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Crowds greet paddle steamer with enthusiasm on day to remember in Ardrishaig

by Colin Cameron editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co

After 18 months of pandemic isolation, it was evidently just what the people of Mid Argyll needed.

The world-famous paddle steamer Waverley came to Ardrishaig on Sunday August 15 and people turned out in their droves to greet the venerable vessel as she arrived for her first visit in two decades. Having dropped into Tarbert on her way, the steamer arrived just ahead of her planned 3.15pm target to be met by three enthusiastic cheers as around 300 people thronged the harbour, cameras

at the ready. With the recent relaxation of pandemic rules and Scotland's arrival 'beyond level zero', enough confidence returned to the community to allow folk to gather together. Masks were in evidence, but most were happy to be free of them for this outdoor occasion.

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Ardrishaig gets unexpected hose-down

'I just wanted to get it done,' explained the man who power-washed Ardrishaig war memorial, writes Colin Cameron.

Lochgilphead resident Donald Bowness took matters into his own hands after noticing Ardrishaig had become slightly grubby during pandemic.

He said: 'Ardrishaig needs a good clean and tidy up, and with lockdown nothing's happened.

'The local street sweeper does a great job, but his hands are tied with what he can do.'

Last week Donald tackled

the 99-year-old war memorial, hosing it down along with the surrounding area.

He later moved on to the pavement and wall outside the Chalmers Street row of shops in the village.

'I'm working my way along towards Lochgilphead will do the Grey Gull [Reverend James Chalmers] monument and road signs along the way.

'I've been asked to clean quite a few headstones for people. Any donations are welcome for the Beatson cancer care charity.'

He added: 'I've done this

off my own back. No one has asked and the community council only found out after it was done. I just wanted to get it done.'

It may have been a surprise, but Ardrishaig Community Council appear to have welcomed his actions.

After the war memorial was cleaned the community council posted on its Facebook page: 'Wow! What a difference a bit of elbow grease makes. A local resident saw the restoration of other local memorials in Argyll and decided to give Ardrishaig's a bit of a scrub.

Fantastic work, thank you so much.'

Argyll and Bute Council, however, took a more cautious stance.

A council spokesperson said: 'We welcome working in partnership to preserve and care for our historic monuments.

'Given their age and importance, they must be treated sensitively and appropriately and this often involves engaging specialist contractors.

'We will be checking to see what, if any, work has been carried out at Ardrishaig war memorial.'



Donald Bowness took matters into his own hands and cleaned Ardrishaig war memorial. 51_a34ArdrishaigMemorial01

POLICE FILES

Assault and theft allegation

At around 5.15pm on Saturday August 7 in Jubilee Terrace, Lochgilphead, a man was allegedly assaulted. A 19-year-old man was later charged with assault, abusive behaviour and theft. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drink driving on electric scooter

About 2.25am on Sunday August 15 at Whitegates court, Lochgilphead, police on patrol stopped a 26-year-old man riding an electric powered scooter. The male undertook a breath test, which he failed. He was arrested and charged with allegedly driving with excess alcohol on his breath, driving without insurance or MOT in place, driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence and culpable and reckless behaviour.

The scooter has been seized and a report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drink driver arrested

After a report to police was made of a drink driver on the A816 near Lochgilphead at around 12.30am on Saturday August 7, a car was located and stopped by officers a short while later and the 28-year-old man driving arrested for allegedly driving while under the influence of alcohol. He was charged with the offence, as well as for failing to provide details of a driver when requested by police and a report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Domestic abuse charge

On Sunday August 8 a report was made to police by a woman alleging controlling and coercive behaviour by her partner in Ardrishaig. A man, aged 19, was arrested in relation to this and interviewed regarding the allegation. He has subsequently been charged with the offence and a report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Traffic incident

On Thursday August 12 on the A83 near Minard, police were undertaking road management at the scene of an accident at about 7.30pm when a vehicle allegedly veered out of its lane, almost striking an officer. As a result of enquiries a man

As a result of enquiries a man aged 76 was charged with careless driving. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Driving charge

About 5.50pm on Friday August 13, on the A816 near Achnabreck, police were called regarding a report of someone overtaking cars in a dangerous fashion. As a result of enquiries a man, aged 31, was charged with allegedly dangerous driving. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Detained for court

Police on patrol at around 8pm on Tuesday August 3 stopped a mechanically propelled vehicle in Dunardry forest car park. The driver. a 44-year-old man, was allegedly found to be disqualified from driving and have no insurance or MOT. He was arrested and detained for court. A report has been submitted to the procurator

Car seized

About 2pm on Saturday August 14 officers on patrol in Inveraray stopped a yellow Volkswagen Golf. The driver, a man aged 21, was allegedly found to have no insurance in place and was driving otherwise than in accordance with his licence. The vehicle was seized and a report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

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Sewer flooding Lydia's run for her daddy risk eased with Tarbert upgrade

Scottish Water's £3.4 million project to help reduce the risk of sewer flooding in Tarbert has been completed, writes Colin Cameron.

The scheme, which began in August 2020, has increased the capacity of the sewer network to help tackle historic flooding

The work involved the installation of 350 metres of bigger sewer pipe that was in place beforehand as well as large diameter sewers along Barmore Road, Harbour Street and a short section of School Road.

Two existing Thomas Telford dry stone culvert crossings had to be negotiated during the works.

Beams were constructed over these culverts to support traffic while protecting their structural integrity. Sevenmetre-deep piles were installed to help support these beams.

These major upgrades will also help to prevent items which should not be flushed down the toilet, such as wet wipes, from ending up in the sea during severe storm events.

Georgina Reid, Scottish Water's corporate affairs manager for the west, said: 'There were a few issues which had historically contributed to the flooding in this area.

'Tidal surges, surface water running down the steep hill, and insufficient existing hydraulic capacity on the sewer network meant that action had to be taken.

'Any sewer flooding causes a great deal of distress for communities, and so it really



The Tarbert sewer upgrade project, which began in August 2020, has been completed.

is great that the increased capacity of the sewer network here will now help reduce that

Scottish Water and the company's alliance partner at the time, amey Black and Veatch, (aBV), recognised that the project would have a significant impact on the village while these essential works were completed.

The project team worked hard to build a good relationship with residents and businesses to ensure the village remained vibrant and bustling and any disruption was kept to a minimum.

Georgina added: 'We would like to thank the whole community for their patience, understanding and support, working with us to allow the successful delivery of this project on time. They took it all in their stride. The engagement with schools, community council and local councillors has been an extremely positive example of ensuring our customers are at the heart of what we do.'

Thanking everyone involved, Councillor Anne Horn said: 'The work in Tarbert was carried out professionally, efficiently and, when required, compassionately.

'We are grateful to all the teams who carried out this major work. They kept us updated and made every effort to keep disruption to a minimum where possible. Thanks again to everyone involved.'

A small number of remedial works, including road markings being painted and the installation of a flower bed. will be completed in coming

Loyalty gift cards launched to boost local shopping

Argyll and Bute is to participate in a loyalty card scheme for shopping locally in Scotland after councillors unanimously backed the idea.

The Scotland Loves Local scheme is the brainchild of Scotland's Towns Partnership, which aims to help local businesses recover from the effects of the Covid-19

At a virtual meeting of Argyll and Bute Council's policy and resources committee on Thursday August 12 councillors agreed that the area should take part.

The initiative will be funded by the Scottish Government for its first year, with the council to review the possibility of any extension in 2022.

The loyalty cards will be able to be used throughout Argyll and Bute, wherever in the area they are initially collected.

The cards are suitable for small independent and national retailers with no costs to individual businesses.

Businesses are being encouraged to sign up at www.lovelocal.scot before it is launched in the autumn.

Three-year-old will go from Lochgilphead to Ardrishaig

A walk from Miller's Bridge to Ardrishaig would be challenge enough for many of us – but three-year-old Lydia Parker from Lochgilphead is planning to run the whole way for a very good cause.
Lydia's dad Michael is currently in the

Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre receiving treatment for stage three cancer.

Wanting to help, Lydia decided to do a sponsored run from Lochgilphead to Ardrishaig along the Crinan Canal to raise money for the Beatson Cancer Charity.

She said: 'I want daddy home feeling better. He's big and brave. I'll make 100 dollars and run super fast! Miss you so much daddy. Love

Michael will have been receiving chemotherapy and radiotherapy for six weeks as she takes on her challenge.

Mum Hannah explained: 'Lydia would like to thank the Beatson for getting her daddy better and we all want to show our support.'

Lydia will start her run from Miller's Bridge in Lochgilphead at 10am on Saturday August 21, running along the canal bank to

A Just Giving page has been set up. To date the total raised stands around £2,000. To find it and donate, visit the Just Giving website



Lydia with her dad Michael. She sets off this weekend on her intrepid fundraiser.

and search 'Lydias sponsored run' (as shown). Hannah added: 'She really has been delighted that she managed to make £100.

'We know times have been tough, but thank you for any wee donation you're able to make.'



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Aquatic themes in this year's Artmap Argyll trail



The boathouse overlooks the Paps which inspired the art.

Underwater pinhole photography, kelp forest collages and the changing light of the Sound of Jura are just some of the creative works to be found on this year's Artmap Argyll trail.

The last two weekends of August will celebrate the area's talent with 43 homes, studios and sheds opening their doors to the public to showcase many new and unusual pieces of art.

Designer and photographer Nils Aksnes, who lives and works near Tayvallich, will be displaying his work over the weekends.

He explained their unusual nature: 'I create images using pinhole cameras which I design and build myself. My cameras are designed to have a low environmental impact which is very important to me. 'Images are made directly

on photographic film with no digital manipulation.

'For this year's open studios I have been experimenting with masks in the camera to produce layers of colour and texture in my images.

'When you look closely, the colours and textures in this coastal landscape are a mixture of natural and marine plastic waste.

'I combine bleach bottle blues, seaweed greens, frayed rope reds and vibrant lichen yellows in my images as they are combined in the landscape.'

Just along from Nils on the Keills peninsula, photographer Mary-Lou Aitchison has spent 18 months preparing for Artmap.

'For the last year-and-a-half I have been photographing the Carraig an Daim, an island in the Sound of Jura,' said Mary-Lou.

'I always frame the island in exactly the same way, with the Paps behind it, so these pictures show how the changing light and seasons alter the sky and the sea, as well as the land. There is no end to the variations.'

For Artmap Mary-Lou has printed some of her favourite pictures, using archival ink on heavy art paper with some prints combining several images to show the island in its many moods.

'Thanks to my kind neighbours,' Mary-Lou added, 'I am exhibiting the prints in the boat shed by the shore at Keills. It makes a lovely gallery, not least because you can see the Paps of Jura from its door.'

Lottie Goodlet's work also features the Sound of Jura, but from below the surface.

A regular swimmer in the

Mary-Lou Aitchison's different lights on the Sound of Jura.

sound, Lottie collects seaweed on her excursions from her home in Carsaig.

She said: 'I am fascinated by the realm of seaweed beneath me.

'I see it as secret and unexpected treasure with underwater kelp forests and ocean meadows gracefully riding the ebb and flow of the tides.

'I dive for eye-catching specimens and collage and press them to capture the seaweed's exquisite colour and diverse and extraordinary form.'

Lottie's work is available as original pressings and limited edition prints.

A full list of all the artists exhibiting in this year's Artmap Argyll is available at: artmapargyll.co.uk

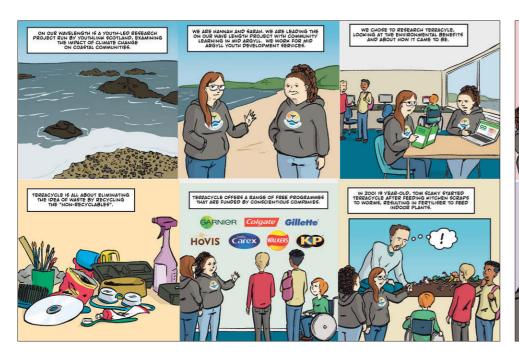


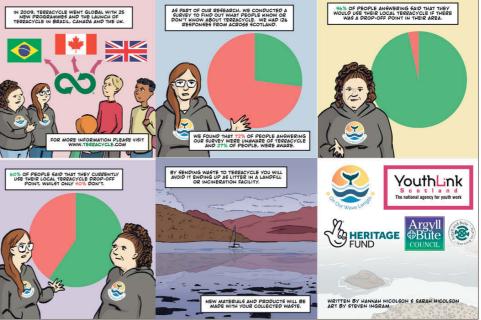
Above: Nils Aksnes' pinhole camera takes him on adventures around Argyll's coast.

Left: Lottie Goodlet's prints use seaweed from the Sound of Jura.









Youth group's new comic strip has serious recycling message

Disposing of 'non-recyclable' waste is one of the big issues of

But a group of young people from Mid Argyll have been looking into alternative recycling approaches, supported by community learning workers from charitable leisure trust LiveArgyll.

And they have hit upon a novel way of getting their message across - through a comic strip.

Guided by youth workers Hannah Nicholson Sarah Nicholson, the group researched recycling, in particular, what can and cannot be recycled.

The project is part of the youth-led On Our Wave Length project exploring environmental impacts on coastal communities, with the Argyll group joined by researchers in Fife, North Berwick, South Avrshire and the Western Isles.

Central to the Lochgilphead project has been TerraCycle. a US-founded firm describing itself as the 'world leader in the collection and reuse of non-recyclable post-consumer waste'.

The firm works with more than 100 major brands in 20 cluding the UK, to collect used packaging and products that would otherwise be destined for landfills. This is repurposed into new eco-friendly materials and products.

The Mid Argyll project started in September 2019 when Hannah and Sarah, sessional youth workers at Mid Argyll Youth Development Services, attended training with Amy Calder, YouthLink Scotland's On Our Wave Length co-ordinator. They put together a group of young people interested in taking part, including members of Lochgilphead Joint campus Eco Group and Mid Argyll Youth Forum.

When lockdown arrived and group sessions became more difficult, the project was put on hold, though Hannah and Sarah kept things moving with support from Amy Calder and community learning worker Linda Tough. Linda said: 'Sarah and Hannah worked really hard to complete this project during a challenging time and it has been a pleasure to support them in their research work. They have both engaged community learning has been fantastic to observe them learn, develop and grow into the confident early career youth workers they are now.'

The group's research involved a survey on the public's awareness of the work of TerraCycle.

Of almost 200 survey responses returned, the statistics showed the vast majority, almost three quarters, knew nothing about TerraCycle.

Strikingly, a massive 96 per cent of people said they would use TerraCycle if a drop-off point was available in the area.

'It's important for our local environment to teach people what they can and can't recycle, to stop clogging up landfill sites and having to build more space at our landfill sites,' Sarah explained.

Hannah said: 'I feel this project was really positive for the young people involved because not only were they educating themselves but they also got to help educate the community.

'Through our research, we discovered this information is not easily obtained and it is important it is put out there so that anyone can access it.

To raise further awareness

design help from graphic

Steve Ingram, created a comic strip about the project to help

explain what TerraCycle is and show the research findings.



Hannah and Sarah, with

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It's live, it's original and it's coming soon — MOJO is back

MOJO is returning to Craignish Village Hall with its special showcase of original live music from Argyll performers.

Organiser Dan Griffiths said: 'At last we can go ahead with music events, obviously with safeguards in place. It's so

good to see our own talented musicians start to get involved again and we have an all-new line-up of local, original acts coming your way for 2021.

'Look out for these creative Argyll people giving us some much-needed inspiration through their excellent songs

and sounds. And get ready for the big MOJO gig on Saturday October 16 at Craignish Village Hall.'

Look out for a preview of the acts coming to MOJO in the Argyllshire Advertiser and on the MOJO Facebook page. Tickets details coming soon.

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Kilmartin horse show makes sunny return

Katie-Ellen

Mellish and Nemo

won two

trophies.

Beautiful weather heralded the return of the Kilmartin horse show at Upper Largie on Sunday July 25.

A large turnout of competitors and a show-ground in prime condition made for a great event.

The Argyll South Pony event saw judges Anne McArthur and Helen Samborek kept busy at the show-jumping ring where the rosettes were sponsored by BS Argyll and the trophies by Iain Malcolm, Nether Largie.

The Working Hunters were judged by Gillian Green, with challenging course set by Sheila MacCallum.

The skills tests of the Pony Club pony/horse classes were judged by Mary-Lou Aitchison, while the trophies in these two Forestry Fencing. It was a first show for many young riders as there have been no events for such a long time and riders came from Glasgow, Mull and Islay to have fun in the sun.

Everyone had to follow Covid rules so there were no spectators, but the catering crew of Stephen Ryan and Rhona Crawford kept everyone fed and watered.

A spokesperson for the show committee of Anne McArthur, Justine Armstrong, Liz MacNab and Sheila MacCallum said: 'We would like to thank our sponsors as well as everyone who came and supported us, especially all the stewards and friends who helped on the day. Hopefully we'll be back next year - rain or shine.'

Kilmartin Horse Show 2021 results:

Class 1 lead rein Pony Club pony: 1 Eilidh Reid on Jamie; 2 Ava MacLachlan on Bogside Jilly; 3 Ella Bevis on Nemo.

Class 2 Pony Club pony: 1 Rory Shaw on DJ King; 2 Katie-Ellen Mellish on Nemo; 3 Amy Anderson on Steephill Ophelia.

Class 3 Pony Club pony: 1 Willow Ryan on Telynav Party Politics; 2 Kyra Robertson on Brooklyn and Cara Reilly on WHW Clove; 3 Leah Neilson Geoff.

Class 4 Pony Club pony: 1 Amy Anderson on Stella; 2 Rebecca Baillie on Brooklyn.

Class 5 Pony Club pony/horse: 1 Brodie Crawford on Toby; 2 Erin McIntvre on Kavdene: 3 Iulie Dawn on Newmiln Obama: 4 Diana Forbes on Splendeur: Fiona Shaw on Miami Roberto: 5 Roanna Clark on Best of News: 6 Colette Benham Blake. Champion - Brodie Crawford on Toby: Reserve - Eilidh Reid on

Ring B: Working Hunter Class 6

Over 15hh Working Hunter: 1 Julie Donn on Newmiln Obama; 2 Lauren Johnson on Saint Salut; 3 Megan Berryman on Taos; 4 Sheila Gillespie on Woody.

Class 7 Novice Working Hunter: 1 Heather Dixon on Hostage To Fortune; 2 Lisa Morrison on Ballinaclough Lola; 3 Cerys Baird on Dancer; 4 Kirsty Aitchison on Midnight Mhairi.

Class 8 13hh - 15hh Working Hunter: 1 Cara Cameron on Hugo Boss; 2 Fiona Shaw on Miami Roberto: 3 Katie Mackay on Castle Lodge Evea Dawn; 4 Rosslyn Smith on Corrybrough Fergus.

Class 9 Under 13hh Working Hunter: 1 Willow Ryan on Telynav Party Politics; 2 Amy Anderson on Steephill Ophelia; 3 Katie-Ellen Mellish on Nemo: 4 Rory Shaw on DI King. Champion - Heather Dixon on Hostage To Fortune: Reserve - Julie Donn on Newmiln Obama.

Bevis on Nemo; 2 Eilidh Reid on Jamie. Class 11 Talent Seeker: 1 Katie-

ing results:

Ellen Mellish on Nemo; 2 Rory Shaw on DJ King; 3 Amy Anderson on Steephill Ophelia.

Kilmartin 2021 show-jump-

Class 10 Stars of the Future: 1 Amy

Class 12 Newcomers Section A: 1 Katie-Ellen Mellish on Nemo; 2 Amy Anderson on Steephill Ophelia; 3 Cara Reilly on WHW Clove; 4 Willow Ryan on Telynav Party Politics

Class 12 Newcomers Section B: 1 Lisa Morrison on Ballinaclogh Lola: 2 Jadie Baillie on Ballymahon Shadow; 3 Morgan Sinclair on Billy; 4 Brodie Crawford on Toby; 5 Debbie Hav Thorburn on Turlood Lacev: 6 Skv MacLachlan on Bogside and Jilly Josephine Boase on Chilli.

Class 13 Discovery: 1 Fiona Shaw on Miami Roberto: 2 Brodie Crawford on Toby: 3 Morgan Sinclair on Billy: 4 Gillian MacVicar on Barney; 5 Amy Anderson on Stella: 6 Colette Benham on Blake.

Class 14 Argyll Championship: 1 Debbie Hay Thorburn on Urban Legend; 2 Katie MacKay on Castle Lodge Evea Dawn; 3 Megan Berryman on Taos; 4 Lauren Johnson on Saint Salut; 5 Roanna Clark on Best of News; 6 Cerys Baird on Dancer.

Class 15 Grand Prix: 1 Debbie Hay Thorburn on Urban Legend; 2 Roanna Clark on Best of News; 3 Lauren Johnson on Saint Salut.

Argyll Show Jumping Points Cup: Debbie Hay Thorburn on Urban





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Morgan Sinclair and Billy were in the ribbons.

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Science matters

DOROTHY H CRAWFORD



Smiles and frowns

Our facial expressions reflect our emotions, be it a smile of happiness or a frown of disapproval.

Such emotional signals are easily interpreted, a fact that is perhaps more obvious now that they are hidden by masks to prevent Covid-19 transmission. Nevertheless, they are thought to shape our relationships right from birth and are important to our health and well-being throughout life.

Around 150 years ago Charles Darwin controversially proposed these facial expressions form a universal language of social life.

This spawned lively debate over whether the reflex use of facial muscles to signal feelings is universal among humans or whether their use and interpretation show cultural and regional variation.

'Overall there was a 70 per cent overlap between facial expression and specific social context'

To date, small studies using participants to label photos of posed expressions have not yielded concrete conclusions, but now Artificial Intelligence scientists have entered the fray.

In a massive study they minimised participant bias by applying machine learning to analyse facial expressions in online videos showing real-world situations across many different cultures (1).

Specifically, they investigated 16 patterns of dynamic facial expression, including amusement, awe, contentment

and triumph in thousands of natural contexts by analysing six million videos from 144 countries in 12 world regions.

The results showed that in certain natural settings such as weddings, fireworks displays and sports competitions, particular patterns of facial expressions, like awe, contentment and triumph, were preserved across all the regions examined.

Overall, there was 70 per cent overlap between facial expression and specific social context, lending strong support to Darwin's suggestion of their universality.

But because these findings are based on online video content, they could be biased by the cultural globalisation of Western media.

However, regional analysis did not support this criticism

since greater similarity was seen between neighbouring, rather than, remote regions.

For example, the Middle East and India showed 85 per cent preservation of facial expression/context patterns, but only 64 per cent and 54 per cent overlap respectively with North America. This data

indicates that facial expressions denoting our emotions probably developed early in human evolution and have been preserved as a means of communicating certain emotional challenges because they enhanced our survival.

(1) Cowen et al Nature 589, 251-257. 2020.

Our facial expressions, and the interpretation of them, show some variation around the world - but there's no mistaking the fun Claire and Karen had at the 2018 Best of the West festival.

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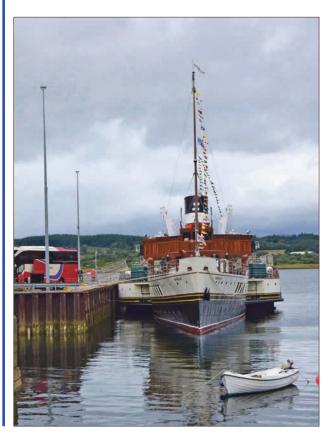




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Waverley leaves Ardrishai



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The atmosphere was palpably festive. People were excited at the Waverley's arrival, but equally to meet and catch up with friends and acquaintances for the first time since Covid restrictions arrived in March 2020.

Ardrishaig harbour owners Scottish Canals organised craft and refreshment stalls around Pier Square, while the Egg Shed exhibition and community centre was open to visitors.

Crowds around the harbour were soon swelled by the 450 Waverley passengers who helped to make the day a profitable one for many traders.

West Coast Motors, meanwhile, contributed a free bus shuttle service to and

The elegant paddle steamer, built in 1946 and operated on the Craigendoran to Arrochar run until 1973, lies at Ardrishaig harbour.

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from Lochgilphead for the occasion. In a nice link with the past, the Waverley's visit was chartered by the Paddle Steamer Preservation Society, the group which also arranged the ship's first voyage under preservation in 1975 - also to Ardrishaig.

'Today has been a huge success,' said Donna Mallan, Crinan Canal operations manager for Scottish Canals. 'I think everyone enjoyed themselves, in fact, the response was sort of overwhelming.'

She added: 'I'm hoping to build on this by working with the Waverley representatives with the aim of bringing her into Ardrishaig at least twice a year, with around 300 to 400 passengers on each sailing. The community would be involved in all of this.

'My main objectives are to build relationships with the community and make local people part of the Crinan Canal while helping Scottish Canals to support the community.

'I am looking at ideas such as regular monthly markets and Christmas markets. Perhaps a £5 or £10 stallholders' fee could go to a different charity every month.

'We also want to support local businesses in building up tourism to support the economic development of Ardrishaig.'

As she left Ardrishaig Glasgow-bound, the Waverley's horn sounded - not as a farewell but with promise of a return before too much longer.

She had been at the centre of an event which meant far more to the people than simply a boat calling in at the pier.

This was a celebration of life after 18 months of solitude and uncertainty.



Passengers – 450 of them – pour off the steamer after berthing at Ardrishaig.

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Above: At the tea and cake stall run by Ishbel Hawson of Polly's Coffee Stop - at the hatch - Jenny MacAulay, Alex MacAulay with Archie the Bichon Frise and Isobel McMillan enjoy a refreshment. Ishbel, normally found at Lock 10 at Dunardry on the canal, donated her takings to the Paddle Steamer Preservation Society. 51_a34Waverley_Ardrishaig33

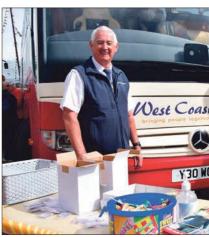
Right: West Coast Motors donated a free shuttle bus service between Lochgilphead and Ardrishaig for the Waverley's visit, and Robert MacKay senior and Darren Williams dished out sweeties at the company stall on the pier.





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Donna Mallan of Scottish Canals. 51_a34V





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The Waverley berthed at Ardrishaig for the first time in two decades.

Paddle steamer brings people together – a day in photographs



Caroline Henderson and Kate MacAulay, who said they had been busy with visitors throughout the Waverley's spell at Ardrishaig. 51_a34Wav



our area was packed as people met rst time since the Covid-19 lockdown

Right: Across from Belfast, Gill and Callie, aged nine months, and Eilidh, three, were visiting Gill's mum and dad had 'never seen Ardrishaig so busy'.



Simon Morton with in Ardrishaig and



business on the day. 51_a34\

Amanda Duffy-Brown enjoyed plenty



Left: Julie McInally and Karen Grieve enjoyed a successful day on their craft stalls at Pier Square.





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A good day

The smiles said more than words could ever manage.

People were just so pleased to get out and meet friends and neighbours in a social setting rather than in the supermarket.

The Waverley is beautiful – an elegant reminder of days when the pace of life was just a wee bit slower (but we were better connected by sea). But it seemed as if her visit to Ardrishaig was simply an excuse for people to begin to feel better after 18 months of pandemic isolation and stress.

Covid remains among us and we will likely see another rise in cases as schools return.

But for the sake of our mental health, last Sunday just felt like a good day.

Well done to all involved in organising

Doing it for ourselves

A one-man mission is under way to clean up Ardrishaig.

Eyebrows were raised in some quarters when a power hose was taken to the war memorial, and the council has said it is watching closely.

But perhaps this might jolt the local authority into realising that we could be doing more for ourselves, given half a chance, for the better of all.

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Popular grow and show at Whitehouse this weekend

Saturday August 21 will see the popular Whitehouse Grow and Show open again.

The show opens at noon and is expected to finish about 3.30pm. Bring along your best flowers, fruit, vegetables and flower arrangements. But also bring your problem plants and see what help and advice can be gleaned from our experts.

Though this is a non-competitive show, there will be an opportunity for visitors to vote on the entries in four different show classes: flowers, fruit, vegetables and a children's award.

Donations for the plant sales table will be greatly appreciated and gardener's question time will also be back with a new panel of experts.

We're planning more outdoor food, craft activities and music to make the day interesting and sociable.

More information is available at the www. whitehousevillagehall.org

Hope to see you there.

Suse Coon, Whitehouse.

Messages amass over dangers of ragwort

I have been getting many messages about the amount of ragwort growing in the area, especially on roadside verges. Our hard-working and at times hard-pressed farmers and crofters are particularly worried about its recent spread in many areas of Kintyre and the islands.

Ragwort is a toxic plant and has gained significant media coverage in the past about its hazardous capabilities to livestock

Ragwort poses a risk to animal health, with potentially fatal consequences if it is ingested by horses or livestock, either in its green or dried

All sensible measures must be taken to ensure ragwort does not spread, particularly to grazing areas or land which is used to produce conserved forage.

The National Farmers Union has also been highlighting the problems with ragwort on a

Food security is an essential part of our economy and reducing the presence of harmful plants is a key part of that.

I have been in touch with the Argyll and Bute Council roads department and will continue to press for more action on dealing with ragwort.

Councillor Alastair Redman. Kintyre and the Islands ward.



Common ragwort.

Positive approach to housing would avoid future conflict

Short-term lets and second homes are a healthy part of any economy. I have no experience of

However good positive control would keep a healthy, successful balance.

Slackness in approaching the problem can lead to many problems in the future, some serious.

An examination of the problems created in Wales in the 1960s and 1970s would prove interesting.

The influence of the Midlands on property sales in Wales caused many problems.

It gave rise to many acts of violence by a small group of Welsh activists.

This included using explosives to damage the water pipeline and pump stations into Birmingham.

I have experience of that, having walked the pipeline many a night looking for explosives.

I am not suggesting anything like that could happen in Scotland in this day and age but no-one should be sitting on their hands when looking at the problem now. Those who have the skill and expertise in these matters should be putting them to vigorous use now.

Tom Cullen, Ardfern.

Talking about pet grief at Paws to Listen

I'd like to highlight Cats Protection's grief support service for cat owners as National Grief Awareness Day approaches on August 30.

Now in its fifth year, Paws to Listen is there for anyone facing the heartbreak of losing their cat, struggling with issues like euthanasia or whose cat has gone missing.

It is a free and confidential service, connecting callers with a volunteer listener over the telephone or via email.

Pet loss is not always fully recognised in society as a significant loss, causing many to be reluctant to talk about their grief.

Additionally, Covid restrictions in the past year or so have often meant people could not be with their pets at the point of euthanasia, which has compounded people's grief.

We feel it is important to normalise pet grief and let people know that they're not alone and it's okay to talk about it.

This year, our Paws to Listen service is being supported by players of People's Postcode

I'd like to say a huge thank you to them for their continued support, which is also helping us to take care of cats at our centres and speak up for cats through our campaigning work.

The Paws to Listen phone line is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday, excluding bank holidays, and can be reached on 08000 249494.

Alternatively, people can get in touch online at www.cats.org.uk/grief via an online form.

Catherine Joyce, Paws to Listen team leader, Cats Protection.

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Thought for the Week

The PS Waverley came to Campbeltown early the week before last for the first time in a long while.

The sail to Southend brought back memories of many such cruises over the years and two highlights sprung to mind.

One was going down to see the engines, watching the huge piston rods driving the cranks, sensing the heat from the cylinders and looking out of the port hole to watch the paddles plough the water.

The other was sitting outside in the sunshine, watching the islands, coves, inlets and headlands glide past, with their seabirds, settlements and undulating hills.

Seeing both these gives us a different perspective.

Most machinery these days tends to be covered up or enclosed, whilst seeing the coast from offshore reminds us that things look different from a new angle and we are all part of a bigger story than usually meets our eyes.

Whilst travelling down the coast of another sea a long time ago, Jesus encountered four fishermen who he invited to follow him.

He made them part of a bigger story, so much so that we can still read about that story 2,000 years later.

He didn't give them rules, regulations or religion, he simply invited them to step into his story and follow him.

We can get all wrapped up in our own story, or even create our own story and hide inside it. But Jesus invites us all to be a part of his story, a story that is far bigger than

Following rules, regulations or religion won't get you there, but following Him will. Springbank Evangelical Church.

TARBERT

Young artists hoping to take their talent to the next level have been invited to join portfolio-focussed sessions with a Tarbert group.

From September, Templars Arts and Leisure Centre (TALC) will be running weekly dropin sessions to support students considering a career in the creative arts.

The centre can give guidance on study options as well as pathways into arts careers.

Thanks to its connections with professionals already working in the industry, staff at TALC can arrange work-taster opportunities to give guidance and inspiration to the next generation of talent.

For pupils planning to apply for art schools, the centre can support them with preparing the portfolios required for applications.

For more information about the support on offer, contact TALC via its website www.talc.

HELENSBURGH

Detectives are appealing for information after a teenager was assaulted outside the train station in Helensburgh on Saturday August 14.

The 15-year-old boy was outside the station in the town at around 10.25pm when he was approached by two people and sustained a facial

He received treatment at the Royal Alexandra Hospital in Paisley.

Officers would like to speak to two youths, one male, one female, seen in the area at the time.

The male was wearing a khaki jumper and black trousers.

The female was wearing a black Nike top, with light grey leggings. Detective Constable Imran Abuzar said: 'This

attack was completely unprovoked and it's imperative we trace those responsible. 'Enquiries so far have revealed there were a

number of people in the area, some of whom came to the teenager's aid.

'Officers are keen to speak to members of the public who can help with enquiries.

'Anyone with information is asked to call Police Scotland on 101 quoting incident number 4315 on August 14 2021 or call the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555111 anonymously.



Fun and dancing on Corran beach raised a record sum for charity.

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A record amount of money was raised at the latest charity beach party at Corran Sands

A ceilidh, hosted by the MacDonald Family Ceilidh Band, and a barbecue were held at the beach on Sunday August 8 in aid of the Beatson cancer charity.

The cause was chosen as it is dear to many

of the organisers including Gemma MacLean who said: 'We hold the party for the Beatson because they have helped treat family and friends over the years and we feel it is a very worthy cause to support.

'We've been able to send them a donation of £1,845 this year. That's the highest we've raised at an event. I'd like to thank everyone that made it up on Sunday. We really do have the best community here.

DUNOON

Dunoon's burgh hall and the Castle House gate lodge and gardens are to receive £120,000 from a Scottish Government 'place-making' initiative.

A £70,000 grant from the Place Based Investment Fund has been recommended to help support the operation of the lodge and gardens as a 'bike bothy'.

The proposed £50,000 injection for the Burgh Hall is to create an outdoor garden café area to help the centre become more environmentally friendly.

The proposed grants are part of a package of

£561,000 allocated to projects across Argyll and Bute through the Scottish Government fund.

According to the council's report, the proposed improvement work is designed to boost income generation potential, thereby increasing the sustainability of the burgh hall.

It is hoped the work will be followed by more Scottish government investment, leading to a four-year plan in which future projects will be identified.

The four-year plan will be put to the council's policy and resources committee in February 2022 with a report recommending at least one priority project for each of the four years.

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Examples of items, furniture etc. will be displayed on www. clachaninkintyre.org website and on the Clachan Facebook page. The Salvation Army

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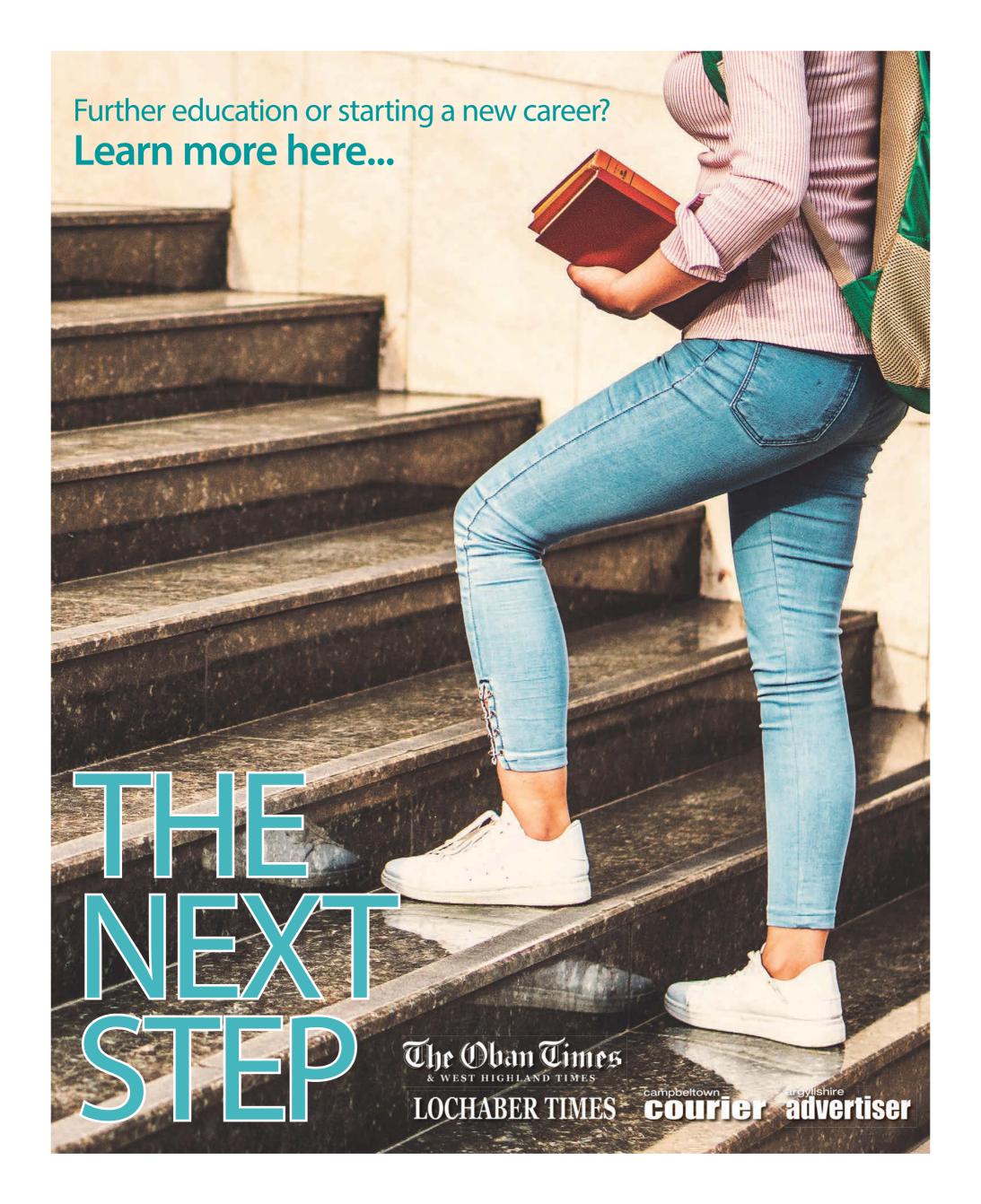
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To uni or not to uni?

That is the question – and could a modern apprenticeship be the answer?

While all your mates are scrambling around finding places through UCAS or accepting the offers they have been given already, pause for a while and think: is university right for you, right now?

We are not saying never – maybe just not now. Is this the right season of your life to be going to university? Would your life plans and ambitions be better served with a modern apprenticeship?

It could well be that with your apprentice qualifications under your belt, in a few years' time you will have a better idea of which direction you want your career to progress and the addition of a degree to your portfolio of knowledge and skills would be an advantage.

We are now entering, hopefully, the post-pandemic era and the changes this has wrought on the workplace means that a changed mind-set is a must. Add to this a jobs market up-ended by Brexit and the all too-real impact of climate change, and there is a whole new world of work developing for the coming decades.

It is all about making a sound investment in yourself and ensuring all the time and

money is well spent and 'future-proofs' your working life. If the tried and tested route to university is the one for you then take it and enjoy every minute and experience of student life. But if you have the slightest doubt then taking the time to study all that modern apprenticeships have to offer will be time well spent.

Skills Development Scotland is the driving force behind the nation's apprenticeship schemes.

There are more than 80 different apprenticeship categories; think of a profession, service or industry and it almost certainly has apprenticeships available. They come in four different levels and some are the equivalent to a degree.

And best of all these paid apprentices are not just for school leavers – there are plenty of adult apprenticeships too, so if you feel your working life needs a change of direction or a boost this could be an answer.

The apprenticeships are developed by the skills councils involved in each category; your training is designed for the workplace by the leaders in that workplace.

Young

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Guarantee

DYW West Highland helps inspire the workforce of the future

Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) is a Scottish Government Youth Employment strategy. Our local team, DYW West Highland, is one of 21 regional DYW groups in Scotland, leading and driving change in the way employers connect with young people, schools, and colleges.

DYW West Highland is hosted by Lochaber Chamber of Commerce and funded by the Scottish Government. The team engages with secondary school pupils and employers throughout Lochaber, Skye, and Wester Ross. The team now includes eight part-time 'School Coordinators' based in our local high schools to help create closer connections between young people and local employers.

Developing the Young Workforce is all about highlighting the opportunities that are available to young people, by linking them up with local employers to create the win-win scenario of making young people better equipped to make positive career choices and giving employers access to a pool of young local talent.

Have you heard about the Young Person's Guarantee?

The Scottish Government's new 'Young Person's Guarantee' aims to give all young people in Scotland the chance to succeed despite the economic impacts of coronavirus (Covid-19).

It's easy to sign up and is a great way for businesses to show their support of young people. Organisations backing the Guarantee make five pledges to help young people at this critical time:

- Prepare young people for the world of work through work experience, volunteering and work-based learning opportunities.
- Engage with and provide opportunities to young people who face barriers to work.
- Create work-based learning, training, and upskilling opportunities for young people.
- Create jobs and opportunities for young people through apprenticeships, paid internships, and work experience.
- Create an inclusive workplace to support learning and enable young people to meet their potential.

Contact the team at DYW West Highland on info@dywwesthighland.org to find out more about opportunities to help young people and local businesses.



CONGRATULATING LEARNER ACHIEVEMENT

SQA RESULTS DAY 2021



Last Tuesday almost 137,000 young people from across Scotland received the results for their Nationals, Highers, Advanced Highers, and a whole series of other courses, certificates, and awards.

Everyone at SQA congratulates you on your achievements and hard work in what has been an exceptional year.

These are a strong set of results, and reflect your skills, knowledge and understanding, and whether you continue with your learning at school or move on to further/higher education, training or employment, you and your parents/carers can be proud of your achievements.

You can also be confident that your results are credible and fair, and are what employers, colleges, and universities are looking for. You can find out more about the credibility of this year's qualifications,

and how the national standard was applied at – www.sqa.org.uk/learners and blogs.sqa.org.uk/awarding2021/

The whole Scottish education system, including learners, parents and carers, has worked together to develop and deliver this year's alternative certification model that made sure that you received the qualifications you deserved.

Qualifications will always be a crucial part of an individuals' learning and training experience. They give you a goal to work towards, prove to others what you know and what you can do, and help us distinguish ourselves from our peers. How they are delivered can vary according to circumstances, and preferences, but they will always align to the required standard. Qualifications are there to help us unlock the path ahead of us, and there is real value in that.

SUMMARY OF SUPPORT

Questions about your results or appeals:

If you have any queries about your results, or want to appeal one or more of your grades, speak to your school, college, or training provider in the first instance.

Questions about your certificate:

Contact our Candidate Advice Line on 0345 279 1000. Alternatively, visit www.sqa.org.uk/results for further information and support.

Questions about college/university applications:

Contact UCAS on 0800 100 900.

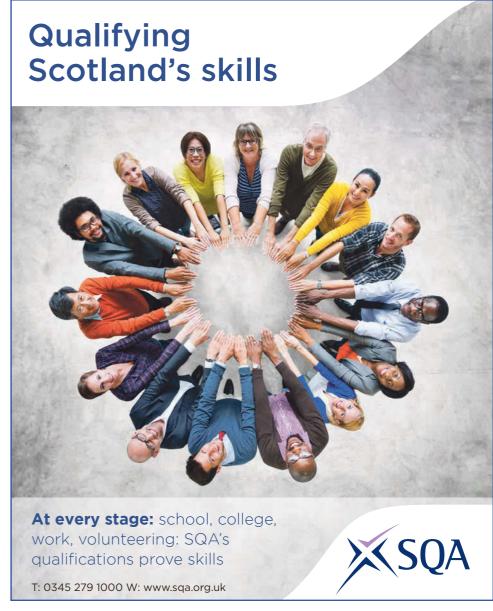
The helpline is open from 8am to 8pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 5pm on Saturday for two weeks from 09 August to 20 August.

Questions about further education opportunities and careers:

Contact SDS at www.myworldofwork.co.uk/

Support for your mental health and wellbeing

Our support and resources webpage – www.sqa.org.uk/learnersupport – contains information to assist you as you plan your next steps, including links to organisations which are on hand to support your mental health and wellbeing.



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Be proud of your UC/\S achievements



There has been a unique set of circumstances for students sitting their Highers this year, thanks to the Covid-19 pandemic, but they have been resilient and can be proud of their achievements.

Once again West Highland pupils have performed well.

Here in the West Highlands, Argyll and Bute pupils outperformed national averages; Higher results were are 90.15 per cent, which was 2.9 per cent above the national average and Advanced Highers are 91.41 per cent at 1.2 per cent above.

'I never cease to be amazed by the talent and ability shown by our young people here in Argyll and Bute, said Councillor Yvonne McNeilly who leads the council's

Councillor John Finlayson, who chairs the Highland Council education committee said: 'This year's data reflects the resilience and hard work of all of our young people, their families and their teachers as they delivered the Alternative Certification Model.'

This year's results were marked using the Alternative Certification Model (ACM) after the Higher and Advanced Higher exams were cancelled on December 8.

Teachers and lecturers used a range of assessment evidence to decide results but if you disagree with the grades given you can appeal to the Scottish Qualifications Authority.

It has a free appeals service which is available directly to learners for the first time, and is the fifth and final stage of the Alternative Certification Model.

Broadly speaking appeals can be made against the academic judgment; an unresolved administrative error or on grounds of discrimination.

SQA says teachers or lecturers can submit an appeal on a student's behalf until Friday August 27 and for the priority service appeal before Tuesday August 24.

UCAS, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service is the 'matchmaker' between university or college places and the exam results and ambitions of students.

LEAR...

Clearing is how universities and colleges fill any places they still have on their courses through UCAS, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service.

'Students can expect to be well supported by UCAS and universities as they make their decisions over the summer. Universities and colleges continue to be flexible, as they have been throughout the pandemic, and have worked hard to be able to welcome more students onto their courses,' Clare Marchant, chief executive of UCAS, has said.

'Whatever their individual circumstances, there will be a range of options for students to choose from. Thousands of undergraduate courses have vacancies in clearing, and our apprenticeship service is also ready to help students who are considering this career pathway. UCAS is ready to help students make the right choices for them, leading to the next successful steps in their learning and careers.'

Up until the October 19 deadline, you can apply for a course using UCAS if you do not already have an offer from a university or college and the course still has places.

You can use UCAS clearing if you did not receive any offers, or none you wanted to accept or you cannot meet the conditions of your offers.

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At the heart of connecting people to higher education If you have a question, or want to know more about what's happening at UCAS, there are different ways to get involved.







Take the next step with an apprenticeship

Whether making a subject choice as a senior phase pupil or taking the next steps after school, Scottish Apprenticeships can create more opportunities.

Foundation, Modern and Graduate Apprenticeships offer great career prospects in a range of industries with jobs in demand.

Apprenticeships at school

There's still time for pupils going into S5 or S6 to choose a Foundation Apprenticeship, which provides industry experience while gaining a work-based learning qualification up to the same level as a Scottish Higher.

There are 12 types of Foundation Apprenticeship to choose from at SCQF Level 6. They typically take two years to complete, however, some can be completed in one year.

With a Foundation Apprenticeship, pupils gain industry knowledge and experience whilst developing skills employers look for like creativity, problem solving and communication. They also involve teamwork and help develop organisational skills. Completing a Foundation Apprenticeship has also been shown to boost confidence too.

A Foundation Apprenticeship helps towards getting a job such as a Modern or Graduate Apprenticeship and the indus-

try-recognised qualification will boost a CV, helping individuals to stand out in job interviews or personal statements.

As a recognised qualification across Scotland, a Foundation Apprenticeship can also strengthen college or university applications

Get a job and get qualified

An apprenticeship can offer the chance to work, learn and earn.

Modern Apprenticeships are jobs for people over 16 who have left school. This type of apprenticeship offers paid work with an employer whilst learning with a college or training provider.

There are more than 100 different Modern Apprenticeships across hundreds of jobs.

A Modern Apprenticeship enables you to learn on the job to put skills being taught to the test right away.

Apprentices get the best possible training, designed with employers and industry in mind whilst getting the relevant experience employers are looking for.



Through a Graduate Apprenticeship people over 16 can work, get paid and get qualified up to Master's degree level at the same time.

A Graduate Apprenticeship combines a qualification and valuable workplace experience as an employee in some of Scotland's most exciting industries.

They are designed by employers and available in a wide range of growth sectors, all with great career prospects.

There are 13 different types of Graduate Apprenticeships available across Scotland in subject areas including ICT/Digital, Cyber Security, Data, Civil Engineering and Business Management.

Most of the time on a Graduate Apprenticeship will be spent learning on the job and the rest spent learning at university or college. Depending on the subject, the qualification can take between two to five years to complete.



Additional support available

There is support for anyone from all backgrounds and abilities to take an apprenticeship.

Individuals with disabilities or learning difficulties may be eligible for additional support, such as Access to Work grants.

Find the right apprenticeship for you

Information about Foundation, Modern and Graduate Apprenticeships are available on apprenticeships.scot

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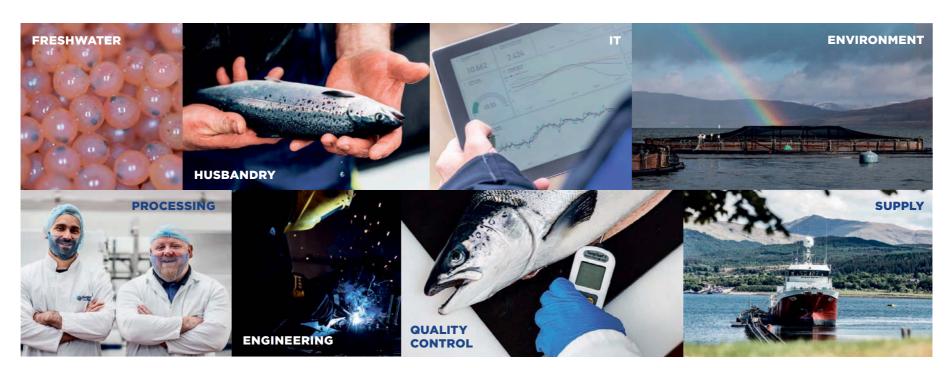
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WEST HIGHLAND

Developing the Young Workforce

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Developing the Young Workforce West Highland, hosted by Lochaber Chamber of Commerce, works hard to bring opportunities, key information and supporting young people for the world of work.

Over the coming months you will get the chance to hear about the day-to-day roles, top tips for success and what current training and job opportunities are open for you to explore. You will hear from forestry and land, renewables and health and wellbeing sectors and from organisations including SSE, NatureScot, West Highland College UHI and UNESCO Biosphere.

If this sounds like something you'd be interested in hearing about, head over to www.dywwesthighland. org today and sign up to our next careers insight session taking place on Wednesday September 1 at 2pm. If you're in school you can still join, the team will be speaking to all secondary schools in Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross as part of their School Coordinator network and get your class access to the session live or recorded.

UPCOMING EVENTS

1 September

Forestry and land career and training opportunities

3 November

Renewables sector overview and career opportunities

15 December

Mental health and wellbeing career opportunities

The DYW West Highland team can be seen in schools across the region as the School Coordinator programme continues to build momentum on the return on students as their work to bring benefits to young people continues.

Keep up to date with the latest advice, events and updates from the team by following them on social media @DYWWestHighland or online at www.dywwesthighland.org





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Case Study:



Donnie, Marine Area Manager, Tarbert, Argyll

What has been your career path to your current role and what experience do you have?

I started working in Aquaculture when I was 19 because one of my friends told me it would be challenging and interesting. Working on marine sites was a complete change for me but being able to work outdoors and being out on the boats was, and still is, a real thrill. My colleagues have helped me progress through various roles to become Marine Area Manager at Loch Fyne.

What is the best thing about your job?

The challenge! I like to be able to think on my feet as every day is a new challenge.

What interested you in a career in Aquaculture?

The industry changes and progresses so quickly. The way in which we farm today is totally different to how we farmed 10 years ago as a result of the advances in science and technology.

Why would you encourage others to think about a career in Aquaculture?

There's a skill to fish farming which, with the right support and training, can become a vocation. There's plenty of opportunities available. I have achieved more than I ever thought I would by being interested and keen to learn.

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Expert backing the perfect piece for Cardross jeweller

A jewellery designer business based in Cardross has enhanced its e-commerce offering in response to the Covid pandemic, with support from Business Gateway.

The backing has been provided via DigitalBoost, Scotland's national digital upskilling programme, and grant support from Argyll and Bute Council.

Led by husband-and-wife

team Linda and Matt Scott, Linda Macdonald Jewellery specialises in hand-crafted silver and gold jewellery.

The business benefitted from Business Gateway support during the Covid pandemic as it navigated retail store closures along with wholesale and supplier issues.

With more than 100 stockists in the UK and overseas, the team has been working with the service to grow the business for almost 10 years.

Most recently, Linda approached Business Gateway for support as the online retail side of the business grew during the pandemic. Through DigitalBoost, Linda and Matt accessed one-to-one support



from a digital expert as well as digital webinars and online resources.

Linda Macdonald Jewellery also secured recovery grant funding from the Business Gateway Local Growth Accelerator Programme to help with the cost of enhancing the existing e-commerce platform and the development of a hard copy trade brochure and digital display, as Covid restrictions ease and in-person events are back on the cards.

The Business Gateway Local Growth Accelerator Programme is funded by Argyll and Bute Council and the European Regional Development Fund 2014-20 Structural Funds Programme.

'It's been great to have the support of Business Gateway during what has been a very challenging period to run a business,' said Linda.

'Through DigitalBoost, we were able to access expert help which was invaluable as we started improving our e-commerce offering.

'Additionally, the recovery grant funding secured through

the Local Growth Accelerator Programme was particularly helpful, allowing us to invest in upgrading our website and marketing materials as our focus shifts to recovering post-pandemic and getting back to business as usual.'

Business Gateway advisor Jen Smith said: 'It is rewarding to see how this package of support has shaped Linda and Matt's digital journey and we're pleased they have increased confidence to move to a greater focus on digital capabilities.

'Having a strong online presence will continue to be vital for businesses as we emerge from the pandemic. Through the DigitalBoost programme, digital specialists are available to help businesses across a range of issues with free, expert, impartial advice.

'Our Local Growth Accelerator Programme can now help businesses to recover from the pandemic, as well as those looking to grow.'

Find out more about Linda Macdonald Jewellery at www. lindamacdonaldjewellery.com

Recovery support added to help businesses get ambitions back on track

Argyll and Bute Council has added recovery support to its existing programme of business assistance, helping more businesses get their ambitions back on track following the Covid-19 pandemic.

Many businesses have scaled back their growth ambitions or have had to identify new customers or markets to survive. In response, the council has worked with the Scottish Government to add recovery support to the existing Argyll and Bute Business Gateway Local Growth Accelerator Programme.

The recovery support is aimed at existing small- and medium-sized

enterprises (SMEs) either aiming to restore their annual turnover to pre-Covid levels within three years or aiming for modest growth – an increase in turnover below £50,000.

Councillor Alastair Redman, policy lead for business, regeneration and commercial development, said: 'Recognising that many SMEs have had to shift from a growth agenda, we have refocused part of our business support programme and secured approval from the Scottish Government to help businesses respond to the Covid-19 pandemic and changing economic climate. 'I'm pleased we have launched

recovery support alongside our existing growth support to benefit Argyll and Bute businesses.'

Growth support also remains in place from the programme. Despite the impact of the pandemic, many businesses based in Argyll and Bute are growing and have come forward to access support. Since the first lockdown, 23 SMEs have secured grant support totalling more than £104,000.

Businesses access recovery or growth support by first applying to register for the Local Growth Accelerator Programme and discussing plans with a Business

Gateway business adviser to identify relevant support.

For more information, visit www. argyll-bute.gov.uk/bglgap

Once registered, businesses can apply for recovery or growth grants of £1,000 to £5,000, training grants of £250 to £1,500, trade fair grants of £250 to £1,500, accreditation grants of £250 to £1,500 and specialist advice for one to three days.

Specialist advice is fully funded and grants are paid at 50 per cent of actual costs.

Businesses can apply for one type of each grant and up to three specialist advice sessions.

Recovery grants can be used to fund tools, machinery, consultancy, marketing, premises refurbishment or other expenditure clearly related to business recovery or resilience – as per the grant uses previously agreed for the growth support.

The recovery grant cannot be used for wage subsidy, working capital, statutory costs or to repay debts.

The successful Business Gateway Local Growth Accelerator Programme, worth £855,239, is funded by Argyll and Bute Council and the European Regional Development Fund under the 2014-2020 Structural Funds Programme.



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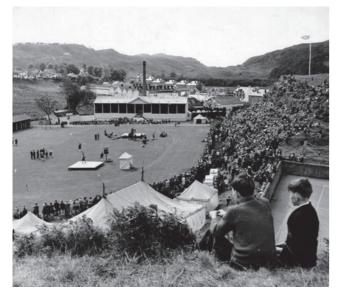
EVENT FULL

Event-ually we have got some semblance of normality returning and we can all meet up and enjoy some of the West Highland's favourite events.

Covid restrictions are lifting and hopefully commonsense and lower case numbers will prevail.

Now is the time that the West Highlands can enjoy some of the events that have made it through the storm of Covid cancellations.

The big one has to be The Argyllshire Gathering with its internationally famous piping competition, Highland games and social events. The first gathering was held in 1871 and 150 years later it has only ever failed to take place in war time and last year's pandemic crisis.



With so many of our other Highland games cancelled this is going to be a joy for all to attend and for the regular competitors on the games circuit, so go along and give them your support.



Not only are these events enjoyed by our tourist visitors, they are also such great social events for us all. There is nothing like bumping into old friends on a games day.

We have all been missing sporting events, so it is great to see that the calendar is coming back to life.



At the forefront of these is shinty's Artemis Macaulay Cup Final when Kyles and Kingussie will be in action on Saturday, August 21, at Oban. The competition was established in 1947 by Flora Macaulay, editor of The Oban Times; the cup competition features the highest-placed league teams, both north and south, so it is your chance to see the cream of shinty's players in action.

For the golfers there is the Oban Rotary Club Am-Am on August 29. The Am-Am, and the raffle held alongside it, is the club's major fundraiser and it attracts entries from all over Scotland.

Not only is it a great day's golf it is also a fantastic social event, and both golf and a good get together have been sadly missing from all our lives during the lockdown, so please turn out and support them – and get those raffle tickets bought!

One of the major recipients from the fundraising is Mary's Meals the Argyll-based charity which does so much to help provide meals for under-privileged children in places around the world.



Culturally we have the growing phenomena that are the artists' studios open days to look forward to with Artmap Argyll and Cowal Open Studios, where an incredibly diverse range of talents are on display – all inspired by, and reflecting, the beauty of the West Highlands.

Musically there is no better example of inspiration than Mendelssohn on Mull.

Young professionals from the string chamber music world spend a week being taught and mentored by leading musicians. The public are invited to hear them at concerts; this being an added bonus for the musicians as it increases their performance experience and a delight for all who attend.

Slowly but surely we are getting back to normal and the re-introduction of artistic and social gatherings is a sure sign of that.

The Royal National Mòd in Inverness in October is going to be tailored to circumstances by being more of a cultural showcase with fewer competitions.

We will have to wait and see what shape our Christmas and Winter festivals will take but one thing is for sure – we are on out way out of the pandemic and the good times are ready and waiting for us.

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Forthcoming Events!

It happened – EVENTually – now that you can, make the most of it with some fun, laughter, food and music, and a bit of culture thrown in for good measure. Here's just a few to whet your appetite.

MOKFEST

Wed 18th-Sun 22nd August mokfest.com



ARTEMIS MACAULAY CUP FINAL Kingussie v Kyles Athletic Sat 21st Aug Mossfield Stadium, Oban



ARGYLLSHIRE GATHERING (Oban Games)

Thurs 26th August obangames.com

OBAN ROTARY GOLF AM-AM

Sun 29th August Glencruitten Golf Club www.obanrotary.org.uk

ARTMAP ARGYLL OPEN STUDIOS

Friday 20th Aug-Mon 23rd Aug Sat 28th Aug-Sun 29th Aug artmapargyll.co.uk

MENDELSSOHN ON MULL

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COWAL OPEN STUDIOS

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The 150th **OBAN GAMES Thursday 26th August**

The countdown is on for the Oban Games and the committee are excited to deliver a safe and special 150th anniversary event for the town. The Tug-O-War is always a highlight of the day, so please gather your teams of five and be ready for 2.30pm to pit your strength and skill against the other teams.

There may not be the usual medals this year for piping, but the 150th Invitational Competition is sure to be a special event. Starting at noon in the Argyllshire Gathering Halls on Wednesday 25th August with the Piobaireachd, the MSR and the Medley will follow. Entry is free to this event, so please come along but be sure to follow all Covid guidelines and wear a mask. All seven pipers are previous Argyllshire Gathering medal winners and are delighted to be playing in the event. Willie MacCallum, Finlay Johnston, Angus MacColl, Sarah Muir, Alasdair Henderson and Stuart Liddell will be performing from noon.

The Games Committee are indebted to EventScotland for support in order for the event to go ahead. Paul Bush OBE, director of events for VisitScotland: We are delighted to support The Argyllshire Gathering and Oban Games through Scotland's Events Recovery Fund. Highland Games are an intrinsic part of Scottish culture and these Games will celebrate our traditions in style with a packed programme of Highland dancing, piping, athletics, heavy weight events and much more. www.obangames.co.uk



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2021 Artemis Macaulay Cup Final Saturday 21st August

The Artemis Macaulay Cup has been inextricably linked to Oban since the inaugural final in 1947 when the famous trophy was first presented to winners Newtonmore by Flora Macaulay, then editor of The Oban Times.

The competition is unique in that it is run by the Macaulay Association rather than the Camanachd Association and brings together the top eight teams from the north and top eight from the south in a separate knock-out format, so is the only competition to guarantee a north versus south final. The final is played on the expansive Mossfield surface, attracting a large crowd and it will also be broadcast live on BBC ALBA.

This year's finalists, Kyles Athletic and Kingussie, are shinty's form teams. Kyles Athletic are 12-times winners of the Macaulay and they have come out on top in all six of their fixtures this season. Their path to the final started with a walk-over against Aberdour then narrow wins over Glasgow Mid Argyll (3-2) and Oban Camanachd (1-0).

Kyles boss Robert Baxter said: "We are the underdogs with Kingussie firing in goals all over the place at the moment, so we know we'll be up against it. But we have a good defence and if we can keep them at bay for the first 45 minutes; that will give us something to build on. Unfortunately Scott MacDonald will be out for 4-6 weeks with a broken thumb so Neil MacVicar will start in his place. Thomas Whyte and George Thomson have knocks, whilst Callum Miller twisted his knee at work which is why we couldn't fulfil the GMA game. We'll assess them all at training this week."

Kingussie have won all nine of their matches so far this season. Their Macaulay run consists of a Kilmallie walk-over followed by victories over Newtonmore (3-1) and Lovat (4-0). The Kings are no strangers to a Macaulay Final with the current holders having notched a record 24 successes.

Kingussie manager John Gibson said: "Finals are always an opportunity for both teams but we just need to concentrate on our own game. Calum Grant and Fraser Munro have knocks but I think they'll be OK. We'll also have Rory MacGregor and Alexander Michie back as both missed the win over Kilmallie. We are all very much looking forward to the final."

Throw up is at 4.10pm and Calum Girvan is the match referee.

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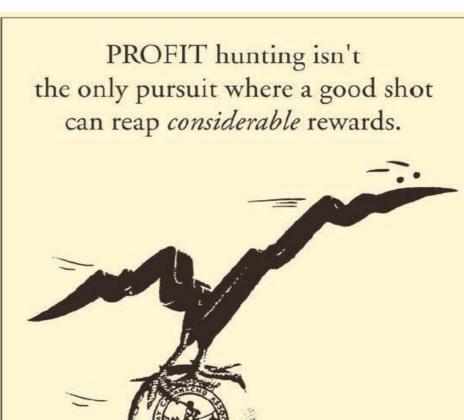
Alexander Michie (Kingussie) with Ross N

Rory MacKeachan captain of Kingussie.

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Kyles Athletic Shinty Club





Te'd like to wish good luck to the teams W pursuing the Artemis Macaulay Cup. But if it's Profits not prizes you're more interested in pursuing, why not talk to our experts about our next Profit hunting expedition? Just call 0800 092 2051 or visit www.artemisonline.co.uk





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Kyle's Athletic Captain Roddy MacDonald. 26 EVENTS Friday 20 August, 2021

Oban Rotary Club's Golf Am-Am competition Sunday 29th August



Oban's amateur golfers will once again be given the opportunity of teaming up for Rotary Club's Am-Am competition which is scheduled for Sunday 29th August when good weather is hoped for.

This will be the 35th time that the competition has been run and it normally features players from as far afield as Dunblane, Crieff, Glasgow and Stirling.

Due to coronavirus the competition could not be held last year and although it had originally been planned for early June this year, due to lockdown not relaxing as quickly as had been anticipated it did not go ahead then. But due to the generosity of the committee and members of Glencruitten Golf Club, they have again made the course available for the annual running of the competition on the last Sunday of August.

Since the first running of the competition in 1985 the event has raised almost £200,000 for local good causes making it the main fundraiser for Oban Rotary Club – accounting for approximately 60-70 per cent of the charity's annual funds.

Normally about 45 teams would participate in the competition and it is hoped that team entries will match that number. A team consists of four golfers with the best two scores from each hole being counted.



Rotarians from Oban Rotary Club and golfers who took part in the 2015 Am-Am gather at the 19th hole



Mary's Meals receive a cheque from funds raised at the 2019 Oban Rotary Golf Am-Am.

All funds generated from the Am- Am competition are utilised for the benefit of local charities.

The competition supports many popular local events including the Highlands & Islands Music and Dance Festival and also many youth and sporting activities in the Oban area.

Oban Rotary regularly contribute to the Laurinburg School Exchange as well as High School outdoor trips and events.

A couple of years ago Oban Rotary

made a commitment to support the North Argyll Young Carers Centre by contributing some £12,000 to the centre to be distributed over a three-year period.

This funding has had a domino effect for the centre which supports young carers in the area through respite care.

It helped the charity secure £83,836 from BBC Children in Need which will also be distributed over a three-year period.

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of Glencruitten Golf Club.

Rotary Funding has also helped West Highland Tennis Week, Glencruitten Junior Golf Coaching, Oban High School and its Pipe Band and the Dove Centre.

Obviously, because of coronavirus, Oban Rotary have not had the opportunity of generating income and it is hoped that this year's Am-Am competition will be a good kickstart to the club's fundraising activities, which are primarily designed to assist organisations within the local community.

In addition to the support from the club's members the event this year will be assisted by the Oban detachment of the Sea Cadets whose young members will be helping in the important role of ball spotting which enables the competition to run smoothly.



In the pink – ladies loving the Oban Rotary Am-Am.



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Oban Rotary Club's Golf Am-Am competition Sunday 29th August

The competition of course relies on the co-operation and assistance of the members and greenkeeping staff of Glencruitten Golf Club whose help is quite invaluable to the holding and smooth running of the competition.

Oban Rotary is very thankful for the many local businesses who provide sponsorship and donations. Although many of the local businesses will have suffered as a result of the coronavirus situation it is hoped that they will all continue to contribute in the very generous manner as they have done in previous years.

On the day of the event a raffle is held in support of Mary's Meals which supports children throughout the world. Last year's tournament raised £12,000 and of that £650 went to Mary's Meals. This leaves a not inconsiderable amount available for Oban Rotary to distribute to local charities and good causes. Generally the financial assistance is between £50-£500, but occassionally it is more – if there is a particular need which is identified and which Oban Rotary can assist with, the funds are made available due to the generosity of Oban businesses and the local community.

The original Am-Am came about as a result of Oban Rotary receiving an invitation from Dunblane Rotary to send a team of four to their inaugural Am-Am. It was decided that Oban Rotary could start a similar event and the Oban Am-Am has been in existence every since – and grown. From initial modest beginnings Oban Rotary's Annual Golf Am-Am competition has gone from strength to strength having raised approximately £200,000 for local causes during the years of its existence.

It is hoped that more than 100 sponsors and nearly 200 players will participate in this year's event and Oban Rotary wish to thank all those businesses, sponsors and participants for their support.

All photographs courtesy of Kevin McGlynn



An important bunch! Ball Spotters 2019.



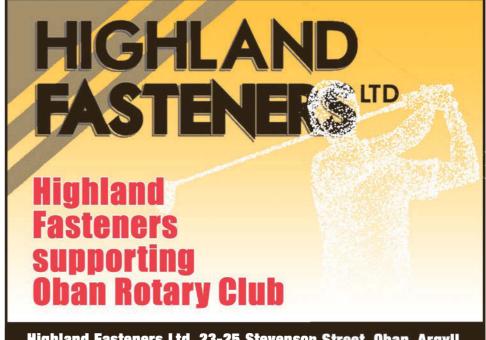
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Neil Armour chips on to the 18th rotary Am-Am.

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Island croft grants new life

A tenancy termination by the Crofting Commission on the Isle of Colonsay paved the way for new entrants Lizzie and Darragh Keenaghan to bring a croft back into use.

After a summer internship in Alaska on an organic vegetable farm, Lizzie realised she wanted to do something similar - just a bit closer to home.

Darragh, who has a Masters in Environmental Sustainability Edinburgh University, had a similar experience working on a small farm in Beauly, which cemented their desire to find their own croft.

'It took us a long time to find the right croft - a place we could afford,' said Lizzie.

On trips to Colonsay for



bee-keeping courses, they heard there were community-owned crofts on the island. In 2012, Community Development Company, helped by the Development Scottish Land Fund, bought land creating five bare-land

families and individuals to the 'We registered our interest

crofts to encourage more

Lizzie among her newly-planted native shelter belt on Colonsay.

with the development company, but at the time all crofts were tenanted.

'Things changed and in 2019 after an application process we were offered the tenancy. We renamed the croft 'The Wee Croft',' said Lizzie.

It's been a busy time for Lizzie, Darragh and Lizzie's parents, who also relocated to Colonsay, turning what was once a neglected croft into one providing for their family and the wider community.

More than 700 broadleaf native trees have been planted as a shelter belt and, through the CCAGS grant scheme, new fencing has been built.

'In September, we bought eight Hebridean ewes. The RSPB kindly loaned us their tup and this spring we had our first lambing experience.

'Ten healthy lambs alongside their mothers now enjoy the common grazing we share with two other community-owned crofts,' said Lizzie.

Lizzie and Darragh have a brood of hens and, thanks to the grant scheme, have bought Polycrub tunnel from Shetland to expand the variety of vegetables they can grow.

'We're thankful for the help and support of Colonsay Community Development Company and the Crofting Commission, which were great in talking us through the registration process and formalising the tenancy.'

Alex celebrates Kintyre trophy haul with two dogs at sheepdog trials

Skipness man Alex MacCuish is celebrating after his most successful series of sheepdog trials to

The Kintyre and Skipness trials were both held at Chapel Park, Skipness, last weekend, thanks to Skipness Estate.

The Kintyre trial took place on Friday with more than 50 competitors running on mule gimmers, which could be a bit feisty at times.

The judge was Roddy MacDermid, Cairndow.

The open class was won by Annette Oloffson, Forfar, with her dog Fred, while Alex had a clean sweep of all Kintyre trophies with his dog Andy.

The Skipness trial was held the following day, with a turnout of 50 competitors. The judge was Dick Docherty from the Isle of Bute.

The open class was won by Neil MacVicar, Dunoon, with his dog Pete and, again, Alex had a clean sweep of all Kintyre trophies with his dog Mirk.

Result

Alex said he was 'quite happy' with the result, adding: 'I don't think I've ever won all the cups before, although I've won various ones on different occasions.'

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Proposal

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(retrospective)

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CAMPBELL - Dugald. Peacefully on August 16, 2021 at home after a short illness, Dugald aged 88 years, dearly loved husband of the late Isobel, loving father of Martin, Gavin and the late Neil. A dear father-in-law of Lynda and Fiona and a devoted and proud Grandpa of Aidan, Georgina, Kira, Alistair and Alex. A celebration of Dugald's life will take place at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Hayton, Carlisle on Wednesday, August 25 at 1.00pm. Family flowers only please. There will be a collection at the church for Shipwrecked Mariners and Hospice at home, Carlisle. All enquiries to George Hudson & Sons Funeral Directors, Carlisle 21913.

KIRKBY - Peacefully at Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown, after a long illness on August 12, 2021, John Fraser Kirkby, in his 79th year, Thornhill, Dalintober, Campbeltown and formerly of Ford and Barrow-in-Furness, dearly beloved husband Catherine, much loved dad of Sharon and Wilma, father-inlaw of Richard, loving grandfather of Paula, Cameron and Jacob and great grandfather Thomas John.

MACGILP - Douglas, formerly of Ormsary, latterly Dunoon. Passed away on Sunday, August 15, 2021 at Inverclyde

Royal Hospital with family beside him and after prolonged illness with dignity and borne dry humour. Husband of Ann, cherished dad of Roderick and Claire, proud grampa of Kyle and good friend.

MACLEAN - Peacefully at Balhousie Care Group, Pitlochry on August 10, 2021 Jean, aged 94, beloved wife of Peter. mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and a good friend to all who knew her. Funeral service to which all friends are welcome, at Aberfeldy Cemetery on Tuesday, August 24 at 1pm.

Campbeltown Hospital,

on August 15, 2021,

McEACHRAN Peacefully at

Malcolm McEachran, in his 78th year, 32 Benmore Street, . Campbeltown, much loved husband of Barbara McSporran, devoted dad of Ross and the late Gary, father-in-law of Beth and doting granda of Christopher and Alyssa. Malcolm's funeral will take place on Friday, August 20. The cortege will leave the family home at 1pm, following a short prayer. We will travel along Saddle Street, the Back Road and round the Cross on our way to Kilkerran Cemetery. Anyone is welcome to follow on to the graveside service in Kilkerran Cemetery alternatively you may pay your last respects to Malcolm along our route. Please remember to observe social distancing.

URQUHART - Suddenly, but peacefully, after a short illness. Sandra Urquhart, aged 81 years, of 14 Argyll Court, Lochgilphead. Loving of Yvonne, mother Shirley Gordon, and loved Robert. Much

sister of David, Irene and Patricia. Adored Granny and Great Granny. Funeral service will be held in Ardrishaig Parish Church on Tuesday, August 24 at 11:30am. Followed by interment at Eastfield Cemetery, Cumbernauld on Wednesday, August 25 at 12:00pm. For those wishing to pay their respects, the funeral cortege will leave from Ardrishaig Parish Church at 12:15pm on Tuesday; travelling through Ardrishaig towards Lochgilphead passing Highbank Park, turning on to Bishopton Road, towards Lochgilphead Parish Church and down Argyll Street.

WYLIE - Peacefully at Forthbay Nursing Home on August 15, 2021 Donald Wallace (Don) in his 82nd year. Dearly beloved husband of the late Annie McBride, much loved dad of Finlay, Alex, Mark, and the late William and a loving granda, brother, uncle and brother-in- law.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BLACK - The family of the late William Black would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and former work colleagues for their many kind expressions sympathy, phone calls, flowers, messages of support and cards received following the sad loss of Billy. Our thanks are extended to Father Henry for a personal and uplifting service; to the Stag Hotel for its fine purvey; Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring funeral arrangements. Finally our thanks to all who paid their respects at mass and at the graveside. Donations raised over

COLLETT - The family of the late Agnes Collett would like to thank family and friends for their kind words, cards and flowers on her passing. Special thanks to the Campbeltown hospital, doctors, district nurses and Carr Gomm for everything over the last few months, Rev. William Crossan for his beautiful service and to T A Blair's for their outstanding arrangements and comfort they gave.

IN MEMORIAMS

McCALLUM - Precious memories of a loving dad husband, and grandpa Colin who passed away on August 22, 2011.

We love and miss you every day.

In our hearts you will always stay.

- Love Amy, Colin, Edward, Katie and the grandchildren.

MACFARLANE

In loving memory of Alastair, who died in Sri Lanka, on August 24, 2013. A dearly loved son and brother, remembered every day.

- Mum and Malcolm xx. Treasured memories of all our loved ones gone before.

Forever in our thoughts.

MACGILLIVRAY

née Girvan. In loving memory of my wife Jessie, who died August 21, 2007, age 58 years. Your memory lives on in

our hearts.

- From Ian and family.

McGOUGAN

Treasured memories of Meiky, a loving husband and father, died August 14, 2016.

Gone from our home but not our hearts.

- From Elma and family.

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Sunday 22nd August 2021 There will be a service in Cumlodden church at 10.00am

Led by the Rev. Dorothy Wallace

There will also be a service in

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Inveraray march on in cup with big quarter final win

Three of the four Tulloch Homes Camanachd Cup semi-finalists are known following the shinty action on Saturday August 14. The clash between Oban

The clash between Oban Camanachd and Lovat at Mossfield was postponed on Thursday because of a Covid outbreak affecting the Oban side.

The match has been rescheduled for tomorrow, Saturday August 21, at Taynuilt sports field at 1pm as Mossfield is hosting the Artemis Macaulay Cup Final later in the afternoon, where Kyles and Kingussie will take the field.

The winner of the tie between Oban Camanachd and Lovat will play Kingussie at An Aird in the semi-finals on Saturday September 4.

The semi-final between

Kinlochshiel and Kyles Athletic takes place a week earlier on Saturday August 28 at Taynuilt sports field.

Both semi-finals will be broadcast live on BBC Alba. Throw-up 4.10pm.

Alvance British Aluminium Balliemore Cup – quarter final

Ballachulish 0 Inveraray 8

Inveraray secured their place in the semi-finals by beating Ballachulish 8-0 at Jubilee Park.

The first half was scoreless but Inveraray took control as they scored seven times in a devastating 23-minute spell.

Ruaraidh Graham broke the deadlock on 50 minutes and Allan MacDonald made it 2-0 a minute later.

Ruaraidh Graham got his second on 58 minutes with

Fraser Watt scoring on 61, 63 and 70 minutes to complete a quick-fire hat-trick.

Campbell Watt made it 7-0 on 73 minutes and Craig Taylor completed the scoring on the stroke of full time.

Elsewhere in the competition, Bute overcame Strathglass 2-1 at the Meadows after extra time.

In the HIS Sutherland Cup third round, Beauly's second team were given a walk-over as Kilmory were unable to fulfil their tie at Braeview Park and the Newtonmore seconds were ruthless as they thumped the Kyles Athletic second team 13-1 at the Eilan.

Col Glen were too strong for the Inveraray juniors in Mowi South League A, winning 7-1 at the Winterton.

Andrew MacVicar on

seven minutes and Cally McNaughton on 11 minutes had the visitors 2-0 ahead before Andrew MacVicar scored on 24 minutes to make it 3-1 at the break.

Cally McNaughton got his second four minutes into the second half and although Kane Kirkhope pulled a goal back on 74 minutes, Charlie Fergusson made it 5-1 three minutes later.

Jamie MacVicar on 81 minutes and Jamie Campbell on 88 minutes rounded off the 7-1 victory.

The ball gets the better of Fraser Watt of Inveraray in yellow and Ballachulish's Cian MacPhee in the sides' Balliemore Cup tie. Photograph:

Stephen Lawso





Young teams go for the win and produce a cracker

Bullough Cup second round Oban Celtic 3 - Inveraray 3 (Oban Celtic won 2-1 on penalties)

This rearranged midweek cup tie between the second teams of Inveraray and Oban Celtic produced a cracker.

Scheduled for the previous Saturday, the teams agreed to play the Bullough Cup second round – effectively quarter-final – match on Wednesday August 11.

Inveraray's Calum MacDonald waits to pounce on any mistake from Oban Celtic's William McKewan.

Photograph: Stephen Lawson.

Lochgilphead's Lachie Wood was the man with the whistle as two teams filled with youth took the field at Mossfield in Oban

It was the home side which took the lead after seven minutes through Keegan MacPhee, but Inveraray's Craig Taylor evened matters half an hour into the first half.

The game may have been all-square as Mr Wood blew to begin the second period, but that would quickly change.

A flurry of goals saw Inveraray take the lead with a goal from Euan Donan two minutes after the re-start. The visitors, though, had the advantage for just seven minutes. Oban Celtic's MacPhee fired home his second to level matters, before Scott Burnett gave them the lead at 3-2 less than five minutes later.

Inveraray were not finished, and Craig Tayor stepped up on 71 minutes to make the score 3-3.

Winning the penalty shootout 2-1, Oban Celtic clinched their spot in the semi-finals.

Inveraray and Oban Celtic's players can be proud of their performance on Wednesday night and the Oban side tweeted afterwards: 'Brilliant game of shinty between two really young teams going for the win.

Shame there had to be a loser, but credit to both clubs for giving youth an opportunity.'

For Celtic, there is now the prospect of a mouth-watering Oban derby semi-final against an impressive Lochside outfit which won the trophy on the previous two occasions it was contested in 2018 and 2019.



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Ardrishaig Bowling Club open pairs winners Scott Gargan and Roddy MacDonald.

Ardrishaig welcomes back open pairs

After a year of restrictions, Ardrishaig Bowling Club was once again able to host its annual open pairs competition on Saturday August 7.

Better than expected weather conditions greeted 15 pairs from a number of Argyll clubs as they took to the green to enjoy a fine day's bowling.

Judging by the laughter both on and off the green, everyone was glad to be back playing competitive bowls again, with old and new faces present.

The club thanks Fiona MacLachlan, who spon-

sored the event, everyone who contributed and served the catering and all the bowlers who took part.

After two close semi-finals over six ends, Donald Crawford and Archie MacVicar lost out to Scott Gargan and Roddy MacDonald, while Tommy McCrae and Fiona MacLachlan were only just beaten by Colin MacInnes and Rose MacVicar.

Despite the rain appearing for the final, Scott and Roddy held their nerve and were worthy winners after defeating Colin and Rose over a further six ends.

New Argyll shinty development officer appointed

Oban's Les Kinvig has been appointed to one of two new Camanachd Association roles aimed at bolstering the development of the sport.

Les, who currently coaches Oban High School's School of Shinty, has been hired as regional development officer (west) and will be based in Argyll and Bute.

The post will focus on supporting clubs in their efforts to re-start shinty, on creating new opportunities to engage the wider community and to support the continued effort to provide organised and high-quality experiences in shinty.

Les said: 'I am delighted to be joining the Camanachd Association and getting to work to enhance opportunities to play shinty in Argyll and Bute. 'I already have strong relationships with many of the clubs in the area and look forward to fostering them and driving progression in the region.'

Newtonmore's Iain Robinson has been hired as regional development officer (growth) with a focus on developing opportunities to get involved in shinty in new areas or areas of potential.

The two new additions take the total number of staff at the Camanachd Association to 10.

Derek Keir, chief executive officer of the Camanachd Association, said: 'Our capacity to recruit for these roles is down to the work and effort that our staff, board and sponsors put in to help us overcome the challenges of 2020.

'Our focus throughout our strategic plan has been to grow

capacity internally and externally to create opportunities in shinty.'

Roddy McCuish, Camanachd Association communications and facilities director (south), said: 'This is great news, not just for the association but for shinty as a whole and demonstrates the commitment and continuing promotion of our game at all levels.

'I am excited to see the investment in Argyll and Bute. This will be a great boost to the many volunteers who put so much work into our sport every week.

'I welcome Les and look forward to working closely with him in my role as director.

'Furthermore, the continued partnership working with Argyll and Bute Council is essential to all we do in supporting our national game.'



Les Kinvig, stepping in as replacement referee in this instance, is the new Camanachd Association regional development officer (west). Photograph: Kevin

McGlynn.



Henderson's hole-in-one lights up medal

Tarbert Golf Club members gathered for the monthly medal on Saturday August 14, with the James Johnson Cup for the over-50s played the same day.

Early starter Andrew Henderson, who hardly misses a competition, took the honours in the medal with an outstanding nett 56, including a hole-in-one at the 17th. Jamie Stuart was second with a nett 62.

In the James Johnson Cup, Bruce McLean

was first with an impressive 70 less 12 for nett 58. Second place went to the in-form Malcolm McAlpine on 62.

There may be something in the water up Brucehill way as three of the four prizewinners stay within 200 yards of each other in Tarbert.

This weekend, the first and second rounds of the club championship take place, with club captain Kenny MacFarlane defending his crown.



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