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Almost 100 young people marched from Lochgilphead Joint Campus to council headquarters at Kilmory to call for urgent action on climate justice from the global leaders at COP26 in Glasgow. Organised by Time for Change Argyll and Bute and S6 student Donald Self, the protest on Friday November 5 was in solidarity with global school strikes the same day – and coincided with 30,000 young people taking to the streets of Glasgow. Protesters in Lochgilphead carried banners, played the bagpipes and chanted for climate justice. Photograph: Nils Aksnes.

Covid jab confusion apology — again

With another apology for confusion over Covid jab appointments, Argyll and Bute health bosses have expressed hope that the problems have been resolved.

It comes as Argyll and Bute MSP Jenni Minto described the Covid booster roll-out in the region as 'mixed'.

Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) decided to administer Covid booster and third vaccinations 'in-house', though GP practices had successfully managed to get first and second jabs to patients in their areas.

Other than on some islands, where GPs continue to administer the jabs, the booster system has been centralised to NHS Highland.

Thanking GP practices for their support, a spokesperson for the HSCP explained: 'The HSCP felt that the best way of balancing the delivery of the vaccination programme was for the practices to offer the flu

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Lighting up for remembrance

In the season of national remembrance, the Scottish Poppy Appeal has been lighting things up to highlight its work.

Each year the Light Up Red campaign raises awareness of the Scottish Poppy Appeal and this year the campaign is more important than ever before after a year of drastically reduced fundraising due to the pandemic.

Lighting up can also provide a message of hope and togetherness, and so far castles, cathedrals, museums, bridges, racecourses, schools, churches, lighthouses, fountains, ships and even a telephone box have been lit up in poppy red.

In Lochgilphead, the Rotary Club of Mid Argyll has helped to light up the parish church as part of the campaign.

The lights were lit up on November 5 and will continue until Remembrance Sunday this weekend, November 14.

The Rotary Club would like to thank Lochgilphead Parish Church and fabric convenor Iain Davidson for allowing the building to be 'lit up red'.

In Inveraray, the town's war memorial has also been lit up for remembrance in a striking addition to the green, thanks to Inveraray and District branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland.

The Scottish Poppy Appeal provides support for current and former members of the armed forces as well as their families.

A selection of events for Remembrance Sunday on November 14:

Lochgilphead - service at the Parish Church at 9.45am. Mid Argyll Pipe band will lead a parade from the church at 10.45am to the war memorial

where Father Simon McKenzie will lead the service.

Soup and sandwiches in the Parish Church Hall after the event.

Inveraray – meet at 10.45am at the war memorial.

Furnace - meet at the war memorial at 1.30pm.

Argyll Caravan combined services memorial meet at 2.30pm.

Ardrishaig - parish church service at 10.45am, thereafter to the war memorial led by piper Iain Campbell.

Tarbert - Fish Quay at 10.30am followed by parade up to the cenotaph, main gathering at 10.45am.



Lochgilphead Parish Church lit up for remembrance.



The lighting adds an atmospheric feel to Inveraray war memorial. Photo: Stephen Lawsor

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Threatening or abusive behaviour

At 12.15pm on Friday October 29 at an address in Knapdale Terrace, Ardrishaig, police responded to a report of a male allegedly acting in a threatening manner towards another. Police attended and a man aged 55 identified. The man later resisted being placed under arrest. He was charged with the offences and released on a police undertaking to appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court.

Alleged assault

On Saturday October 30 at 9.30am at the Co-op in Tarbert it is alleged that a 58-vear-old woman assaulted a staff member by slapping them. The woman was traced by police and charged with the offence. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Drugs found

At midnight on Sunday October 31 at Manse Brae, Lochgilphead, police had cause to stop and search a woman aged 20 for the purposes of a drug search. She was found to be in possession of a small amount of herbal cannabis and was issued with a recorded police warning.

No motor insurance

Police carried out routine checks of a moving vehicle at 5.40am on Sunday October

31 on the A83 at Lochgair. Officers established that it did not have a valid policy of insurance in place. The driver, a 29-year-old man was spoken to and charged with the offence. A report will be submitted to the fiscal.

Herbal cannabis

At 12.10am on Tuesday November 2 on the A83 near Inveraray, police had cause to stop and search a man aged 26 for the purposes of a drug search. He was found to be in possession of a quantity of herbal cannabis. He was issued a recorded police warning.

Drugs in vehicle

At 8pm on Wednesday November 3, police had cause to stop and search a passing vehicle and motorist for the purposes of a drugs search on the Oban Road, Lochgilphead. The driver, a 27-year-old man, was found to be in possession of a quantity of herbal cannabis. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Dangerous driving on A83

On Saturday November 6 at 7.10 pm on the A83, Cairndow, police were carrying out a static speed check when they observed a motor vehicle exceeding the speed limit. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a man aged 46, was charged in relation to dangerous driving. A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

MSP backs village speed limit campaign

An MSP has spoken out after Minard residents voiced concerns about traffic speeding through their village.

Highlands and Islands MSP Donald Cameron is backing a campaign for a reduced speed limit after being contacted by residents of the village.

There is a belief among residents that motorists driving through Minard bound for Lochgilphead on the A83 are attempting to make up for lost time after the 40mph limit was extended in nearby Furnace.

Mr Cameron said: 'Sadly. we seem to have ended up with the situation where action taken to reduce traffic speed in one community has had the unintended consequence of increasing it in another.

'I understand that the community council is already actively lobbying the relevant agencies seeking a reduction in the speed limit at Minard from 40mph to 30mph.

'To support their efforts I have written directly to Transport Scotland to urge it to look into this matter without delay.

'The village lies on the A83 trunk road which, as it carries heavy commercial traffic, can feel very intimidating to people walking nearby, particularly school children who may have to cross the road to wait at a bus-stop. I very much hope we don't have to wait long before action is taken.

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Government cash could help Tarbert to prosper

Argyll and Bute is to get more than £2 million of UK Government Community Renewal funding as part of the Levelling Up Agenda aimed at stimulating growth and enabling community projects.

And one of the projects earmarked for support by Community Renewal cash has big plans - to transform Tarbert's infrastructure for residents and visitors.

Argyll and Bute Council submitted bids to the UK Government on behalf of organisations and council services investing in skills, place making, the community and supporting people into employment.

The award of £2 million is one the largest in Scotland and came from a total allocation of £18.4 million.

Initiatives to benefit include a new seaweed academy near Oban; a feasibility and design project to help establish a green hydrogen production and distribution facility -MACC Hydrogen Futures; an employer-focused education and training programme for rural areas; funding for a business case towards a logistics and training hub for unmanned aircraft to transport medical supplies to islands; supporting ethical and responsible means of carbon sequestration; support for a Dunoon project team looking to develop a nearby forest into a 'world-class tourism offering'; curriculum development funding for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) hubs projects via a new council project; and £262,395 to set up a team to complete business plans and planning applications ahead of a £13 million transformation project to regenerate Tarbert.

Councillor Robin Currie, policy lead for the economy and economic growth, said: 'Fostering innovation and expertise across Argyll and Bute is absolutely essential in attracting more jobs and investment to the area.

'We are delighted with the scale of the award for the area which will help drive positive



The cash will fund a feasibility study - with the prospect of a £13 million transformation project for Tarbert.

welcomed by Tarbert resident, Kintyre and the Islands councillor Anne Horn.

Councillor Horn 'The investment from the Community Renewal fund will enable a feasibility study as part of the introduction to a £13 million transformation project in Tarbert.

The transformation project will enhance improvements in the commercial working area and improve the facilities and opportunities for visitors and

'This is welcome funding and will enable yet more improvements to allow the village to prosper.'



Smoother system expected after Covid jab confusion

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vaccine to their patients, and for the board to deliver the Covid booster in most areas.'

But the process has been far from smooth. The HSCP spokesperson continued: 'There have been administracontinued: tive errors affecting the smooth running of vaccination clinics and we apologise unreservedly for this.

'The only issues to date were a result of inaccurate and late appointment letters, and letters not being issued on time. It was mistakes, and we apologised for the errors, frustration and confusion this has caused."

An example came at a clinic in Lochgilphead Community Centre on November 5 for over-50s, with a drop-in for over-75s. Queues were long and the hall was packed.

By 11am the queue was closed and many elderly patients HSCP

responded: 'Going forward the majority of patients will be invited by letter or telephone to attend the clinics, which we expect to result in a smoother process for all involved.

Jenni Minto MSP said: 'From the constituents who have been in contact with me, it is fair to say that the Covid booster programme across Argyll and Bute has been mixed.

'On the islands the programme appears to have worked well, however, in mainland Argyll the Covid booster vaccination programme has had a number of issues.

'I hope lessons have been learned and that everyone is now focused on ensuring there are no more errors.'

As the booster vaccine rollout continues, Argyll and Bute HSCP is prioritising the over-70s, the clinically extremely vulnerable, severely immunosuppressed and working through other eligible groups.

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ing further investment. The

council works hard to source

and secure funding opportu-

'We are pleased that the hard

work has paid off and com-

munities will benefit from a

range of innovative projects.' The funding for Tarbert was

nities to help grow the area.

'Our vaccination teams are making excellent progress across Argyll and Bute,' said the spokesperson.

'The total number vaccinated across Argyll and Bute from November 1 to November 7 was 5,476 people.'

But there is concern that front line vaccination staff are bearing the brunt of frustration over errors beyond their control.

The HSCP spokesperson said: 'We would like to take this opportunity to remind people to treat our staff with the same respect they expect to receive.

'Experiencing abuse, aggression or intimidation is not an accepted part of health and social care staff jobs, least of all to someone who is giving care to those who need it most.



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Crisp packets recycled into survival blankets

Pupils at Lochgilphead High School are putting their snacking to good use, helping out a homeless charity and keeping rubbish out of landfill, writes Fiona Ross.

Head boy Archie MacColl-Smith, head girl Brie Pennell and their fellow pupils have been collecting empty crisp packets for a project that turns them into insulating blankets for homeless people.

The Iron Man Survival charity is run by Miley Porritt who has combined his ironing business with his experience of sleeping rough to create these life-saving blankets.

While it takes 80 years for a crisp packet to decompose 150 of them can be ironed together and turned into a survival blanket for a homeless person to keep their sleeping bag dry and insulated.

Head boy Archie MacColl-Smith said: 'I have set up a station at school where used



Archie MacColl-Smith and Brie Pennell collect life-saving crisp packets.

crisp packets can be left. I wash them and then we will send them down to Somerset where they get ironed together into insulated blankets for the homeless and will get handed out over the festive period.'

The charity has been delighted with the response its appeal has had across the

country from collectors like those in Lochgilphead.

Miley said: The people involved in this project really are amazing; so selfless and devoted. Thank you to everyone for all the energy you have given to this worthy cause. I hope you all know the priceless impact you have had on so many lives.'

Support local with new Argyll and Bute gift card

Shoppers across Argyll and Bute can help boost the local economy by backing a ground-breaking gift card scheme.

Argyll and Bute local gift cards are now available to buy, giving people another way to spend local and help support businesses in their communities.

With a range of businesses to choose from, including restaurants, hotels and gift shops, bike hire, local attractions and toy shops, the cards makes the perfect Christmas present.

Visit scotlandgiftslocal.com/ product/argyll-bute-gift-card to buy the cards.

Councillor Robin Currie, Argyll and Bute Council policy lead for the economy and rural growth, said: 'The new Argyll and Bute gift card is a great new weapon in our fightback from the impact of Covid-19 on our communities.

'By local businesses and customers getting behind

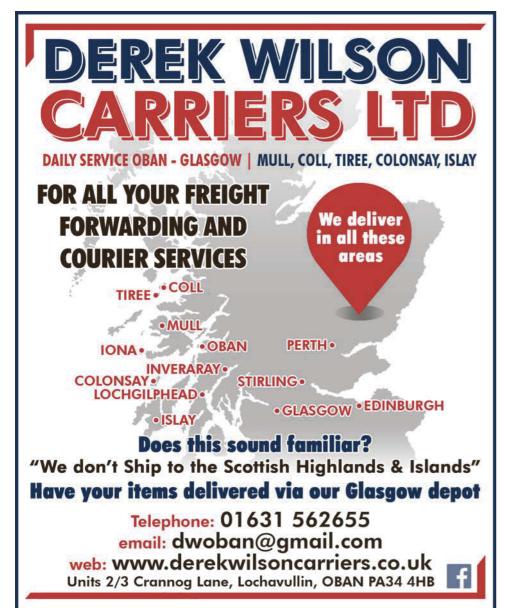


With the gift card you can support local businesses including restaurants, hotels and gift shops, bike hire, local attractions and toy shops.

it, we will not only provide an immediate injection of cash, but lay the foundations for a stronger future, while highlighting the brilliant and innovative businesses we have here.

'We've had a great response from local businesses who have already signed up. We're now urging customers to help support your local area and buy a gift card to help people shop locally.' Delivered by Scotland's Towns Partnership – the organisation spearheading the Scotland Loves Local campaign – alongside Perth-based fintech Miconex, the programme is the first scheme of its scale in the country, giving every region the opportunity to launch its own local gift card.

Businesses can register to accept the card at www. lovelocal.scot/giftcard





Tayvallich group joins musical call for global climate action

by Colin Cameron editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

A tidal wave of music crashed on to the shores of the River Clyde and COP26 earlier this week – an anthem for action on climate change.

Among hundreds of music makers from around the globe making their presence felt was a group of people from Mid Argyll.

The idea was born early in 2020. As COP26 was originally to be held in November that year, a small group of Scottish artists planned to use the power of music in a live performance to promote global wellbeing and climate justice.

With pilot funding from Creative Scotland, community music group Oi Musica, specialising in street band music, joined forces with the all-inclusive Soundhouse Choir and award-winning folk musician Karine Polwart.

Led by Sarah, the group performs Enough is Enough in her Tayvallich barn.

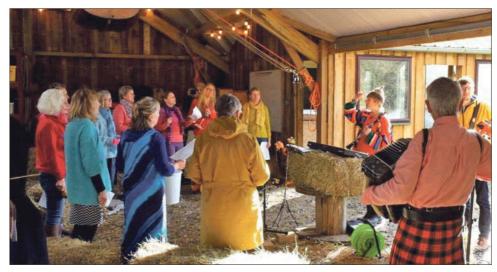
As inspiration, Karine drew on the mythology of Saint Mungo and Glasgow's famous 'the tree, the bird, the fish and the bell'.

The song Enough is Enough was born.

As the pandemic took hold and the conference was post-poned, plans changed. The piece became a music video, and the idea to invite many more people to add their voice took shape.

An invitation was put out to community groups to record their own version of the song to increase pressure on leaders to make decisive action at COP 26

Described as 'a crashing, tumbling outpouring of music that starts with a few small drops, gathering pace and momentum as more people



join, and building to a climax' the full force was unleashed at 12.30pm on Wednesday November 10 in Govan with a mass performance as part of COP 26.

At Govan was Tayvallichbased musician Sarah Phizacklea – but on the Saturday before travelling to Glasgow Sarah invited a group of people from Tayvallich, Carsaig and Crinan to her barn to create their version of Enough is Enough.

Sarah explained: 'It felt wonderful to add some weight to such an important cause, a bit more pressure on our leaders to actually commit to tackling climate change. And it was so much fun.

'Our video has been uploaded to the growing collection of voices from all over the country and globally.

'There were about 20 of

us in total. It was filmed by Mark and Jane Smith, James Lehmann did the sound recording and the singers were Mary McNeill, Iona Barr, Kathie Baer, Kathie Fife, Jan Aksnes, Charlie Silverton, Ulla Hammervig, Fiona Lowrie, Biddy Simpson, Mary McLauchlan and Val Beattie.

'The band were Nils Aksnes, Keira Anderson, Kevin Williams and Hugh Fife. Nicholas Mes of the Tayvallich shop fed us a fabulous warming stew.'

She added: 'I know the people who wrote it and thought the idea of everyone singing the same song with the same message was so powerful and gave a feeling of hope, that together we can solve the climate crisis.'

The group's video can be seen on Facebook or on Vimeo (vimeo.com/642322173#). Check out letitgrow.scot for more information on the wider project. #MusicforCOP26



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Flying visit to front green



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If you happen to be curious about what's happening behind the site fencing at Lochgilphead front green, these photographs allow unique access to the redevelopment project managed by Argyll and **Bute Council.** The drone photographs, taken at the end of October by Greig MacLeod, show the progress of work carried out by contractor Hawthorn Heights Ltd. The £1.5 million front green project is expected to be completed early in

From a different angle, demonstrating the front green's prominent sea-front context within Lochgilphead.



An aerial shot showing the retaining wall parallel to the existing sea wall for a new raised, well-drained ground level along with a new cycle/footpath.





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Friday 26 November - Glengarry Community Hall @ 7.30pm Aonghas Grannd aig 90 - marking the significant birthday of the celebrated fiddler with former pupils including Allan Henderson, Ingrid Henderson,

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Saturday 27 November - Highland Cinema, Fort William 6pm (with dinner) & 9pm (no dinner)

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Science matters DOROTHY H CRAWFORD

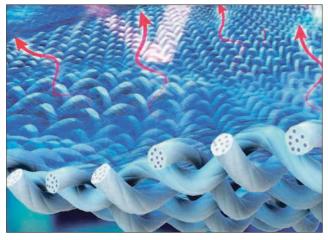
Keeping ourselves cool

Ongoing global warming is causing severe weather events with increasing frequency, such as heat waves that induce heat stress and even death.

Indeed, earlier this year an extreme heat wave that hit British Colombia, Canada, forced schools to close and people without air conditioning to head for hastily-constructed cooling centres. As temperatures reached a record 49.5°C (121°F), the death toll rose.

More of these events are forecast, so how can we keep ourselves cool?

We can wear light-coloured, breathable cloths that reflect heat and allow air to circulate around our skin, but this may not be enough. Now, clothes made of new smart fabrics which emit heat as well as reflecting light



may provide the answer. One such material, called a 'metafabric' is being pioneered by scientists in China (1).

Metafabric contains microbeads of the sunscreen titanium oxide, as well as Teflon, which reflects ultraviolet and visible light. But the key new component is polylactic acid, a plastic allowing the material to emit infrared radiation trapped by other clothing.

Our bodies are heated up by infrared radiation from the sun, and once heated our The metafabric can absorb light in the mid-infrared spectrum and reflect light of shorter wavelengths (near-infrared, visible and ultraviolet). Photograph: Shuang Zhang, Creative Commons.

skin then emits these rays so keeping us warm.

In contrast to traditional fabrics, metafabric emits infrared radiation into the atmosphere, where most heads straight for outer space, so cooling our bodies down.

To test metafabric in an outdoor live experiment, a volunteer wearing a vest made of half cotton and half metafabric reclined in full sun for an hour while the skin temperature was monitored.

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Temperatures around the globe are going beyond the ice cream zone – but technology could help humanity deal with hot weather. 06 a26IceCreams01

perature under the cotton reached 37°C while that under metafabric only rose to 32°C.

Scientists also tested the cooling performance of a metafabric car cover by exposing cars to full sun while covered by a commercial vehicle cover, metafabric or left uncovered.

After 90 minutes the tem-

perature was 60°C inside the uncovered car, 57°C in the car with the commercial cover and 30°C in the car covered with metafabric.

Clearly metafabric has many important applications in our ever-warming world!

(1) Zeng et al, Science 373, 692-696. (2021).



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YOUR PICTURES



It's a special photograph this week for our weekly Your Pictures feature. The fantastic image was sent to us by regular contributor Aileen Gillies, now a photographer with a growing reputation and wide range of calendars to her credit. Aileen sent us this photograph of the sunset at Arduaine, taken on Tuesday November 2.

She also mentioned that this was her 'birthday sunset'.

So, it might be a few days late, but happy birthday Aileen!

happy birthday Aileen! Send your favourite photographs for publication to editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk

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Award-winning author in Cairndow to help spread the Scots word

Cairndow will award-winning author James Robertson next weekend.

To coincide with Book Week Scotland, the author who writes in both

English and Scots - will attend two events on Saturday November 20.

In the spirit of this year's Book Week Scotland theme of Celebration, the Cairndow events, funded by the Scottish Book Trust, will celebrate a love of reading and the Scots language.

Born in Bridge of Allan, James is the general editor of Itchy Coo, publisher of books in Scots for children and young people.

Itchy Coo's aim is to encourage greater understanding and acceptance of Scots language in education and Scottish life.

To kick off this special day, at 2pm there will be a fun-filled hour of stories and games with the author at the Fyne Den Cairndow Childcare facility, suitable for bairns between the



three and eight.

The event is free, but numbers are limited and advance booking is strongly advised.

At 7pm it's the adults' turn; James will be at Cairndow Village Hall to discuss his career and read from his new novel, News of the Dead.

A range of the author's books will be on sale and can be signed on the evening.

Drinks and light snacks will be available. Again, the event

Writer in Scots and English James Robertson will come to Cairndow to meet people of all ages.

is free but will need to be

A Cairndow Hall and Recreation Committee spokesperson said: 'We are privileged to have such a renowned author coming to the community and hope this will act as a springboard for future events and provide the opportunity to show Cairndow to people who may not have visited before.

'We are incredibly grateful for the Scottish Book Trust funding which has made this possible.

Email info@thefyneden. com for more information and booking for the children's

To book for the evening event, email cairndowvillagehall@gmail.com or call 07908 969467.



Blythswood staff James O'Neill and Gerry Tapley collected shoebox gifts.

Boxes of kindness for Eastern Europe

Hundreds of people across Argyll have created special Christmas presents for vulnerable people in Eastern Europe.

Churches, Scout groups and individuals packed shoeboxes full of gifts for children and adults dealing with poverty in Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine.

Run by the Blythswood Care charity, the shoebox appeal last year saw 75,218 presents delivered to struggling communities.

A spokesperson for the charity said: 'Your

kindness and generosity makes such a difference; receiving a shoebox brings so

A Blythswood Care van, staffed by James O'Neill and Gerry Tapley collected shoebox gifts in Lochgilphead, Clachan and Tarbert on Thursday November 4.

A steady stream of people dropped off boxes at the Lorne Street car park, including representatives from Lochgilphead Baptist Church, the 19th Argyll Explorer Scouts and Lochgilphead Free Church.

Argyll's late-night venues avoid Covid passports

More than half of late-night premises in Argyll and Bute have taken action to avoid the need for Covid-19 vaccine passports, a report has revealed.

These actions include closing at midnight, removing live or amplified music, removing dancing areas, or a combination of the three.

Fifteen premises have submitted compliance plans to enable them to remain open after midnight within the latest Covid guidelines, while the remaining 73 are being pursued for clarity by officers.

The details were given in a report to the Argyll and Bute licensing board ahead of its virtual meeting on Tuesday November 9.

The council's regulatory services and building standards manager Alan Morrison said

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'Only 15 premises fall within the new requirements and all have submitted compliance plans....'

hospitality or licensed premises which fell into the criteria. though there are no premises in Argyll and Bute described as a nightclub.

He continued: 'Responses from the trade have so far been generally neutral; a realisation that some restrictions must remain in force.

businesses 'Many and have licensed premises amended their operating plans to take them outwith the scope of the vaccination certification scheme.

'This has included closing their premise at midnight, or removing live or amplified music or removing dancing areas or a combination of them.

regulations relating to liquor licensing requirements allow premises to amend their method of operation without sanction.

There has been direct contact from 117 of the 190 premises identified as 'late night premises'.

'Of those, the majority, 102, or 87 per cent, have chosen to remove themselves from the criteria.

'Only 15 premises fall within the new requirements and all have submitted compliance plans for scrutiny by environmental health officers.

'It is the business's responsibility to implement the plans and manage all arrangements.

'There will be proactive visits to all premises to ensure that they are adhering to their commitments, and in response to intelligence.

'Formal enforcement action will initiated as appropriate.'

Mr Morrison also said that applications for occasional licences could fall under the criteria if they sought hours beyond midnight that met the additional criteria of music and dance

Butternut squash soup

A pumpkin shell filled with scrumptious soup

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Ingredients

- Low-calorie cooking spray
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 medium butternut squash, peeled, deseeded and cut into wedges
- 1 small potato, peeled and quartered
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and crushed
- 900ml hot vegetable stock Fat-free natural fromage frais, to serve



Method

Spray a large non-stick pan with low-calorie cooking spray and place over a low heat. Add the onion and cook for 1-2 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Increase the heat to medium, add the butternut squash and potato and cook for 2 minutes. Add the garlic and season lightly. Pour in the stock and simmer for 25 minutes, or until everything is tender and cooked through.

Using a hand blender or food processor, blend the mixture until smooth. Transfer the soup to a hollowed-out pumpkin (or a large serving bowl!) and top with a swirl of fromage frais and the sliced chillies.

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New Kilmartin Museum takes shape

Kilmartin Museum's new facilities are starting to take shape as construction continues at pace, writes Susan Windram.

Staff from the museum were treated to a site tour last week, courtesy of contractors TSL, giving them the opportunity to view the new basement level, which includes a Learning Space.

This will provide classroom facilities for the museum's renowned education service, as well as a state-of-the-art collections store where the museum's ever-growing collection of ancient artefacts will be housed.

Dr Sharon Webb MBE, director and curator of Kilmartin Museum, said: 'So many changes have taken place since I was last here in August when the foundation slabs were cast, and now there are complete rooms.

'It is simply fantastic to see the new museum taking shape, particularly the space where our artefacts, including the museum's nationally signif-



Kilmartin Museum director and curator Dr Sharon Webb MBE, far right, accompanies staff as they visit the construction site.

icant prehistoric collection, will be safely stored.

A museum-standard collections store has been needed for so long, and we are so grateful to everyone

who has helped this project to finally become a reality.' Ground floor level has been reached on both sides of the former museum building. Work has now started on foun-

dations for the extension that will wrap around to form a major part of the new museum galleries.

Internally, the old museum building is being strengthened

'It is simply fantastic to see the new museum taking shape' – Sharon Webb

and refurbished to make it fit for purpose for many years to come.

At the heart of Kilmartin Glen since 1997, Kilmartin Museum inspires and educates people by interpreting, explaining and conserving the internationally important archaeological landscape, artefacts and natural heritage of Kilmartin Glen.

The museum's work and artefact collections outgrew the original building, so an ambitious redevelopment project was launched.

A major extension, designed by architect firm Reiach and Hall, will connect the two existing buildings, creating a seamless museum facility.

The redevelopment provides a much larger exhibition space; a creative space, which can be used to deliver and participate in cultural activities as well as allowing staff to stage temporary exhibitions; an accessible research and learning facility where staff can safely curate all the collections; and a fit-for-purpose education space, which will allow the Active Learning and Volunteering Programme to be developed.

A new path to the monuments will be created so visitors can use the museum as a starting point to begin their exploration of the area's natural and cultural heritage.

There will also be a remodelled shop, reception and café, and improved car parking amenities.

TSL reports that the works are on schedule to finish in June 2022 and Kilmartin Museum's redeveloped exhibitions are due to open in March 2023



Affordable housing is key to Tarbert's future

A community event next week is aiming to build the case for new, affordable housing in Tarbert, writes Fiona Ross.

Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust is holding a drop-in event between 2pm and 5pm on Thursday November 18 in a bid to determine what the housing needs are in the community.

The event, at Tarbert Arts and Leisure Centre, will allow people to highlight any difficulties that a lack of affordable housing is causing them and the wider community.

An evening meeting will then follow at 6.30pm in Tarbert Village Hall to provide an update to the community.

A spokesperson for the trust said: 'TSCT has long aspired to promote an increase in affordable homes, and has recently obtained funding from the Crown Estate commissioners to appoint a temporary project officer, with Charles Reppke accepting the position.

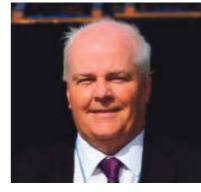
'Charles has had a long career in the public sector, has lived in the area for more than 30 years and is ideally suited



to take TSCT's ambitions forward.' Charles, who will be on hand during the drop-in session and will lead the evening meeting, said: 'One of the aims of TSCT is to help secure a healthy and sustainable future for the area.

Affordable housing lies at the heart of

'This is the time for the community to make its voice heard not only so we can get a clear picture of what those needs are, but to also allow us to investigate



Left: Tarbert's housing needs to be discussed at open event. Above: New TSCT project officer Charles Reppke.

the options on how we can turn these ambitions into a reality.

'But we need all residents who have any housing needs that aren't currently being met to register on the Home Argyll website or to come along to either event to help build the case for new homes in their community.'

Climate change event hailed a success

Argyll and Bute's council leader 'feels positive' about Argyll and Bute becoming the UK's first net zero region.

Councillor Robin Currie's comments came after a climate change event in Helensburgh on Saturday November 6.

Visitors could try an electric bike; get home energy efficiency tips; see the council's electric vehicles; and find out what happens to waste in Argyll and Bute.

But a children's climate change poster competition stole the show.

Councillor Currie said: 'The event was extremely encouraging and the quality of the art competition entries was incredible. They demonstrated the importance our children and young people place on climate change, and commitment they have to helping reverse global warming. We are continuing to work alongside our partners to help Argyll and Bute become the UK's first net zero region - together we can achieve this.'



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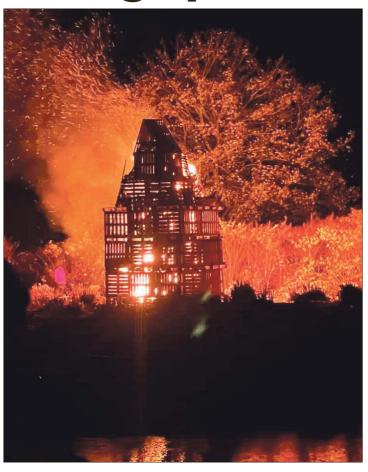
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Lochgilphead bonfire night is a cracker



The weather relented (mostly) for the spectacular Mid Argyll Round Table bonfire and fireworks, hugely enjoyed by a sizeable family crowd.

Rain earlier in the day eased by evening - a few blustery showers aside - for the popular event on November 6 in Lochgilphead.

Poltalloch Street was closed to traffic to compensate for the unavailability of most of the front green while improvement work continues, so spectators had a great view on tarmac from a safe distance of the bonfire and fireworks display.

One woman said: 'It was an excellent display. It's my first time as I'm fairly new to the area, and I would say it would rival some of the bigger towns' displays.

'Lots of people came out to see it and it looked like all the snack vans were doing a good trade. I can personally recommend the hot dogs from Kearas snack shack.

A Mid Argyll Round Table spokesper-

son said: 'A massive thank you to the team at Fireworx Scotland for another fantastic display. It was an absolute cracker; the appreciative crowd cheer at the end was almost as loud as the fireworks.

'Thanks also to everyone who has donated towards this year's display, to all our many volunteers, our superbly supportive local businesses, Argvll and Bute Council, Mid Argyll Rotary Club members and to the local community for your continued support."





Left: The bonfire on the Corran for Guy Fawkes Night, which the Round Table put a lot of work into - before setting it ablaze. Photograph: Susanne Hawkby-Whitwell. Above left: A great view of the stunning show from the MacCallum's Quay area of graph: William Holmes. Above right: Families were out in force to enjoy the display.





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#AndSheCycles – let's tell everyone that girls cycle too

As a Mid Argyll celebration of cycling grows nearer, a nationwide campaign has been launched to encourage teenage girls across Scotland to get on their bikes.

At present, half as many secondary age girls ride their bikes to school as boys.

The #AndSheCycles campaign follows a similar scheme, successful in Ireland.

It is being run by the walking and cycling charity Sustrans and is funded by Transport Scotland.

The campaign, co-developed by a group of young women aged 13 to 18 across Scotland, empowers young female cycling ambassadors to work together to help get more girls in their school, college or youth group back on their bikes.

This includes the launch of the @and_she_cycles Instagram page, which will be

run by the young ambassadors and allow them to spread the message in their own voices.

Charlotte Gardiner, I Bike manager of Sustrans Scotland, said: 'Peer pressures and social stigma are cited as reasons for not cycling to school.

'Yet Sustrans' research shows that with the right peer support and engagement, such as through Sustrans' I Bike programme, girls can empower each other to cycle.'

Sustrans has commissioned Edinburgh-based communications and video specialists HeeHaw to produce the campaign, which will run across social media platforms used by the target age group, including Instagram and TikTok.

The music in the campaign is provided by Glaswegian band Bossy Love.

Charlotte continued: 'Time and time again, research

Joanne Clark, Ardrishaig Bothy project co-ordinator, will be on hand at the Mid Argyll Bicycle Festival to offer advice. 51 a42ArdrishaioBothv03

shows that physical activity is important in the health, wellbeing and development of children and young people.

'In primary school, roughly the same numbers of boys and girls cycle to school. But once they reach secondary school age, while many boys continue to cycle, the numbers for girls still riding bikes decreases dramatically.'

Lee Craigie, Active Nation Commissioner for Scotland said: 'We need campaigns



like this to allow girls the opportunity to show other girls that bikes are for them and that you don't need specialist equipment or huge muscles to ride one.

'Riding bikes usually results in an increase in self-esteem and happiness and also offers an affordable, independent travel solution.'

In the spirit of the campaign, the Ardrishaig Bothy, in partnership with Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust (ACT), is to host the Mid Argyll Bicycle Festival on Saturday November 20 from 10am to 2pm at Ardrishaig Pier, and everyone is welcome to go along.

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No excuse for staff abuse

No matter how frustrating the Covid clerical fiasco has been, there is no excuse for taking it out on vaccination staff at clinics.

They have worked beyond the call of duty during the pandemic and continue to be there to help us.

Questions, however, must be asked over the management of the Covid booster programme

Senior NHS Highland and HSCP managers must bear responsibility for the needless mistakes, many of which a little local knowledge could have quickly rectified.

We detected, in the response to our enquiries, a note of irritation at NHS staff time taken up addressing media questions as the confusion unfolded.

The situation is entirely of NHS senior management's making and the media has every right to ask questions of a publicly-funded service on behalf of the people of Argyll and Bute.

We hope and trust, however, that the admin problems have now been resolved.

That aside, thank you to all the NHS staff helping each of us by delivering vital Covid booster jabs - it is genuinely appreciated while the virus remains a threat.

And this Sunday at 11am, let's think about others who made unimaginable sacrifices on our behalf.

Lest we forget.

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Covid vaccination fiasco

My 91-year-old mother was one of the 'uninvited' who attended the Corran Halls vaccine clinic on October 27.

We were there because my mother was 28 weeks past her second vaccine dose and every time we turned on the TV we were exhorted by politicians and health experts to get a booster shot as soon as we were eligible.

We tried to find out when that might be, but the NHS Highland website held no clues and the Vaccination Enquiry Hub took nearly an hour to answer and was unable to give definitive information.

Having had no blue envelope and becoming increasingly anxious, when a friend told us that the Corran Halls clinic was giving booster jabs, we set off because we thought it might be her only chance to get a booster.

If the appointment letters had come out in a timely fashion we would have been happy to wait patiently for a jab.

I wonder what would have happened to the vaccine doses unused if those uninvited people had not turned up?

K Davidson, Ardfern

Christmas magic for all

With the festive season nearly upon us, Santa and his elves are already busy getting everything prepared to make sure every child has a magical

As always, Santa is expecting to receive millions of letters from children all over the world telling him what they'd like to receive in their stockings on Christmas Day.

To make sure that every child can read his reply, Santa has teamed up with the Royal National Institute of Blind people (RNIB) to make his letters available in accessible formats, including braille, audio and large print, for children who have a vision impairment.

Last year the elves sent 1,465 letters from Santa to blind and partially-sighted children across the UK, helping them experience the same magic of Christmas as sighted children.

If you know a child who has a vision impairment and who would love to receive a letter from Santa, please send their Christmas letter to: Santa Claus, RNIB, Northminster House, Northminster, Peterborough, PE1 1YN.

Santa has also gone digital. Email santa@rnib. org.uk by Wednesday December 22 for an email response with a large print attachment. Letters can also be requested through RNIB's website at www.rnib.org.uk/santa.

On behalf of Santa, his elves and all at RNIB, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

David Clarke, director of services, Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB)

Electric vehicles are more than a good idea

With higher demands for electric vehicles month-on-month, delegates meeting at COP26 Transport Day on November 10 were urged to rapidly accelerate plans that support local and national governments and the EV industry.

As those delegates begin to formulate policies for each country around the globe, much greater impetus is required in all areas of electric transportation, including the industrial and commercial infrastructure surrounding it.

EVA Scotland is the voice of electric vehicle owners and operators around the country in lobbying national and local governments.

Going all electric motoring isn't simply a good idea. There is no better time than now to increase support for greater electrification of the world's transportation systems.

Discussions during Transport Day gave all delegates the opportunity to prepare and agree plans that could make a substantial difference in the drive to the reduce greenhouse gas emissions from vehicles across round the globe.

With fossil fuel-dependent transportation responsible for a quarter of energy-related CO2 which contributes immensely to global warming, the move to electrically power cars and commercial vehicles is essential. It is no longer simply a good idea.

COP26 delegates are well aware that it is possible to cut transportation CO2 by nearly 70 per cent by 2050.

It's clear that car and commercial vehicle owners are switching to electric powered vehicles. There has been a tremendous impetus over the last few years, and last month alone EVs accounted for almost a quarter of all new car sales in the UK.

We need increasing support in all areas, however, including vehicle and battery technology and charging infrastructures.

In the wake of COP26 Transport Day, policy makers must now formulate ambitious and achievable goals to support governments and the EV industry.

Elinor Chalmers, director, Electric Vehicle Association Scotland (EVAS)

Under-65s with Parkinson's are not alone

Parkinson's UK Scotland is encouraging people of working age with Parkinson's in Argyll and Bute to meet with others and find out more about living well with the condition at a free online event this month.

Drop-in sessions covering a range of topics will start on November 18 and be run flexibly over two weeks.

Many of the sessions will be led by people with Parkinson's and their partners, who developed the programme based on their experiences of being diagnosed with Parkinson's at a younger

Parkinson's affects people of all ages, and we know that there are around 1,800 people under 65 who have been diagnosed with Parkinson's in Scotland, with around 40 of them spread across Argyll and Bute.

Now, more than ever, we want younger people with Parkinson's to know that they are not on their own, and find out more about things that

Our face-to-face events are always oversubscribed, and attendees have told us that having information about Parkinson's disease and things that can help with day-to-day life is invaluable.

Meeting other people facing similar challenges, concerns and opportunities can make a massive difference, and we hope this online event will be as helpful in these difficult times.

Check out prksn.uk/3nyt6Y7 for our 2021 programme.

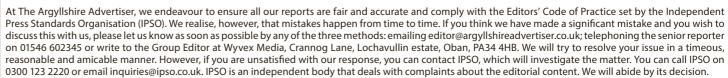
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Thought for the Week

Memory plays a huge part in the decisions we take and how we behave, both now and in the future; and the things we remember are a major influence in the formation of character.

Memory, however, needs prompts, ranging from shopping lists to diary or calendar entries for significant anniversaries or events.

November 11 or the Sunday nearest, calls us annually as a nation to remember the sacrifice and heroism of two terrible world wars and many conflicts since.

The purpose of Remembrance, however, is not simply historical but to bring out a sense of thankfulness and gratitude for what was achieved.

On May 8, 1945, the Prime Minister Winston Churchill, announced on the radio at 3pm that the war in Europe was over. This became known as VE Day.

The records of our church show that on VE Day plus two, a service of thanksgiving included a reading of Psalm 124, which had been printed in full the previous day on the front page of the Daily Record - yes, the Daily Record, which at that time was owned by Kemsley Newspapers.

The generation who attended acknowledged the generous response of a gracious God to the national days of prayer, held during the war and attributed deliverance to His watchful care over us as a nation through many dark days.

Remembrance also features in the title deeds of the building in which we worship.

The founding fathers determined to build a place, primarily for believers to follow the example of the first disciples and to meet on the first day of the week, to call to mind in bread and wine, the self-sacrifice of the Lord Jesus on the cross and the blessing for the whole world which would flow from it.

> Springbank Evangelical Church, Campbeltown.

MACHRIHANISH

Campbeltown Airport is to reopen this week following a £4 million refurbishment of its runway

Highlands and Islands Airports Limited (HIAL), which operates and manages the airport, hosted a virtual public consultation on Thursday October 28 to update the community on the project's progress.

The company also gave a separate presentation to engineering students at Argyll College and invited them to visit the site.

The refurbishment work to the deteriorating 60-year-old runway involved reducing the main runway width to 30m; 100mm asphalt overlay, geo-synthetic asphalt reinforcement; and airfield ground lighting to suit 30m runway width.

This investment was made in order to preserve the long-term future of the runway and allow the removal of the aircraft weight restrictions that are in place at the moment.

A spokesperson for HIAL said: 'Although the project has been progressing well, the Scottish weather has caused some issues. We lost two afternoons to bad weather.

'However, by close of play on Friday October 29 33 per cent of the top surface of the new runway had been laid.'

TAYVALLICH

The Tayvallich Community Hall charity committee is looking to recruit new members to its board in the run up to its annual general meeting at which three current board members will be retiring.

The committee is looking for new board members with a number of different skills including social media management, health and safety knowledge, woodland management, event booking and an understanding of sustainability.

The meeting on Tuesday November 23 is open to all and will be held in the hall at 7.30pm; suggested topics for consideration can be emailed in advance to info.tayvhall@gmail.com by November 16.

HELENSBURGH

Faded and broken street signs in Helensburgh could be replaced by next summer as part of a



New board members sought to help run Tayvallich Community Hall.

programme of new installations planned to be completed by April.

A number of street signs in the town have faded, with the issue having previously been raised at Argyll and Bute Council's Helensburgh and Lomond area committee - and raised by a growing number of residents over recent years.

In a leaflet distributed to householders in Helensburgh councillors David Kinniburgh and Gemma Penfold, who both represent the Helensburgh and Lomond South ward, said: 'Over the last few months Councillors Kinniburgh and Penfold have compiled a list of street signs that are faded and in need of replacement in Helensburgh and Lomond South.

'They have now been advised by council officers that the required signs are currently being manufactured and, once received, will be added to a future works programme for installation which should be completed by the end of the financial year.'

Councillor Penfold added: 'If you notice your street sign is faded and in need of replacing, then please do let Councillor Kinniburgh or myself know.'

GARE LOCH

A dispute by fire and rescue workers on the

Clyde naval bases has escalated over fears about the provision of fire response.

Members of the Unite union working for Capita Business Services Ltd at Faslane and Coulport have raised 'safety critical' concerns over the effectiveness of fire response cover as workers take part in strike action. They have been involved in an overtime ban since September 16, and six-hour strike action on various days since October 19.

During industrial action the firefighters have raised concerns over the resilience crews brought in to cover, suggesting they may not have the competences to deal with risks related to maritime fire-fighting and nuclear radiation.

Debbie Hutchings, Unite industrial officer, said: 'Unite has major concerns over the effectiveness and competence of the replacement crews being brought in to cover during periods of industrial action at the Clyde naval bases.

'We have contacted the Ministry Of Defence (MOD) with a list of our concerns and want assurances that they are addressed, specifically, over the necessary standards of training that are expected on site. If we do not receive these assurances then it opens up the real possibility that not only has safety been compromised at the nuclear bases, but that it has in fact been permitted by the MOD.'

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Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs Mairi Gougeon MSP, pictured, announced the National Test Programme, a £51m package from 2022 to 2024 to transition to a system of sustainable agriculture that will reduce emissions and enhance biodiversity.

The first funding part will be to encourage farmers to build on existing knowledge of current environmental performance and efficiency.

The second is to design and test tools and processes necessary to reward land managers for the climate and biodiversity outcomes. The cabinet secretary confirmed that Scottish Government does not support policies that promote reducing livestock numbers and that support payment rates will be maintained throughout the

Welcoming the announce-

Union Farmers Scotland Martin president Kennedy said: 'I thank the cabinet secretary reiterating her firm commitment that there will be absolutely no policy whatsoever to reduce livestock numbers in Scotland.'

He said the £51 million package would help to define a baseline of where individual farms and crofts are at present.

'This will not only give us an individual picture of where also give us a national picture which will confirm that we are already starting from a good place in Scotland.

'This baseline will also inform the decisions we need to make in the future which in turn will showcase Scottish food production as being a major part of the solution to climate change and biodiversity, not the problem.'

Argyll and Bute SNP MSP Jenni Minto said she was delighted to see farmers and crofters in Argyll and Bute being backed by the government.

Around the markets

United Auctions, Islay, Friday November 5: sold 1791 sheep of all classes. 1249 lambs averaged £83.76 (+£16.44). 468 Ewes averaged £64.65 (+£17.59). A good offering of lambs and sheep at this late stage in the season sold well. Texel lambs from D. MacFadyen, Carn, sold to £118. Cross lambs from G McCormick, Claggan sold to 281pence per kilo whilst Texel Ewes from N McDonald, Bayview led this section at £152.00. LEADING LOTS & PRICES PRICES PER HEAD

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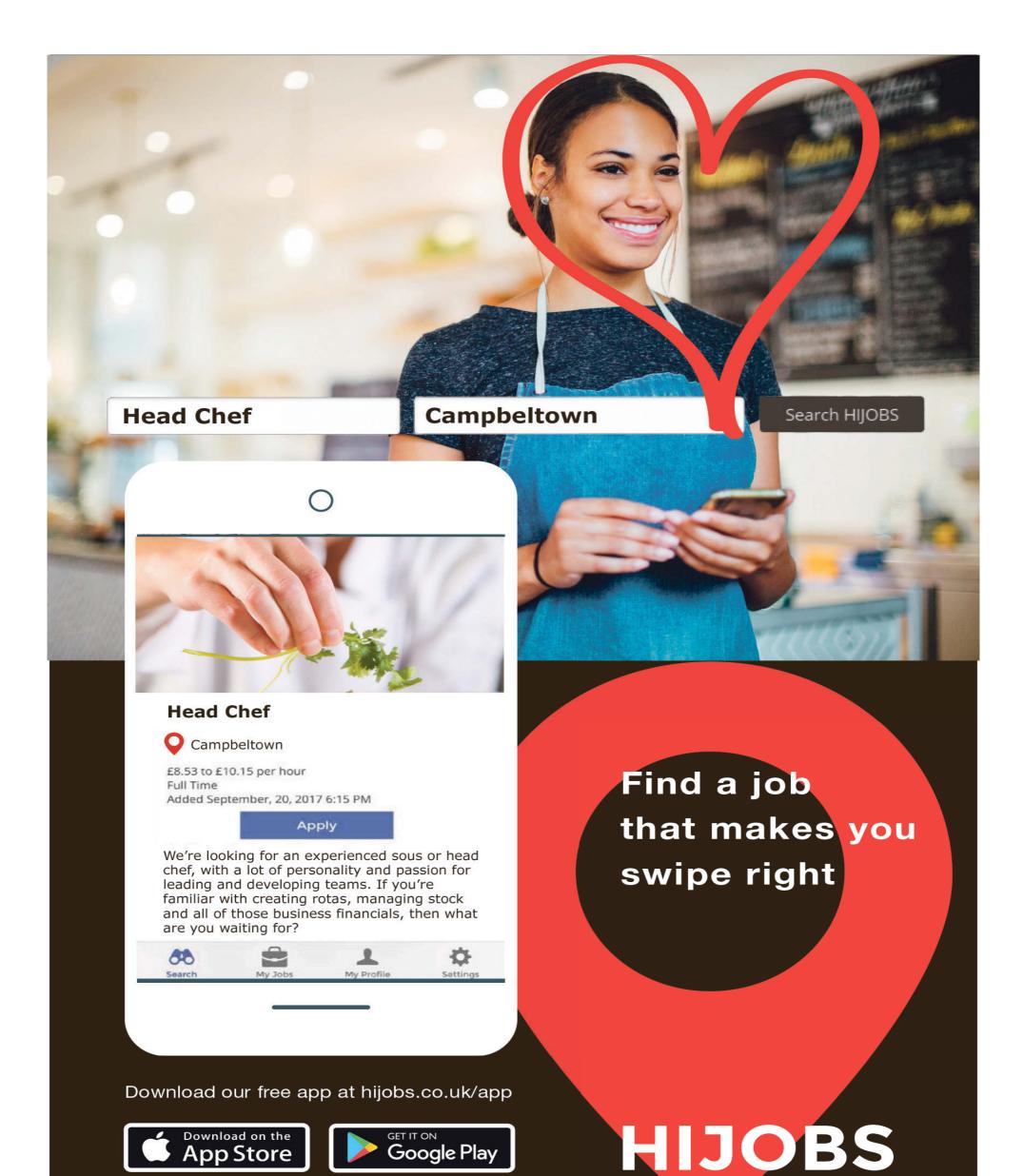
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ORDER 2021
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1.9 kilometres or thereby
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Ref. No. 21/01393/PP

Proposal

Renewal of planning permission reference 18/01327/PP (Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of sewage treatment plant and formation of access)

Land North West Of Carnach, Kilmichael Lochgilphead, Argyll And Bute

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21/01903/PP Erection of residential

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REGULATIONS 2017

The Scottish Ministers have also directed, under Section 57(2) of the Town & Country Planning Act (Scotland) 1997, that planning permission is deemed to be granted for the development.

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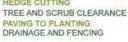






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DEATHS

ARKELL Suddenly at home, 61 Davaar Campbeltown, Avenue, on November 6, 2021, Frederick Clement Arkell (Freddy) in his 68th year, husband adored best friend of Maureen McCallum, much loved father and father-in-law of Freddy and Yvonne, forever loved granda to Dylan and Rio, a much loved brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend to many. Freddy's funeral will take place on Saturday, November 13, 2021. The cortège will leave the home address at 11.00a.m. following a short prayer. We will travel down Hillside Road, Millknowe, Aqualibrium Avenue round the Cross on our way to Kilkerran Cemetery. Anyone wishing to pay their last respects to Freddy may do so along our route or you may attend the service in

COMBEN - Suddenly but peacefully at the Mid Argyll Hospital on November 2. 2021, Jacqueline (Jackie) Comben, aged 80 years of 15 Letterdaill, Cairnbaan. Radiation (Former Officer for Protection Imperial Cancer Research). A dearly loved friend to Janet, Sheila, Ray, Pam and Valerie, who will all miss her dearly. A private funeral service was held in Lochgilphead on November 11, 2021. Sadly missed.

Kilkerran Cemetery.

CORNWELL Rankin. Passed away after a short illness on Saturday, October 23, 2021 in her 77th year. Devoted wife to the late George Cornwell, dearly loved mother to Iain and Stuart and treasured grandmother to Edward, Grace, James and Abigail. Dear sister to Nancy Morgans and cousins in Kintyre. You are deeply loved. All enquiries to Co-op Funeralcare, 12-14 Morshead Rd, Crownhill, Plymouth, Tel: 01752 303830.

FISHER - On November 3, 2021, peacefully at home, Sylvia Joy Gilmour Fisher, née Ferrier, in her 79th

year, beloved wife of John Fisher and a much loved mother, Nana, mother-inlaw, sister and aunt of all the family and dear friend of many. A private funeral service, owing to current restrictions, will take place at Ardrishaig Parish Church on Friday, November 12, interment thereafter at Cemetery. Achnabreac Flowers welcome, donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation. For those wishing to pay their respect the cortege will leave the church at approximately 11.30am, travel along Chalmers Street on direct route to the cemetery.

GILCHRIST - Suddenly but peacefully at home, 39 Castleacres, on November 3, 2021, Alexander Gilchrist, in his 70th year, much loved husband of Shirley, loving dad of Louanne and Scott, adored grandad of Kaila and a well respected fatherin-law of Jamie. Alex will be taken on a final journey round Campbeltown on Monday, November 15. The cortège will leave the family home at 2.30 p.m. travelling down Smith Drive, turning left onto Witchburn Road, Tomaig Road, Meadows Avenue, Ralston Road, Main Street, past the Cross and along the dual carriageway. Anyone wishing to pay their last respects to Alex along our route. A cremation will take place in Cardross Crematorium on Tuesday, November 16 at 2.15 p.m., to which all friends are respectfully invited.

Peacefully KEE Kintyre Home, Campbeltown, November 4, 2021, Robina Mauchline McGeachy (Ruby) in her 89th year, Mingary, Machrihanish and formerly of Clydebank, dearly beloved wife of the late Willie Kee, much loved mum of Elaine and Duncan and a loving granny of William and Finlay. Ruby's funeral will take place on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 1.00 p.m. in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church. The cortege will leave the Church at 1.30 p.m. We will travel up Longrow, Aqualibrium Avenue round the Cross on our way to Kilkerran Cemeterv. Anyone is welcome to attend the service in the Church, alternatively you may pay your last respects to Ruby along our route.

MACPHERSON Peacefully at

home. Ralston Road, 177 Campbeltown, on November 3, 2021, John Ewing MacPherson, in his 86th year, dearly beloved husband of Jana Leckie, much loved dad of Karen, Aly and Grant and a loving

grampa of Becki, Cameron and Jack.

at the Queen Elizabeth

Peacefully

MCNALLY

University Hospital, Glasgow, on November 6, 2021, Eileen Margaret Hood, in her 77th year, 51 Crosshill Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of Ronnie McNally, much loved mum of Graham, Lorraine and Kevin, a loving mother-inlaw, beloved mama of Rvan, Angel, Rachel, Lewis, Jodie, Harris and Mason and loving sister of Vera and the late John. Eileen's funeral will take place on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 1.00 p.m. in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church. The cortège will leave the Church at 1.30 p.m. We will travel up Longrow, Aqualibrium Avenue round the Cross. Anyone is welcome to attend the service in the church, alternatively you may pay your last respects to Eileen along our route. A cremation service will be held in Cardross Crematorium on Wednesday, November 17 at 1.15 p.m.

MITCHELL - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on November 5, 2021, Hugh Thomas Mitchell, in his 95th year, Strathyre Cottage, Campbeltown, formerly of Dalivaddy Farm, a much loved father to Robert, John, Hugh and the late Jean, a devoted papa to eight grandchildren, and a loving brother of Elsie and the late Samuel, Robina, Mary and

Susan. YOUNG - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on November 6, 2021, Elizabeth Jean Graham, in her 96th year, Drumaird, Kilkenzie and formerly of Drum Farm, dearly beloved wife of the late James Hunter Young, much loved mum of Robert, Mary and Dugald, loving granny of Andrew, Graham, Katherine, Ruth, Joanne, James, Fiona and Javne and a much loved great-granny. A private church service will take place today, Friday, November 12, 2021. The cortege will leave the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church at 1.30p.m. We will travel up Longrow, Aqualibrium Avenue round the Cross on our way to Kilkerran Cemetery. Anyone wishing to pay their last respects to Iean may do so along our route or you may attend the burial in Kilkerran Cemetery.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CLARK - The family of the late Dugie Clark would like to thank everyone for the wonderful support and expressions of sympathy received in their recent

bereavement. Special thanks to doctors and all staff at Tarbert Surgery and doctors and staff at Glenaray Ward Mid Argyll Hospital, for the kind care and attention received. Special thanks also to Rev. Ian Miller for a comforting and appropriate service at Cardross Crematorium, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for most efficient handling of all the arrangements, thanks to all who made the journey and attended the service. A special mention to everyone who came out and paid their respects as the hearse made its way to the crematorium, the family were very appreciative.

COWAN - Jean and family would like to thank all relatives, friends, neighbours and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy received following the loss of Henry. Grateful thanks to the doctors and staff of Mid Argyll Hospital for their care and attention. Special thanks to Rev. David Carruthers for a personal and uplifting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for their professional service; to Morna for beautiful floral tributes and to the Stag Hotel for fine purvey. We extend our gratitude to all who attended at services for their kindness and support along with those who paid their respects as the funeral cortège made its way to Achnabreac Cemetery.

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the respect shown.

IN MEMORIAMS COFFIELD - M. November 12, 2016. Missed every day

- Martin and family.

CHURCH NOTICES

SPRINGBANK **EVANGELICAL CHURCH**



I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears (Psalm 34:4) Sunday 14 November 2021 PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME

Our service will start at 10.45 this week to include the Remembrance Sunday two minutes silence. Kelvin Moller from Clachan will then bring the message

If you cannot make it in person, you can still join us online. To join the Zoom service, send your email address to officespringbankchurch@gmail.com and you will be sent a link to join us on Sunday via Zoom.

Covid restrictions will apply in the building – masks and social distancing www.springbankchurch.org.uk

https://www.facebook.com/ springbankchurch Contact phone number 01586 551237 - Church Secretary

CHURCH OF **SCOTLAND**



South Kintyre Team Ministry Sunday services 10 am Saddell and Carradale

Church SC002609 10 am Highland Church, Campbeltown SC002493 11.30am Southend Church SC005484

Covid 19 restrictions apply Ministers Revd Steve Filcher Revd Christine Fulcher 01586 830504

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SALVATION ARMY



Sunday 14th November 11am Worship Service

11am Army Kidz 6.30pm Evening Service Wednesdays 12pm Lunch club 7pm Make & Munch Craft Group Covid 19 measures in place If we can be of any assistance to anyone during this time please call us on 01586 552046 Major Ruth Russell

ST. MARGARET'S RC CHURCH Lochgilphead Holy Mass Sunday 10AM ALL SAINTS INVERARAY

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Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm Fr Henry Nkob 01546602380

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George Street, Campbeltown



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co.uk Scottish Charity Number: SC046745

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL **CHURCH**

Christ Church, Lochgilphead Sunday 11am Holy Eucharist St Columba, Poltalloch 9am Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month 6pm Evensong 3rd Sunday of the month (SCO13787, 31391)

CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY **CHURCH**



11:00 am Baptist Church Pastor Mark Jasper 01586 554 092 pastor@campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk www.campbeltowncommunitychurch co uk www.facebook.com/ campbeltowncommunitychurch SC043322



LORNE & LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH Sunday 14th November

Due to present COVID rate we will not be having a service this week Rev W Crossan Covid 19 Guidelines apply

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNE AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Remembrance Sunday service Skipness 10.00am - Dr J L Morrison

Tarbert 11 30am - Rev Lyn Peden Please wear a face covering

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ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

Remembrance Sunday Services in Ardrishaig at 10:45am followed by Laying of Wreaths at the War Memorial (approx 12noon) and Achahoish at 12:30pm Mid Week Pause, Wednesdays from 12:45pm till 1:15pm

LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

in Ardrishaig Church Hall.



Sunday 14th November 2021 Service of Remembrance

9.45am, followed by a march to the War Memorial at conclusion of the Service for the Act of Remembrance Jim Malcolm Covid restrictions will apply including social distancing. More info at www lnchurch, co.uk Lochgilphead Parish Church of Scotland - SC016311

GLASSARY, KILMARTIN AND FORD PARISH **CHURCH**

Barr Mhor, Kilmartin Remembrance Sunday Please meet at War Memorial, Kilmartin at 11am before service Sunday 14th November 11am Rev Robert MacLeod

All very welcome Please remember to wear a mask

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH Sunday 14 November

War Memorial Bellanoch 9.15am Mr David Logue Tayvallich Church 10am Morning Worship Rev Robert Macleod Booking required Tel 01546 870635 Covid restrictions apply. Further information can be found on the church website www.northknapdale.org

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE (Cumlodden, Inveraray and Lochgair)

Sunday 14th November 2021 There will be a Remembrance

In Cumlodden Church at 10.00am and In Inveraray Church at 11.30am Masks must be worn when attending either church. Charity No: SCO16665

Housebuilder Tulloch extends Camanachd Cup sponsorship

Backing for 'blue riband' shinty event extended

Tulloch Homes has given shinty a boost as it recovers from the pandemic by sponsoring the sport's blue riband Camanachd Cup by a further two years.

The Highland housebuilder is already committed to sponsoring next year's final at the Dell, Kingussie, but a new agreement will also cover the 2023 big day at Inverness plus the next, at a venue to be determined by the sports ruling body, the Camanachd Association.

A gifted Newtonmore shinty player and sportsman in his day, Tulloch Homes chief executive George Fraser said: 'That will take us up to supporting a remarkable seven successive Camanachd finals.

'This is in addition to the pandemic year of 2020 when there was no competition but we still contributed our sponsorship to help the game when it faced such a difficult time financially.

'Shinty is part of the fabric of the communities from which we draw our business and our workforce.

'The 125th anniversary final last month saw a new name, Kinlochshiel, on the trophy and the signs are that the Camanachd Cup will be contested by a wider range of potential winners than for some time.

'We're keen to be a part of that exciting future.'

Tulloch Homes began its



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sponsorship of the competition in 2017 with Newtonmore beating Lovat in the final.

The same teams contested the next final with Newtonmore again triumphant while in 2019 Newtonmore defeated Oban Camanachd.

Mr Fraser, who won eight Camanachd Cup winners medals with Newtonmore, presented the trophy to Kinlochshiel captain Keith MacRae after their victory over Lovat at Oban.

Mr Fraser continued: 'The way in which Oban stepped in to stage the final so successfully at short notice, in no small part due to the great work of Councillor Roddy McCuish, underlines the spirit and strength of shinty.

'It's been a pleasure to work with Camanachd Association president Steven Mackenzie

plus chief executive Derek Keir and his management team who have shown great flexibility to enable competitions to return and have the season completed.

'The partnership between the Association and Tulloch Homes is strong and successful, which makes us all the more pleased to put in place this extension. Hopefully, it gives the association some certainty and assurance going forward to assist in its planning and development of Scotland's oldest team sport.'

Camanachd Association president Steven Mackenzie 'We're absolutely

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'It is a highly popular sponsor

and, of course, George Fraser is a Camanachd Cup legend who is helping to put something back into the game he enjoyed so much.

'This fresh deal comes at the end of shinty's comeback season and is an ideal tonic for clubs, supporters and association alike as we look ahead and build for the future.'

added: Mr Mackenzie 'When the pandemic meant there was no competitive shinty in 2020, and thus no Camanachd Cup action, we absolutely delighted when Tulloch Homes indicated that it would nevertheless

sponsor the 'phantom final'. 'Ît was an invaluable financial contribution at a challenging time for us. I'm sure Tulloch's continued association with the tournament through to 2024 will be warmly welcomed.'





with the new sponsorship deal are, from left: Derek Keir. chief executive officer of the Camanachd Association: George Fraser, chief executive officer Tulloch Homes: Steven MacKenzie, Camanachd Association president, and Astie Cameron, Camanachd Association events and operations manager.

Delighted

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Inveraray ready to hand out the prizes



Inveraray Golf Club's glittering end-ofseason prizegiving dinner will be held later this month.

The George Hotel will be the venue for the event on Saturday November 27,

with an ominously early start of 4pm. All members and competition winners are encouraged to go along and support the club and the event. Please contact John Smylie to confirm attendance.



Left: A flashback to fun and games at a previous prizegiving.

Right: Inveraray golf course on the shores of Loch Fyne.

Red Star stung late in exciting league match

Lochgilphead Red Star Baljaffray

SAFL Division One

RJD-sponsored Red Star welcomed Baljaffray to the Joint Campus 3G pitch last Saturday where the sides played out a thrilling three-all draw in a match which swung in either direction in horrendous conditions.

The side exchanged goals in the first half, with Stuart MacLean reacting quickest in the box after the Baljaffray keeper couldn't hold a Fraser Talbot shot and the striker scored to net his eleventh goal in eight games.

Baljaffray forced a succession of corners near the end of the half and were on level terms when Red Star were only able to partially clear a corner which fell to the away side's full back and his shot via the aid of a deflection went past young Leon Murphy in the Star goal.

Into the second half and Star could have retaken the lead when Aaron Moore latched onto a drilled cross from strike



partner Stuart MacLean, however, his effort was blocked by an excellent save from the Baljaffray number one.

The visitors took the lead

after 55 minutes when a cross caused confusion in the Star defence and the Baljaffray forward had the simple task of finishing into an empty net from close range.

Star huffed and puffed for an equaliser, however, they were frustrated by excellent goal-keeping until the goal came in fortuitous circumstances after a long ball was nodded past his own keeper by the Baljaffray centre back meaning the sides were level with ten minutes to

Star took the lead with five minutes remaining when

Aaron Moore was able to burst clear of the Baljaffray backline and finish well into the far corner to make it 3-2.

This should have been enough to see Star over the line but Baljaffray scrambled a late equaliser when Star again failed to clear a free kick and the ball was bundled over the line to see the match end 3-3.

Lochgilphead Red Star are on their travels on Saturday November 13 when they face their toughest test of the season so far as they take on league leaders and title favourites Arthurlie.

Golfer Bob faces uphill task in Race to Dubai

Robert MacIntyre's late season woes continued when, despite a promising start, he finished 64th out of 65 players who made the halfway cut at last week's Portugal Masters.

His two under par total on Friday should have left him in a position to contend for at least a top 20 finish, but a round of 74 on Saturday, followed by a disastrous 82 on Sunday left him languishing at the bottom of the leaderboard.

His final round, which included two eights on the back nine, means the Oban left hander headed for this week's AVIV Dubai Championship - the penultimate competition in this year's European Tour - with dented confidence and trying to recapture the mid-season form that saw him finish eighth in the Open, 12th in the Masters and contend for a spot on the European Ryder Cup team.

With four decent rounds under his belt in Dubai, the following week's season-ending DP World Tour Championship gives him an opportunity to finish the season on a high and climb up the Race to Dubai table where he currently lies in 17th place.



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