmillan Cancer Care.

Organiser Irena Menzies pulled out all the stops to lay on a bumper morning of fund-raising.

Her daughter Danni, a model and the Scottish face of the Macmillan charity, was also on hand to help out.

"This has been a fantastic day and it has made me really proud to host this event at my family home," Danni said.

"I am sure we have raised

a great total and have other events planned right up until the end of the year now."

Next up will be a charity concert with Edinburgh indie band The Vespas.

It is set to take place on October 30 in the Courtyard restaurant, and will be followed by a grand prize draw at the same venue on Hogmanay.

"We initially came up with the idea of having a prize draw at the coffee morning with some locally donated prizes," Irena explained.

"However, thanks to the generosity of many of the local businesses, we ended

up with so many fabulous prizes that we decided to hold a major draw at Hogmanay.

"The Vespas have also kindly agreed to give all the proceeds from the end of season concert on October 30 to Macmillan."

Despite all the hard work, Mrs Menzies enjoyed herself yesterday.

"It really has been fabulous—the coffee morning has gone down really well," she said.

"It was fantastic to get the pipe band and all the local school children helped out too.

"Danni would not have missed it for the world as

she has become very involved with Macmillan—she recently abseiled down Blair Castle to raise money.

"I have wanted to hold my own Macmillan event here at Mains of Taymouth for some time, and this World's Biggest Coffee Morning gave me the perfect opportunity—my thanks again to everyone who has made the event such a huge success," Irena added.

The array of donated prizes for the Hogmanay draw include a short break with golf from the Kenmore Hotel and a week in a luxury cottage in Oban.

Tickets can be ordered by calling 01887 830226.