

**YOUR KEY TO PROPERTY**

**JAS CAMPBELL & CO LTD**  
solicitors financial advisers estate agents

**No up-front Marketing fees, competitive Home Report costs, free valuations and efficient service.**

If you would like to arrange a viewing please call JAS Campbell & Co Estate Agents on Tel: 01770 302027 or visit our office at Unit 2, Douglas Centre, Brodick, KA27 8AJ

Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority for Financial Services

Find our properties at: rightmove, TheMarket, PrimeLocation, espac, Zoopla, f

# THE ARRAN BANNER

**rightmove** find your happy  
**Zoopla.co.uk** Smarter property search  
**The Property Ombudsman**  
**PrimeLocation** Find the home you deserve

**Arran ESTATE AGENTS**  
ARRAN'S ONLY LOCAL ESTATE AGENCY

**DEVELOPMENT PLOT FOR 2 HOUSES TORBEG, NEAR BLACKWATERFOOT OFFERS OVER £160,000**

we  local

Research shows that for every £1 spent with a local, independent business, between 50p-70p circulates back into that local economy

**THANK YOU**

Every time you pick up a copy of The Arran Banner you are not just helping one local business but a whole range of local businesses

# It's all yours! Celebrations as Pirnmill marks hall transfer

by Hugh Boag  
editor@arranbanner.co.uk



The villagers of Pirnmill were this week celebrating that at long last they have a village community centre to call their own.

The cabinet of North Ayrshire Council on Tuesday agreed a community asset transfer which saw ownership of the centre go to Pirnmill Village Association which has been successfully operating the hall for more than 30 years under a lease agreement.

The proposed change from lease to ownership of the centre will allow the association to continue with its work and any future improvements on a secure footing. The transfer will not be finalised until the association agree a fee of around £2,000 which the council estimate to be 10 per cent of the value of the property.

While the association will save the £50 annual rent, as owners, it will now be solely responsible for the

maintenance and repair of the building. While some internal improvements have already been made in recent months, a working party will now be set up to explore its development.

The provision of a fit-for-purpose community centre within the village will ensure that inclusive, intergenerational activities can be provided for residents and visitors – improving quality of life and well-being. This links with Arran Locality Partnership's priority of reducing social isolation.

The centre is currently used by the adjacent Pirnmill Primary School for various activities and the transfer of the asset will not alter this arrangement.

As part of the proposal, the association also aims to build closer working relationships with various island-wide organisations, festival organisers and organisers of charity events to raise awareness of the centre and offer quality facilities on the west coast of



Continued on page 4. Chairwoman Hazel Cranstoun cracks open the bubbly to celebrate their success. 01\_B40pirnmill01

**JTC John Thomson Construction Ltd**  
Main Office Open: Mon - Fri 8am - 5pm

**OCTOBER HOLIDAY CLOSURE DATES:**

Lamlash office, yard & petrol station: Closed 1<sup>st</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> October  
Quarry, Brodick yard & workshop: Closed 4<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> October  
Concrete plant: Closed 1<sup>st</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> October

Face masks must be worn if entering our offices.  
Card payments and orders accepted by phone.

www.thomsonconstruction.co.uk | 01770 600 242 | f i

**LAMLASH GARAGE**

Park Terrace, Lamlash, KA27 8NB. Open Mon - Fri, 8am - 5pm.

**M.O.T. TESTING STATION**

**OPEN DURING OCTOBER HOLIDAYS**

ALL VEHICLE MAKES SERVICED & REPAIRED.  
CAR & MOTORCYCLE MOT TESTING.

Strict face mask & hand hygiene requirements apply.  
Appointment bookings & card payments accepted by phone.



01770 600 328 | admin@lamlashgarage.co.uk | f Lamlash Garage

### Bond set for Brodick in November

The latest Bond blockbuster No Time to Die will be one of the films featured in the mobile cinema line-up when the Screen Machine returns to Arran in early November.

The spy film, which had its delayed Royal premiere this week, is highly anticipated, particularly as it may be lead actor Daniel Craig's fifth and final performance as the fictional MI6 agent.

The Screen Machine will be in Brodick between November 4 and 8 and tickets are expected to go on sale in the next few weeks. Demand for bookings is expected to be high as physical distancing measures will only allow for 40 seats to be available for every screening.

Frontline and essential workers can also take advantage of a new ticket discount category, Welcome21, which recognises their hard work during the pandemic.

The full screening list and booking options will be available at [www.screen-machine.co.uk](http://www.screen-machine.co.uk) as soon as the online bookings open.

# Arran offering booster jabs and youth vaccines

by Colin Smeeton  
editor@arranbanner.co.uk



Preparations are well under way to offer Covid-19 vaccines to young people who are newly eligible for their first dose and to those who are fully vaccinated who are now eligible for a third booster vaccine on Arran.

A single dose of the Pfizer BionNTech vaccine for the 12-to-15-year-old age group was recently recommended by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) to reduce the disruption caused to education by Covid.

The booster vaccine programme is aimed at maintaining protection levels against coronavirus for the most vulnerable groups during winter. The third dose can only be

given to people in the eligible groups and where it has been at least six months - 24 weeks - since their second vaccine.

Arran High School is being used for the mass vaccination campaign and the following groups will be welcomed soon:

- All Arran residents aged 70 years and over

- Clinically extremely vulnerable residents who are aged 16 and over, previously shielding

- 12-to-15-year-olds

Members of these groups should call Arran Medical Group on 01770 600516 to make an appointment with clinics scheduled to take place

on Saturday October 9 and Sunday October 10.

Arran Medical Group has asked that people in these categories please call between 5.15pm and 7pm, Monday to Thursday, by Thursday October 7, to make appointments. This arrangement is to keep the practice lines clear for routine enquiries and appointments during the daytime.

Ruth Betley, senior manager, Arran Services for North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership, said: 'The vaccination programme for Arran has been highly successful. We are now delighted to be able to welcome those eligible for a third booster dose of Covid-19 vaccine. Now that the vaccination programme is being rolled out to younger people, those in the 12-to-15 age group will be offered one dose. The Covid-19 vaccines

have demonstrated they are safe and effective in this age group and vaccination offers the best chance of protecting young people from Covid-19 and preventing further disruption to education. Getting the vaccine is a decision to be made jointly between parents or carers and young people, but it's really important to use reliable and trusted sources such as NHS Inform when making a decision. Individual choice should be respected for the decisions young people and their parents or carers make in accepting or not accepting the vaccine offer. Parents or carers are encouraged to attend appointments with their children and both can ask questions about any queries they have before the vaccination is given.

'Vaccination teams will also be delivering booster vaccines to residents of our care homes

and those who are housebound on the island from next week.

'Thanks once again to all those on Arran who have helped to ensure the vaccine programme runs smoothly. In particular, I would like to thank our colleagues in North Ayrshire Council for allowing us to use Arran High School for the vaccination programme.'

Young people aged 12 to 15 who do not attend the clinics on Saturday October 9 and Sunday October 10 will have another opportunity for vaccination at school on Monday October 18 when school vaccinators will also be delivering seasonal flu vaccines at Arran High School.

People in the other eligible categories who are unable to attend the clinics scheduled for their group will be offered a further opportunity to get their vaccination in November.

# S&S SERVICES

SCOTLANDS NO1 DEALER

INTRODUCING THE ALL-NEW ISUZU D-MAX

## LOOKS AS GOOD AS IT GRAFTS

ISUZU D-MAX DL40 FROM ONLY  
**£29,759†**

SMARTER. STRONGER. SAFER.

**DRIVEN TO DO**

Regular deliveries to the island

S&S Services, Heathfield, Ayr    Tel: 01292 880080 or John Spicer :07831 808702

## Building and Timber Supplies

KILNER EST 1842

### House Hold Goods Stocked at M.B.S

Astonishing New Look! Same Great Value!

The Old Pier, Whiting Bay  
Isle of Arran KA27 8QW  
01770700202

Monday - Saturday  
8am - 5pm

mbsbuild@yahoo.co.uk



Flora Lammie of Brodick Fuel Station said she was coping with demand despite it being busier than it has been in over three years. 01\_B40fuel01

# No panic at Arran fuel pumps but business is brisk

by Colin Smeeton  
editor@arranbanner.co.uk



Fuel stations on Arran have experienced a massive surge in business over the past week however nothing on par with the lengthy queues and panic buying seen elsewhere in Scotland.

The rush for fuel started last week after oil firm BP announced some petrol stations needed to close because of a lack of lorry drivers, prompting fears fuel shortages would be imminent.

In England, and parts of Scotland, many fuel stations shut altogether as supplies ran out and lengthy queues formed

at forecourts that still had petrol and diesel.

On Arran, demand skyrocketed with one fuel station reporting doing the equivalent of one week's worth of sales in just two days. And while there have been queues, at times, the customers have all been served within minutes, rather than hours or even days, as experienced by those in densely populated areas south of the border.

Flora Lammie at the Brodick fuel station said: 'Monday was our busiest day in well over three years.'

'Queues formed around the corner towards the ferry terminal but all of the customers were able to fill up.

'We did run out of diesel for two-and-a-half hours on Monday but were able to secure supplies quickly. The bulk of the customers have been from the mainland, people either arriving on the island and finding availability, or people departing the island and wanting to make sure that they had enough fuel for their journey.'

'Other petrol stations on the island have all experienced the same increase in demand and



A queue forms at the Brodick fuel station as vehicles start entering the forecourt from the wrong direction. 01\_B40fuel02

staff are being kept very busy. I was run off my feet over the weekend and on Monday but it does make the day go very quickly.'

The Petrol Retailers Association has stressed there is plenty of fuel available and that the shortages are only at the point of sale because

of temporary spikes in customer demand. UK transport secretary Grant Shapps said he expected panic buying to subside as the exceptional demand decreased, while it was confirmed that army tanker drivers would be brought in if required to deal with long queues and pump closures.

## Older car owners hit by E10 switch

Owners of vintage and classic cars on Arran, and even those with old petrol lawnmowers, have been left with no fuel supplies since the introduction of E10 petrol at the start of last month.

E10, which contains 10 per cent bioethanol, will work on 95 per cent of modern vehicles and engines, however those that are not compatible need to use E5 (containing five per cent bioethanol) which is not available from any petrol provider on Arran.

The introduction of E10 petrol on Wednesday September 1 is part of a UK Government strategy to reduce greenhouse gas to net zero by 2050.

The changeover to E10 is expected to reduce CO2 emissions by two per cent and an approximate one per cent reduction in fuel performance can be expected by motorists.

It is not all bad news though, as most petrol combustion engines can still work with E10, however, long term use



The E10 notice at petrol stations on the island.

is discouraged as it can lead to rubber fuel components perishing over time.

Another alternative is to use a higher octane fuel, such as super unleaded, which is once again not available on Arran, but it can be purchased at mainland forecourts for roughly 8.7p a litre more than standard petrol according to AA figures. A petrol provider on Arran told the Banner: 'There are no E5 providers on

Arran as we all purchase our petrol from the Grangemouth oil and petrol refinery which does not supply E5 petrol.'

'Those with cars manufactured before 2000 and machines which require higher octane fuel, unfortunately have no options on Arran and the likelihood of it being provided is relatively slim as the demand for it is just not great enough to justify providing it.'

### MAINLAND TAXIS

Tel: 01294 463 556  
Mob: 0792 199 8457  
Email: mainland.taxis@sky.com

Ardrossan

## 01294 463 556

Glasgow City Centre..£55.00	Kilmarnock..£27.00
Ayr..£33.00	Crosshouse Hospital..£23.00
Ayr Hospital..£35.00	Ayrshire Central Hospital..£15.00
GLASGOW AIRPORT £40.00	PRESTWICK AIRPORT £30.00
EDINBURGH AIRPORT £120.00	RETURN BOOKINGS WELCOME

HOSPITAL TAXI SHARE & OTHER QUOTES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST  
Friendly Reliable Service GUARANTEED

**6 & 7 Seater Taxis Available on Request**

# Whiting Bay community council election

by Hugh Boag  
editor@arranbanner.co.uk



There will have to be an election for Arran Community Council members in Whiting Bay after three residents applied for the two places available on the council.

As a result a postal ballot will now be held among the electorate to decide on the selection of the three nominees: Suzie Dick, Bob Haddow and Thomas Young.

Two villages, Corrie and Pirnmill, have no nominations and Lamlash and Shiskine, which are allowed two nominations, have just one each, leaving the community council

## But vacancies need filled in other island villages

short of four members. For the uncontested villages all nominees will be formally appointed at the election results meeting, currently scheduled to take place on Tuesday November 2, in the Ormidale Pavilion, Brodick.

Further members may be co-opted to fill any outstanding nominations, at the discretion of the community council.

For the Whiting Bay contested election, postal packs,

comprising a numbered ballot paper and a booklet containing the candidates' supporting statements, will be prepared and ready for issue on request to local electors residing in the 'extended village' area.

Local electors can apply for a pack by telephone: 01294 324131 or by email: [committeeservices@north-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:committeeservices@north-ayrshire.gov.uk). Postal packs will be issued following a check of the Register of Electors.

Completed ballot papers can either be returned by post to North Ayrshire Council local office at Lamlash, or hand-delivered to that location.

The Lamlash local office is not currently open to the public, but any ballot papers returned by mail or posted through the letterbox will be stored securely in a sealed ballot box, ready to be taken to the election results meeting for counting.

Postal packs will automatically be sent to Whiting Bay candidates, their proposers and seconders. Packs will otherwise be available on request from Monday October 4 and must be returned to Lamlash

local office no later than Friday October 29. This information will be publicised locally at Whiting Bay Hall and in the local shop as well as on the NAC website.

The nominations are:

Whiting Bay(2) - Suzie Dick, Bob Haddow, Thomas Young  
Brodick (2) - Bill Calderwood and Jill Hunter

Lamlash(2) - Veronica Park  
Shiskine (2) - Neil Arthur Kilmory, including Kildonnann (1) - Richard McMaster

Lochranza (1) - Julie Graham  
Corrie, including Sannox (1) and Pirnmill (1) - no nominations received

■ See also page 6.

## Pirnmill hall celebrations

Continued from page 1.

the island in a bid to bring more events and activities into the village.

The association held a community consultation asking residents for their thoughts and all responses were supportive. The story of Pirnmill community centre is a long one. After a long community campaign in the 1980s, and several false starts, the hall was finally built using redundant huts from Arran High School and opened in 1988.

Hazel Cranstoun, chairwoman of Pirnmill Village Association, said: 'The community centre will be a facility in the heart of the village that can host an extensive range of activities and services beyond what it currently provides. Thanks to the excellent support from NAC throughout, the community asset transfer process has been much simpler and we are delighted with the positive outcome,' she added.

Raise Your Voice with Ardeer (RYVA) was also successful this week for an asset transfer of land at Stevenston shorefront. The land will be used to build a new community-owned building for activities for residents and visitors.

Councillor Louise McPhater, cabinet member for participatory democracy, said: 'Community asset transfers provide a chance for people to be involved in providing opportunities or services for their communities.'

'This is community empowerment in action, not just words. It gives power and resources to groups that are making a real difference in communities,' she added.

# Ormidale astroturf given new lease of life



The astroturf feels softer underfoot but will need to be compacted by use before it is at its best. 01\_B40astroturf01

Work to extend the life of the all-weather astroturf at the Arran Sports Association's Ormidale Pavillion has been completed with the playing surface now expected to last for another seven years.

The restoration of the astroturf is largely due to a £22,279 funding boost from SUEZ Communities Trust which was secured earlier this year with the assistance of Derek Shand and Arran Community and Voluntary Service (ACVS).

While regularly being used by both the junior and adult hockey clubs on Arran, the pitch suffered from poor drainage and deterioration due to old age.

Now, with the 10-day refurbishment, which involved re-

moving the old sand and dirt, the carpet pile fibers cleaned and untangled, and the pitch re-sanded, the new surface will improve the playing conditions and drainage.

The pitch will, however, need to be utilized before it is at its best.

The new sand needs to be tamped down and compacted, which can only be achieved with frequent use and a few cycles of rain.

The rejuvenated astroturf has been welcomed by the Junior Hockey Club's 62 members and the Arran Ladies Hockey Club, which competes in the West District women's hockey league and who train on it every Thursday between 7pm and 8.30pm.

**Campbell Fuel Oils**

Is your current supplier letting you down?  
Why not contact Campbell Fuels for a reliable service

The most frequent service on the Isle of Arran supplying heating oil, tractor diesel, derv and a wide range of lubricants

Call us on 01563 521925  
Hurlford Road, Riccarton, Kilmarnock KA1 3LS  
[www.campbellfuels.co.uk](http://www.campbellfuels.co.uk)

Whiting Bay Bowling Club

We would very much appreciate your help.

There are a number of sets of bowls in bags with no names on.

We would like to unite them with their owners.

We could return them to you or if they are no longer of use, if you wish, you could donate them to the club.

You can contact us on 01770 700636

Fourteen years of digital archives

Available to Digital subscribers

THE ARRAN BANNER

# Poignant protest held at peace tree in Whiting Bay



Long-time CND supporter Jessie Clark of Brodick with her daughter Kate at the peace gathering.



Louis Gray, centre, who wrote the widely praised essay *There is No Planet B*.

More than 50 people of all ages gathered at the Peace Tree in Whiting Bay last Sunday.

In the run up to the forthcoming COP 26 in Glasgow there has been a renewed focus on the environment and the issue of the Weapons of Mass Destruction based in the Clyde.

At the same time some Arran CND members went to the gates of the Faslane submarine base for a protest; their particular emphasis was on the specific implications for the marine environment of radioactive pollution and the more general carbon footprint impact of military resources.

Those who gathered in Whiting Bay regretted the recent decision of the UK to increase by 44 per cent its stockpile of nuclear warheads despite the urge for international cooperation and investment in measures to mitigate and adapt to climate breakdown.

The opening paragraph of a widely praised essay by Arran High School pupil Louis Gray entitled: *There is No Planet B* was read out: 'We are living on this planet as if we have a new one to move to. Mother nature can only take so much of a beating until the biosphere of this gentle planet collapses. Right now we are at an important point in history – we choose if future generations get to live on a prosperous biodiverse earth or one that has been reduced to ruins.

'Throughout previous decades we have found out more about the complex workings of our climate and maybe a few decades ago you could be forgiven for not doing anything about climate



The CND gathering at the peace tree on Sunday.

change, but now we have the facts, we have the knowledge and there's no excuse for not playing your part in saving

the planet.' A lively discussion ensued about the possibility of an Arran Greenpeace branch and starting a reading group

based on the recently-published Penguin Green Ideas Slipcase of 20 short classics of the ecology movement.

## Specsavers offers home visit eye tests

Specsavers is encouraging Arran residents to make use of its home visit service next week when its optometrist visits the island.

The home visits are available for anyone who is unable to leave their home unaccompanied due to a physical or mental illness or disability and they can also visit patients in care homes and sheltered housing.

The Specsavers' team, which will be on Arran on Tuesday October 5, can provide a comprehensive eye care service, including a free NHS-funded eye test, a wide selection of glasses and high standards of care – all from the comfort of your own home.

Karen Craig, customer service director for Specsavers home visits, said: 'Many people on

Arran who qualify don't always realise we offer a home visits service in the area.

'Living on the Scottish Islands can pose additional challenges for those who are unable to leave their home but we can provide our service to more remote locations and will have an optometrist on the island on Tuesday October 5 for anyone who would like to book an appointment.

'This service can make a real impact and help change people's lives so we would encourage everyone who thinks they would benefit from this to get in touch.'

Further information about Specsavers home visits can be found on their website at <https://www.specsavers.co.uk/home-eye-tests>.

## GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCE MARCH 2022 CLOSING DATE FOR AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP INCENTIVE

Arrange your home survey today to make sure you do not miss out

*"My house is now always warm and cozy and my bills have halved"*  
*"I no longer worry about the cost of heating my home in the winter"*  
*"I have been delighted with the Service provided by T K Murray: from initial contact they were friendly, helpful and professional. The staff were all really great: no mess, tidy installation and they did the job in less than two days"*

- Funding available from both the UK and Scottish Government
- Over 175 heat pumps installed on Arran alone.
- Full systems installed in less than two days

Air source heat pumps are set to become the most popular way to heat your home. Right now there are very generous Government incentives which cover most of the cost.

To find out how they work and how much you would get, contact us today.

## T K Murray Electrical Ltd



Contact Norman Paterson on:  
**07912 346360**

2 U.P. Road, Kilsyth, Glasgow, G65 0BH.  
Telephone: (01236) 730 579  
FAX: (01236) 730 579  
E-mail: [info@tkmurray.co.uk](mailto:info@tkmurray.co.uk)



## LETTERS

Write to us: [editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk)  
or The Editor, Arran Banner, Brodick, Arran KA27 8AJ

## Hard work ahead

We are delighted to see Pirnmill Village Association take over control of the community centre.

There is no doubt a community asset transfer has its risks – mainly as it will see North Ayrshire Council wash its hands of all future responsibility of the hall.

But as someone said on handover day – it has never put its collective hand in its pocket since the day it offered Pirnmill the use of the former Arran High School huts in the mid-1980s.

The community centre finally opened in 1988, but only after years of trying.

Now, 33 years later, a new chapter is about to be written.

The village association has grand plans for the centre.

But they are expansion plans it was not willing to fund without owning the building – a situation any tenant can relate to.

What it hopes to find is that, away from council control, there may be other funding sources it can tap into, such as the National Lottery, to raise the funds needed if the centre is to have a bright future.

While there are still loose ends to tie up with the deal, the village association is already planning a working group to take the grand plans forward.

There may have been a celebration this week, but the hard work starts now.

## Thought for the week

**'Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer...Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.'**  
Romans 12:12-15

## Tributes paid to retiring community councillors

**The present Arran Community Council met for the final time last week. They have been in post for five years, one year longer than normal after the elections were cancelled last year, due to the pandemic. At the meeting chairman Bill Calderwood, pictured below, gave his end of term report in which he paid tribute to the members who have announced they are retiring after many years of service. Here is a summary of his report.**

The current membership has been in place for five years with some serving longer sentences. Our website has been a good contact point and shows more than 35,500 hits.

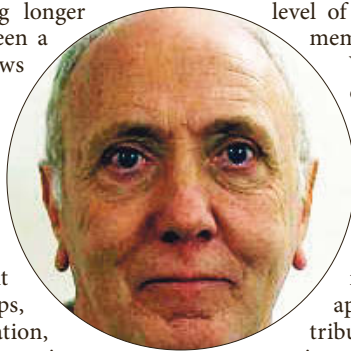
The records show engagement with a wide range of island groups including: the ferry committee, elderly forum, Arran Community and Voluntary Services, AEG, forestry, Arran Development Trust, Arran youth groups, COAST, Scottish Islands Federation, MSPs, MP and other representatives including the Boundaries Commission, health boards, Royal Mail and many more local and national committees.

I'm sure it will be acknowledged that we are not a one-trick pony.

Over the term some members have moved on to other activities: Marilyn Woods, Chris Attkins, Peter Randell, Francis Wheeler, who all added their own unique experience and styles to support our activities.

We have been fortunate to also welcome new members to replace these individuals to continue the work of the CC.

Our meetings have also been complemented by the support of Councillor Timothy Billings who has attended when possible and provided reports on a regular basis.



Pity we could not have received the same level of support for our other elected members.

Whilst the CC is not a politically aligned body we have to recognise the support received over the term from our MP and MSP. NAC local officer support has seen changes over our term with Gus Macleod retiring and Rosslyn Mills inserting appositive and enthusiastic contribution to our meetings and to the various concerns such as roads, hedges, general council services and general duties.

Rosslyn is a positive addition to NAC's presence on Arran.

The last 18 months have been difficult for everyone but we have continued to perform the role as described in our terms of reference.

Over the period I wish to specifically recognise a couple of our members who have indicated they will not be returning in October.

Jim Henderson has served for 11-plus years and filled several roles including treasurer, secretary, marine coordination and generally supporting me as chair in a responsible and conscientious manner. Thanks Jim.

Peter McMullen is another big hole to fill. Peter has developed the role of planning to a level which is respected and admired across

NAC and planning management.

Peter has carried out the duties in a professional and informed manner all to the benefit of ACC.

Whilst some get the publicity, Peter has analysed many planning applications and advised the council in much detail. I pass my personal appreciation to him for his contribution and support.

Liz Evans carries out the duties in a quiet and efficient manner and has represented her community in a positive manner for more than 11 years.

I know her contribution is recognised by both the village residents and also a wider group with her other work caring for those in need. She has my sincere appreciation and I wish her and Ray well for the future.

Colin Mackenzie has been my partner for the last six years representing Brodick and also brought experience and knowledge of education and other island aspects to the discussion and has had to cope with house moves, IT system changes etc as well as the pandemic. All the best to you and the family.

The final long-term member to pick up is retiring Whiting Bay representative John Lamont, who leaves after 11 years. He has vast commercial experience, which he applies to key matters, and his contacts are extensive.

Another resource who complements the other members to ensure we represent our residents' views in the strongest way possible.

I hope this acknowledges the range of topics and how we have as a committee worked together to represent our communities for the benefit of the wider island.

We all have decisions to make for the future and these should be personal decisions based on what each member feels they can contribute to the future activities of what is a nationally-prescribed body.

It is not for one individual or group to dictate or attempt to influence the future membership based on personal views or support to individual topics such as ferries.

Any engagement should be done with respect to other members and all candidates will require to have their village's support.

I thank everyone for their support over the years and wish everyone well for the future whatever they may decide that will be.

## CONTACTUS

Arran Banner, Brodick, Isle of Arran, KA27 8AJ.  
Phone: 01770 302142

**News editor:** Hugh Boag;  
[editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk)

**Reporter:** Colin Smeeton;  
[editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk)

**Advertising:** Cecilia Paul;  
[adverts@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:adverts@arranbanner.co.uk)

**Head office:** Wyvex Media, Lochavullin Industrial Estate, Oban, PA34 4HB.

## PRESSPOLICY

At The Arran Banner, we endeavour to ensure all our reports are fair and accurate and comply with the Editors' Code of Practice set by the Independent Press Standards Organisation (IPSO). However, we realise that mistakes happen from time to time. If you think we have made a significant mistake and you wish to discuss this with us, please let us know as soon as possible by any of the three methods: emailing [editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk); telephoning the chief reporter on 01770 302142 or write to the Group Editor at Wyvex Media, Crannog Lane, Lochavullin estate, Oban, PA34 4HB. We will try to resolve your issue in a timeous, reasonable and amicable manner. However, if you are unsatisfied with our response, you can contact IPSO, which will investigate the matter, by emailing: [inquiries@ipso.co.uk](mailto:inquiries@ipso.co.uk).

The Editor welcomes letters for publication on this page. The Editor reserves the right to shorten, amend or to refuse to print them. Names and addresses MUST be supplied to indicate good faith, although these details can be withheld from publication. Telephone numbers, if available, should also be included. Anonymous letters will not be considered. Please write to: Letters, The Arran Banner, Brodick, Isle of Arran, KA27 8AJ. Fax: (01770) 302021. Email [editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk). Emailed letters can only be considered if they have a name, full address and phone number.

**ARRAN DELIVERIES**

*We deliver the goods, not excuses*

**Daily collection throughout Ayrshire, Glasgow and surrounding districts**

[www.arrandeliveries.co.uk](http://www.arrandeliveries.co.uk)



## Glasgow Depot

c/o Hebrides Haulage  
149 Balmoral Street  
Glasgow, G14 0HB  
**Call us on 01475 676255**  
Open 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday

We've been in our Glasgow depot for 25 years, our long time friends Hebrides Haulage operate it and provide a great service. We can accept all size of deliveries into Glasgow. Our trucks call in daily to collect all goods destined for Arran.

Anything in before 1pm is guaranteed next morning delivery on the Island. Let us know your requirements when you book in with our office, as well as our speedy parcel service, we offer 2 man delivery and Tailift Service throughout the island. Forklift at depot.

## Ardrossan Depot

Arran Deliveries  
Parcelpoint Ardrossan  
Ayrshire, KA22 8BZ  
**Call us on 01475 676255**  
Open 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday

We are open to accept all your deliveries large and small. A lot of companies won't deliver to Islands, why not use us as your mainland address and let us bring it to your home. We have all the national parcel companies and pallet networks calling in daily to our Parcelpoint. If you are ordering from a few different companies we can

hold it until all your goods have arrived and deliver it all together to your home. If you're needing special arrangements for your delivery we can help. Just let us know your requirements when you book in. Forklift on site for pallets and as well as our speedy parcel services, we offer a 2 man and tailift service throughout the Island.

## LETTERS continued

### People's views not heard

Sir,  
It was great to see the determined peaceful protest of some 40 Arran pensioner ladies in persistent rain reported on the front page of The Arran Banner last week, alongside the fuller report of the visit of the new Scottish transport minister Mr Graeme Dey.

The ladies came to personally voice their concerns over the difficulties they were experiencing due to the continuing Arran ferry issues.

As reported, unfortunately the ladies were snubbed by the minister as he attended the organised IoAFC meeting via the back door of the Ormidale Pavilion.

Considering all the ferry dramas Arran residents have all been experiencing over the past 18 months or so of the Covid-19 pandemic, surely the greater Arran public should have been given greater access to put their current ferry concerns to Mr Dey and the several NAC, Transport Scotland and Scottish government officials who accompanied him, albeit socially distanced?

In that regard it is pertinent to note the quote given by the chairman of IoAFC in the January 8 2021 issue of The Arran Banner.

This quote was made about one month after the multi-MSP Scottish government enquiry report of the RECC into the reasons behind the cost and build schedule overruns of the Glen Sannox project at the Ferguson shipyard, the famous 'catastrophic failure' report.

Viz: 'IoAFC will continue to voice views from the community and work with all parties to ensure from this calamitous episode, lessons are learned and we can finally receive the levels of service and capacity which we have not enjoyed for some time.'

I have to say that there was not much evidence apparent on the occasion of Mr Dey's visit of 'views from the community' being heard or 'working with all parties' or past 'lessons being learned'.

Rather, the treatment of these retired Arran ladies seems typical of the IoAFC. Will that change going forward?

Yours,  
**John Ford,  
Lochranza.**

# HAVE YOUR SAY

email us at [editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk)



Transport minister Graeme Dey on his recent tour of the ferry terminal in Brodick with CalMac managing director Robbie Drummond and port manager Colin McCort. 01\_B39minister07

**CMAL has agreed to commission a study to look at impacts of easterly winds, waves and swell at Brodick. This will include the possible construction of a breakwater. The move was suggested in a letter to the transport minister Graeme Dey from the Arran Ferry Action Group. Here is his reply.**

Sirs,  
Thank you for your letter dated September 13 2021 on behalf of the Arran Ferry Action Group (AFAG) regarding the mis-alignment of Brodick pier and the direct impact of this on the resilience of ferry services to Arran.

I am aware that Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd (CMAL) has already communicated with AFAG on the design of the new Brodick pier therefore I will not go over this, but will re-affirm the position that the berth orientation was the optimum solution delivered at Brodick.

You have outlined that the best solution to address this mis-alignment would be for CMAL to construct a breakwater to the east giving protection to moored vessels from the North East to South East wind-generated sea swells.

The breakwater being constructed from dumped rock rubble and concrete tetrapod blocks as illustrated in the sketches attached

to your correspondence at an estimated cost of around £10million. CMAL has confirmed that it is commissioning a study of the impacts of easterly winds/waves/swell at Brodick.

The study will look to analyse the conditions that lead to cancellations informed by various data sets such as wind, wave and weather as well as obtaining input from vessel masters from CalMac Ferries Ltd (CFL); with the objective being to identify all potential solutions and/or mitigation measures that can be implemented including the construction of a breakwater as suggested.

CMAL expect to commence the data gathering exercise and study during winter 2021/22 and will feedback to Transport Scotland who will fully consider any recommendations as a result of the study.

I thank AFAG for its suggestion. Following receipt of your letter I took the opportunity to discuss any issues around berthing, with the vessel master myself, whilst travelling to Arran on my recent visit.

Yours,  
**Graeme Dey,  
Minister for Transport,  
Scottish Government.**

### Ferry access

Sir,  
I recently needed to go to Ayr Hospital for an appointment.

I travelled as a foot passenger.

Having bought my ticket in the booking office I then walked the 12 paces to the foot of the stairs. I then took a further 36 paces up the stairs to the waiting-room, 18 more to present my ticket and then a further 73 paces to wend my way round the Covid-spaced chairs to the walkway.

Then followed 198 paces along the walkway, making a total of 337 paces to set foot on the boat.

On my return, it was 56 paces from the booking office to the foot of the ramp, 33 paces up the ramp, and I was on the boat.

A total of 89 paces at the as-yet-unimproved Ardrossan terminal.

Could the management of CMAL explain how their Brodick improvements have benefited foot passengers, particularly the older and less sprightly?

Yours,  
**John Gibson,  
Kilmory.**

# 74%

Local newspapers in print and digital (74%) are more than three times more trusted for local news and information than social media platforms such as Facebook and LinkedIn (22%)

Source: YouGov 2018

## THE OLD POST OFFICE LAUNDRY

- SERVICE WASHES
- PICK UP DROP OFF SERVICE
- COMMERCIAL CONTRACTS
- DUVETS
- LEFT LUGGAGE

01770 302879  
[laundry@theoldpostofficebrodick.co.uk](mailto:laundry@theoldpostofficebrodick.co.uk)  
or find us on Facebook

## ARRAN SIMPLY HOUSEKEEPING

### SIMPLY HOUSEKEEPING ARRAN

Arran's holiday home housekeeping agency

Get in touch to discuss every aspect of your self catering changeovers.

We offer winter property checks and PAT testing island wide, even if you are not a current client.

Call 01770 302879  
or email: [info@simplyhousekeepingarran.co.uk](mailto:info@simplyhousekeepingarran.co.uk)



## Institute women meet at Corrie

There was a Women's Institute reunion at Corrie and Sannox village hall on Tuesday September 7.

Gill Edmonds, formally of Slidery and Kilmory SWI, brought a coach full of North Yorkshire WI ladies over to Arran for the day. They were on holiday staying in Irvine.

Their day on Arran included a tour of Arran

Aromatics and a drive round the island stopping at Corrie and Sannox village hall for tea and cakes as the guests of Elma Stevenson and Anne Pringle and the Corrie and Sannox members.

There Gill and company had the chance of a catch-up before continuing their journey round the island.

Above: Elma and Anne welcome the guests. Above right: Guests and Corrie and Sannox SWI members enjoy tea and cakes.

# Ailsa to help put food at heart of tourism recovery

Ailsa Currie of Bellevue Farm, Blackwaterfoot, has been selected as one of 25 regional food tourism ambassadors for a new programme by Scotland Food and Drink.

The programme, which has been set up to put food tourism at the heart of the recovery of Scotland's tourism and food and drink sectors, was launched by the Scottish trade association and the Scottish Tourism Alliance.

As the ambassador representing Ayrshire and Arran, Ailsa will play a key part in delivering some of the strategic aims and ambitions of Scotland's Food Tourism Action Plan, launched in 2018.

Supported by the Scottish Government, it is hoped it will stimulate entrepreneurial activities and change as the

## Regional food ambassadors appointed across Scotland

food and drink sectors recover from the pandemic.

The programme was officially launched by Mairi Gougeon, cabinet secretary for rural affairs and islands.

She paid tribute to the resilience and determination of Scotland's food and tourism sectors in finding new and innovative ways in capitalising



Ailsa Currie has been selected as the regional food tourism ambassador representing Ayrshire and Arran. 01\_B39Ailsa01

on the pride and passion that exist within the sectors.

Mrs Gougeon said: 'I am delighted Scotland's food and drink ambassadors have been appointed.'

'They will play a key role in supporting food tourism to become a sustainable and important contributor to local economies.'

'The 25 ambassadors, who all work in and share a passion for the industry, will put every region in Scotland on the map, showcasing to visitors and tourists the exceptional and varied food tourism ex-

periences available across the country.

Their work and expertise, against the backdrop of major challenges to the sector from Brexit and the pandemic, will raise Scotland's profile as a food tourism destination and help rebuild our food, hospitality and tourism industry.'

Ailsa farms with her husband and two sons at Bellevue, a mixed livestock farm on the west side of Arran.

After completing the Scottish Enterprise Rural Leadership Programme, she started guided tours of the farm. With the help of LEADER funding, they have created Bellevue Barn to give visitors an insight into farming life, find out where their food comes from and hear the story of how Arran food production fits together.

## Sparkle organisers appeal for Christmas market help

Lamlash Events, the organisation behind the last three Santa's Sparkle events in Lamlash, is appealing for the community to get involved to help add sparkle to this year's event.

Taking place on Saturday November 27, at Arran High School, the annual Christmas market usually features live music, performances, stalls and entertainment for children.

A spokeswoman for Lamlash Events said: 'We have raised some money to pay for the rental and licences for

**Santa's Sparkle**  
**Needs You!**



Santa's Sparkle 2021 and now need you to come forward with activities and donations to make it happen.

'Despite the Christmas market being one of the big features of the event,

we really want there to be far more affordable activities for children this year and we would also like to have live entertainment from young people on Arran.

'If you have any ideas for children's events or if you can donate raffle prizes, toys, games or sweets for activities, we would love to hear from you.'

**Mrs Claus**

'Finally we would also like to hear from Mrs Claus and any of Santa's elves.'

If you can assist in any way, either with ideas or donations, organisers can be reached via email at [info@santassparkle.co.uk](mailto:info@santassparkle.co.uk) or through their Facebook page.

## Club draw winner

The winners of the Brodick Improvements' 200 Club prize for September are Pam and George Springthorpe from Lamlash.

**GETINTOUCH**

email us at [editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:editor@arranbanner.co.uk)  
telephone 01770 302142



# CalMac port staff cook up a storm for Macmillan

CalMac's Brodick port staff showed their support – and baking skills – at a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support at the ferry terminal.

Joining thousands of people from across the UK in the nationwide initiative, CalMac hosted its coffee morning last Friday, with the support of island businesses, including Arran Coffee, Arran Dairies, the Brodick Co-op and the port staff

Words and photos by Colin Smeeton  
editor@arranbanner.co.uk



themselves who provided the bulk of the cakes and bakes on offer.

The event proved a huge success with a steady flow of visitors throughout the morning who all helped to raise more than £1,000 for the charity.

Across Arran, a number

of organisations, including Pirnmill Village Association, The Shore in Whiting Bay and Kilmory Hall, all held coffee mornings, helping to raise much-needed funds to support those living with cancer.

Known as the World's Biggest Coffee Morning, the annual fundraiser was started in 1990 and has helped to raise more than £290 million for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Right: Alix Hitching and Sofia Pantazidou of Arran Coffee with relief port supervisor Euan Stout and port manager Colin McCort.

01\_B40CalMac01



Left: Sofia Pantazidou and Alix Hitching provided Arran coffee made with Arran Dairies milk.

01\_B40CalMac02



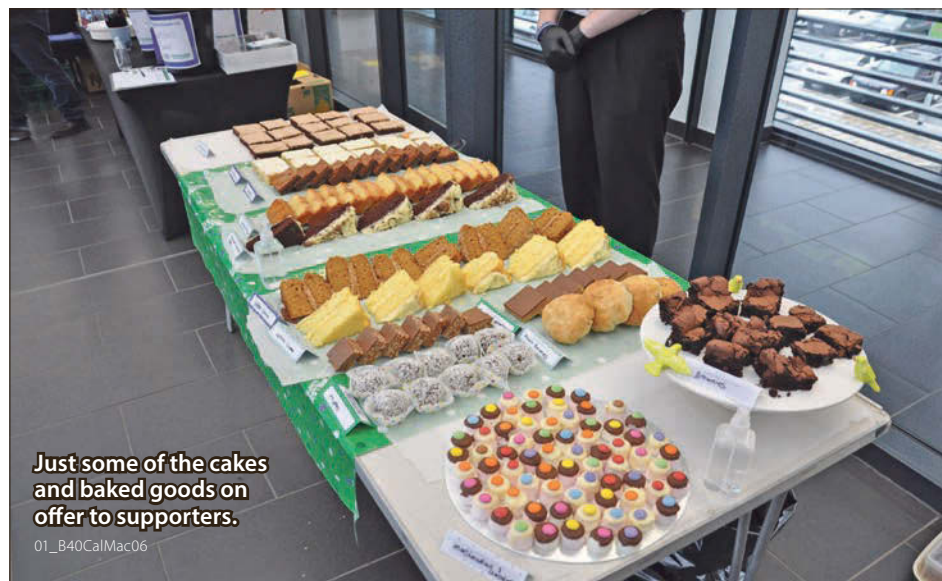
Right: Euan Stout serves up delicious treats while a youngster looks on in anticipation.

01\_B40CalMac04



Left: The Co-op provided baked goods and a hamper which was raffled off.

01\_B40CalMac03



Just some of the cakes and baked goods on offer to supporters.

01\_B40CalMac06



Visitors enjoy tea, cake and good company in the CalMac departure lounge.

01\_B40CalMac05

# Eco-aware flock to Arran's Climate Fringe event

To promote climate, environmental, biodiversity and sustainability awareness on Arran, Eco Savvy hosted its first Climate Fringe event to help celebrate and promote some of the work being undertaken by organisations on Arran, writes Colin Smeeton.

Taking place at Ormidale Pavilion on the first day of Climate Fringe Week, September 18 to 26, the event included representatives from the Arran Pioneer Project, Think about Plastic (TAP), Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST), Woodside Farm CIC, Arran Repair Cafe (ARC) and the National Trust for Scotland (NTS).

Those attending learned about the work that the various groups are doing to help combat environment and climate change and took part in a number of activities offered by the groups.

These included testing ebikes, visiting the com-

munity gardens at Cladach, taking part in a squirrel feeder construction tutorial, a beach clean and an enjoyable 'low carbon' lunch in the garden.

Also on offer were a number of talks and information on food resilience, marine conservation, blue carbon, the Arran Geopark Project and other green initiatives on the island.

## Stall

Visitors could also buy a number of green products and literature from the Eco Savvy stall, whose representatives provided information about the numerous environmental activities undertaken by the group.

The event was well-attended by like-minded people who joined thousands of others who celebrated Climate Fringe Week at events throughout Scotland ahead of COP26 which will take place in Glasgow starting on Sunday October 31.



Lisa Webb, Jude King, Jess Wallace and Ruth McLaren at the Eco Savvy stall. 01\_B39Fringe01



Visitors have a go on ebikes provided by Eco Savvy ebike co-ordinator Wally Wallace. 01\_B39Fringe04



NTS Ranger Service and Arran Geopark representatives speak to visitors about some of the work undertaken by the organisations. 01\_B39Fringe06



Poppy Murdoch has a go at making a squirrel feeder with Michael Gettings of Arran Repair Cafe. 01\_B39Fringe02

## Arran author tackles tale of Typhoid Mary

Arran author and live storyteller Marty Ross makes his professional debut as stage playwright in his home city of Glasgow next week.

His play, *The Tale of Typhoid Mary*, debuts at A Play, A Pie and A Pint, the lunchtime theatre at Oran Mor in the west end, which has become Scotland's pre-eminent forum for new stage writing.

The play is based on the true story of Mary Mallon, an Irish cook in early 20th century New York who, without showing any symptoms herself, was carrying Typhoid bacillus, causing outbreaks among the wealthy households of America's East Coast.

After tracking her down, the New York Health Department forcibly confined Mary to an island in the East River for the rest of her life.

'It's a story I had been obsessed by for a long time,' said Ross, 'but it's gained a whole new currency in the light of the Covid pandemic – a story about the hard choices in public health between respecting individual liberties and defending society as a whole from infection.'

'Mary suffered the severest lockdown imaginable and we can debate to this day the rights and wrongs of the way she was treated, but my play aims to be a thrilling story



Cat Grozier as Typhoid Mary.



Author Marty Ross.

above all – a detective story, a dark comedy and a deeply moving tragedy.

'If any of my fellow Arranachs are over in Glasgow that week, they

couldn't do better for a lunchtime show.' The play is at Oran Mor from Monday October 4 to Saturday October 9, with shows at 1pm. The Saturday show is already sold out.



Jenny Crockett of COAST speaks to a visitor about blue carbon. 01\_B39Fringe03

# Fish and shellfish in Arran's waters – 'a fishy business'

The Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST) is running a year-long media campaign to raise awareness of the many exciting habitats and species to be found in Arran's seas, many protected by the South Arran Marine Protected Area. Each month, they are focussing on a particular habitat or collective group of inter-linked species. The September article features fish and shellfish. There is more information on COAST's social media or visit [www.arrancoast.com](http://www.arrancoast.com)

The Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST) is running a year-long media campaign to raise awareness of the many exciting habitats and species to be found in Arran's seas, many protected by the South Arran Marine Protected Area.

Each month, they will focus on a particular habitat or collective group of inter-linked species. Their September article features fish and shellfish. There is more information on COAST's social media or visit [www.arrancoast.com](http://www.arrancoast.com)

If we are asked what the sea provides for us, most of us probably think of the food that it produces.

This will include fish and shellfish (such as lobsters, crabs, prawns, scallops and mussels) which are some of the more familiar species that we find around Arran and elsewhere around Scotland and the UK.

Fisheries were once seen as a limitless resource, a viewpoint illustrated by the words of the Victorian scientist T H Huxley in his inaugural address to the Fisheries Exhibition in London in 1883: 'I believe that ... probably all the great sea fisheries are inexhaustible: that is to say that nothing we do seriously affects the number of fish.'

## Over-fish

Today we now know that it is all too easy to over-fish wild stocks of marine life with serious consequences for both ourselves and the marine environment.

The community on Arran experienced this directly with the catastrophic decline of commercial fish stocks in the Clyde through the 1980s and its associated loss of livelihoods, income and even island events such as the annual Lamlash Fishing Festival.

Action by COAST and the Arran community to establish the Lamlash Bay No Take Zone (NTZ) and protect the South Arran Marine Protected Area (MPA) from dredging and

trawling was a direct response to this loss of fish stocks and marine life.

This hard-won protection is working, as shown by the results of collaborative projects with universities and researchers – increased marine life in parts of the NTZ and MPA, and larger shellfish in the NTZ which produce more eggs.

Studies also show that young cod prefer areas with more seabed marine life.

While we do not yet know whether fish stocks in the Clyde will ever recover, the NTZ and MPA are showing the potential for protected and recovering seabed habitats to contribute to the recovery of commercially important fish, shellfish and other species; increasing numbers of snorkellers and scuba divers want to see this recovery for themselves, bringing additional economic benefit to the island.

Altogether around 500 fish species may occur in UK seas although only around 250-300 of these are likely to be permanent residents; both the largest European fish species, the basking shark, and the second-smallest European fish, the diminutive goby, have been recorded around Arran, the latter seen for the first time this year during citizen science surveys as part of the UK-wide Seasearch project.

Identification of many fish species can prove difficult as they are masters of camouflage meaning you cannot rely on colouration as a method of identification.

Instead a starting point is to look at the variable body shape of different fish species, which adapts them to their particular lifestyle and the environmental conditions in which they live.

Some species living predominantly on the seabed, such as gobies, blennies and sea scorpions, may have quite a short, chunky body, sometimes with a relatively large head (such as with the long and short-spined sea scorpions and angler fish).



Clockwise from left: Judging at the Lamlash fishing festival; Lobsters scavenge on the seabed for food.

Photograph: Howard Wood; Lemon sole flatfish. Photograph: Howard Wood; Diminutive goby.

Photograph: Paul Kay.



Others that live in the water column, such as mackerel, saith and pollack have more torpedo-shaped bodies that enable them to move quickly and efficiently through the water.

## Unique

Flat fish go through a very unusual and unique anatomical change when they are very small, where the eye on one side of the body moves round so that both eyes are on the upper side of the fish, while the other side becomes the underside in contact with the seabed.

As with fish, we have a wealth of different shellfish in our seas, with some, such as winkles, dogwhelk, shore crabs and hermit crabs, relatively easy to find.

Others, however, can be more cryptic.

Nut crabs, for example, are small crabs with a body that is only the size of a fingernail.

They are generally found amongst gravel and broken shells and so can be hard to spot as they look very similar to the small stones and shell fragments in the areas they inhabit.

Equally cryptic are bivalve shellfish that live within the sediment – often the only sign of these are their filter feeding siphons protruding above the surface of the seabed.

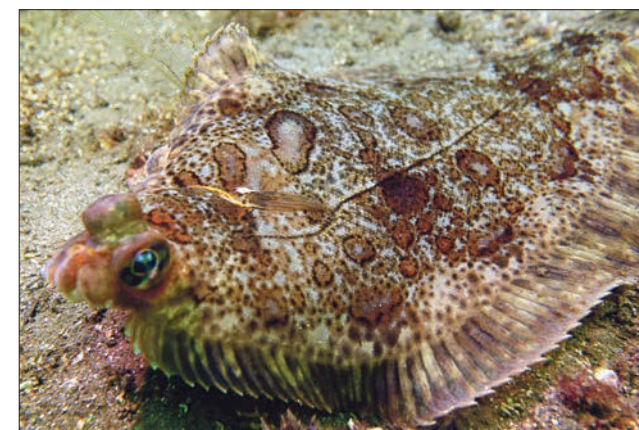
Fish and shellfish have important ecological roles in the marine environment – as described in the article in the Banner in July, fish provide food for larger marine species such as dolphins, porpoise, sea birds and otters.

Through their own feeding activities, both fish and shellfish play an important role in the cycling of nutrients in the sea and influence the structure of marine life communities.

Some shellfish, such as lobsters and crabs scavenge on dead and decaying material as well as feeding on smaller animals and organic particles within the seabed sediment.

Others, such as limpets and winkles, graze on marine plants or, in the case of scallops and other bivalves, feed on small food particles that they extract from the sea water they filter through their bodies.

Fish and shellfish are affected by a range of different human impacts in addition to those



associated specifically with fishing, including loss and damage to marine habitats as a result of developments and pollution.

## Climate change

Warming seas as a result of climate change are leading to shifts in the distribution of marine fish in UK waters, meaning some species such as cod are shifting their range further northwards.

Research has found that while juvenile fish of some species are getting bigger as sea temperatures rise, adult fish are getting smaller.

Warming seas can also

lead to more frequent and severe harmful marine algal blooms which can be directly harmful to fish and shellfish and increase the risk of marine biotoxins being present in shellfish.

It is in our own interests to look after our seas – evidence shows how fish and shellfish populations can respond when areas are protected and not overfished or degraded.

A well-managed South Arran MPA has significant potential to support sustainable fisheries and other sustainable marine-based businesses into the future.

# THE ARRAN BANNER 20 YEARS AGO

Saturday September 29, 2001



Clockwise from top left:  
Before: The Mini Cafe, Gift Shop and Boutique on the Brodick front prior to demolition. 01\_B40ABTYA01

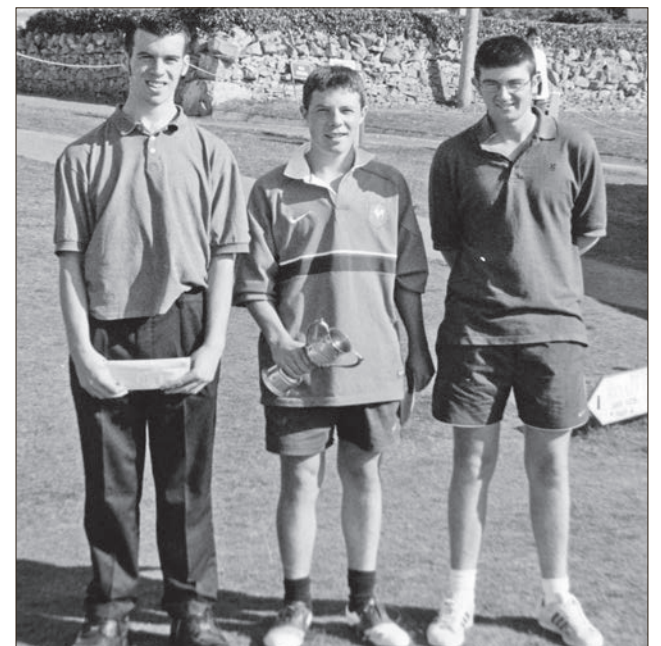
After: Standing since 1973, the Gift Shop and Boutique is torn down. 01\_B40ABTYA02

Alastair Bilsland is not disappointed to see his business of 30 years torn down - the Gift Shop will continue in temporary premises and re-open in a fine new form next spring. 01\_B40ABTYA03.

Steven Lynn, Andrew Ker and Evan Bryceland competed in the semi-finals and finals of the Shiskine Golf Club junior championship. Reaching the finals, Steven and Andrew fought hard for the match with Andrew emerging the victor. 01\_B40ABTYA06

Arran Highland dancers perform the sword dance at the Kilmory Hall fete with piper Niall MacDonald. 01\_B40ABTYA04

Plucky Phyllis Picken takes a wet sponge to the face at the Kilmory Hall fete to help raise funds for the new hall. 01\_B40ABTYA05





John Pennycott, far left, with the Scottish team that won the Phoenix Cup International this year.

## John helps Scots to golfing victory over 'auld enemy'

Representing Scotland as part of a 14-man team, Arran golfer John Pennycott has helped to secure a 14 - 10 victory over England at the Phoenix Cup International.

The Phoenix Cup is usually played between disabled golfers from Europe and the USA but travel restrictions have seen the international format altered this year and in 2020.

This year's event, organised by Scottish Disability Golf and Curling (SDGC), took place over three days at Elmwood Golf Course in Cupar and is the disabled version of the Ryder/Solheim Cup.

John is familiar with the tournament, having been part of the winning team last year and having been selected as captain for the 2019 tournament which he unfortunately missed owing to hernia surgery a few weeks before the event.

In fact, John almost never featured in the tournament as he had not managed to play in many of the Scottish disabled competitions this year owing to Covid and ferry issues.

This meant he didn't qualify for the team, however, thanks to a late call-off he got asked to join the team a few days before



John with his singles opponent Mark White from Huddersfield whom he beat 4 up with three holes left to play.

the event. John, who said he thoroughly enjoyed joining up with some old friends and making new friends during the week, helped to secure the team's victory by winning two of his three games which included foursomes on day one, fourballs on day two and singles on the last day.

## Ultra Tour of Arran is back

The twice-postponed Rat Race Ultra Tour of Arran event takes place on the island this weekend.

The event will be based at Ormidale Park where a tented village has been erected. This year there will be a staggered start from the grass at Brodick beach. Saturday's start will be from 8am to 8.30am with runners heading to Kildonan on a 30-mile route. Sunday's start will be between 7am and 7.30am with the route heading to Lochranza, Cock of Arran,

Sannox, and many mountains in between. Finishers on each day will cross the line from 1pm to 7pm.

One of the organisers said: 'The event is smaller in runner numbers and infrastructure than previous years, but we hope it to be perfectly formed and a great island adventure for participants. We have passed through all local authority scrutinisations and are looking forward to the event, albeit in October rather than our usual April.'

# What's on

in association with Isle of Arran Brewery

[www.arranbrewery.co.uk](http://www.arranbrewery.co.uk)

TOURS AND TASTINGS BY APPOINTMENT



### Every Day

Arran Heritage Museum Rosaburn, Brodick, Open daily, 10.30am – 4.30pm  
Arran Brewery, Shop Open – Monday to Saturday 10am – 4.30pm, Sunday, 12noon - 4pm  
Brodick Castle & Gardens Brodick, Open daily, 10am – 5pm (last entry 4.30pm)  
Brodick Mini Golf, Open seven days, 10am - 5pm-ish, ALL weather  
COAST Discovery Centre, Lamlash, Open 7 days a week, 10am – 4pm  
Lamlash Putting Green, Open daily, 10am -4pm  
Lamlash Tennis Courts, Open All hours  
Trout Fly Fishing, Loch Garbad, bank fishing  
Whiting Bay Bowling Club, Open to book call 01770 700636

### Saturday 2nd October

Eco Savvy Community Shop, Whiting Bay, 10.30am – 4.30pm  
Rink Games, Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm  
Open Session, Crofters' Bar and Bistro, 3pm- 5pm  
Live Music, Crofters' Bar and Bistro, from 9pm

### Sunday 3rd October

Whiting Bay Forest Trail Race, Village Centre, Whiting Bay, 2.30pm  
What's Happening On Arran, <http://www.arranmedia.co.uk>, 4pm

### Monday 4th October

Arran Chess Club – new members welcome, Crofters', Brodick, 10.30am  
Lamlash Bowling Club, Lamlash, 2pm  
Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 4pm  
JogScotlandArran@gmail.com, Whiting Bay, Venue varies, 5.30pm  
K.A. Leisure, Lamlash, 6pm - 10pm

### Tuesday 5th October

Healthy Outdoor Team, Brodick Castle, 10am – 1pm  
Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 11am  
Rink Games (Social distancing observed), Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm  
Arran Fiddle Club, High School Classes  
Junior Hockey, P1 - S3 (age 5 to 14 yrs), Ormidale Pavillion, Brodick, 6pm – 7pm  
K.A. Leisure, Lamlash, 6pm – 10pm  
Pop Music Quiz, suits all ages, Ormidale Hotel, Brodick, 9pm

### Wednesday 6th October

Eco Savvy Community Shop, Whiting Bay, 10.30am – 1.30pm  
Archives and Genealogy services, Arran Heritage Museum, 10.30am -12.30pm & 1.30pm to 3.30pm.  
Arran Pace Makers please check Facebook @arranpacemakers, Venue varies, 5.30pm  
K.A. Leisure, Lamlash, 6pm - 10pm  
Lamlash Bowling Club, Lamlash, 7pm  
Bible Meeting, Ormidale Sports Pavilion, Brodick, 7pm - 8pm  
Rock and Pop Bingo, Ormidale Hotel, Brodick, 9pm

### Thursday 7th October

Eco Savvy Community Shop, Whiting Bay, 10.30am – 4.30pm  
Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 11am  
Arran Cancer Support Group, Banner Lodge (left of Heather Lodge), Brodick, 2pm  
K.A. Leisure, Lamlash, 6pm – 10pm  
Senior Hockey (12+), Ormidale Astro Pitch, 7pm – 8.30pm  
Quiz – General Knowledge, Ormidale Hotel, Brodick, 9pm

### Friday 8th October

Arran Chess Club – new members welcome, Crofters', Brodick, 10.30am  
Eco Savvy Community Shop, Whiting Bay, 10.30am – 4.30pm  
Shiskine Tennis Club, Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, 4pm  
Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, Whiting Bay Hall, Whiting Bay, 7.30pm  
K.A. Leisure, Lamlash, 6pm – 10pm  
Live Music Crofters' Bar and Bistro, from 9pm  
Frydays Chip Shop at Lochranza Centre CIC, 6pm-7.30pm  
Order before 5pm for collection slot Tel: 01770 830615  
The Arran Ceilidh Band, Whiting Bay Hall on 15th October.

### Saturday 9th October

Eco Savvy Community Shop, Whiting Bay, 10.30am – 4.30pm  
Rink Games, Blackwaterfoot Bowling Club, 2pm  
Open Session, Crofters' Bar and Bistro, 3pm- 5pm  
Live Music, Crofters' Bar and Bistro, from 9pm

# Brewery Dug

The Isle of Arran Brewery's Brewery Dug is the brewery's American Style IPA, with the label featuring Helga, the friendly boxer owned by 2 of the brewery staff.

A dry hopped beer with strong citrus flavours, a great beer for sipping in the garden on a warm day.

The beer is available throughout the island in bottles, including at the brewery shop at Cladach, Brodick.



## TRADE CLASSIFIEDS

### TAXI SERVICES

**8-SEATER TAXIS AVAILABLE**



**ARDROSSAN HARBOUR TO:**

Glasgow Airport FROM £42.00

Prestwick Airport FROM £30.00

enquiries@directtaxis.net - Return bookings and other prices on request.

### INSURANCE SERVICES

Sponsored by NFU Mutual  
Campbeltown. Call Chris Hustwaite  
on 01586 552 428 for your  
insurance needs



**NFU Mutual**  
INSURANCE | PENSIONS | INVESTMENTS

Agent of The National Farmers Union Mutual Insurance Society Limited.

### SELF STORAGE

**ARRAN SELF STORAGE**



- small & large cabins
- climate controlled
- condensation free

**CONTAINER STORAGE NOW AVAILABLE**

Gavin Fulton 01770 600705  
www.arranstorage.co.uk

### TECH SUPPORT

**SANDY KERR**  
TECH SUPPORT

t: 07917631626

e: sandykerr@outlook.com

- Hardware & Software Installations
- Repairs & Upgrades
- PC & Mac
- Solo/Group Training
- Smart Home Appliances
- Mobile Repairs



## PRIVATE SALES

### WANTED

VINYL RECORDS - Good and accurate prices paid for well looked after records  
No classical or easy listening.  
All other genres considered.  
Also offering brokerage and free valuations. Contact  
Jamie on 07983624634 or  
01770600969



like us on  
**facebook**

www.facebook.com/  
arranbanner

## PROPERTY

**Arran's own  
"Cottage Guide"**

**For owners who want to manage their own bookings and those who don't.**

- Own bookings or online bookings
- Own calendar & prices chart
- Established social media presence
- Competitive fees - No VAT
- Personal Service

#WeAreArran

#Arran Welcome



Want to find out more?  
Email: info@cottagesonarran.co.uk  
Web: www.cottagesonarran.co.uk

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997  
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS)(SCOTLAND)  
ACT 1997**

Applications listed below together with the plans and other documents may be examined online at [www.eplanning.north-ayrshire.gov.uk](http://www.eplanning.north-ayrshire.gov.uk)  
Comments should be made online at [www.eplanning.north-ayrshire.gov.uk](http://www.eplanning.north-ayrshire.gov.uk) by 22.10.21.  
Any representations received will be open to public view.

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT  
PROCEDURE) (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2013 Regulation 20(1)**

**21/00920/PPP;** Site To East Of Largymore, Whiting Bay, Brodick, Ayrshire; Planning permission in principle for proposed residential development.

**21/00290/PP;** Site To South East Of Broombank, Lochranza, Brodick, Ayrshire; Erection of dwellinghouse.

Craig Hatton  
Chief Executive  
Cunninghame House  
IRVINE KA12 8EE



North Ayrshire Council  
Comhairle Siarachd Àir a Tuath

### CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE FOR ADVERTISEMENTS

YOUR attention is drawn to the following terms and conditions which relate to the placing of advertisements in all publications owned by Wyvex Media Limited.

Parties to this agreement are the Publisher, Wyvex Media Limited on the one part and the Advertiser on the other part. The Publisher publishes newspapers, magazines, books and provides advertising space therein or provides for the delivery of advertising materials to the public within these publications.

- 1 Advertising copy shall be legal, decent, honest and truthful and comply with the British Code of Advertising Practice and all other codes.
- 2 The Publisher does not guarantee the insertion of any particular advertisement.
- 3 The Publisher reserves the right to cancel or alter the advertisement by giving reasonable notice.
- 4 An order for an advertisement shall be deemed to be made on acceptance of the advertiser's order by the Publisher whether placed by telephone, mail, fax or in person.
- 5 Cancellation of display advertising must be received by the Publisher before the publishing deadline, failing which, the publisher reserves the right to invoice the customer in full for the whole cost of the advertisement.
- 6 The parties submit to the jurisdiction of the Scottish Courts and Scots Law. In the event of any dispute or action by the Publisher to recover payment from an advertiser, it is agreed that matters will be settled in the Oban, Argyll Sheriff Court or such other Court as the Publisher may choose.
- 7 The Publisher shall not be liable for any loss or damage occasioned by any total or partial failure (however caused) of publication or distribution of any newspaper or edition in which any advertisement is scheduled to appear. In the event of any error, misprint or omission in the printing of an advertisement or part of an advertisement, the Publisher will either re-insert the advertisement or relevant part of the advertisement, as the case may be, or make reasonable refund or adjustment to the cost. No re-insertion, refund or adjustment will be made where the error, misprint or omission does not materially detract from the advertisement.
- 8 Errors must be notified to the Publisher in writing within fourteen days of publication. In no circumstances shall the total liability of the Publisher for any error, misprint or omission exceed the amount of a full refund of any price paid to the Publisher for the particular advertisement in connection with which liability arose or the cost of a further or corrective advertisement of a type and standard reasonably comparable to that in connection with which liability arose.
- 9 The Advertiser/Advertising Agency agrees to indemnify the Publisher in respect of all costs, damages or other charges falling upon the publication as the result of legal actions or threatened legal actions arising from the publication of the advertisement in any one or more of a series of advertisements published in accordance with copy instructions supplied to the publication in pursuance of the Advertiser/Advertising Agency order.
- 10 Adverts under the value of £75 must be paid on acceptance of order by the Publisher. All advertising on a credit basis must be agreed with the Publisher in advance.
- 11 Payment of any invoice raised by the Publisher will be due 15 days from the date of invoice or as otherwise directed on the invoice. In the event of non-payment the Publisher may charge late payment interest at a rate of 2% and this is chargeable on a daily basis from the due date until the bill is paid. In addition the Publisher may charge a late payment levy of £10 as an administration fee. In the event of late payment the Publisher reserves the right to disallow any discounts given and to raise an additional invoice for the discount which will be treated as though it has been raised with the original invoice.
- 12 A request to insert an advertisement assumes acceptance of our conditions.

## RECRUITMENT



**auchrannie**  
resort



Auchrannie Resort is proud to be a Real Living Wage employer and Scotland's first Employee Owned Resort. In 2020 we were voted in the Times Best Companies Top 50 places to work in Scotland and we truly believe that our People are the key to our success.

**We are currently looking for a Porter to join our team.**

Our Porters perform a key support role at Auchrannie, welcoming our guests at the ferry and managing all deliveries across the Resort. The role also includes nightshift on a rotational basis (2 weeks from 5) providing support for the health, safety and security of guests and operational support in our onsite laundry overnight.

No experience is necessary for this role as full training will be provided. The ideal candidate will enjoy working closely as part of a small team, have good attention to detail and a positive attitude. All applicants must be over the age 25 and must have a full driving licence. This is a full time role however part time applications will be considered.

Rate of pay; £9.50 day shift and £11.50 night shift.  
Great benefits package. Please email [HR@auchrannie.co.uk](mailto:HR@auchrannie.co.uk) to apply for more information.

## PERSONAL NOTICES

### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



**Willie & Elizabeth Kelso  
Married 1st October 1971.**

Congratulations on your  
Golden Wedding Anniversary

Love from Lesley, Gillian, Kathryn, Kevin, Lily & Edie xx

**BANNER BANNER**  
CLASSIFIEDS CLASSIFIEDS  
**BANNER BANNER**  
CLASSIFIEDS CLASSIFIEDS  
**BANNER BANNER**  
CLASSIFIEDS CLASSIFIEDS

## CHURCH NOTICES

### CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Parishes of North Arran, Brodict, Corrie, Lochranza, Pirnmill and Shiskine

*Independent but working together*  
There is a booking system at  
Shiskine church - John Kerr 860  
498

There will be a streamed service  
fortnightly, this can be found on  
the three Church websites.

**Sunday 3rd October**  
Lochranza & Pirnmill Churches-  
Morning worship at Lochranza  
Church 10:15am

Morning worship at Shiskine  
Church 12noon.

Harvest Service at Brodict  
Church 10.30am  
Harvest Service at Corrie Church  
at 12noon.

The Food Bank continues from  
Brodict Church

### CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Whiting Bay and Kildonan Church of Scotland

Charity Number: SC014005  
**Sunday 3rd October**  
Worship will be conducted at  
10.30am

As we are now able to socially  
distance at one metre, booking is  
not required.

Contact details will, however, be  
requested.  
*All welcome.*

### CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Kilmory linked with Lamlash *"A faith to proclaim ~ a fellowship to share"*

Scottish Charity SC015072  
**Sunday 3rd October**  
Kilmory at 10 am  
Lamlash Church at 11.30 am  
To comply with "Trace and  
Protect" regulations, name and  
contact details will be asked for,  
on entering. We will be observing  
all socially distancing procedures.  
*All welcome*

### SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH (Part of the Worldwide Anglican Church)

St Margaret's, Whiting Bay.  
**Sunday 3rd October**  
**18th Sunday after Trinity**  
Holy Communion at 11 am.  
Rev Barry Roberts  
**ALL WELCOME**  
Please join us for coffee after the  
service  
We follow strict SEC guidelines  
Rev Barry Roberts is on Arran as  
assistant priest.  
He can be contacted on 09749  
427791

### ARRAN BAPTIST CHURCH Minister - Rev. Vince Jennings Tel: 01770 600222

www.arranbaptistchurch.org.uk  
**Sunday 3rd October**  
Services will be held in the  
Ormidale Sports Pavilion,  
Brodict at 11 am.

*All welcome but current Covid  
restrictions are in place.*  
Sermons will be on our webpage  
following the Sunday.

### HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass: Saturday 2nd October  
Vigil at 5pm  
**Sunday 3rd October Morning at  
11am** celebrated by Rt Rev Brian  
McGee, Bishop of Argyll and the  
Isles. Tea and coffee afterwards.

Booking for mass is essential.  
Please email peterdwilko@gmail.  
com or telephone 600595 to check  
availability and confirm your  
place.

Please be aware we are still  
maintaining social distancing and  
capacity remains restricted.

In accordance with Scottish  
Government requirements face  
coverings must be worn in church  
and NHS test and protect details  
will be kept.

*BLESS O LORD THIS ISLE OF  
ARRAN  
ST ROCH PATRON OF THE SICK  
PRAY FOR US  
OUR LADY OF THE ISLES PRAY  
FOR US  
ST COLUMBA PRAY FOR US*

### BIBLE MEETINGS

**Wednesday 6th October**  
Shiskine Village Hall at 7.30pm  
Conducted by W Craigs and R  
Hughes  
Contact 07756836670.  
All are welcome to attend.

### ARRAN CHURCHES TOGETHER

**Thursday 7th October**  
Taize Praise and Meditation, 3pm  
at Holy Cross Church, Brodict.  
All welcome

## DEATHS

**WEST** - Beryl Anne. Sadly  
passed away 16/09/21.  
Suddenly & unexpectedly.  
Beloved mum of Erica, much  
loved mother-in-law of Martin  
& loving partner of Alan. Gone  
but never forgotten and always  
loved.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

**FROST** - Tod. In Dad's final  
weeks he was looked after by  
members of the island Care at  
Home team, District Nurses  
and Doctors. Words are simply  
not enough to express the grati-  
tude the family feel to everyone  
for their love and care in  
making his wish to die at home  
possible. He will be missed so  
much, by so many.



find us on  
facebook

www.facebook.com  
arranbanner

## ARRAN BANNER GOLF



The Shiskine Golf Club ladies at their annual prizegiving dinner.

### Whiting Bay Golf Club

Sunday September 26, medal.  
A total of 14 played and the  
scoring suggests none found it  
easy. A brisk wind and recently  
tined greens made for tricky  
conditions to the extent that  
the best net score was a 4 over  
par 67 from Jamie Macpherson.  
Jamie also recorded the only  
two of the day @17th. 1 Jamie  
Macpherson 3, 67 and lowest  
gross, 2 Stuart McGregor 13,  
68, 3 Stan Rainey 9, 69 acb, 4  
John Pennycott 13, 69.

Fixtures: Sunday October  
3, Hamilton Salver. Members  
should note that for the winter  
2021-2022 season we shall be  
reintroducing a draw for part-  
ners at 10am. This is optional  
of course and those who wish  
to arrange their own games are  
welcome to do so.

### Lamlash Golf Club

Thursday September 23,  
Summer Cup. 1 John  
O'Sullivan 95-30=65 BIH,  
2 Stuart McLaren 77-12=65  
BIH, 3 Derek Harrison 83-18=  
65 BIH. Best scratch, Dougie  
Macfarlane 68. Magic twos,  
Dougie Macfarlane @16th.  
Hole 4 drawn, rollover.

Sunday September 26,  
Summer Stableford. 1 Scott  
Campbell 36pts, 2 Martin  
Wallbank 35pts, 3 Graeme  
Andrew 33pts. Best scratch,  
Neil Stewart 26pts to sta-  
bleford. Magic twos, Stuart  
McLaren @8th, Alan Smith  
@13th. Hole 12 drawn,  
rollover.

Overall winner of  
Summer Stableford, Norrie  
MacIntyre 41+37=78pts,  
runner up Dougie Macfarlane

38+36=74pts. Ladies Section:  
Sunday September 26, Medal  
final. 1 Ann MacVicar 88-  
20=68 BIH, 2 Kate McAdam  
84-16=68. Scratch, Kate  
McAdam 84.

Fixtures: Sunday October  
3, Glenburn Cup, draw at  
12noon. Thursday October 7,  
Front 9 Medal, make up own  
groups and see starter for  
times.

### Corrie Golf Club

Saturday September 18,  
Captains Prize. 1 D Logan  
70-12=58, 2 W Paton 68-9=59  
(Scr), 3rd R Logan 69-9=60.

Saturday September 25, The  
Corrie Open. 1 E McKinnon,  
2 W Paton, 3 J May. Nearest  
the hole: 1 C Richardson 2  
E McKinnon, 3 D Galbraith  
4 J May, 5 W McNally 6th F  
Sillars, 7 J Reid 8th G Hendry.  
On the 9th A Dobson and  
G Hendry couldn't agree  
who was closest! A brilliant  
round of golf in 58 by Ewan  
McKinnon. Many thanks to  
everyone who turned up to  
compete and make the day  
such a success.

Fixture: Saturday October  
2, 18 hole medal. Monday  
October 4, Monday Cup.

### Brodict Golf Club

Sunday September 26, Winter  
Cup Stableford, 17 played. 1  
Alastair Dobson (8)41pts,  
2 Bruce Jenkins (7)39pts, 3  
Terry Raeside (12)38pts.

Fixture: Sunday October 3,  
Brandon qualifier.

### Shiskine Golf Club

Sunday September 26, gents 12  
hole medal. 1 Brian Sherwood  
55-10=45, 2 Robbie Crawford  
53-6=47. Scratch, Robbie  
Crawford 53.

### Machrie Bay Golf Club

Saturday October 2, start of  
the Lochranza Hotel Cup, tee  
off 12noon. Tuesday October  
5, start of Winter Cup, tee off  
12noon.

### Arran Ladies Golf Union

On Saturday September 25, 17  
ladies played in the Cir Mhor  
game (15 holes) at Whiting  
Bay. This is the first of the

winter fixtures for the ALGU.  
Although very overcast the  
rain stayed away leaving pleas-  
ant playing conditions. The  
winner was Susan Butchard  
62-9=53 second was Ann May  
60-4=53 who also had the best  
scratch.

The ADM was held after-  
wards when Gay Mackay was  
elected president and Sheena  
Murchie vice president The  
rest of the committee remain  
the same for another season.

The next fixture is the  
Drumadon at Brodict on  
Saturday October 30.



The winner of the Arran Ladies Golf Union Cir Mhor Trophy  
Susan Butchard, right, with retiring president Viv Parks.



# Eleven-goal thriller sees Arran up to third in league

Arran AFC	7
Lawthorn	4
Ayrshire Sun League - D1	

Home fans were treated to an 11-goal thriller when Arran played host to Irvine side Lawthorn AFC in a league match at Ormidale Park on Sunday.

The win puts Arran up to third in Division 1 of the Ayrshire Sunday AFA league.

In an excellent display by both sides, Lawthorn got off the mark first from an early

whipped in corner, but Arran quickly came back with a quick-fire double.

And in the ding dong battle which followed the score was soon 6-3 to Arran and it was only half time.

The second half was a much tighter affair and an early penalty to the home side looked likely to put them further ahead, but the strike hit the bar.

However, the seventh goal was soon to follow and while Lawthorn pulled another back late on, Arran took the three

points. The man of the match award went to Archie McNicol for his four goals including a spectacular 25-yard free kick which sailed into the top corner.

Kieran Rae and Donald Park also scored for Arran and there was a Lawthorn own goal.

A club spokesman said: 'We would like to thank Lawthorn AFC and referee Nicole Andrews for travelling over.'

Lawthorn posted on social media: 'Difficult game today as defensive mistakes cost



Arran playing Lawthorn at Ormidale Park on Sunday.

us ultimately created plenty chances in the final third and came up short with a depleted squad.

'An exciting game from both

sides but Arran were well organised and ran out winners.'

They said the Arran team had been 'brand new' as hosts on the day.

## Runners at the ready for final trail race

The final trail race in a trio of three new forest trails organised by Arran Runners will take place on Sunday at Whiting Bay.

The race will take runners to one of the most iconic beauty spots of Arran, Glenashdale Falls, and along the forest roads and footpaths above Whiting Bay, all of which offer spectacular elevated views over the surrounding area and Holy Isle.

The Whiting Bay Forest Trail

Race will start at 2.30pm on Sunday, starting at the path to Glenashdale Falls and ending at Montrose Terrace.

Covering five miles in total, with only about half a mile on tarmac, the Whiting Bay race and its predecessors, the Brodick to Glencloy race and the Lamdash Forest Trail race, are all held under the auspices of Scottish Athletics and follow all Scottish government and Scottish Athletics Covid guidelines.



## Shiskine ladies are in the pink

A total of 33 lady golfers got dressed up to play in Shiskine Golf Club's annual Pink Day on Thursday September 23 in aid of breast cancer charities.

An amazing £505 was raised on the day. Many thanks went to all who contributed, to all the ladies who play year after year and this year a special mention went to Alan Stewart and his lovely team at the Teeroom, who all entered into the spirit of the afternoon. Winners on the day were Ann May, Sheena Murchie and Moira Hume.

**CONTACTUS**

EMAIL US AT

[email.us.at.editor@arranbanner.co.uk](mailto:email.us.at.editor@arranbanner.co.uk)

TELEPHONE

01770 302142



The Arran Banner: 85p

## Cladach Sawmill and *Garden Centre*

For all your Garden Needs...

Large selection of compost and a great range of pots and garden essentials

Houseplants; Shrubs; Alpines and Herbaceous; Ornamental trees; Fruit trees, bushes and plants; Grass, flower, vegetable and herb seeds.

Sheds Fencing Materials Timber Ironmongery

Delivery service available

Open Monday - Saturday 10am -5pm Tel 01770 302622 email: [cladachsawmill@btinternet.com](mailto:cladachsawmill@btinternet.com) [www.cladachsawmill.com](http://www.cladachsawmill.com)

