

# Family support helps Inveraray mum-of-two race back to top

AN INVERARAY woman has made a stunning return to athletics after years away from the sport.

Mum-of-two Lesley Pirie achieved a lifetime ambition last month, completing the London Marathon - but not content with simply getting round the course, Lesley crossed the line as the second placed female Scots runner overall.

Completing the

by **Colin Cameron**

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London course in a remarkable time of two hours 41 minutes, just over three minutes behind vastly experienced fellow Scot Freya Ross, 35-year-old Lesley's time was good enough to qualify for 'A' standard in the Road Race Grand Prix run by Scottish Athletics and a share of £4,000 in prize money.

Lesley puts her improvement down to a new-found focus, combined with a support network of family and friends.

### Career

Growing up in Strachur, Lesley followed the running career of her older brother John McFadyen - himself a champion middle and long distance competitor over many years.

She said: 'Watching John racing was an inspiration to me. I was always interested in running at school, and did quite a few events in my 20s.'

'For six or seven years I took part in a few 10k runs, and

though I managed some good times, I never got above a certain level. I don't think I took it seriously enough.'

Now married and settled in Inveraray, where she works as an engineer with trunk road maintenance firm BEAR Scotland, Lesley and husband Gordon have two boys, Hugh, who is almost five, and Fergus, who will soon be two years old.

'It's really been since the kids came along that I've become a lot more focused in my training,' said Lesley.

'Last year I also joined Victoria Park Athletic Club in Glasgow, and with the help of coach Graham Smith, who regularly emails me with advice, I have made good progress.'

### Pounding

Over the winter months Lesley could often be spotted before dawn pounding the roads of Inveraray and Glen Shira, navigating with the aid of a head



Proud mum Lesley with husband Gordon and boys Hugh and Fergus.

torch on those cold, dark mornings as she churned out 90 miles every week.

The hard graft is paying off and, hot on the heels of her London success and following an impressive half marathon in Alloa, Lesley pulled on a Scotland vest for the first time last weekend.

Part of a team of

six Scots - three men and three women - in an 11,000-strong field in melting heat at the Lillebealt Half Marathon, Lesley took third place in the women's contest and 34th overall in a time of 81 minutes 50 seconds.

### Honour

'To get a Scotland vest is a great feeling and

an honour, and I know there may not be too many opportunities,' said Lesley.

She added: 'I couldn't do it at all, though, without Gordon behind me and the support of my own and Gordon's mum and dad, as well as my extended family in Inveraray.'

After her recent exertions, Lesley says

it's 'time to focus on being a mum' as she takes a break before turning her attention to some late summer running events.

### Torch

As for her marathon training runs, Lesley joked: 'At least the mornings are getting lighter and I can put away the torch for a wee while.'



Tough of the track - winning her first Scotland vest was 'an honour'.

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## Tourist season in Port Ban

A GROUP of German cyclists were amongst the visitors at Port Ban Holiday Park recently.

Sebastian and his children were advised to cycle Argyll by tourists they met in India and thought it sounded like a great idea. They are also getting the best weather Argyll has to offer for their tour.

Port Ban has already had people from far and wide enjoying the park as Dutch motorcyclists also visited this week.



Sebastian and his children are cycling round Argyll.

# Drivers warned to allow time for Tarbert roadworks

DRIVERS using the A83 trunk road through Tarbert have been advised to leave extra time for journeys over the next three weeks as £380,000 worth of road improvements are carried out.

The work, by trunk road maintenance firm BEAR Scotland, will be carried out west of Tarbert in two phases.

During the first phase, from Monday May 16 to Friday May 20, a pavement will be

improved and the road resurfaced between 7am and 7pm. A convoy system will be in place while the daytime works are carried out, and removed outside working hours. The second phase,

from Sunday May 22 to Thursday May 26, will involve overnight work from 7pm to 6am - during which period the road will be closed. Work will start again overnight on Monday May 30 with works due to be completed by 6am on Saturday June 4.

The A83 closure during phase two will mean a diversion will be in place for motorists via the B8024. Access will be maintained for residents.

Eddie Ross, BEAR Scotland's North West Representative, said: 'These essential works will improve the existing road surface and address any defects in the road, enhancing the safety of the A83 through this section.'

'The footway improvements will also enhance the safety of the route for residents and pedestrians.'

'We've taken into account feedback during the consultation process and made sure to avoid working during the busy bank holiday weekend, as well as scheduling the footpath works to be completed ahead of the Scottish Series Yacht Racing Event held over the same weekend.'

'Most of the works

are programmed to take place overnight to minimise disruption as much as possible, but we would still encourage motorists to plan their journeys in advance and leave extra time before travelling.'

## Police files

### Car vandalism

A PICK-UP was damaged by having corrosive material poured on it at Factory Land, Inveraray, between 4pm on May 1 and 2pm on May 2. The black Mitsubishi had damage to the paintwork and police are investigating.

### Racial abuse

A MAN used racially-abusive language in a shop in Argyll Street, Lochgilphead, at 2.50pm on May 3.

After investigations a 38-year-old man was arrested and charged with the offence.

A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal.

### Abusive behaviour

POLICE were called to Burns Brae, Lochgilphead at 7.30pm on May 3. A 68-year-old man was arrested for abusive behaviour and assaulting a woman. He

was detained for court and a report was sent to the procurator fiscal.

### Drug search

A HOUSE in Furnace was searched by police at 11.45am on May 6. A 65-year-old man was found in possession of cannabis and issued with a recorded police warning.

### Dangerous overtaking

ON Wednesday May 5, a man crossed a solid white centre line while overtaking another car on the A83 at the junction with the Loch Fyne Oyster Bar.

A £100 fixed penalty ticket with three penalty points was issued.

### Drink driving

A MAN was arrested and charged with drink driving on the A83 south of Ardrishaig.

The incident occurred at 3.37am on May 8. A report has been sent to the procurator fiscal.

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# Election past - now it's time to finish the job

NOW THAT the election is past and we know the shape of

the new Scottish Parliament, the time for talking is past and we must see action to permanently resolve the landslide problem at the Rest and be Thankful.

*The Argyllshire Advertiser's* campaign, run jointly with *The Campbeltown Courier*, to press for worthwhile investment in the Rest, is gathering pace.

Support for the cause is being demonstrated every working day as a steady stream of people visits our Lochgilphead offices to ask for our natty new window stickers.

Spotted as far away as Glasgow and now displayed on commercial vans and lorries as well as private cars, the stickers are a visible way of demonstrating your support for a

solution that goes beyond the current mitigation measures at the Rest.

The protective fencing and upgraded military road are fine up

to a point, but they are very far from the long-term answer to keeping Argyll connected at all times.

Let us know what you think.

And to get your own supply of stickers, call into the Argyllshire Advertiser's Lochgilphead office on Argyll Street and we will be happy to oblige.



Melting in the sun – Charlotte and Niamh enjoy some early season sunshine between exams. 06\_a20icecream01

## Basking in spring sunshine

ENJOYING some lovely warm spring weather on Monday were Lochgilphead High School pupils Charlotte Larking from Inverneill and Lochgilphead's Niamh Adams McGilp.

Taking a well-earned breather after their biology exam, the

girls sampled ice cream from newly-opened Lochgilphead business, The Sweetie Jar.

At the very spot where Charlotte and Niamh stood in 25 degree heat with their cones melting, snow had blanketed the ground just 10 days earlier.

## Groups benefit from windfarm windfall

ALLOCATIONS from the Clachan Flats Windfarm Trust worth a total of £5,000 were announced at last Wednesday's meeting of Inveraray Community Council.

Inveraray Primary School Parent Council will receive £700 towards the repair of the peace building.

A grant of £500 for Inveraray's Jog Scotland running club will go towards the purchase of a printer. Inveraray Highland Games

is to receive £1,000 towards replacement of crash mats for athletic events. Inveraray branch of the Royal British Legion Scotland has been allocated £1,000 towards the provision of disabled access to the Combined Operations memorial at the Argyll Caravan Park.

The purchase of junior golf clubs, new signs and various other items for Inveraray Golf Club will be funded by a grant of £900.

And Inveraray Community Council will receive £900 towards the provision of a community defibrillator.

'As usual we had applications for more than we could give,' said community council convener, Iain MacAskill, 'and we hope that the monies awarded will make a positive difference to the community in the next 12 months.'

'Many thanks to all who took the time to fill out applications.'



The resurfaced Military Road offers a fantastic venue for hill climbs – but it cannot be a long-term landslide solution. *The Advertiser* believes the job must be finished. 06\_a20Rest01



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## Mid Argyll minister's delight at opening of care centre extension

A CHARITY supported by a Mid Argyll minister has opened an extension to its palliative care unit.

Tarbert and Lochgilphead Free Church of Scotland Minister Robbie MacLeod works with the charity Something For Romania.

He travelled to Romania two-years-ago for a week and said it was 'a most rewarding and privileged week'.

Rev MacLeod added: 'I took part in a week's training of nurses, doctors, social workers and chaplains on bereavement and spiritual

care in palliative care. It was a week of support and education. It was a wonderful experience working alongside Joy Elliot, a member of Accord Hospice staff.'

When he was there the extension was being built and Rev MacLeod hopes to return in September to see the extension and repeat the training he did with staff on his previous visit.

Much of the material used for the extension came from the Nicholson Institute on Lewis which was recently demolished.

# Lochgilphead gets behind re-vamped charity shop

THE MARY'S Meals shop in Lochgilphead has raised hundreds of pounds for the charity since re-opening after refurbishment last month.

The new-look store features new lines of books, baby items and is carrying a range of clothing for the first time since its initial opening more than two decades ago.

Shop manager Marina Campbell says the place has been 'buzzing' and is usually full at lunchtimes. It has been so successful that it is now looking for more volunteers to help, Marina said: 'Everything has been brilliant since the shop reopened.

It's being going like a train.

'But we do need more volunteers to help us to keep us with this momentum.



Shop manager Marina Campbell with the new range of clothing. 08\_a20marysmeals01

'If you'd like to volunteer for us, just pop in and say hello. Our volunteers are enthusiastic and welcoming and we would really love for new people to join our happy team.'

There are already seven volunteers who would like to welcome some new faces to their team.

Sharon Campbell, retail manager for Mary's Meals, said: 'We are so pleased that the local community have embraced the changes we made to the store.

'Their feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.

'Mary's Meals is a grassroots movement which relies on individuals all over the world supporting our work.

'It's great to see the people of Lochgilphead getting behind what we do and helping us to reach the next child waiting for Mary's Meals.'

Mary's Meals currently feeds 1,101,206 children every school day.

It costs just £12.20 to feed a child for a whole school year and 93p of every £1 spent by the charity goes directly to its charitable activities.



An artist's impression of the new unit.

## Argyll holiday firm recognised at national hospitality awards

AN ARGYLL tourism business has been recognised at a national award ceremony.

Lochgoilhead-based Argyll Holidays was handed the award for 'Scotland's Best Marketing Team' at the fifth Scottish Entertainment and Hospitality Awards in Glasgow last Sunday.

The awards seek to find the very best of the nation's pubs, restaurants, hotels, and great days out. The public voting campaign, which runs annually from January to March, saw over 120,000 votes cast from across the country, nearly double that seen in previous years.

The top voted businesses across 20 categories were then short-listed as finalists and invited to the gala awards evening.

Argyll Holidays is owned and managed by the second generation of the Campbell family, with a third following on not far behind.



The Argyll Holidays marketing team of Ross Coutts, digital marketing assistant; David Brown, graphic designer; Andrew Scott, marketing assistant and Lisa Allan-Downie alongside Gordon White, managing director of award sponsor Fat Buzz.

The tourism business was started by farming couple Douglas and Jean Campbell in Lochgoilhead in 1967, going on to become Argyll Holidays, a market leader within the holiday parks industry. It has become a front runner in digital marketing, growing online bookings from 0.5 per cent to 32 per cent over the past four years.

The marketing team

has grown the company's social media following from 300 to over 70,000 in that time with a newsletter database in excess of 50,000.

Argyll Holidays' head of marketing, Lisa Allan-Downie, accepted the award alongside her team in front of 800 guests at the Glasgow City Hotel, in a glitzy event featuring entertainment from

Del Amitri front man, Justin Currie.

She said: 'It's a brilliant award to win and is great recognition of the investment Argyll Holidays places in a brand of marketing which is truly beneficial to our customers. We've come a long way in the last four years and have completely transformed the way we market the business.'

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Smiling volunteers at the successful coffee morning. 08\_a20redx01

## Lochgilphead celebrates Red Cross week

RED CROSS volunteers in Lochgilphead held a coffee morning to celebrate Red Cross week.

There was delicious home baking on offer and a raffle

was also held with one of the star prizes being a cuddly teddy bear.

The event, on May 7, raised £346 which will be used to provide services locally. Organisations

er Linda Tighe said: 'I'd like to say thanks to everyone that came, baked, donated raffle prizes and supported us. It was a very successful start to Red Cross week.'

# Anthony Nolan Trust visits high school

By Ellie Donald  
SENIOR Lochgilphead Joint Campus students were visited by a representative from the Anthony Nolan Blood Cancer Trust recently.

The visit followed a talk the week before encouraging pupils to sign up to become potential donors for the trust and perhaps save someone's life. Members of the local fire and rescue team, along with other trust members, came to the school to register the students.

Firefighter John Sweeney, a former pu-

pil, was delighted with the response rate as 60 per cent of eligible pupils signed up, compared with the national

average of 40 per cent. The team will be back in two years to sign up a new group of volunteers.



Aiden MacVicar finds out about the Anthony Nolan Trust. emschool19



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## Hot stuff

There is one hot topic that has been the talk of the steamie all week - and that is the weather.

How nice it has been to enjoy a few days of warmth and sunshine, after another wild, wet winter - and at a time before the midges get their tackety boots on.

Even the local snakes decided to emerge from the undergrowth and party - see page 20.

## Back to business

The election is over, we have a re-elected constituency MSP and a raft of new regional list members.

Any MSP's first responsibility lies with his or her constituents. It is now time to get serious over a number of matters that appear to have lain dormant until the election was over.

Top of many lists will be spending real money on the Rest. Then there are the ridiculous Boundary Commission proposals to ride roughshod over local authority internal boundaries.

And, most importantly of all, every elected representative must push hard to foster economic regeneration across Argyll and Bute. It is sorely needed for the sake of every resident and visitor to the region.

## Good sports

In this week's edition, you can read about the remarkable sporting achievements of mum-of-two Lesley Pirie from Inveraray. Hard work is key, of course, but family and friends have played a big part in her success, as Lesley was keen to acknowledge.

Well done to everyone concerned.

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## Kilmory Park masterplan

Sir,  
What a hare-brained idea. Since noticing the billboard at this proposed industrial, business, tourism and community site, I have thought to myself, as I drove past and smelled the wind crossing the A83 from the Shanks waste site, 'Who would want to work in such a smell?' What an impression would this give tourists to our area? It really does stink.

Yes, it does depend on the wind direction but when it does come from the waste site, what a pong. Tourism? Is this the best that Argyll and Bute Council can come up with to promote tourism? Gentlemen and ladies, please have a rethink. This would be a scandal.

**Leonard McNeill,  
Minard**

## Inveraray jailbreak

Sir,  
I am writing to express my thanks and gratitude to a variety of people who gave of their time and services to enable the seventh Inveraray Jailbreak with Junior Jailbreak and Kids on the Run races to take place successfully last weekend.

The event is unique in comprising these three races within a race and for the stunning setting. The race starts at the Inveraray Jail where the staff are fully involved in supporting the race both with time, enthusiasm and fabulous prizes. The end of the race is at Inveraray Castle by kind per-

mission of the Duke and Duchess of Argyll. It would be hard to find a better place to ease over the finish line.

Over the years our local sponsors have supported the race willingly and generously donating bananas (Aray Fish, Fruit and Veg), water (Londis Inveraray), bottles of wine for prizes (The George Hotel) and funding for medals (IMaGe and Inveraray Community Council). We had new medals this year produced locally by Sea Drift Argyll which were really unique and special. The new Inveraray Cop sponsored new jackets for the Inveraray jogscotland group.

For me, as race organiser, I want to record thanks for the willingness of friends new and old, the whole kit and caboodle of Inveraray jogscotland members who marshalled, kept time, helped train the children for their race, and even ran in the race, and my family, especially my husband Garret and daughter Freya.

John Patrick of Argyll Adventure was as usual amazing link support and photographer as well as donor of the quaiach presented to 7 SCOTS regiment.

Other thanks go to Paul Honey, Bill McCallum, Brian Barker, Jacquie Patrick and Fiona McCallum who did an amazing team effort as time keepers. Marcus Van Stone once again helped transport the marshals on and off the hill and, while I am on the subject, what a bunch of marshals. Amazing group of

people from the community and other running groups. Thank you all and see you next year.

**Fiona Corner  
Inveraray Jailbreak  
race organiser**

## The union strikes back

Sir,  
After a well-fought election campaign, the Scottish Conservative and Unionist party has become the official opposition. It has also stopped the SNP getting a majority and has pushed Labour into third which is the worst result for Labour in Scotland since 1910.

It is now time for the SNP to abandon its obsession with breaking up our United Kingdom and get on with dealing with the many problems facing Scotland.

Our economy in Scotland is now growing at only a fraction on the speed of the economy in the rest of the UK, farming payments have still not been paid to many of our farmers and there has yet to be a long-term solution to the A83 problem.

These are just a few massive problems the Scottish Parliament should be dealing with instead of continuing this constitutional merry-go-round.

The great silent majority has started to speak and all of Scotland's unionist majority now has a leader in Ruth Davidson. No ifs, no buts - the SNP must accept the result of the 2014 referendum.

**Alastair Redman,  
Islay**

## Thanks

Sir,  
I would like to thank everybody who voted for me at last week's election.

Despite a difficult national context, the Liberal Democrat vote rose in Argyll and Bute compared to the previous Scottish election five years ago, and we finished in a clear second place.

I congratulate Michael Russell MSP on his re-election, and wish him all the best in representing Argyll and Bute at Holyrood for the next five years.

**Alan Reid**

## Well done the dancer

Sir,  
Through your paper we would like to say a huge thank you to Kenny MacNab for once again helping to raise lots of money for Parkinson's and Myaware.

Kenny has been learning to tap dance and with the help of his tutor he organised a cabaret night which I am sure everyone enjoyed.

It must have taken a great deal of courage to perform his dance act in front of his home crowd. Well done Kenny and thank you so much for supporting our chosen charities.

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Temperatures were well below average for April. 06\_a19aprilsnow01

## Benmore Garden weather report for April

APRIL temperatures were well below average.

There was also added wind chill which made it feel even colder.

Minimum temperatures were on average 1.0°C lower and

maximum temperatures 0.5°C lower than average. There was hail on two days and sleet on one day of the month.

Ground frost was up by 70 per cent and air frost by 25 per cent. There was also higher

than average rainfall with April 1 seeing the heaviest rainfall at 38.6 millimetres. The total for the month was 160.7mms. There was rain on 19 days of the month. Thanks to Benmore Garden for the report.

# Fundraising for Macmillan cancer centre

TARBERT Masonic Lodge has boosted the funds of a cancer care centre by £800.

The lodge raised the cash for the Macmillan centre at Mid Argyll Community Hospital at a ladies night

and through a monthly cash draw.

Hector Thompson and Past Master Don McNicol presented the cheque to the centre's team of doctors and nurses.

Hector said: 'It's a

great thing to have this facility here. Before you would have had to travel to the Beatson for treatment. The staff are fantastic too.'

He speaks from experience as he is a regular at the centre.



Don and Hector hand over the cheque. 08\_a20cheque01

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Foundation Apprenticeships will soon be available to High School pupils in Argyll in subjects including Engineering, Health and Social Care, IT Software and Business Skills, in partnership with Argyll College UHI.

Colin Buchanan, Foundation Apprenticeships Regional Manager for North Region said:

"SDS is delighted to be working with Argyll College UHI to deliver Foundation Apprenticeships. The knowledge, skills and experience the young people will gain will give them a head start in their career and equip them with the skills that employers are looking for.

"As they develop, Foundation Apprenticeships will play an increasingly important role in keeping talented young people in the region, tackling skill shortages and boosting the local economy."

Foundation Apprenticeships, which take two years to complete, are work-based learning opportunities for secondary school pupils in S4 and S5. Young people spend time out of school at college or with a local employer, and complete the Foundation Apprenticeship alongside their other subjects like National 5s and Highers.

Each Foundation Apprenticeship has been designed in partnership with industry; In the classroom they cover the theory behind each role – then they'll get the opportunity to put it into practice in the workplace.

Fiona MacAlpine, Schools Co-ordinator at Argyll College UHI said: "We are delighted to

be working closely with schools in Argyll to introduce these new qualifications.

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And for employers, it's the chance to attract highly motivated and committed young people who are willing to learn, identify young people who are right for their business and ensure their organisation has people with the skills needed to prosper."

Skills Development Scotland has developed Foundation Apprenticeships with the support of the European Social Fund.





The Waverley will cruise Loch Fyne during the summer.

## Waverley to cruise Loch Fyne

AS PART of its 70th birthday celebrations the Waverley will be taking regular trips around Loch Fyne this summer.

The paddle steamer will tour the loch every Wednesday from June 22 until August 24 and will spend just under an hour and a half cruising its waters. There will also be a sailing on Sunday July 17 when passengers can enjoy a Sunday roast during the trip. It will also make regular trips to Campbeltown.

Ross Cochrane, the Waverley's

captain, said: 'Waverley is a very special ship full of history and charm and there is a trip for everyone - young and old - to enjoy.'

'Every passenger who comes aboard helps this beautiful ship continue to sail and I would encourage everyone to come and enjoy a trip on her. Some of the best scenery in the world is in the west coast of Scotland and the Waverley offers a unique way to experience it.'

'I look forward to welcoming you onboard.'

# Lochgilphead man awarded legion of honour

A MAN who grew up in Lochgilphead has been appointed as a knight of the National Order of the Legion of Honour by François Hollande, the President of France.

Hamish Craig, 93, lived in Lochgilphead

before emigrating to New Zealand and settling there.

During World War Two Hamish was parachuted in, on his own, to enemy territory to work with French resistance fighters, the maquis. The operation



Hamish as a young man.



Hamish and his grandson Alexander await the Prime Minister of France.

was so secret he wasn't allowed to tell anyone for 50 years. During a two-day visit to New Zealand French Prime Minister Manuel Valls met Hamish to thank him for his efforts in liberating France and congratulate him on

gaining France's highest decoration. He was also congratulated by New Zealand Prime Minister John Key.

Local people who remember Hamish can get in touch with him by emailing hamish-congratulate on wgp@gmail.com.

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# Kayak symposium at Tayvallich



Kayakers take to the water.

PEOPLE from Mid Argyll and much further afield took to the water for a kayak symposium recently.

Karitek held its annual Mid West symposium at Tayvallich and it attracted around 60 people of different ages and abilities.

The keen kayakers learned from head coach Colin McWilliams of Oban Sea Kayak and coach Tony Hammock from Sea Freedom Kayaks. Dave Bleazard from Outside Edge in Oban was also a coach and brought a wealth of knowledge of the ma-

rine life to his exciting day trips.

After a busy day on the water it was time to relax with a ceilidh. All the dancing was for a good cause as it raised £800 for Macmillan Cancer Care. There was also a quiz night which got competitive.

Ann Turner from Karitek said: 'All the participants in our symposium comment on how friendly an event it is. The locals enjoy us coming too as we bring a rainbow of colours with all our kayaks there. And of course everyone enjoys the coffee shop.'

## Pop-up opera coming to Argyll

A WEE taste of opera is coming to Argyll and Bute next month.

Following last year's success, Scottish Opera's Pop-up Opera

roadshow embarks on a second tour of Scotland this summer, with three fun-filled 25-minute shows for audiences of all ages:

*A Little Bit of Figaro*, *A Little Bit of Mikado* and *A Little Bit of Northern Light*.

From May 21 to July 2, a specially-adapt-

ed trailer - designed to look like a miniature Theatre Royal Glasgow inside - travels to 18 locations to deliver 84 performances across Scotland with one storyteller, two singers, three instrumentalists and a series of colourful illustrations.

Scottish Opera's director of outreach and education, Jane Davidson, said: 'The Pop-up Opera roadshow offers audiences across Scotland a truly unique and intimate experience. With the trailer covering 1,400 miles, and parking up in unexpected locations from festivals to car parks along the way, we hope to surprise both opera fans and those new to



Children enjoying the Pop-up Opera roadshow during last year's tour. Photo: Mark Hamilton.



Ben McAteer performs during the 2015 Pop-up Opera roadshow. Scottish Opera 2015. Photo: Mark Hamilton.

opera with our theatre on wheels.'

The roadshow is touring to Dumfries and Galloway Arts Festival, Perth Festival of the Arts, Oban and Rothesay, Loch Lomond Shores, Ayr Seafront, Borders Book

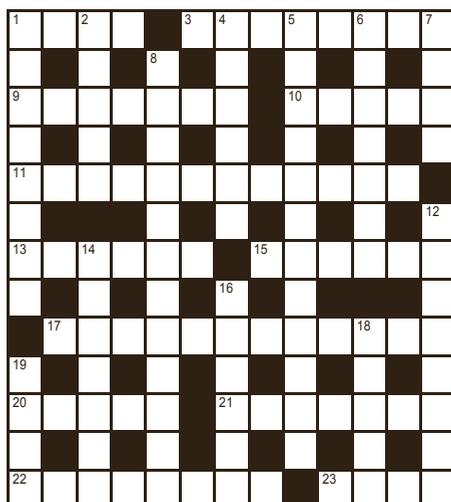
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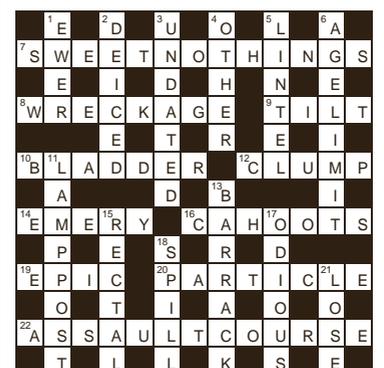
Across

- 1 You'll find it where you find brass, money to be made here (4)
- 3 Dark beer (5,3)
- 9 Hungarian mathematician who coined the term 'cybernetics' (7)
- 10 Fabricating (5)
- 11 Boxing class (12)
- 13 Not much (6)
- 15 Slight (6)
- 17 Pertaining to land (12)
- 20 Company rule (5)
- 21 Engraving with acid (7)
- 22 Using air pressure, it coats with liquid (5,3)
- 23 Land amid sea (4)

Down

- 1 Smallest amounts (8)
- 2 Possible (5)
- 4 Fame (6)
- 5 Cane (7,5)
- 6 Sneeze heard (7)
- 7 Move sideways (4)
- 8 Transport with overhead lines (5,7)
- 12 Flimsy night garment (8)
- 14 With corners (7)
- 16 Office desk (6)
- 18 Holding these puts you in charge (5)
- 19 Wading bird (4)

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



# breast cancer now

## Tough Mudder Scotland Saturday 25 June 2016

**Breast Cancer Now is the UK's largest breast cancer charity, created by the merger of Breast Cancer Campaign and Breakthrough Breast Cancer.**

### What is breast cancer?

Breast cancer is the name for cancers that start in the breast. It is the most common cancer in the UK. Around 50,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer each year in the UK, including around 4,600 in Scotland. Breast cancer survival is improving, yet there are still around 1,000 UK women who die of breast cancer every month.

Breast cancer in men is rare, with around 350 men diagnosed each year in the UK. However, it's still important that it is caught early and there are signs and symptoms that men can look out for.

### What are the signs and symptoms of breast cancer?

Everyone's breasts are different, and your breasts can change with age and at different times of the month. It's important to get to know how your breasts normally look and feel so it will be easier to spot if there are any unusual changes for you.

If you do spot any unusual

changes to your breasts you should get them checked out by your doctor.

Finding out about breast cancer signs and symptoms can help you understand what breast changes to look out for.

Lumps are vital to look out for, and for many women the first sign or symptom of breast cancer is a lump in their breast. But many women have breast lumps and most of them are benign (not cancerous), and there are other important signs and symptoms too.

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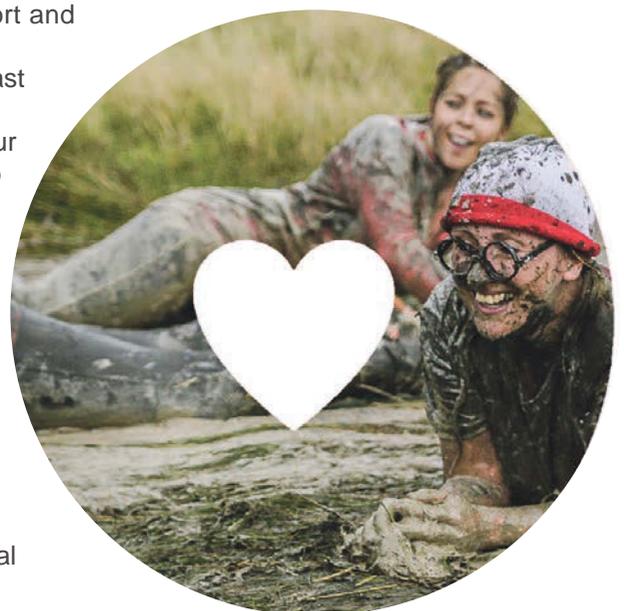
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to get involved in support and fundraising. Lawrence Cowan, Breast Cancer Now, said: "We really appreciate all of our amazing supporters who raise vital funds for our pioneering research. Every pound is progress towards our goal of stopping women dying from breast cancer by 2050. "From tough mudders to bake sales and everything in between, every fundraising event or challenge makes a real difference."



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# Lochgilphead jewellery business continues to sparkle

'It felt like the right time as I could work from home, giving me flexibility whilst pursuing something I love'

WHEN Mhairi MacDonald's gran came over to visit her from Australia and showcased her jewellery-making skills, it wasn't long before the mum-of-two was hooked.

Now, almost eight years later, Mhairi's business, Bluebell Jewels, supplies a host of gift shops throughout Argyllshire including Inveraray Castle.

With support from Business Gateway Argyll and Bute, Mhairi, who is based in Lochgilphead, was able to turn her hobby into a business and is now

looking to grow. Mhairi, a former bank worker, creates unique, handcrafted necklaces, bracelets and earrings which are available to buy online and in various gift shops. Each item is made with Swarovski crystals, designer Lampwork beads and glass beads imported from all over the world. Mhairi also uses gemstones, natural shells, silver and copper.

She said: 'My gran came over from Australia and she was an avid jewellery maker in her spare time.

She had got both of my aunts involved and during her visit I went bead shopping with them. As soon as I started looking at all the colourful beads I knew I had to learn the skill also.

#### Hobby

'I started making jewellery as a hobby in 2008 and soon I was making pieces for family and friends. As I got more and more into it, I realised that not only did I really enjoy it, but that I was good at it. In 2013, I decided to make it official and set up my own

jewellery business. It felt like the right time as I could work from home, giving me flexibility whilst pursuing something I love.'

Going forward, Mhairi is looking to attend craft fairs further afield to eventually expand her customer base and has been working on a new website to attract more online orders.

Mhairi added: 'It's going really well so far and we're now in a good position to start growing. I've had support from Business Gateway which has really helped me.



Mhairi turned her jewellery-making hobby into a business.

The courses that Business Gateway run are a great option for anyone in business and I benefited a lot from the bookkeeping and website workshops.'

Donald Melville, business adviser, Business Gateway said: 'Turning a hobby into

a business can seem daunting but it is no different to any other business. Doing something you're passionate about is an advantage and by accessing our range of support, you will be directed in the right path to becoming a success.'

For more information visit [www.bluebell-jewels.co.uk](http://www.bluebell-jewels.co.uk)

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TESTING the viability of ideas before investing valuable time and money in developing products or services is essential.

Ann Scott, a Business Gateway Argyll and Bute adviser, has highlighted some of the key areas to consider when it comes to carrying out market research, regardless of which sector your business is in, in this in-depth interview.

#### Market demand

She said: 'The question you need answered is 'Is there enough market demand to build a viable business?'

'Carrying out market research does not

have to be too time consuming, as long as you are clear from the outset what you want it to achieve. You should also figure out how you want to collect the data; via a questionnaire, by forming a focus group or through a survey.

'The main focus of the research is to have solid evidence that there is demand for your product or service. It is true you will not ever gain conclu-

sive proof, but you do need to know the likely levels of demand and understand market trends.

'It is crucial that you know who your customer is likely to be, whether you are launching a new business or new products within an existing business. Not only will this shape your plans going forward, it will allow you to adapt your sales methods to fit their needs.

'The main points to consider in this are gender, age, occupation and income. When you know who your customers are, their buying habits and what they think of your product or service, you can target them successfully.

#### Advantageous

'As well as customers, it is advantageous to find out who in the market place might be considered your competitor.

'At Business Gateway we can help you identify and be aware of the differences and make sure you make the most of them in your marketing, your customer communication and in any PR opportunities.

'Your research could also help you understand and discover market trends - positive and negative. Perhaps you will find out your competitors are too expensive which

puts potential customers off, or results may show people are using your kind of product less and are moving onto something newer and more technologically advanced.

'The results may be disappointing or unexpected but you can still use them to your advantage.'

She also highlighted these key points to keep in mind. Always make sure you contact enough people to make

your results robust, never ignore negative results, in many situations you can do your own research but there are plenty of companies with the experience and skills to do it for you, you can access free formal reports which detail specific industry market trends via Business Gateway.

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## Food fair showcases farm produce

THE head of Loch Fyne is the venue this weekend for an event showcasing great Argyll farming produce.

On Saturday May 14 and Sunday May 15, Loch Fyne Food Fair will feature displays from Winston Churchill Venison from Glen Lean, near Dunoon, along with another Cowal producer, Shellfield Farm. The 3,000 acre farm on the shores of Loch Riddon has been in the MacKellar family for four generations and produces lamb and mutton with a distinctive flavour.

Across Loch Fyne, Rhona Crawford from Brenchoille Farm, near Furnace, specialises in cakes for all occasions, trading as the Little Cake Farm.

Fyne Ales will offer some of its own tempting brews and there will be plenty more to entertain all the family.

The event will be held at Clachan, Cairn-dow, starting at 11am both days.

# Numbers up, but prices back on year at United Auction's Dalmally May sale

UNITED Auctions had a catalogued entry of 370 cattle and 158 sheep at its annual May sale at Dalmally Auction Mart last Saturday.

The cattle entry was almost 100 head up on the corresponding sale last year. All classes sold to a packed ring-side of buyers. Bulls sold to average £802.27 per head or 250.93 pence per kilo (£861.96 or 265.78 pence per kilo last year).

Heifers sold to average £689.08 or 229.31 pence per kilo (£736.25 or 248.85 pence per kilo last year). The top priced bullock per head came from Messrs Christie, Auchlyne, for Charolais crosses, realising £1,040. The best price per kilo for a bullock was for Limousin crosses from Tiraghoil, Mull, at 297.80 pence.

Limousin heifers from Croftintygan sold to £990 per head, while Barnakill Farm,

Cairnbaan led this section per kilo at 282.40 pence for Charolais crosses.

Texel cross hogs from Tombuie led the sheep trade at £100 per head.

## Principal lots and prices

Top prices per head  
Bullocks :AAx: £840 (2), £830 and £810 - Ardnacross, Mull.  
BRBx: £750 - Lephinchapel.  
CHARx: £1,040 - Auchlyne : £970 - Tiraghoil, Mull : £940 (4) and £920 - Auchlyne : £910 - Ardmaleish (3), Barnakill and Auchlyne (3) : £900 - Tiraghoil and Dunans (3).

LIMx: £960 - Lephinchapel : £950 (2) and £930 (8) - Tiraghoil, Mull : £930 - Croftintygan.  
SIMx: £1,000 - Brackley : £980 - Tiraghoil, Mull : £960 (3) - Brackley : £950 - Tiraghoil : £940 - Brough : £910 - Blarghour : £900 (4) - Tiraghoil.

Heifers  
AAx: £690 (4) - Ardnacross, Mull.  
BSHx: £650 - Stronmagachan.  
BRBx: £640 (2) - Lephinchapel.  
CHARx: £860 - Tiraghoil, Mull : £850 - Barnakill.  
LIMx: £990 (2), £910 & £840 (2) - Croftintygan : £820 (7) - Tiraghoil, Mull.

SHOx: £820 - Ichrachan.  
SIMx: £840 (3) - Blarghour : £810 (2) - Keilator : £810 (3) - Blarghour.  
Top prices per kilo  
Bullocks  
AAx: 273p and 265p (7) - Ardnacross : 247p - Achnacree more.  
BSHx: 257p - Stronmagachan.  
CHARx: 289p (4) - Ardmaleish : 282p - Barnakill : 280p (2) - Ardmaleish : 272p - Dunans : 262p (3) - Auchlyne : 254p - Barnakill : 248p (5) - Ardmaleish : 244p (3) - Dunans : 239p and 233p - Tiraghoil, Mull.  
LIMx: 298p (3) - Tiraghoil : 296p - Cuiulaine : 288p - Ledcharrie : 285p

(3) - Kilmalieu, Fort William : 283p - Barbreck, Lochgilphead : 280p (3) - Ardmaleish : 276p - Craignafeoch : 265p (5) - Ellary Farms : 264p (6) - Barbreck, Lochgilphead : 261p (4) - Craignafeoch : 261p - High Balantyre : 260p (4) - Tiraghoil, Mull : 255p - Keill, Ardour : 254p (10) - Tiraghoil : 253p - Keill, Ardour : 248p - Ellary Farms and Ardmaleish (3) : 247p - Lephinchapel : 243p (3) - Croftintygan : 238p (2) - Ardentraive : 236p (2) - Ardmaleish : 235p - Croftintygan : 233p - Achnacree more.

SHOx: 264p (6) - Ellary Farms : 257p (7) - Barnakill : 235p - Ellary Farms : 232p (2) - Barnakill.

SIMx: 298p - Tiraghoil : 287p (2) - Keilator : 282p (3) - Blairmore : 282p - Barnakill : 272p (6) - Keilator : 265p (6) - Ellary Farms : 263p - Dunans and Tiraghoil (2) : 260p - Brackley : 254p (2) - Barnakill : 250p (5) - Ellary Farms : 248p (2) - Keilator : 244p - Brough : 243p - Tiraghoil : 242p (2) - Dunans : 241p - Achnacree more : 240p (2) - Tiraghoil : 236p - Ardmaleish : 234p - Brackley : 233p (2) - Tiraghoil : 231p (2) - Brackley.

Heifers  
AAx: 254p (4) - Ardnacross, Mull.  
BSHx: 227p - Stronmagachan.  
CHARx: 282p and 281p (5) - Barnakill : 244p (3) - Ardmaleish : 242p (2) - Tiraghoil : 241p (4) - Ardmaleish : 239p - Ardmaleish (5) and Auchlyne : 238p and 232p - Tiraghoil.

LIMx: 260p (5) - Craignafeoch : 259p (2) - Ardmaleish : 255p (2) - Cuiulaine : 254p - Keill, Ardour : 245p (7) and 240p (2) - Tiraghoil : 239p - Kentra and Craignafeoch (4) : 238p (2) - Ellary Farms : 237p (2) - Croftintygan : 236p (6) - Ellary Farms : 235p (3) and 234p (4) - Tiraghoil : 233p (4) - Croftintygan : 230p (2) - High Balantyre.

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***We're at the threshold of summer and amongst all the great things that happen in the West Highlands, it means that it will soon be time for the Highland games to begin.***

Throughout the land dancers and pipers are rehearsing, athletes and heavy athletes are stepping up their training and Highland games committees are holding meeting after meeting to make sure that everything runs smoothly on their big day.

Historically there are two aspects of Highland games, one of these goes way back for centuries; the other is more recent.

The Highland games began as a gathering of the clans with perhaps a wee bit of an employment agency on the side. The chieftain wanted to keep an eye on his clansfolk and more importantly check out who were the best and strongest warriors for the fighting and the most talented musicians and dancers to entertain his guests. What better way than to get them all to compete; who could swing a hammer, was so strong that he could lift up a big tree trunk or throw a huge stone. Which piper could play so loudly they could be heard across the glen to signal, or so sweetly they could become famous. Prowess at the games could mean advancement.

As for recent history: have you ever wondered why most of the Highland games in Argyll are held in the last two weeks of July? It is so that they coincide with the Glasgow Fair. So many people left to seek work in the big city and the only time they could make what was a long and expensive journey home was during the annual holiday.

Today a Highland games is a great day out but the echoes are still there. The competition to be the fastest or strongest is just as fierce and so is the rivalry between all the dancers and pipers. The home coming is still

there; so many people and families who have moved away still make a point of coming home for 'games day'.

It all makes for a unique atmosphere on a very special day, especially when you add in the mix of holiday makers coming along to sample a true taste of the Highlands. So go along and join in the fun. See you on games day.

#### **Taynuilt**

*Saturday July 23*

Who is going to make it to the top of the greasy pole, who is going to break the record for throwing the Nant stone?

Taynuilt has a reputation for being a really friendly games; year-after-year they attract many foreign tourists. The organisers always encourage people to join in the competitions.

The piping contest always attracts some of the best. The games begin at 11am and the March to the games field is led by Oban Pipe Band.

#### **Inveraray Highland Games**

*Tuesday July 19*

This is one of the big ones, held in the shadow of Inveraray Castle at Winterton Park.

It features the world caber championship so expect to hear accents from all over the world.

His Grace the Duke of Argyll leads the parade to the games field through the Royal Burgh with Inveraray and

District Pipe Band playing.

There is also cycling and wrestling included on the packed programme. There's so much going on that the events begin at 9am.

#### **Bute Highland Games**

*Saturday August 20*

What better way to start your day at a Highland games than with a trip 'doon the watter' to Rothesay?

Bute shows just how games move with the times: today's runners hoping to catch the eye of a chieftain have a 10k road race.

The chieftain for this year's games is Ian Embelton, the chief executive of the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association; Bute always has a reputation for a good turn out of bands and drum majors.

#### **Mull Highland Games**

*Thursday July 21*

Erray Park, Tobermory, has the Sound of Mull and the hills of Ardnamurchan as its backdrop making it a perfect place to hold a Highland games.

The park is also a great place to begin - and end - a hill race with the pipe band playing and spectators cheering the runners home. Mull games always has a great atmosphere and that extends to the trip there are back on the ferry. Make sure you get your tickets booked in advance, the boats are always packed on games day.



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**Argyllshire Gathering Oban Games**  
Thursday August 25

One of the grandest events on the Highland games calendar. The gathering also plays host to one of the world's top piping events; if you've won the gold or silver medal here then you are amongst piping's elite. These competitions take place over two days during the Oban Games week at various venues around the town. The march to the games field has a pipe band made up of the competitors. The Oban Ball is traditionally held during games week.

**Southend Highland Games**  
Saturday July 23

There are bigger Highland games with larger crowds but is there another Highland games where people have this much fun or visitors are made to feel so welcome?

The tiny village of Southend, down on the tip of the Kintyre peninsula holds it's games in the afternoon into the evening. There are all the traditional field events, piping and dancing and their own tossing the tyre competition. Southend always places an emphasis on children's events and the result is a wonderful family-friendly event with two bars, one with a drinks licence for the over 18s and a separate soft drinks bar.

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Mike Russell is congratulated by second-placed Alan Reid.



A helicopter with ballot boxes arrives.



MSP Mike Russell makes a speech thanking everyone who voted for him.

# Michael Russell holds Argyll and Bute seat

by EALA MacALISTER  
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TEAM SNP was in good spirits throughout the Scottish election count for Argyll and Bute constituency at Lochgilphead joint campus.

This relaxed mood was justified as there was unlikely to be a shock here: Michael Russell had taken the seat in 2011 with 50 per cent of the vote.

## 'As expected'

Across the room it was a different story for Labour and its candidate, Mick Rice. By 1am he was saying the count was going 'as expected' and Labour were going to look to next year's council elections to rebuild.

He said: 'We didn't expect to win but hopefully we can push our ideas forward and concentrate on the council elections next year.'

He added: 'It was

hard to muster up any great any enthusiasm for a campaign you're not expected to win.'

The most likely challenger to the SNP was Alan Reid of the Liberal Democrats. He had been a popular MP for Argyll and Bute until the election in 2015. He commented: 'It's been a good campaign.'

Argyll and Bute tends to be one of the last constituencies to declare due to the logistics of getting ballot papers from the islands to the count. When the last helicopters had delivered their boxes the final count could get underway.

It was a little after 6am when returning officer Sally Loudon announced the result. Michael Russell had won with 13,561 votes, or 45.83 per cent of

the poll which was a slightly reduced vote share.

Liberal Democrat Alan Reid was second with 7,583, just over a quarter, of votes. A close third was the Conservative candidate Donald Cameron with 5,840 votes, 19.74 per cent of the total cast. Fourth was Mr Rice with 2,492 votes which is 8.45 per cent of the vote. Turnout was 60.98 per cent which was higher than the Scottish average of 55.6 per cent.

## Delighted

Mr Russell said he was 'delighted' to continue to represent Argyll and Bute and was thankful that voters had again put their trust in him. He said: 'Our campaign was fought on education, health and better connectivity, things like better broadband.'

'The SNP has delivered for Argyll and

Bute and will continue to deliver.'

Second placed Mr Reid admitted he was disappointed not to have won. He said: 'I thought we had a chance but we got a good clear second and ran a good campaign.'

He added 'With that kind of majority there isn't really anything you could have done differently in the campaign.'

When asked about his future Mr Reid hinted at standing in the council election next year saying: 'It's one option.'

Mr Cameron said he had hoped to beat Mr Reid into second but that was not to be. Mr Cameron will be taking a seat at Holyrood, however, having got in on the Highlands and Islands regional list.

In a short speech Mr Rice assured voters that Labour would 'struggle on and succeed'.

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# Who are the list MSPs?

AS WELL as constituency MSPs, there are regional list MSPs.

Argyll and Bute lies in the Highlands and Islands region.

Seven MSPs elected to serve this area and they were elected using

a form of proportional representation.

These MSPs serve a huge area from Orkney and Shetland down to Southend, Kintyre.

It also extends as far west as the Western Isles.

The Conservatives was the most successful party gaining three MSPs one of which is Donald Cameron who was its constituency candidate for Argyll and Bute.

The other two are

Douglas Ross, who hails from Moray and was previously on Moray Council, and Edward Mountain from Caithness.

He also stood as Conservative candidate for Inverness and

Nairn in this election but was beaten by Fergus Ewing who held the seat for the SNP.

Labour took two seats on the list. Both David Stewart and Rhoda Grant have been list MSPs since 2007.

Maree Todd is the sole SNP MSP on the Highlands and Islands list. Prior to being elected she was a pharmacist with NHS Highland and lives in Strathpeffer.

Completing the list is John Finnie for the Scottish Green Party. He was originally elected to the list as an SNP MSP in 2011 but left the party and stood for the Greens in this election. His daughter, Ruth Maguire, was elected as SNP MSP for Cunninghamham south.



Douglas Ross, Conservative.



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Donald Cameron got a list seat.



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# Spot of sun brings out the snakes at Crinan Ferry



Jimmy took this photo of an adder near Crinan Ferry.

NOT ONLY did the warm spell of weather earlier this week bring a spike in ice cream sales and a disturbing increase in sightings of middle aged men without their T-shirts – it also encouraged Scotland's only venomous snake to become more active.

Reader Jimmy McMahon spotted adders around the car park at Crinan Ferry on Monday and contacted *The Advertiser* via our Facebook page.

Jimmy said: 'Just thought I would send in this via Facebook and a 'heads up' for people at Crinan Ferry to be careful walking barefooted around the car park in this weather, as I saw my first adder of the year.'

The Scottish Wildlife Trust describes the adder as 'a relatively small, stocky snake which prefers woodland, heathland and moorland. It hunts lizards and small mammals, as well as

ground-nesting birds such as skylark and meadow pipit.'

Adders are grey or reddish brown, with a darker zig-zag pattern down their backs. Black forms are sometimes spotted. They are protected in the UK under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, and classified as a 'priority species' in the UK Biodiversity Action Plan.

The snakes, which can live for up to 10 years, can sometimes

be seen on warm days basking on rocks having come out of winter hibernation in the spring. They are shy creatures, avoiding contact with humans, but may bite if disturbed or trodden on.

If you are bitten by an adder, NHS advice is to remain calm and not to panic as the bites are not often serious and rarely deadly. Keep the part of your body that has been bitten as still as possible to prevent the venom spreading

around your body, and remove jewellery and watches from the bitten limb.

Do not attempt to remove any clothing, such as trousers, but loosen clothing if possible.

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The wind farms are part owned by the community which will get income from the wind farm for around 20 years.

It is a two-hour round trip up to the summit 1,565 foot above sea level. It is a considerable climb for the bus but Mary Broadfoot of Stronachullin held everyone's attention, pointing out significant features and views to admire.

Robert MacPhail of Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust said: 'The turbines were turning and it is amazing how small the towers appear in the grandeur of the surrounding countryside.'

'It takes two hours as a round trip and we recommend it everyone for our next booking on the September 3. Children are welcome and would love getting up close to The Dooker.'



The people and the windy bus look tiny compared to The Dooker wind turbine.

# IT'S SHOW TIME



pedigree bull or a prize ram to come away from a show with first-prize red card.

You'll find out more about the shows listed here on their websites and facebook pages.

Farming is a round-the-clock, all-day-every-day business so a show has always given farmers and their families a day to catch up with old friends and family. It also gives everyone a chance to eye-up the opposition - just watch all the farmers round the stock pens before and after judging.

Those rows of brand new farm machinery aren't just there for decoration; manufacturers know how hard farmers work and so they bring their showrooms to the show ground. Tens of thousands of pounds of sales can be agreed on at a show.

What other major industry invites everyone along to enjoy themselves and celebrate all that hard work?

### Road to the Isles Agricultural Show

Saturday June 11

How many shows can boast they take place in a movie location? Road to the Isles can, at Camusdarach, between Arisaig and Morar. By kind permission of the Stuart and Orchard family the show takes place at the venue made famous as the beach in the *Local Hero* movie. The agricultural show ring focuses on animals reared in and around Knoydart, the Small Isles, Mallaig Morar, Arisaig, Lochailort and Glenfinnan; all the way to Drumasallie Bridge and back through Ardnamurchan to Loch Linnhe and Loch Eil. The show celebrates crofting, farming, and fishing and has a wonderful traditional handicraft section. Get your schedule from Harbro, Fort William, Spar, Arisaig or the Harbour Shop Mallaig.

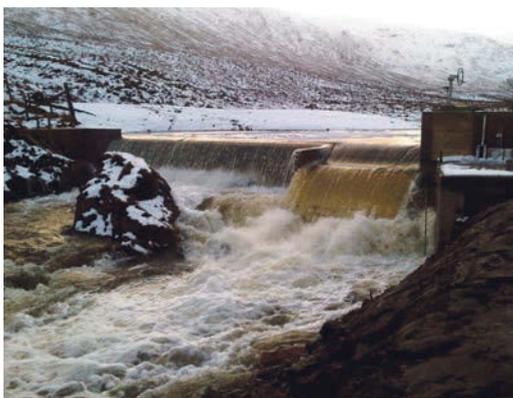
### Tiree Agricultural Show

Friday July 22

Traditionally one of the big events of the Argyll and islands agricultural calendar; expect to see top-class cattle, sheep, horses and poultry all groomed to perfection in the show rings along with a pet show, tractor display and some serious home produce. The showground is at the Rural Centre in Crossapol. This year Argyll Ceilidh Trail will be playing at the show



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dance. The committee also arranges a special spectator event. There's always a great atmosphere on the island on show day and on the ferry there and back.

**West Ardnamurchan Show and sports day**

Friday July 22

A small community's big day out with stock-judging in the morning, the races begin at 11am and then there is a barbecue afterwards. The whole day is geared for the farming community its families and holiday makers alike to get together for a great day out. There is sheep showing, junior and senior heavy events kids' races, a hill race and baking and craft competitions, all held at Kilchoan.



**Kintyre Show**

Friday August 5

Kintyre is famous for its dairy herds all supplying the Campbeltown Creamery, home of the famous Mull of Kintyre cheddar. So expect to see some of the most expensive pedigree dairy cows in Scotland in the show ring. Famous local herds regularly bring home top trophies from The Royal Highland Show, the nation's show-of-shows. Kintyre's sheep have an equally famous reputation; look out too for excellent heavy horse classes and a horse show. Kintyre Young Farmers is a thriving organisation and help to make a friendly, fun day out as well as an important date in the local farming calendar.

**Bunessan Show**

Friday August 5

Down on the Ross of Mull Bunessan Show is an agricultural - and cultural - show held at the Bunessan Primary School show ground. As well as stock-judging enjoy the produce tent, beer tent refreshments and stalls. Lots of community groups turn out and support the show with stalls making it a real community affair.

**Lorn Show**

Saturday August 6

Lorn Show has moved home a few times over the course of its history and before its new venue, now held at Tralee Beach, with United Auctions as its main sponsors for the next three years. This kind of involvement shows the level of importance the agricultural industry places on shows like these. The show committee holds events throughout the year to support the show and puts in a great deal of hard work. Like most of the shows it has its own facebook page and if you go on line you'll find copies of the schedules including the recipes for baking

classes. If you've never had the thrill of walking into a show tent to see if your home-baking or jam, photograph or pictures has earned a first-prize red card - have a go.

**Islay Jura and Colonsay Show**

Thursday August 11

The Islay show is one of the original and best in the West Highlands, just take a look at the trophy table - groaning with silverware donated over the decades. Show day is one of the biggest events in the Argyll agricultural calendar; not just a social event but a day when plenty of business is done. Alongside the livestock pens and show rings expect to see produce and craft competitions, stalls selling local food and top-class farm implements on show. The Islay Young Farmers Club reformed this year - wonder what fun they've got planned for show day?

**Mid Argyll Show**

Saturday August 13

Mid Argyll Show is a major event for the farming community in the area with stock judging of cattle, sheep dogs, horses, ponies and poultry. There is a

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**KILLIN AGRICULTURAL SHOW**  
 Breadalbane Park, 20th August 2016

Annual agricultural show with sheep and cattle judging, fancy dress parade, races, competitions and demonstrations.  
 Dance in the evening.

Visit the Killin Show Facebook page for more information.



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 Saturday 20th August 2016  
 Stalker Croft, Appin  
 Judging Starts 10am

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 Friday 5th August 2016  
 Bunessan School Ground  
 Gates open 9.30am

Traditional Highland and Island Agricultural Show  
 Entry: Adult £4.00, Conc £2.00, Car Parking £2.00

Licensed Dance to follow in Village Hall  
 Trail West Band 9pm  
 Admission £8.00

**Lorn Agricultural Show**  
 Saturday 6th August 2016  
 Common Grazing's Tralee, Benderloch  
 Showfield opens 9.00am  
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**Dalmally Agricultural Show**  
 Saturday 3rd September 2016  
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 Entry fee: £7 Adult, £4 Sen. Citz., £3 Child

[www.dalmally-show.co.uk](http://www.dalmally-show.co.uk)






**Salen and District Agricultural Show**

Thursday August 18

Make sure you have your ferry ticket booked well in advance if travelling over to Mull for Salen Show. The showground at Aros, by the side of the road from Craignure to Tobermory is always packed with people; show day is a big social event and the perfect time to meet old friends. The cattle and sheep show is always fiercely contested and the horse show is the Isle of Mull Pony Club's top show of the year. There can also be some fierce competition in the dog show and then there's the rough and tumble of terrier racing.

**Appin Show**

Saturday August 20

The Appin Show was founded in 1957 and is held annually at Stalker Croft. It is an integral part of Appin and Lorn community life. The setting is pure magic, with Castle Stalker in the back ground. One of the high spots for visitors - wee kids and big kids alike - is the fantastic collection of old tractors and engines on display.

**Lochaber Agricultural Show**

Saturday August 27

Ben Nevis provides the stunning backdrop for Lochaber Show at Inverloch Castle Farm, Happy Valley; just follow the signs from the A82. The show committee members are a hard-working crew dedicated to making show day a great one for the farming community and visitors alike. Alongside the agricultural and horse shows there are foods and crafts shows and a great array of entertainment, from terrier racing, sheepshearing, to piping and dancing; for children there is not only a fairground but rides on Argocats as well - always a big hit. Come

display of vintage tractors and a well-supported pet show. This year the terrier racing will be joined by a new dog event - a gun dog scurry which looks like it is going to become a firm favourite. Mid Argyll Pipe Band will play and the trade stands will feature everything from gifts to heavy farming equipment. Parking will once again be at the school with shuttle buses to the show ground.

**Sunart and District Agricultural Show**

Saturday August 13

Another showfield in a stunning location, the Sundart showground is on the shores of Loch Sunart at the Strontian Showfield. It is the highlight of the year for the Sunart farmers and crofters with cattle, sheep and bird stock-judging. Check out the children's games, pipers and Highland dancing; cheer on the tug-o-war teams and the hill race competitors. The emphasis is on family and fun and holiday makers are always welcome; fresh local food is served. There will be a horse show again this year.

**Islay, Jura & Colonsay Agricultural Show**

Thursday 11th August 2016  
Bridgend, Islay

Judging starts 10am

Cattle, Sheep, Horses, Dogs, Flowers & Vegetables, Baking, Handicrafts and Childrens Competition.

Clan Stunt Show, Woodcarver, Pipers, Highland Dancers, Caricature Artist, Heavy Events, Shearing, Vintage Vehicles, Stalls & Games, Pet Corner

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THURSDAY 18TH AUGUST 2016

SHOWFIELD AT GLENAROS  
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**West Ardnamurchan Show & Sports**  
Friday 22nd July 2016

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More information online at <http://westardnamurchannews.blogspot.com>

**Sunart & District Agricultural Society Show & Family Fun Day Out**



Saturday 13th August 2016  
Strontian Showfield  
Judging Commences 9.30am

Sheep, Cattle, Poultry and Dog Show  
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Pipe band commencing at 12.30pm

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**Lochaber Agricultural Show & Family Fun Day Out**

Saturday 27th August, 2016

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Saturday September 3

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**Perthshire events**

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Saturday July 2

Games Park, Lochearnhead



**Atholl and Breadalbane Agricultural Show and Highland Gathering**

Saturday August 13,  
Wade's Park Aberfeldy

**Killin Show**

Saturday August 20

Breadalbane Park is the home of Killin Agricultural Show which prides itself on its sheep and cattle sections. Throughout the day there are demonstrations on aspects of rural life and farming skills. Fancy dress and races mean everyone can join in the fun and to round it all off there is the show dance in the evening. Follow the signs from the A827 into the village and onto the show ground. Visit the show's facebook page to find out the latest news as the big day draws near.

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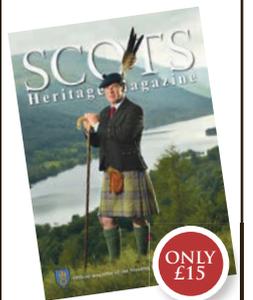
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Refval	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
16/01142/PP	Harmonisation of occupancy conditions relative to planning permission 01-89-1075, 01-90-0947 and 91/00413/DET to permit year round occupation of caravans for holiday purposes	Castle Sween Holiday Park Achnamara Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute PA31 8PT	Mid Argyll Area Office
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### Friends of Campbeltown Museum

#### AGM

in the Burnet Building at 7.00pm on Thursday 19th May  
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Open meeting, all welcome.

## Cruach Brenfield Wind Farm



### Upcoming community consultation days

**Lochgilphead Community Education Centre:**

**Monday 23rd May, 14:00 - 20:00**

**Ardrihaig Public Hall: Tuesday 24th May, 13:00 - 18:30**

### Project update

EDF Energy Renewables (EDF ER) recently submitted a revised scoping report to Argyll and Bute Council for the Cruach Brenfield wind farm, near Ardrihaig in Mid-Argyll. The latest proposal consists of a maximum of 13 turbines, with total capacity of up to 45MW, a reduction from the 18 turbine proposal originally submitted to the Scottish Government. Having taken on board the feedback from the local community and statutory consultees, EDF ER has decided to reduce the size of the proposal and therefore reduce the potential for in particular landscape and visual impact.

### Community consultation event

We are always keen to get feedback so please do visit us at one of the upcoming consultation days – we would like to invite anyone who might have an interest in the plans to come along. If these dates are not suitable for you, please feel free to get in touch via the website or Freephone number below and we would be happy to discuss the project with you. We would welcome comments on the proposal any time before 21st June 2016.

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	56°05.292' N	05°17.051' W
	56°05.278' N	05°17.025' W

(WGS84)

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## Federation chief calls on SNP to honour pre-election pledge to tackle lack of housing

FOLLOWING the election of the Scottish National Party for a third consecutive term in government, housing organisations in Scotland have called upon the Scottish Government to make good its pre-election promises on housing.

High on the list of pledges was tackling the severe lack of housing in Scotland and among those calling for real commitment on the issue is the chief executive of the Scottish Federation of Housing Associations, Mary Taylor.

Given the SNP failed to retain an over-all majority, she urged all parties to work together 'constructively to build the affordable housing to which they are all committed'.

'Commitments to increasing the amount of affordable housing, introducing extra energy efficiency measures to fight fuel poverty and using the new welfare powers to, amongst other measures, abolish the 'bedroom tax' are supported across the Scottish Parliament.

'It is vital that these pledges are realised over the lifetime of the next parliament in order for everyone in Scotland to have a warm, energy efficient, affordable home and to improve the life chances, health and wellbeing of some of the poorest and most vulnerable people in Scotland,' she said.

RICS Scotland, a professional body that accredits professionals in land, property and construction, works closely with the Scottish Government on such matters.

Director of RICS in Scotland Sarah Spiers said the key to property investment and development, as well as a vibrant economy, was stability.

'We would encourage the new government to be clear on how it will work to deliver that stability, given that it has no overall majority,' she added.

'We look forward to working together on the implementation of the SNP pledge to develop a Rural Infrastructure Plan, which has been long called for by RICS,' she said.

'This should have a considered and coherent remit, with sufficient provisions for transport, energy and broadband connectivity at the fore.'

She called on the newly elected government to bring back into use Scotland's 27,000 long-term empty properties and address the poor condition of the country's existing housing stock.

'Through a planned maintenance scheme, which would involve mandatory building condition surveys for tenement properties, more homes will be available to house future generations in Scotland,' she said.

As well as increasing the supply of viable houses to those looking to buy homes or private rented properties, it would help to maintain jobs in the construction industry, especially small to medium enterprises.

The Commission on Housing and Well-being last year recommended that the Scottish building industry needed to increase its homes construction by almost a third, compared to the 17,360 new homes built in 2015.

But the industry faces a skills shortage and there have been calls for a national graduate and apprentice programme to promote opportunities in the construction industry.

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## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



WE HAD booked a week in a house in Dunkeld and it turned out to be in one of the most spectacular situations we have ever seen.

It sits on the edge of Loch Craighlush and is surrounded by five acres of beautiful woodland. There is an abundance of wildlife including deer and beavers, ducks and geese and much more.

The osprey nest is just a mile away at Loch of the Lowes and the male bird came to fish in our loch. From the nature centre, we saw the female sitting on the nest diligently guarding her eggs. It was an amazing sight.

From Loch of the Lowes there is a beautiful walk of about two miles which leads into Dunkeld.

The walk meanders along a grassy path through beautiful scenery and it took us close by the golf course and high above the town.

The air was filled with birdsong and our colliers thought they had arrived in paradise.

There were no other travellers on our walk and we appreciated the quiet stillness of the early summer day. We were really pleased when we dropped down the steep track that took us into the centre of Dunkeld.

We were all in need of refreshment and an inviting hotel garden beckoned us.

Carys and Jazz had their water and we also had a welcome drink.

We lingered on as it was so lovely we just wanted to stop and enjoy the peace.

It was a timeless day.

There were no deadlines to meet or appointments to keep. The day was just a gift for us.

So often we rush through life and we do not take time to be still.

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It was a special day.

## TARBERT



The guides are training for the Race for Life.

## Tarbert Guides join pink army in Race for Life

TARBERT Guides have been busy training for a five kilometre Race for Life in aid of Cancer Research.

Guide leaders are not getting off with it and will also

walk, jog or run the route around Holyrood Park in Edinburgh. Special t-shirts have been made for the race and they have also been learning about possible ways to pre-

vent cancer. While in Edinburgh, the group will stay in university halls of residence and enjoy the city, including a trip on the trams.

The Guides are also host-

ing a quiz night at the Templars Hall on Monday May 16 to raise money for Cancer Research. There will be handmade crafts, sweets and home-baking available.

### ARDRISHAIG

#### Gaelic conversation group

COFAIDH is Cabadaich (Coffee and Chat) is a new Gaelic conversation group held at the Grey Gull, Ardris-

haig. It was set up by two women who have been learning Gaelic through distance learning but were frustrated by the lack of opportunities to converse in the language.

The group meets at 5pm every second Tuesday and the next session is on May 17.

The timing is to allow people to come on their way home from work.

Learners and native speakers can contact midargyllgaelic@gmail.com for more information or turn up for a session. The sessions are informal and you will be made welcome.

### CRAOBH HAVEN

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**MARRIAGES**



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At Sherbrooke Castle Hotel, Glasgow, on Saturday, April 16, 2016, by the Rev Stuart MacQuarrie, Elaine, daughter of John and Catherine Malcolm, Erskine, to Andrew, younger son of David and Mary Hardie, Bridge of Weir.

**DEATHS**

**GALBRAITH**

Peacefully at the Campbelltown Hospital, on May 6, 2016, Margaret Reid Galbraith, in her 69th year, 16 Meadowpark, Campbeltown, dearly beloved daughter of the late Stewart and Mary Galbraith and a dearly loved friend to many. Funeral private.

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**MCCORMICK** - Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on May 8, 2016, Elizabeth McCormick (Betty), in her 93rd year, 17 Cara View, Tayinloan, dearly beloved daughter of the late John and Elizabeth McCormick and a dearly loved aunt and great aunt. Service will take place in A'Chleit Church, on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Killean Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retreat collection will be held in aid of A'Chleit Church.

**ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS**

**HARVEY** - Netta, Rolline and family would like to sincerely thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers, phone calls and their attendance at both the church and graveside following the sudden loss of Alex. Thanks to Southend Medical Practice for their care and support, to Campbeltown district nurses for their backup help, to Kenneth and Rhys Blair for professional services, to Nettie for her lovely choice of music, to Frances and Ian for their first class purvey, even serving Alex's best friend his tea, sandwiches and cakes in his car at the door, heart felt thanks to you both for such kindness, and to Rev Steve Fulcher for his comforting visit and his exceptionally warm, touching service, both in church and at the graveside. And last but not least, our local dementia team, Mary and Hazel, without whose help and support we could not have managed, most heartfelt thanks to you both.

**HUMPHREY** - The dear friends of the late Eileen Humphrey would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their care and love in recent times, also staff in the community and Glenaray Ward at Mid Argyll Hospital, not only for the kind care and

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**PATERSON** - The family of the late Flora were overwhelmed by the turnout at the funeral and would like to thank everyone for coming to pay their respects. Thank you to everyone who has sent cards, texts, messages and made phone calls of support, they are all very much appreciated. Thanks to the ambulance staff in attendance, to Rev William Crossan for a very touching and personal service, to T A Blair for their efficient, professional services and to the staff at the Ardshiel Hotel for the purvey. Special thanks to Neil Duncan for his emotional performance, at Flora's own request.

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**BORTHWICK** - In loving memory of Sarah, a much loved mum and granny, who passed away May 16, 2015. Thinking of you and missing you every day. - From all the family.

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**SLOSS** - Treasured memories of Christopher, who died on May 16, 2010. Remembered with love every day. - Love, Mum.

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**SLOSS** - Precious memories of Christopher, who died on May 16, 2010. Love and miss you every day. - Love, Auntie Caroline, Uncle Tam and family.

**CHURCH NOTICES**



**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH**  
Sunday 15th May 2016  
Sunday Worship  
Kilmartin 10.00am  
Rev. C. R. Acklam  
All welcome  
SC0 02121

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**  
Sunday 15th May 2016  
11.00am  
Worship Service for all ages followed by a light lunch  
SPEAKER: Graham McLean 'The Purpose of Pentecost'

**Thursday 19th May 2016**  
7.30pm  
Prayer, Word and Sharing  
All Welcome

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE**

**Sunday 15th May 2016**  
Cumlodden Lochfyneside and Lochgair  
Charity No. SC016097  
Minister:  
Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell  
Morning Service  
in Cumlodden Church at 10 am

**Glenaray and Inveraray**  
Charity No. SC016665  
Morning Service  
in Inveraray Church at 11.30 am  
Retiring Offering at services for Christian Aid.  
All Welcome

**Quesada 50th Memorial Service**  
Highland Parish Church on **Saturday 21st May at 2.00pm** followed by Cairn unveiling ceremony at the New Quay.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES**  
"It is good to sing praises to our God"  
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Ardrishaig at 11:00am

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**St. Columba, Pottaloch**  
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9.00am Holy Communion  
**3rd Sunday of the month**  
6.00pm Evensong  
Father Simon Mackenzie  
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**LOCHGILHEAD**  
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Charity Number SC001002  
**Sunday 15 May**  
Inverlussa Church  
Morning Worship 11:30 am  
**Saturday 14 May**  
CAFE CONNECT 10:30 am  
Achnamara Hall  
**Monday 16 May**  
Tayvallich Church  
Prayer meeting 10:30 am  
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**Sunday 15th May 2016**  
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**Tuesday at 10.15am**  
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**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
  
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7.00pm Christian Aid Week 2016  
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Rev Rodger Crooks  
11.15am Explorer  
Sunday School  
**Wednesday 18th May**  
12.30pm Bible Study  
and Prayer  
2.00pm Water of Life Caf e  
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**Sunday 15th May**  
Pentecost  
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**Sunday 15th May 2016**  
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**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**  
Scottish Charity Number SC011686  
**Sunday 15th May**  
Service 11.15am  
Creche, Triple C, Next Generation  
12.30pm Lunch followed by Hall Communion  
Rev P Wallace  
Christian Aid Evening Service Springbank Evangelical Church  
**Tuesday 17th May**  
Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am  
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**Thursday**  
7.30pm Bible Study  
All welcome



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# Dunadd net six against luckless Fort William

**Dunadd Ladies** 6  
**Fort William Ladies** 0  
 Marine Harvest - South Division Two

DUNADD Ladies shinty team hosted newcomers Fort William in their first ever league fixture.

Dunadd played with a minimum squad of eight, but this did not deter them.

With grit and determination, Dunadd played well from the start.

There was some strong opposition from the Fort William team, but Dunadd dominated the first 15 minutes of play with some fantastic mid field moves from Eilish Malcolm, Grace Jeffery and Shannon Wilson.

Perseverance paid off

and Dunadd's centre Grace Jeffery scored on 16 minutes. This was only Grace's third match for Dunadd and was her first goal in a competitive match.

## Resilient

Dunadd continued to work hard in the heat of the day.

Fort William made some breakthroughs, however, Dunadd's defence line of Iona McCulloch and Laurene Cameron were resilient and proved problematic for Fort William.

Dunadd battled on and secured their second goal on 30 minutes when Grace Jeffery scored again.

Just five minutes remained of the first half and the forward line of Leone Airlie and Anna Airlie continued to push forward with the support of the wingers and centre.

Dunadd saw some great challenges saved and cleared off the line by the Fort William defence.

Half time – Dunadd 2 Fort William 0

Both teams came out battling in the second half and Dunadd, without the luxury of substitutes, carried on and dug deep.

Only four minutes after the re-start, Shannon Wilson got her name on the score sheet with a stunning goal from the half-way line that will be a serious contender for goal



Dunadd hosted Fort William.

of the season. Fort William rallied and put pressure on Dunadd.

But goal-keeper Fiona McLeod pulled off some fantastic saves and clearances, along with the support of Laurene and Iona, and combined they were able to thwart any chance Fort William had.

Quick play up the left hand side of the park from a goal hit saw the ball finding its way to the front line quickly.

Another goal was to follow at 56 minutes, this time scored by Eilish Malcolm.

Despite the best efforts of Fort William, Dunadd remained dominant and their fifth goal - a first goal for Leone Airlie - followed three minutes later.

Despite being five goals down, Fort William were not to be dismissed easily and they fought extremely hard for the last 10 min-

utes of the game. Excellent defending and clearances again saved Dunadd from losing a goal.

With minutes remaining, Dunadd made a final surge forward, with a goal hit from Dunadd's goal-keeper connecting well with winger Shannon Wilson, whose shot on target was saved.

But Leone Airlie was on hand to hit the ball into the back of the net on 69 minutes, making

it 6-0 to Dunadd. Final score – Dunadd 6 Fort William 0.

Dunadd's player of the match was a thoroughly deserving Iona McCulloch.

Dunadd would like to thank Lachie Wood for refereeing and the Stag Hotel for providing refreshments to both teams.

Dunadd are next in action on Sunday May 22 with an away league fixture to Cowal and Bute.

## Lochgilphead four win Leishman Trophy

TORRENTIAL rain took its toll on the bowls at a sodden Stronvaar green.

Campbeltown Bowling Club hosted the Robert Leishman Memorial Fours competition last Saturday, with 21 teams competing on a day that started with dry, cold and overcast

conditions and ended in torrential rain.

The green was well paced for one of the club's blue riband events, sponsored by R Leishman and Son, and only slowed because of the constant rain.

## Decisive factor

This proved to be a decisive factor in the fi-

nal between the Lochgilphead four of John Martin, George Annan, Jamie Lang and Jamie McLean and the local quartet of Gavin McLachlan, Bobby Mathieson, Jim Morrison and John McLachlan.

The final was only notable for the amount of

short bowls that failed to reach the jack, unbecomingly of the amount of Argyll and Bute County players involved.

The tie was effectively decided in the fourth end when a four shot score gave the Lochgilphead team an unsailable lead.

The trophy and prizes were presented by sponsor Brian Leishman and president Steven Dickson.

## First competition

The previous weekend, the club held its first competition of the outdoor season when players competed for the Derek Goode Memorial Pairs Cup.

The final was between John Scott and Duncan MacInnes and Dugald Graham and James Colville, with Dugald and James winning.



The victorious Tarbert Golf Club players.

## Tarbert defeat Islay to win MacKinnon Memorial Cup

TARBERT Golf Club welcomed Islay Golf Club to Glenralloch for the first leg of the Dougie MacKinnon Memorial Cup.

Dougie was a member of both clubs for many years and was well-known in golfing circles throughout the county.

As always the Islay boys brought a

few lovely bottles with them, possibly to put the locals off their game but the 'Dookers' are made of sterner stuff and ran out comfortable 5-1 victors of the match on May 7.

Both teams were expertly catered for with Sheena Ferguson and Georgetta Dickson doing the boys proud.

Tarbert captain Keith

McTaggart paid tribute to Dougie in his closing remarks and thanked the Islay boys for making the day so enjoyable.

This Saturday, May 14, sees the first round of the Presidents Cup, a 36-hole qualifier with the best eight gross scores taking part in a knock-out competition.



Leishman trophy competitors, from left: J Martin, G Annan, J McLean, B Leishman, J Lang, B Mathieson, G McLachlan and S Dickson.

# Weather brings golfers out in large numbers

THE lovely weekend weather brought out lots of juniors, ladies and gents to play in the scheduled competitions at Lochgilphead Golf Club.

The juniors played the first 18-hole competition of the season on May 7, contesting the Wilson Cup and returned superb scores. Gregor McGeachy took first place scoring

a very respectable 36 points. Runner-up was Murray McDonald just one point behind.

### Newcomers

The ladies also played on Saturday for the RNLI medal. In first place was one of this year's newcomers to competitions, Donna McKellar, with a superb score of a net 72.

Runner-up was Jane Hepburn with a net

74 and in third place was Margaret MacKinnon with a net 75.

The gents played for the John Paterson Trophy on Sunday May 8 and had the best turn out of the year so far.

The winner with a fantastic net score of 59 was Tom Campbell, runner-up was Robbie Wilson with a net 63 and in third place was David Sinclair with a net 67.

### Kept busy

It was great to see so many competing and the bar staff were kept busy providing refreshments in the scorching sunshine. This week's competitions are: Saturday May 14 - Marie Curie ladies competition; Sunday May 15 - Kilcolm Cup for gents.



The scenic course at Inveraray Golf Club.

## Inveraray May medal goes to the wire

THERE was an exceptionally tight finish to the May medal at Inveraray Golf Club, with four players ending tied on 68.

After the closest finish to a medal competition in years, the result was worked out on countback scores for the back nine holes - and the winner of

the competition was Iain MacDonald. Second place went to Derek McCulloch, George Morrison was third and D J MacDonald was placed fourth.

Three players shared the lucky twos - John MacDonald, Duncan Robertson and D J MacDonald.

There have also been a few changes to handicaps - up and down - so players are advised to check the notice board before their next round.

The medal was held in aid of the Erskine charity for veterans, and a fantastic total of £95 was raised.

### Club lottery numbers

Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery numbers were 5, 10 and 18. There were no winners and next week's jackpot is £500.

The winning numbers in the Inveraray Shinty Club lottery were 3, 11 and 17. Frank Clark won £100 and next week's jackpot is also £100.

Tarbert Football Club lottery numbers were 4, 13 and 16. There were no winners so next week's jackpot goes up to £400.

## SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £2050

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Isle of Gigha

A Kerr  
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### Easy to enter

Cut out your completed coupon and put your entry plus £1 per 10 attempts into a sealed envelope and post it to reach "Spot the Ball" Competition, The Campbeltown Courier, Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown, Argyll PA28 6AE by 4pm on Tuesday. No refunds will be given for entries received after the deadline. You may hand it into The Courier Centre, Main & Longrow South, Campbeltown by the same time. Otherwise all entries must be posted.

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The company's decision will be final on all matters relating to the competition and no correspondence will be entered into. The final decision rests with the Company.

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# Kilmory dozen does for Dunoon

<b>Kilmory</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Dunoon</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>South Division Two</b>	

**KILMORY** Camanachd enjoyed two pieces of good news last Saturday.

Ahead of last Saturday's league tie versus Dunoon, the club received new strips, courtesy of main sponsor, Coille Haulage and presented by Alan



Alex Cunningham makes room for a strike at goal.



Alan Johnston from Coille Haulage hands over the new strips to his son and club captain, Bruce Johnston.

Johnston from the Park, as they secured a 12-0 victory over shinty newcomers Dunoon.

The match went well for Kilmory at MacRae Park, as they secured a 12-0 victory over shinty newcomers Dunoon.

and Hal Jones grabbed four goals each, with Craig Taylor and Ally Cunningham each bagging a brace. Next week Kilmory have another home league tie, as Bute are the visitors.

## 'Aray march on in Camanachd Cup

### Camanachd Cup – First Round

#### Inveraray 7 Ballachulish 0

There was an all-Marine Harvest National Division tie at the Winterton where Inveraray followed up the previous weekend's impressive Artemis MacAulay Cup win over Oban Camanachd with a 7-0 victory over Ballachulish.

Inveraray effectively won the tie in the first half hour. Alan MacDonald netted twice

on 10 and 14 minutes to put them 2-0 ahead, before Lewis MacNicol on 20 minutes and Gary MacPherson on 29 minutes had them 4-0 to the good.

Inveraray player/manager Ruaraidh Graham made it 5-0 on 40 minutes to give the Winterton side a comfortable lead at the break.

Second half goals from Allan Cameron on 68 minutes and a second from Gary MacPherson a couple of minutes from time

rounded off the 7-0 victory.

Inveraray will now go into this coming weekend's Gregor Cameron Consultancy Glasgow Celtic Society Cup semi-final tie against Glasgow Mid Argyll in Yoker with a spring in their step.

### Marine Harvest Premiership

#### Kinlochshiel 2 Kyles Athletic 2

KINLOCHSHIEL and Kyles Athletic shared the points in a 2-2 draw

in an entertaining encounter at Kirkton. The visitors took the lead on 10 minutes, when Dunky Kerr picked out Robbie MacLeod darting in at the back post and he slammed the ball low into the net.

John MacRae levelled matters on 61 minutes, sending a glorious drive high into the net. He then put Kinlochshiel in front on 69 minutes from a rebound off Whyte in the Kyles goal.

Kyles absorbed some pressure before they

conjured up an equaliser on 76 minutes. Andrew King played the ball forward and Sandy MacKenzie managed to cut the ball back to the excellent Grant Irvine on the right. Irvine gleefully crashed the ball into the top corner of the net, giving Scott Kennedy no chance on his left side.

There was a late melee for referee Evan MacRae to deal with and he showed yellow cards to John MacRae and Roddy MacDonald.



Inveraray's David Robertson takes on Ballachulish's Lorne Brown during the Royal Burgh side's 7-0 Camanachd Cup win last Saturday. Photo: Stephen Lawson

### Marine Harvest South Division 1

#### Kyles Athletic 0

#### Lochside Rovers 1

TABLE toppers Lochside Rovers overcame the Kyles Athletic second team in a tight encounter at Kames playing field.

Lochside's Scott Dempster got the goal that mattered on 47 minutes.

Lochside now move two points clear of second placed Aberdeen, having played two more matches than their east coast rivals.

## Bob sees off all comers in charity shoot

COMPETITORS far to take part in Tarbert Gun Club's annual charity shoot. Locally known as 'Archie's Shoot', last Sunday's event attracted guns from Newton Stewart, Oban and Jura as well as a large local contingent, with all proceeds going to the MS Centre in Lochgilphead.



Bob McColl takes aim to fire himself to victory.

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### Ideal shooting

Good weather made for ideal shooting conditions, and visiting shooters were recording some very high scores. The locals

were just about holding their own, though, John Weir losing just two targets which was enough to cost him a top finish. Brian Baird and Bob McColl were going well, before Brian unfortunately dropped his second last target - leaving Bob to finish top of the pile.

Jennifer Campbell and Matthew Peden both kept up their good form to win the ladies' and junior prizes.

Everyone who attended was very impressed by the article prizes donated by many businesses and individuals, and of course Archie Currie, who has many friends in the spirit trade.

More than £1,000 was raised for the MS Centre, and Tarbert Gun Club would like to thank everyone who supported the event for their marvellous generosity.

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