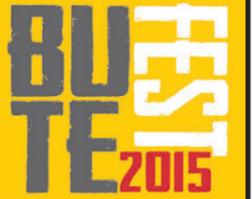




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# Second petition launched in bid to get Saltire flying high again

A SECOND petition in Lochgilphead has renewed calls for the Saltire to flutter once again above the front green.

With nearly 1,000 signatures already on an online petition call-

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ing for the replacement of the Argyll and Bute council flag, Lochilphead activist and community council mem-

ber Gillian Voinot has launched a paper petition.

Mrs Voinot said: 'In the lead up to the Com-

monwealth games, Argyll and Bute council took down the Saltire and flew the Commonwealth flag.

'After that came down it was replaced by Argyll and Bute council's flag.'

Argyll and Bute MP Brendan O'Hara has given his support to Mrs Voinot's calls for the Saltire to replace the current flag.

Mr O'Hara said: 'The Saltire is apolitical. It is the flag of every single person living in Scotland. It is not owned by any political party. The sooner Argyll and Bute council step back from this embarrassing flag flying policy the better.'

The new paper petition was launched after a similar one in Dunoon collected more than 600 signatures

The paper petition was started last week and copies are available to sign at Café 35, the Archway Gallery, The Comm, the Barbershop and Dalriada DIY.

The petition states:



John Ballantyne signs the petition in Café 35. 06\_a22flag02

'We the undersigned would like to see the Saltire flown at all times in Argyll and Bute with the exception of commemorative days; in accordance with Scottish government guidelines and as previously traditionally flown.'

'If you have not signed online please sign for the attention of Dick Walsh and Douglas Hendry of Argyll and Bute council.'

Councillor Dougie

then the debate will reopen.'

Within minutes of the petition becoming available in Café 35, on Argyll Street, there were 26 signatures on the sheet.

An extract from Argyll and Bute council's own flag flying policy which is available on its website states: 'Except with special approval, the only flags that should be flown from council flag

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The Argyll and Bute flag on the flagpole. 06\_a22flag01

Philand said: 'This will come before the council again in June. If folk want the Saltire to fly



## Pupils focus on mental health

Mental health and well being was promoted to S3 pupils in a new initiative at Lochgilphead High School. Fourteen-year-olds Abbie Parker and Rosie Hetherington hold up jigsaw pieces created in a seminar to express what keeps them healthy. For the full story see page four inside. 06\_a22health01

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# Midwife Mary celebrates her 100th birthday

## Party marks milestone

AN ARDRISHAIG midwife born the day after Winston Churchill formed a National government in 1915 celebrated her 100th birthday on Saturday, May 23.

Mary O'Dwyer enjoyed a party in Knapdale ward at Mid Argyll hospital surrounded by friends when councillor Donnie MacMillan delivered a bouquet of flowers on behalf of Argyll and Bute council.

Miss O'Dwyer also received a telegram signed by the Queen and a card from Iain Duncan Smith MP, Secretary of State for work and pensions.

Aged 46, with many years experience of nursing around the UK, Miss O'Dwyer arrived in Glen Fyne Park from Kimelford with her mum in 1961.

Neighbour Fiona McLachlan, 70, remembered that Miss O'Dwyer loves animals and at the time owned a cat called Yuri Gagarin, named after the first Russian cosmonaut.

Mrs McLachlan said: 'The first baby Mary delivered locally was Belle Weir, now Mrs Hatton, 54. She was also present at the birth of my daughter Catherine in 1964.'

### Accordion

'Mary loves accordion music and one time we took her to hear Peter Bruce at Cairnbaan. She told Mr Bruce that she had dropped him at his birth.'

Next door neighbour Isabel Sinclair, 68, said that Mary was great fun as a neighbour and a real character, often coming round for Christmas and New Year.



The centre's Zumba Gold class and service user Margaret Kilgour holds the cheque with delight. 08\_a20cheque01

## Islanders donate £5,000 to MS Centre

OUTREACH workers from Lochgilphead's MS Centre are now providing support on Islay, thanks to years of fundraising from the community there.

The centre specialises in holistic and most advanced therapies for those who suffer from Multiple Sclerosis and other forms of degenerative illnesses.

Residents of Islay fundraise each year for the centre and donated a staggering £5,000 just last month following a dance they hosted at Tarbert Bowling Club.

Centre manager Karen Currie said: 'We now have our Outreach Worker going to the island monthly to support people affected by MS and other long-term conditions.'

'Special thanks to fundraisers Kate MacAffer and Margaret McLean and their helpers for organising the night and to all who donated raffle prizes and to everyone who came along.'

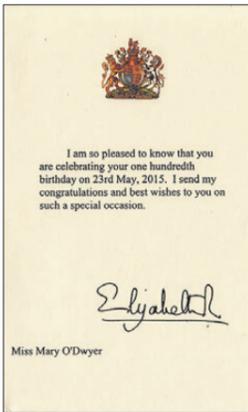
## Ideal Home Show ticket winners

THE WINNERS of the Argyllshire Advertiser's recent Ideal Home Show Scotland competition have been announced.

Mrs E. MacLachlan, of Ardrishaig; Mrs Isabel A. Sinclair, of Ardrishaig; Mr J McCuaig, of Lochgilphead; Catriona Ross, of Cairnbaan; and Elizabeth McLean Lochgilphead.

They each won tickets to the 2015 at Glasgow's SECC at the weekend.

The winner of the top prize, a £100 voucher for CalMac was Andrew Swan, of Lochgilphead.



Above: Mary O'Dwyer.

Left: Mary's telegram from the Queen.



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## Track down crime author at signing

THE CREATOR of a fictional Kintyre cop will sign his latest book at Lochgilphead's Argyll Book centre on Saturday.

Denzil Meyrick's third Detective Chief Inspector (DCI) Daley book, 'Dark

Suits and Sad Songs' based in Kinloch, a thinly disguised Campbeltown, has just been published.

Meyrick will be signing books in the Lorne Street store and talking to fans from 2.30pm.

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From left: Frank Mckenna QVRM, The Duke of Argyll and Oban high school pupil Lucy Hennessy.

## Tribute to World War One soldiers

INVERARAY Castle hosted an event to commemorate the formation of the 8th Battalion the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders as a tribute to their experiences at home and in France during World War I.

A room in the castle has been allocated to allow war diaries, photo-

graphs and some personal effects of that period to be displayed.

Oban high school pupil Lucy Hennessy played two tunes at the opening event and this will be repeated at the Argyll's monument during the schools battlefields trip to Belgium and France this June.

## Police files

### Drug driving

A YOUNG man was rushed to a Paisley hospital last Thursday following a road accident.

The one-vehicle crash happened at around 6.55am on May 21 on the A83 near Dunderave, Inveraray.

The 29-year-old driver of the car, believed to be from Glasgow, was arrested on suspicion of driving while under the influence of drugs.

Police at the scene suspected he was 'unfit' to drive at the time. His passenger, aged 27, was rushed to the Royal Alexandra hospital where he was treated for injuries. He was discharged the following day.

The driver of the car was also suspected of being in possession of cannabis and is now the subject of a report to the procurator fiscal.

### Careless driving

POLICE arrested a man following a car crash on A83 near Argyll Caravan Park, Inveraray, last Friday.

The accident, involving a Volkswagen Golf and a Ford Fiesta, happened at 6.30pm on May 22.

One of the drivers, aged 21, was treated for minor injuries at the scene. A 25-year-old man is now the subject of a report to the procurator fiscal for suspected careless driving.

### Search for driver

POLICE are following a 'positive line of enquiry' after they received a report of a person driving without due care and attention near Inveraray.

The report was made at 8.30pm last Friday, May 22 and police are hoping to trace the offender.

### Disturbance

A MAN who was shouting and swearing on Harbour Street in Tar-

bert as the Scottish Series came to town was arrested.

The 29-year-old was arrested for behaving in a disorderly manner at 2am.

The man is also subject of a report to the procurator fiscal a police officer was assaulted during the incident.

### Drink driver

A MAN was arrested on Saturday afternoon after he was suspected of drinking and driving, following a car accident.

Police arrived at a forestry track near Tarbert after it was reported that a vehicle had collided with a tree at 1.20pm on Saturday, May 23.

Officers later traced a 20-year-old, who was thought to be the driver of the vehicle.

He provided a positive breath test.

He was arrested and is now the subject of a report to the procurator fiscal.

### Serious assault

A MAN has been charged following a serious assault after a disturbance at an address on Union Street, Lochgilphead.

At 3.30am on Saturday May 23, a 22-year-old man is suspected of attacking two men at the time. A 24-year-old man received stitches for his injuries. The second man, aged 21, was left with bruising to his head.

### Theft

A NUMBER plate was stolen from the front of a car on Campbelltown Road in Tarbert between 5pm on Thursday, May 21 and 10am on Friday, May 22.

Police would like to hear from anyone who has information in connection to the theft. Contact Mid Argyll police on 101.

# Jury finds carpenter guilty of sexually abusing young girls

A MID ARGYLL carpenter has been convicted at the High Court in Paisley of raping and sexually abusing a young girl between the ages of seven and 12 and sexually assaulting another seven-year-old girl.

Peter Carter, 49, faces a jail sentence after he was found guilty by a majority verdict last week of the offences which took place at his home near Lochgilphead over six-and-a-half years.



Peter Carter.

The court heard evidence from the two girls, who testified via video link between Oban Sheriff Court

and the High Court. Carter had denied that the rape and assaults, between February 2005 and November 2010, October 2006 and October 2008 and in August 2011, had taken place at all.

The older girl, now 15, told the court that, when police interviewed her about Carter's abuse, she was unable to say what had happened to her out loud.

She told the eight men and seven women of the jury that she scribbled details of the

sex assaults on a piece of paper.

She explained: 'It was easier for me to write them down than say them. I was finding it very hard to get the words out.'

### Denied

Carter denied he'd assaulted the girls, telling the jury that he had only ever scratched the older girl's back and helped the younger girl into her swimsuit at her request.

He said his victims were lying about what happened but he could

not explain why the girls had lied. He said his family was so sure of his innocence that he was still allowed to see his nieces and nephews.

The jury took two hours and 12 minutes to convict Carter, of Upper Raslie Cottage, Slockavullin, of all four charges.

Remanding Carter in custody until sentencing next month at the High Court in Glasgow, Judge John Beckett QC called for Carter to be assessed by social workers.

## Second Saltire petition launched

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staffs are the Union flag, the Saltire, and, on Europe day only, the European flag.

'The flag incorporating the council coat of arms will be flown only in special circumstances that will be the subject of instruction from the director of corporate services following consultation with the convener.'

A council spokesman made the following statement: 'The council receives a number of

requests from people and groups who would like to have particular flags flying on Argyll and Bute's civic flag poles.

'Our existing flag policy already makes provision for flying certain flags on specific days and allows for flags which link to a cause or charity.'

'It is clear that people would like to see flags flying more often.'

'After discussions between the Provost and council officers, the council now provides

flags for all the civic poles across Argyll and Bute.

'The flags show the traditional Argyllshire coat of arms, with the motto 'Seas ar Coir', on a white background.'

'Other flags will continue to be flown on designated days as detailed in the policy.'

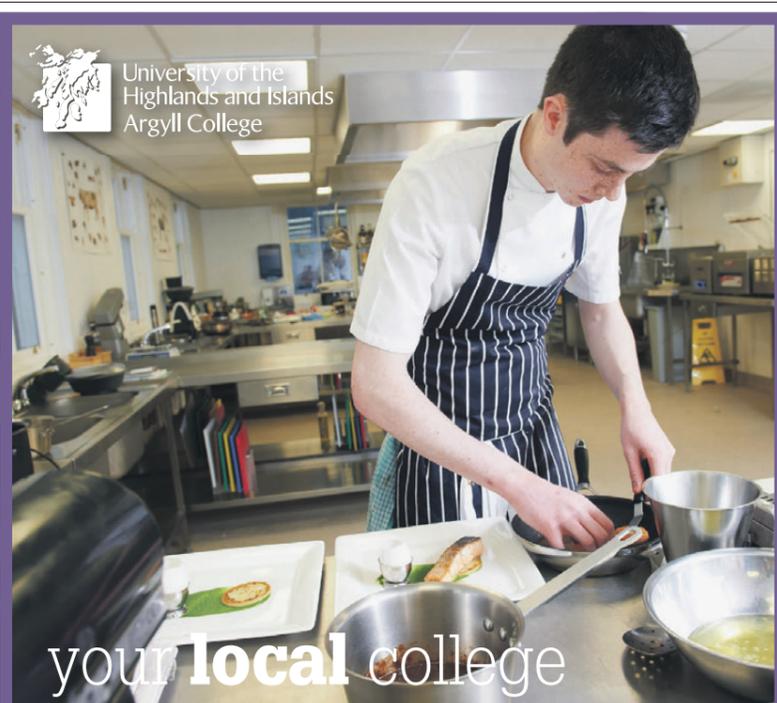
## Police find pensioner

A PENSIONER who enjoyed visits to Loch Lomond and Luss has been at the centre of missing person hunt by Police Scotland.

Ronald Thompson, 70, from Drumchapel in Glasgow was last seen leaving his home on Monday this week, but has since been traced in

the Alexandria area. Police Scotland launched a public appeal in a bid to find Mr Thompson.

A police spokesman thanked members of the public who shared a social media post on Facebook during the week and the media for its support in the search for Mr Thompson.



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# School's meeting of minds as pupils explore mental health

A CHEMISTRY teacher and NHS chaplin had a meeting of minds when they created Lochgilphead high school's first mental health and well being day.

Jeanette Thibeault, 26, who has taught at the school for three years, and Raymond Deans, chaplin for Bute, Cowal, Lochgilphead and Islay, brought four speakers

together. They organised a day of seminars and practicals for S3 pupils titled: 'What is Positive Mental Well-being? Feeling good and functioning well.'

There. Today is about raising awareness of mental health.

'We are quite privileged to have got the professionals into the school to talk to the pupils.'

'The day is to tie up with mental health awareness week.'

Mr Deans, spoke on the importance of listening and how it can impact on people's lives.

### Questions

In his session, each pupil had to ask the person sitting next to them three questions: What is your favourite food and why; what was your best trip and why and would you like to go into the past or future and why?

The pupils gave a short presentation on the answers to the whole group to find out if they had listened to the information and could repeat it.

Mr Deans also spoke about a television programme that told the story of how a potential

suicide had been prevented by a passer by listening.

He also spoke about the way that people 'organise' themselves when in a one to one listening situation to put both at their ease and make conversation flow.

Health improvement specialist Craig McNally's session looked at the effect alcohol has on the body, its impact on society and the way its harm can be reduced.

Physiotherapist Sara Heath looked at the importance of fitness and gave a short Tai Chi taster.

Alison Hardman created a work of art by using a blank jigsaw, which was coloured in by pupils, as a lasting example of what pupils consider keeps them healthy.

Dr Fergusson, speaking during the morning break, said: 'Mental health still has some stigma. We are trying to give the children the message



NHS chaplin Raymond Deans. 06\_a22health02



Chemistry teacher Jeanette Thibeault. 06\_a22health03

that it is ok to ask about mental well being.' Campus principal Ann Devine said: 'We fully recognise the importance of mental health and well being because if young people are not happy and healthy they cannot achieve to their full potential.'

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temporary and the classic of the music world and runs that gamut from rock to roots and folk to dance. Confirmed acts currently include Skerryvore, Peatbog Faeries, Treacherous Orchestra, The John Langan Band and We Banjo 3. To buy tickets visit www.skiddle.com or call 0844 884 2920.

For your chance to win a pair of weekend tickets to ButeFest, simply answer this easy question, complete the coupon and post it to The Oban Times, ButeFest Competition, PO Box 1, Oban, Argyll, PA34 4HB. Entries must be submitted by Wednesday 3rd June 2015.

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From left: Holly Robertson, 9, and Angel Rogers, 9, enjoy some 'show jumping' at Lochgilphead summer sports for children on the 3G pitch at the joint campus. 06\_a22summer01

## Summer sports fun for youngsters

SPORTY youngsters are jumping for joy at Lochgilphead's summer sports evenings.

On a Thursday evening, from 6pm to 8.30pm, at the joint campus 3G pitch, four staff from the Mid Argyll Youth Project and two volunteers arrange a variety of sporting activities for children aged six to 11-years-old.

## Eco Congregation meets in Lochgilphead

AN ECO baton made from recycled church pews is coming to Lochgilphead.

Next December there will be a United Nations conference on climate

change in Paris with representatives from Eco Congregation Scotland.

### Relayed

To draw all the congregations together,

an eco baton has been created and is being relayed round Scottish churches for the next six months until it makes the final leg to France.

This year's Eco

Congregation regional meeting is tomorrow, from 10am to 3.30pm, at Lochgilphead Baptist church on the corner of Argyll Street and Union Street.

# Woodland charity sapped for funds

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A SOCIAL enterprise charity that requires substantial funding every year has launched a 'friends' scheme.

At an open day on Monday, Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise Ltd announced a new project to sign up friends who would donate £20 a year to help protect the woodlands between Lochgilhead's two hospitals.

It costs approximately £80,000 per year to run the woodland in its present form. This money is spent on salaries, volunteer and trainee expenses, contractors, equipment and materials. Blarbuie's income comes from a variety of sources including the NHS, Argyll and Bute council and the Forestry Commission.

Part time Blarbuie worker Peter Creech, 54, said: 'Our Heritage

Lottery money totalling £100,000 comes to an end in July and currently the hunt is on to secure on-going funding.

'That money was part of our funding for the past two years.'

By becoming a friend, the £20 per annum will provide a trainee payment for one week, 10 pairs of work gloves, four bags of compost or 16 litres of fuel for strimmers and chain-saws.

In return, friends will be enrolled as members of Blarbuie Woodland Enterprise, get a 10 per cent discount on wood fuel, kindling and plants sales, an annual newsletter and be given a sapling to plant at the autumn planting day plus information about the tree and its history.

Blarbuie woodland was originally planted more than 150 years

ago by the Argyll and Bute hospital's Victorian founders as a place of sanctuary for the hospital's patients.

In the 1970s patients could still stroll round the grounds but with the change to community care in the 1990s, and a drastic reduction of inpatient numbers, the woodlands became a dark dank dell, which was not a place of peace.

The 21st century revival of interest in the woodland began in 2004.

Today its core aims include: the improvement of mental and physical health, the provision of training and meaningful work, to care for the environment and woodlands' biodiversity and to encourage artistic expression.

With a number of sculptures in the woodlands, members are pleased that it will be an Artmap Argyll red dot venue at the end of Au-



Volunteers and workers at Blarbuie Woodland's open day on Monday, from left, David Douglas, Jess Grant, Daniel Byron, Andrew Brailsford, Stephen MacDonald, Grace MacLeod, Brenda Bratt and Peter Creech. 06\_a22blarbuie01

gust this year.

Currently there are three part-time members of staff, a number of

volunteers and up to 15 trainees who come from mental health services, community payback and

job centre plus.

Mr Creech said: 'We would like to see the woodlands opened up to

an even wider audience.

'The trails are part of Argyll and Bute's core footpath network.'

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# Fuel distributors move into retail

KINTYRE based fuel distribution business, D. McNair & Son Ltd., has agreed terms with the current owners of Clachan Filling Station to purchase the fuel and retail outlet from them, and commence trading direct to the general public, from Clachan, as of June 1st. 2015.

For the past three years Rhian Thomas and Eilwyn Davies have been the owners of Clachan Filling Station, however they are looking for a new venture.

After due consideration, the current owner of D.McNair & Son viewed this acquisition as a natural progression in the business development.

Mr. Alan Shaw stated: 'This type of business sits well with our current fuel distribution business.'

'We already distribute and supply a large percentage of fuel throughout Kintyre, Mid Argyll and as far north as Oban, Connel and Benderloch;



Clachan filling station. 06\_a22clachan02

so when this opportunity came along, it felt correct.'

'We are hoping to continue many of the improvements Rhian has introduced, and hopefully introduce our own additional benefits, not only to the people of North Kintyre, but to the wider community.'

'We are keen to offer competitive fuel prices

to everyone, as we are purchasing the fuel from the refinery and selling direct to the public.'

Being a local Campbeltown firm, D. McNair & Son hope that the filling station will be utilised more by the people of South Kintyre when travelling to and from the city.

Although the hours may be slightly restrict-

ed at the weekends, it will be a seven day service.

However, once additional staff are recruited, hopefully, this may be reversed.

To that end, if anyone is interested in being considered for employment positions at Clachan Filling Station, please contact the main office in Campbeltown

on 01586 552020.

Outwith petrol and diesel sales, there is a fully stocked convenience store offering the all important essentials for that long journey or the forgotten pint of milk.

Although McNair's are keen to keep the changes to a minimum, it is inevitable, especially as they are primarily a fuel busi-

ness, that some services currently offered may change.

Although change naturally happens, be assured that Alan Shaw is very aware of the impact this can have on a remote rural community.

To that end, although D. McNair & Son will not be operating the sub post office, they have

helped secure the services of the postmaster from Tarbert, who will operate the postal service, as normal, from Clachan Filling Station, every Tuesday and Thursday between 11am and 1pm.

Campbeltown Courier naturally wish D. McNair & Son Ltd. every success with this new venture.

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## Innovative mental health workshop

IN A bid to help shake off the stigma attached to mental health and well being, a Mid Argyll high school led the first educational workshop of its kind in the area.

Teachers and health professionals teamed up to host the event in Lochgilphead and encouraged young people to use their listening skills.

In recent years opening up mental illness for discussion across the country and creating new strategies has been a priority for the Scottish Government.

It is one of the major public health challenges in the country and around one in three people are thought to be affected by mental illness each year. The Scottish Government has been working to raise awareness of mental illnesses such as depression, anxiety and schizophrenia.

If schools can raise awareness with pupils across Argyll and Bute it could change the ideas that surround mental health and may finally get rid of the shame that is still underlying when it comes to talking about mental illness.

Educating young people and adults is the only way to support people to recognise and overcome challenges faced throughout life.

Taking the issue into schools and allowing youngsters to form fully informed opinions surrounding mental health and well being, will only open up their minds and new doors, inevitably giving mental illness a place in society.

Young people in Mid Argyll have an advantage with Argyll and Bute hospital being on their doorstep.

The local access to such facilities means they could learn quickly in their home town.

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## General election a great experience

Sir,  
It has been a fantastic experience to run in this general election and to meet so many people in Argyll and Bute.

I would like to thank everyone who gave me their support in this election, many of whom voted for the Conservatives for the first time.

A huge thanks to all of the volunteers, many of whom were not previously affiliated with the Conservative and Unionist Party, but all of whom pulled out all of the stops in this election.

I would like to thank Alan Reid for his many years of service to Argyll and Bute, to congratulate Brendan O'Hara on his election and give him my best wishes for the future and to thank the other candidates for a well-fought election.

Although we did not win in Argyll and Bute, the Scottish Conservative and Unionist party managed to increase our vote across Scotland by over 21,000 and we have for the first time since 1992 won a majority in this UK election.

The SNP promised to lock the Tories out of number 10 and I am happy to report they have failed.

I am looking forward to fighting for my party in whatever way our local party association sees fit during the Scottish elections next year.

**Alastair Redman**  
Islay.

## Blooming Great Tea Party

Sir,  
Marie Curie is here for people living with any terminal

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With your support we can do more, for more of the people who need us.

You can sign up to host your Blooming Great Tea Party at [www.mariecurie.org.uk/tea-time](http://www.mariecurie.org.uk/tea-time).

Please do share your event details, photos or get involved on social media using #BloomingGreat.

**Marie Curie Nurse,**  
Argyll and Bute.

## Help for heroes

Sir,  
Help for Heroes is excited to announce the launch of the new campaign 'BBQ for Heroes 2015 - Serving the Nation'.

Help for Heroes is asking the great British public to turn their BBQs into an opportunity to fundraise for our wounded, injured and sick service personnel, veterans and their families.

The 'BBQ for Heroes' campaign takes place from August 15 to 31, but if these dates are not convenient people can choose a different date.

For further information contact [Lucie.Day@helpforheroes.org.uk](mailto:Lucie.Day@helpforheroes.org.uk).

**Lucie Day,**  
Help for heroes

## Tarbert Gun Club thanks

Sir,  
Tarbert Gun Club would like to give a big thank you to all the businesses and individuals who kindly donated prizes and money to our charity shoot.

Without your kindness we would not have been so successful.

Karen and her staff at the MS Centre were extremely grateful for the £1,200 raised.

Once again the club would like to thank: Fyne Tackle, Murray Smoked Products, Scottish Salmon Company, Shanks Waste Management, D. J. Campbell Dairies, Clachan Filling Station, John Law, Neil MacAlister and Loch Fyne Langoustines.

I apologise if I have missed anyone out.

**Bob McColl,**  
Club Secretary.

## Specialist care coalition says thanks

Sir,  
As a coalition whose members deliver specialist care and education services for children and young people with complex needs, we were delighted to see our campaign for increased investment in child and adolescent mental health services has delivered a successful outcome, with the recent announcement of £85m in additional funding by the Scottish Government.

This additional funding, to be spent on mental health services over the next five years, will go some way to address services which are proving incredibly stretched.

With half of Scotland's health boards failing to meet waiting time targets to access

CAMHS that came into force at the end of last year, we are clearly pleased to see that part of this funding will be used to bring down these waiting times.

We would like to thank those many people who signed our petition for taking the time to do this and hope to continue to work with the Scottish Government to ensure that the mental health services many young people in Scotland so desperately need are being provided.

**Alex Orr,**  
The Scottish Children's Services Coalition

## From our Facebook

*Last week a man claimed that poor maintenance of the A83 had contributed to a crash which damaged his car.*

*Some readers have spoken out on our Facebook page.*

**Duncan Black:** Roads around here are in an appalling state. Three cracked wheels on my previous car, one on my current car.

Why should we pay road tax? Nothing is ever spent on the roads.

How many years has the Meadows Road been a series of potholes and destroyed tarmac. Even the road outside the council yard in Lochgilphead is ruined and has been for at least 10 years.

Roads department and Argyll and Bute council should hang their heads in shame.

**Jimmy McCallum:** I had to replace tyres twice in the last year due to potholes. No but's or ifs, definitely potholes, but the authorities don't care.

Unless you get killed they're not interested.

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# Valiant actions after car crash

ARGYLL and Bute Lord-lieutenant Patrick Stewart honoured a cadet, three leaders and a civilian at an awards ceremony last week.

Cadet Sergeant Major (CSM) Connor Chlopuk, his father Regimental Sergeant Major (RSM) Alex Chlopuk and mother Helen Chlopuk from Lochgilphead, with Staff Sergeant Instructor (SSI) Frank Frew, from Tarbert, were recognised for their role following a car accident near Inveraray in October 2013.

Connor, who was 15 at the time of the incident, in which a 16-year-old girl lost her life, was awarded the St John Ambulance Young First Aider of the Year and the prestigious British Red Cross Humanitarian-Citizen Award.

The adults RSM Chlopuk, Mrs Chlopuk and SSI Frew were awarded the St John Ambulance Certificate of Commendation.

The certificate gives details of the incident as follows:

**Unconscious**  
‘Alex and Connor went to the crash site and saw that the car was in a bad state. A man and a woman were trying to get a passenger out of the car and there was a lady who was driving the crashed car, shouting for help, she was pointing at her daughter who was lying unconscious on the shore.’

‘Connor took the ‘mum’ up to his parent’s car to keep her warm and try to comfort her as she was going into shock.’

‘Alex assessed the situation and started to ad-

minister first aid to the young girl, Frank arrived and they began to give cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), Frank also phoned the ambulance to inform them that they had started CPR.

‘At this stage there were four people involved taking it in turns to give CPR.’

‘The driver of the vehicle and the casualty’s mum came back to the scene and were comforted by Connor, who was also helping to look after the other passenger who was ‘walking wounded’.

‘Connor also approached other vehicles that had stopped to try to collect first aid kits, blankets and anything else he could think of.’

‘He showed considerable initiative without being prompted.’



From left: Helen Chlopuk, RSM Alex Chlopuk, Colonel Brian Hume, Lord-lieutenant Patrick Stewart, CSM Connor Chlopuk, Sgt Robert Semple and SSI Frank Frew. 06\_a22cadet01

Mr Stewart used the occasion to appoint CSM Chlopuk as his Lord-lieutenant’s cadet for the year.

Mr Stewart presented a certificate of ‘Merititous Service’ to army reserve soldier Sergeant (Sgt) Robert Semple, from Glenbarr, near Campbeltown, of D Company 51st Highland 7 Scots.

Sgt Semple is employed as a platoon sergeant based in Dumbarton and is an experienced and respected soldier well known through the battalion.

**Volunteered**  
The proposal for Sgt Semple’s award stated that he had volunteered for service in August 2002.

Sergeant Semple is a familiar face in agriculture in Argyll and Bute through his regular job at ATV Services on the Kilmory industrial estate, selling quad bikes.

Sgt Semple mobilised for the army’s Op Olympic in 2012 and worked in London for six weeks supporting the venue security force where he

was highly praised for his role as platoon sergeant.

The written proposal said: ‘Sergeant Semple is a pragmatic soldier who fully understands and is highly motivated towards the organisation’s goals and objectives of ensuring the army reserve is fully manned by 2020.’

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# Only award gift shop needs for 15th birthday

A BOOMING Lochgilphead business celebrated 15 years' trading with a remarkable achievement at a retail competition in London.

Sara Park-Patterson, of the family-run Bluestone gift shop on Argyll Street, took home the award this month for Best Gift Retailer Jewellery and Fashion from The Greats Gift Retailer Awards 2015.

The win could not have come at a better time for Bluestone as it celebrates its 15th birthday this year.

Sara added: 'It is a nice way to commemorate our 15th anniversary.

'We are really grateful for our customers' support and the continued support we have had over the years.

'It is nice too that the business is receiving the recognition from top

UK retailers.' In the days following the event on May 7, Sara said the gift shop's Facebook page accumulated more than 400 likes and the post to followers of the page went viral reaching more than 5,000 people in the UK.

Sara said: 'It has caused a Facebook frenzy with new customers.'

The win has caused a surge of customers old and new to 'pop into' each of the store's three branches to congratulate staff and owners.

Bluestone gift shop first opened in Barrhead in 2000, which the family has developed into a combined coffee and gift shop, and they have a shop in Largs.

The heavyweight trophy will be displayed at the Lochgilphead branch.



Sarah with the huge Bluestone gift shop award. 08\_a22award01

## Tarbert girl band takes to Glasgow again

AN ALL-GIRL Scottish folk band from Mid Argyll has been selected to perform at one of Scotland's most prestigious venues in front of industry experts.

Na Seudan Ur, made up of five Tarbert girls, will showcase its act during the Music for Youth Exchange at the Arches in Glasgow on Friday June 12 and Saturday June 13.

Niamh MacKaveney, band member, said: 'It's great news. Not only can we perform for music industry experts, we'll also have the opportunity to learn from other young performers. We're really looking forward to it.'

### Album

Teenagers Hannah Prill, Emma MacFarlane, Niamh MacKaveney, Emma Kok and Naomi Stanesby have been playing together for a number of years and enjoyed the successful release of their first album last year.

The girls played at the renowned Celtic Connections, a Glasgow arts and culture festival, in January and have a series of gigs coming up this year.

## Curtain up on blues band

A BLUES band will take the stage at Tayvallich village hall.

Robin Robertson and the Blues Band are scheduled to perform on Saturday June 13.

The five band members have backgrounds in jazz, soul, pop, disco,

reggae, ska, punk, Scottish folk, rock, blues, indie and classical music, and they each bring their own style to the blues band.

The band has developed a polished sound, full of life and energy.

The music is emotive

and soulful, yet there is lots of fun in a set bursting with energy.

Annette Chapman's vocals celebrate the role of a strong female voice.

The band's first album, RRBB, has been released to critical acclaim.

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Guides running the flower stall are from back left: Charlie Prentice, 10, Tamzin Reynolds, 10, Tansy Scott, 11, Courtney Henderson, 12, Jean MacPhee, 11, Cara McTaggart, 11 and front from left: Tia McLean, 11, Jessica Wilkieson, 10, Hazel Galbraith, 12 and Eden MacDonald, 12. 06\_a22guides01

# Tarbert girl guides are blooming marvellous



A FLOWER stall run by 1st Tarbert guides raised £200 last Saturday and helped to make the 41st Silvers Marine Scottish Series blooming marvellous.

The guides' stall was also a chance to celebrate recruiting three new guides and a volunteer assistant leader.

The new members were recruited by the guides completing a

'Let's Grow' badge.

The badge syllabus designed by Girlguiding Scotland is to encourage more girls and adults to join guiding giving them the chance to try new things, grow in confidence and make new friends.

1st Tarbert guides had to complete a series of activities to achieve the challenge including planting trees in

the community woodland, making felt flower brooches and recruiting a new leader and members.

On their Scottish Series stall they sold flowering plants they had grown from seed, hand made wild flower seed bombs, brooches, flower hair accessories and jewellery they had made from donated fabric and yarn.

Proceeds from the stall will be divided between the Disasters Emergency Committee's Nepal earthquake appeal and group funds to pay for outdoor cooking and camp equipment.

Guide Tia, 11, said: 'I really enjoyed making flowers and turning them into hair clips and brooches.'

Leader Claire Shorthose said: 'The

guides have had so much fun completing the 'Let's Grow' challenge and did a great job planning the stall and we have made more than £200.

'I became a leader in Tarbert because I was a guide when I was a girl. I was quite shy and guiding helped me at university interviews because it gave me something to talk about.'

# Pupils photograph Tarbert history

A TARBERT academy heritage project honouring the village's fishing industry has been given a public viewing.

The art exhibition was completed in a few weeks by 4th year pupils and displayed last Friday in a gazebo by the harbour. The project was part of a skills programme with fourth year pupils in Tarbert Academy in partnership with Argyll and Bute Youth Services and Tarbert Harbour Authority.

Ruth Cairns of Argyll and Bute's youth services team said: 'We worked with Nicole

Heidtke and Stefan Baumberger of 'In the field' artist collective. They showed us the skills and methods of digital photography, and COMAR funded the project.'

Donna Mallan of Tarbert Harbour Authority said: 'Young people do not receive the credit they deserve and Tarbert Harbour has supported this amazing project.'

'It is hoped that when the new harbour offices and heritage centre finally become open, works such as these will be exhibited in the space.'



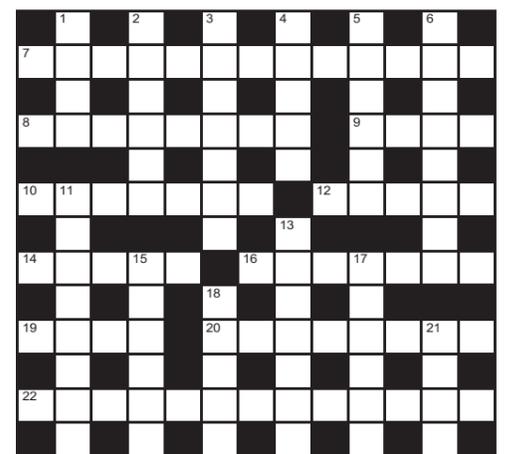
Left to right are: Chris Brown, Jack Faulkner, Chloe Brown, Emily Faulkner and Aarran Lyon by their work in the gazebo.

# Scottish Series lights up Tarbert

FIREWORKS fired from near Tarbert Castle to celebrate the 41st Silvers Marine Scottish Series lit up the night sky on Saturday above Tarbert Harbour. In the marquee sailors found their land legs dancing to the James Honey band until midnight. 06\_a22fireworks01



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- 7 Useful humour? (9,4)
- 8 Large Maple tree (8)
- 9 Nonexistent (4)
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- 1 City which regretted letting in a horse (4)
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- 18 A council (5)
- 21 Group of a few (4)

## Last week's solution



# Experiencing events to learn history

## He had to write as a journalist in order to survive

A MAN who once led a seven-week cattle drive gave a talk titled 'The Confessions of a Cowboy Historian' in Inveraray.

John Keay, 75, has published more than 20 books across a broad geographical swathe of history from Scotland, to India and other countries in south east Asia.

He still travels widely, giving talks to book shows from Stornoway to Karachi, the capital of the Sindh province in Pakistan.

Mr Keay, who has lived in Dalmally for 43 years, was schooled by monks at Ampleforth in Yorkshire before starting his life's work as a history scholar at Oxford University from 1960 to 1963.

He honed his writing

skills as a copywriter in an advertising agency for three years immediately after university before a desire to see more of the world found him living in Kashmir for six months.

Here he had to begin writing as a freelance journalist in order to survive, contributing articles to 'The Economist' and the BBC.

### Published

While working there his first book 'Into India' was published and although it only sold about 20,000 copies it has become a standard work and was in print for about 30 years.

Mr Keay said last week: 'During the 1980s I worked as a documentary writer for BBC Radio 3 mainly in areas that were fresh to the

station. However that work does not last forever and it finished after about 10 years.

'By that time I was more interested in books because radio and television are quite ephemeral mediums. Once the material is broadcast it is forgotten; books are around for a long time.'

During the late 1970s and 1980s Mr Keay's writing included: 'When Men and Mountains Meet,' 'The Gilgit Game' and 'Highland Drove'.

The latter was based on a seven-week drive with 30 head of borrowed cattle from Loch Harport, on the Isle of Skye, to Crieff.

Mr Keay said: 'Before the Clearances cattle farming was really big business in the

Highlands, much more so than sheep.

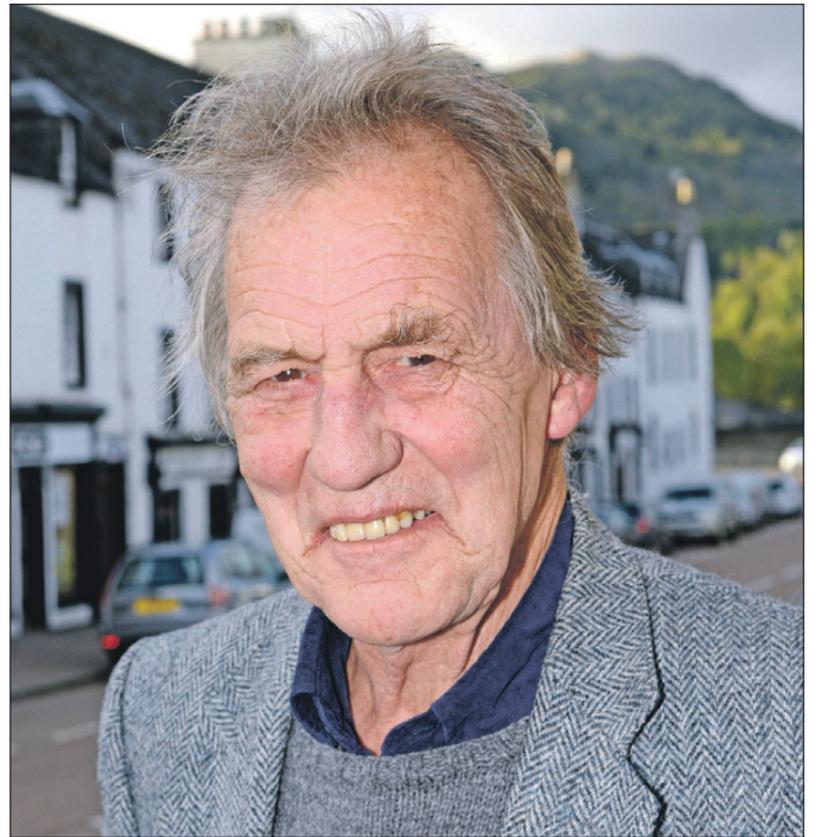
'I got hold of 30 head of cattle and we recreated a drove.'

'Historical research should not just be about archives and records it should come from experience as this method makes a better book.'

'We had a television crew with us and it provided a focus for the people who were interviewed about cattle droving.'

'The trip became an archive of its own, although the book was not a huge success as there is a small market for people who are interested in droving.'

'It is hard to get a pristine copy of the book today and they sell for more than £150 on Amazon.'



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## Help to adapt your home

A PILOT scheme helping older Mid Argyll people to live independently at home for longer has been launched.

Homeowners are being encouraged to make alterations to their homes to ensure their future needs are met.

The 'Help to Adapt' scheme allows homeowners over the age of 60 to fund the adaptations using equity in their home to secure a loan from the Scottish government.

### Adaptations

It will provide advice and assistance to deliver adaptations which include the installation of handrails, ramps, stair lifts, improvements to kitchens and bathrooms.

The Scottish Government initiative will be delivered by Link Group and available across 12

local authority areas until 2017.

Cabinet secretary for social justice, communities and pensioners' rights Alex Neil said: 'This scheme is the first of its kind in the UK and supports the Scottish government's commitment to helping older people live independently in their own home for as long as possible.'

'It will help people to plan ahead and remain in control of their own future needs.'

The key benefits of 'Help to Adapt' are: There are no monthly interest charges or compound interest payments; there is no minimum loan level (the maximum is £30,000), the loan is repaid when the owner sells the house, dies or the home is no longer needed, the amount repaid is linked

to the value of the home, if the property value falls, the amount repayable would reduce; if the property value increases, the amount repayable would be capped so they would not pay back more than the average rate of borrowing, there is a project management fee of 12 per cent which goes towards the service received from the Help to Adapt team.

### Expert advice

This includes a named caseworker, an occupational therapist to provide expert advice and technical support to manage all aspects including selection from approved contractors through to supervision of installation and quality control.

To find out more about Help to Adapt visit [www.HelpToAdaptScotland.co.uk](http://www.HelpToAdaptScotland.co.uk)

## Trust backs beavers

CONSERVATION charity, the National Trust for Scotland is the latest environmental organisation to support the reintroduction of the beaver.

The trust published a policy statement on Monday setting out its position.

The charity says that the reintroduction of the Eurasian beaver to Scotland will see a key element of native fauna restored to its natural ecosystem.

Nature adviser Lindsay Mackinlay said: 'We would like to see the existing beavers in Mid Argyll managed to permit their natural expansion from this core area and hope that other licensed reintroductions in appropriate areas will augment the existing populations.'

## Rotary Club awards scheme for Mid Argyll

GROUPS and individuals seeking extra funds could gain £200 community cash.

The Rotary Club of Mid Argyll is inviting applications to its community awards scheme.

The club will donate £200 every second month with the next award to be made at the end of June - applications should be submitted by June 15.

Rotary members are keen to

support individuals, local clubs and organisations which themselves support children, teenagers, the elderly, individuals with disabilities or additional needs.

The £200 could be used to fund instructors to help assist with groups; purchase of equipment; hiring facilities to support community projects; meeting the cost of a special day out for a group; or helping to fund an individual

take part in a national or international competition.

Several awards have been made since the club introduced the scheme last year, including to Befrienders, Tarbert Soup Group, and 19th Argyll Scouts.

Application forms can be downloaded from the website [www.midargyll.rotary1230.org](http://www.midargyll.rotary1230.org), where more information about the club can also be found.

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A workshop offering advice on agricultural vehicle legislation is coming to Mid Argyll.

## Workshop offers advice

A WORKSHOP dealing with agricultural vehicles and transportation is being held in Argyll next month to encourage farmers and crofters to get up to speed on legislation.

Run by National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) and hosted in conjunction with the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency and Police Scotland, the half-day workshops will cover a range of issues.

This event follows oth-

er successful days held across Scotland during the past 12 months.

Farmers, landowners and their employees will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the latest regulations relevant to them.

The event will take place on Thursday, June 11 at Killinochonoch Farm, Kilmichael Glasary, by Lochgilphead, courtesy of Bruce Dixon.

There will be a session in the morning and

the afternoon with lunch provided in between.

Attendees can choose which session to come along to.

The workshop will be undercover, but warm outdoor clothing is recommended.

While free to NFUS, the event costs £50 to non-members.

Booking is essential so call 0131 472 4000 to register your attendance.

Lucy Sumsion, NFUS regional manager, said: 'Following the success

of previous NFUS workshops in other parts of Scotland we are pleased to be hosting one in Argyll, giving members and non-members the opportunity to ask questions and be brought up to speed on important transportation and vehicle legislation that may be relevant to them and their employees.

'Vehicle legislation is complex topic and can cause confusion amongst farmers and those that use agricul-

tural vehicles.

'Not everyone always complies with the law, some unknowingly, and these workshops will give them the skills and knowledge to comply.

'We continuously work with the DVSA and Police Scotland, and it is great that once again we have both organisations on board.

'Space will be limited, so members are urged to contact NFU Scotland as soon as possible to book their place.'

## Lorne is new Community Land Scotland chairman



Lorne MacLeod, new chairman of Community Land Scotland.

ARGYLL'S Lorne MacLeod has been elected as the new chairman of Community Land Scotland.

The representative body for community landowners in Scotland has 57 members from throughout Scotland, including some well known and high profile buyout groups in Eigg, Knoydart, Assynt and Harris.

There are currently more than 500,000 acres of land in Scotland in community ownership, and the Scottish government has set a target of one million acres in community land ownership by 2020.

Mr MacLeod was a founding

member of Community Land Scotland, and has had an extensive involvement in community land ownership stretching back to the 1990s.

He was most recently a board member of the 93,000-acre community owned estate covering the islands of Eriskay, South Uist and Benbecula in the Western Isles.

Mr MacLeod said: 'I am delighted to take over as chairman of Community Land Scotland at this time, with a Community Empowerment Bill moving forward through parliament, and a new Land Reform Bill forthcoming.

'There are greater opportunities now than ever before for communities to take forward the ownership of land in order to sustain their communities through job creation, new business growth, housing construction, and delivering the development of a wide range of community projects.'

At the AGM, two new board members were also elected; Margaret Nicolson, chairwoman of Urras Baile Fhlòdaigearraidh (Flodigarry Township Trust, Skye), and Margaret McSparran, chairwoman of the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust.

## Caledonian Marts Monday sale

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Champion heifer with calf at foot from Craig Malone, Pitcairn, Cardenden realised £4,200 to Brian Harper, Greenwells, Falkirk.

Reserve champion heifer with calf at foot, Craig Malone made £4,000 to G Bell, Haas-side Farm, Lockerbie.

Leading the cow section was a Limousin

with second calf at foot from J and J Graham, Mains of Burnbank, Blairdrummond, which realised £4,400 to H and J J Forrest, Hillend Farm, Biggar.

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Compromise is an essential part of the wedding planning. This may be the biggest day of a bride's life, but the groom can be involved as well. He may not be interested in the colours, the cake or the bridesmaids' dresses, and, in fact, he may not even care about the details- all he is thinking about is how happy his blushing bride will make him. But by asking him to make some important decisions, such as setting a budget, choosing groomsmen's outfits, sourcing rings and organising the honeymoon, the bride won't feel like she is doing everything- and he gets to put in his two pence-worth. Our advertisers can help make decisions as well, taking some of the strain off the couple. With that in mind, here is our four-point plan to help organise the big day with a minimum of stress.

1. Set a realistic budget. Weddings can be expensive, so make a priority list and be ready to compromise. Our advertisers can help with this. And remember, years from now, everyone will remember the love and the fun, not whether they ate the most costly cake or drank the finest champagne.
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Enjoy the day. After months of stressful planning, by the time the wedding day arrives, the bride and groom can be at the end of their tether. But if they let the professionals do their jobs and allow their family and friends to pamper and assist in the last details, the stressed out couple can transform into the happy couple - how it's supposed to be. Just relax, smile and enjoy!



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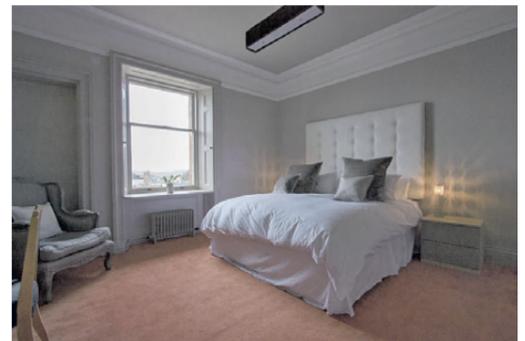
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Lyn Garrett ran a Guide Dogs for the Blind card tombola. 06\_a22gala10



Three drummers from the pipe band with a collecting bucket are, from left: Eoin Yuill, Gregor McGeachy and Fergus Langlands. 06\_a22gala15



Ben Rusden gets a wet sponge in the face. 06\_a22gala06



On the Bespoke Jewels stall were from left: Tommy Bland, Alex Lewis and Sue Bland. 06\_a22gala09



George Berry from the Fire Service Heritage Trust. 06\_a22gala14



Mid Argyll pipe band. 06\_a22gala11



Carly Cranston, 3, tries to hook a bear. 06\_a22gala16



Gavin Small in action in the potato race. 06\_a22gala04



Freyja McKellar, 7, helped out on the cakes stall being

# Music and at Kilmar

REPORT and PHOTOS by MARK DAVEY  
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CROWDS enjoyed sunshine on Kilmartin front green for the annual gala.

Luckily, despite the odd spot of rain, the weather held fine last Saturday until the end of festivities at 4pm.

Live musical entertainment was provided by the Mid Argyll pipe band and Sanctuary with the magic monk Father Dominic Mansi keeping groups of children entertained.



On the tombola stall are, from back left, Mairi Munro, Lesley Steele, Shaun MacKinnon, 7 and Sheree MacKinnon, 9. 06\_a22gala01

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run by the Christmas party fund. 06\_a22gala07

# and magic tin Gala

During the afternoon children enjoyed races including sack, skipping, three legged, and potato races.

The organising committee thanked the following for their support: Archway Gallery, Lochgilphead; Crinan Boatyard; Graham Ross from Slockavullin; Kilmartin Shop; Sanctuary and the Square Peg.

Alan Steele, from the organising committee, said: 'It was a great day. Lots of children enthusiastically took part in the races and other activities. The atmosphere was excellent. Takings on the day amounted to £576 before the deduction of expenses.'



Selling bric-a-brac, cakes and plants were, from left, Di Roberts and Chris Carr. 06\_a22gala02



Kilmartin Museum ran an 'Identify the Artefact' stall. From left: volunteers Laura Skelton and Kitchener with John McInally having a go. 06\_a22gala18



Koby Thornton, 4 is very keen to catch the rat. 06\_a22gala08



At the toy shy Rebecca Bailey and Lolly Johnson watch as Karis Kidd throws a ball. 06\_a22gala17



On Cath's candy cart were: Mark and Catherine Todd with Janette MacDonald. 06\_a22gala13



Fen Wyatt, 4, all ready to throw a sponge at clown Ben Rusden, who is a Lochgilphead police constable by day. 06\_a22gala05



M & M Nursery from Braevallich, Eredine did a roaring trade in Scottish grown azaleas and heather with Michelle Leiper and Sandy Leiper. 06\_a22gala03



Nicol Graham aged 1, Steven Graham and Nicky MacDougall enjoyed the gala. 06\_a22gala12

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# Mad hatters tea party held at Furnace



Marie Hannah dressed as Queen of Hearts who made some tarts. 06\_a21madhatter01

CHARACTERS from a Lewis Carroll story travelled down a rabbit hole to Furnace and helped to raise £680.

Villagers held a Mad Hatter's charity tea party in the hall last Saturday to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the publication of the Victorian novelist's best known work 'Alice in Wonderland'.

The money raised will be shared between the Nepal earthquake disaster appeal and village hall funds.

Winner of the best hat worn by a man was village shop proprietor Mike Masters; top woman was Helen MacDonald.

Mr Masters said: 'In the best tradition of shop keeping, I made the hat from old crisp boxes.'



Mike Masters and Helen Macdonald wearing their creations. 06\_a21madhatter02

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## New deputy director of nursing and midwifery appointed

NHS Highland has appointed Pat Tyrell to the post of deputy director of nursing and midwifery.

Pat, who is originally from County Wicklow in the Republic of Ireland, took up the post recently and will be succeeding in her previous post of lead nurse in Argyll and Bute by the clinical services manager for Bute, Liz Higgins.

NHS Highland director of nursing, Heidi May, said the board was going through a period of unprecedented changes, and the new post gave Pat a real opportunity to influence the future direction of nursing and

midwifery in the Highland region.

Pat, who currently lives in Appin, had been lead nurse in Argyll and Bute for 14 years, and explained that, with the integration of health and social care in the area, she felt the time was right to hand over the reins.

### Key priorities

She said: 'Working with the executive nurse director this role presents new and exciting opportunities and challenges to deliver the key priorities for NHS Highland in improving the health outcomes and care experience for people living in Highland

and Argyll and Bute.

'As well as providing professional leadership and expert resource for the whole board area, key elements of the role will focus on developing and implementing defined professional and healthcare standards, robust systems of quality assurance and nursing and midwifery workforce planning and development.

'This is an exciting time for NHS Highland in Argyll and Bute and I am sure Liz will relish the opportunity to take over what I have always found to be a hugely rewarding and challenging job.'

## Stepping out for cancer charity

A CRINAN canal charity walk takes to the towpath again next Saturday (June 6).

It will be the second year of the event which is held to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Walkers intending to join should meet outside the canal office in Pier Square, Ardrishaig at 8.30am.

There will be cars at strategic points along the route for anyone who finds the 8.7 miles too far to complete.

Last year walkers from around Argyll took part and enjoyed the route's beautiful scenery.

Sponsor forms are available from Mid Argyll Community Hospital or from Kathleen Young - her phone number is 01546-605278 - or walkers can make a donation if they would prefer.

There will be a hospitality tent at Crinan serving tea, coffee and home baking to all walkers. The MacMillan fundraising committee looks forward to welcoming as many walkers as possible.

## Breast is best

A NURSERY nurse hopes to raise awareness of breast feeding's benefits during an afternoon tea at Mid Argyll Community Hospital.

Rebecca Quelch, who works in the child health team, plans to run the event on Friday, June 26 from 2pm to 4pm in the hospital's main foyer.

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### AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

A Meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee will be held in Craighouse Village Hall, Isle of Jura

**At 10.00a.m. - Wednesday, 3 June 2015.**

Members of the public are welcome to attend and a public question time will take place for 30 minutes during the meeting. Questions can be asked on the day or can be submitted in advance to the Area Committee Manager, 45 West Princes Street, Helensburgh G84 8BP. Telephone: 01436 657605.

The Agenda for the meeting is available to view at the Servicepoint, Manse Brae, Lochgilphead and at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk)

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## IAM warns drivers not aware of impending changes to scrapping of driving licence counterpart in June



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The Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM) is warning people to be aware of the changes that will take effect in just under two weeks' time as the paper counterpart for the driving licence is scrapped.

As was the case with the abolition of the paper tax disc last October, the IAM fears many people are still confused or unaware of the implications of the scrapping of the paper counterpart on June 8.

The counterpart was introduced alongside the photo card driving licence in 1998 to include details that could not be included on the card itself, such as any endorsements and which category of vehicles the holder is entitled to drive.

However, this information will now be stored electronically and not be shown on any written documentation.

These details can be only be obtained via the DVLA driver record system, and be checked online or in writing by post.

As of June 8, the paper counterpart, or an old-style paper driving licence cannot be relied upon to carry correct or-up-to-date information about endorsements or

categories of vehicle someone can drive. The counterpart will carry no legal status, and the DVLA recommends it is destroyed after June 8.

What is also changing is the procedure if anyone has to surrender their driving licence to a court in the event of an endorsement.

The court will take a photocard and the paper counterpart is included with a submission, the photocard will be returned but the counterpart will not.

A fine will be paid in the normal way, however.

Another change is how to provide proof of a driving record to an employer or car hire firm, as a photocard or paper licence will not be enough in itself any more.

A driver will need to access the DVLA's Share Driving Licence service, which as of May 19 is now up and running.

Drivers will be expected to access the details themselves and print those off for submission to a car hire firm or employer.

Or they can call the DVLA and give a third party permission to to have a driving

record verbally. If anyone is hiring a vehicle, it is important to check with the car hire firm beforehand what information they need.

Other than downloading the information as detailed above, drivers can also obtain a special code from [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) which allows the hire firm access to a record for 72 hours to make the necessary checks.

This applies to both holders of photocard and paper licences.

Sarah Sillars, IAM chief executive officer, said: 'People are not aware of how many of the current procedures are changing.

'Similar to the abolition of the tax disc, they assume much of what has happened before will continue.

'The onus is very much on the individual to obtain the information they need beforehand.

'So, we very much hope people will not be caught unawares, especially if they don't want a nasty surprise when arriving to collect their car at the start of their holiday.'

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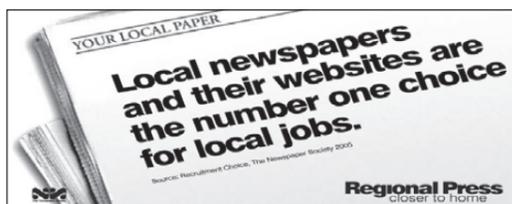
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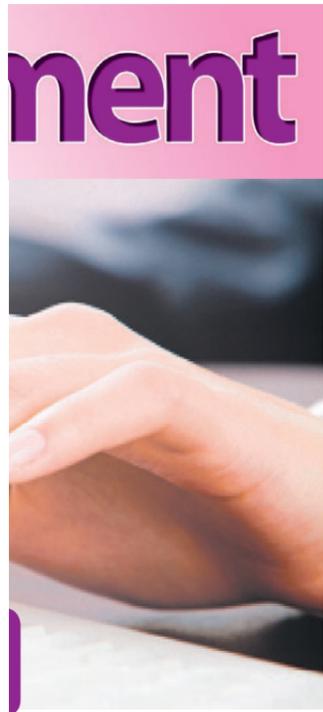
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**Thought for the Week**

with Marilyn Shedden



I THOUGHT he was dead. He looked totally bedraggled and had somehow landed in the sink in the outhouse.

He was a lovely red-tailed bumblebee; his wings were wet and he could barely crawl.

I managed to get him onto a piece of card and place him on a bush outside in a feeble ray of sun.

I remembered reading that a bee could be revived by honey and so I went to find a jar of life-restoring nectar.

I poured some honey onto a teaspoon and held it out to him. To my amazement and joy he responded.

With his proboscis he sucked up the golden liquid and continued to do so for about 20 minutes.

When he seemed to have drunk his fill, I left a little pool on a nearby leaf for him and left him with hope and anxiety in equal measure.

A little while later he was still there and his wings were drying out. The next time I looked for him, he had gone.

I could not believe I could have been so happy about the flight of the bumble bee!

I thought it a lovely concept that this little fellow and his like produce the only food that is made by insects and eaten by humans.

Bees are also unique amongst God's creatures in that they do not prey on any other species.

They may be small, but they are vital to our survival.

It is worth remembering that bees are responsible for pollinating more than 90 per cent of our fruit and vegetables, playing a big role in the cycle of life.

I hope I might meet up with my little bee again, but I will certainly think of him when I eat my toast and honey.

I will also give thanks once again to God for sharing his wonderful creation with us.

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**ARDRISHAIG**

**None the wiser gig**

LOCHGILPHEAD covers band None the Wiser will be rocking the night away at Ardrishaig's Lorne Bar tomorrow.

The show starts around 9pm and will go on till late, say the players.

Vocalist Jo Smith says that she has performed Dusty Springfield in Memphis and Abba in Anchorage.

She would like to say it was part of a global tour

but karaoke would be closer to the truth.

Guitar collector Dave Garner might give his Epiphone 1958 Flying V Korina an outing.

Drummer Dave Bracken came to Argyll in 2013 to escape the rat race and lugging his drum kit round London.

Bassist Paul Convery has three treasured guitars, including a 1973 Rickenbacker 4001 and he prefers music with prominent bass.



None The Wiser rocking on Gigha.

**CRINAN**



A perfect rainbow seen from the balcony of the Crinan Hotel gallery above the end of the canal during a rain shower last week.

**INVERARAY**

**Confessions of a cowboy historian**

A HISTORIAN whose work crosses international boundaries spoke at Inveraray and District Local History Society's annual general meeting.

John Keay, 75, gave a lecture about Highland cattle drovers and the journeys they took to get their cattle to market. (See page 10 for an interview with Mr Keay).

A vote of thanks was given by Colin Stevenson.

Earlier in the evening, members re-elected Lennie McNeill as chairman, Charles Walker as treasurer and Dorothy Paterson as secretary.

The next meeting is on Tuesday October 6. Before then the committee will meet to plan a programme of speakers for next season.

**Kids on the Run**

KIDS on the Run side stepped the rain for a successful dry training session.

Their warm up used baton running followed by some tough hill drills.

The afternoon finished with a two mile trail run through the woods and bluebells to finish.

Star runners of the week were Archie MacColl Smith for focussing on his arm drive and Eilidh Cameron, a founder member of the group, who strives to improve and this week improved

her arm drive to increase her speed.

Special mention for sprint finisher Gill Agutu.

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**DI DUCA**

At the South Glasgow University Hospital, on May 14, 2015, a beautiful baby daughter, Carla Loraine, was born to Rhona (née Brown) and Michael. Second granddaughter for Elizabeth and great granddaughter for Isa Anderson.

**MARRIAGES**



**GALBRAITH - BARK**

At Saint Michael's Church, Dumbarton, on May 9, 2015, Iain Robert, son of Hugh and Elizabeth, Coledrain, Southend, to Joanne Elizabeth MacNeil, youngest daughter of Ian and Carol Ann, Bo'ness.

**DEATHS**

**GILL** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on May 20, 2015, Barbara Gill, in her 85th year, 12 Smith Drive, Campbeltown, dearly beloved daughter of the late John and Catherine Gill, much loved sister of the late Malcolm, John, Hector and Annie and a loving aunt and great aunt.

**GILL** - Peacefully at his home, Woolstone, Ford, on May 23, 2015, Stephen John Gill, in his 70th year, beloved husband of Maralyn. A service of celebration of his life will take place at Ford Village Hall, on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 12.00 noon. No flowers please, donations if desired, to Cancer Research UK.

**GILLIES** - After a short illness, on May 22, 2015, peacefully at Mearnskirk Hospice, Thomas, much loved dad of Linda and Fraser, father-in-law of Kenny and Morag, beloved grampa of Kelly and Coner, brother of John and Donald, and eldest son of the late Duncan and Catherine.

**SINCLAIR** - Suddenly after a short illness, at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley, on May 20, 2015, Shirley Sinclair, in her 50th year, of 16 MacDonald Terrace, Lochgilphead, (former manager of the Argyll Hotel, and latterly of the Stag Hotel, Lochgilphead). A devoted and proud mum of Ronald and great friend to Susie. A precious fiancée and soulmate of Rab. Youngest daughter of the late Willie Sinclair and Christina Munro. A dearly loved sister, sister-in-law, aunt, niece and cousin to a very large extended family. A true and loyal friend to many, work colleague and a much respected member of the local community. Funeral service was held in Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Wednesday, May 27, 2015, followed by interment at Kilmartin Cemetery. Forever in our hearts.

**ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS**

**MILLAR** - The family of the late Betty Millar would like to thank everyone for the many kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to all carers in the past and to Kintyre Care Home more recently. Also to the Rev Philip Wallace for pastoral service, to Alasdair and Kenneth Blair for funeral arrangements and to the Seaford Hotel for the catering. The collection, in aid of Lorne and Lowland Church, raised £704.40.

**IN MEMORIAM**

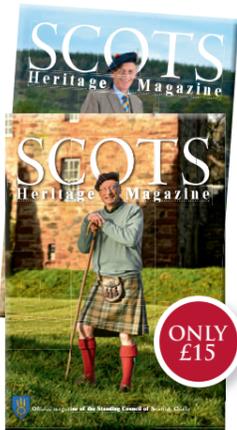
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**JENKINS** - In loving memory of Ena, died June 1, 2014 in her 90th year. We think of you in silence, We often speak your name, What would we give to hear your voice, And see your face again. I cannot bring the old days back, Your smile I cannot see, I can only treasure the memories Of days that used to be. Always in our thoughts. - Jim and family.

**MARSHALL (MCSPORRAN)** - In loving memory of our mum, gran and great gran, Betty, sadly taken from us on June 1, 2012. No farewell words were spoken, No time to say goodbye, You were gone before we knew it, And only God knows why. We love and miss you, Mum. - Inserted by family, home and away xx.

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# Battling Star see off Ferguslie

The Lochgilphed side will finish in a respectable sixth place in Premier Two

Ferguslie Star	2
Lochgilphed Red Star	4
SAFL Premier Division Two	

LOCHGILPHEAD Red Star's win spoils the party for a Ferguslie side planning on a guaranteed second spot in the table.

Despite being put under pressure early on, the visitors took the lead after the Ferguslie keeper and a defender got involved in a mix up.

The ball fell to Docherty who poked it home from close range putting Star ahead on 12 minutes.

Star's passing was much improved this week but they were pegged back when Hendry lost the ball.

A quick break from Ferguslie saw Star punished as the forward equalised after finding the bottom corner from close range.

Within half an hour Star regained the lead

after some good play in midfield.

Aaron Moore went on a powerful run surging past the Ferguslie defence to find Gregor Peacock at the far post and restore the lead at 1-2.

Once again the lead did not last long as Ferguslie came back straight away, with a passing move that Star were unable to clear, to make it 2-2 before the break.

#### Pressure

Star were under intense pressure at the start of the second half with Ferguslie hitting the woodwork on another two occasions.

Moore again showed good athleticism to power clear of the Ferguslie defence, who were caught napping as the ball was played over

the top. The young midfielder kept his cool to lob the ball over the advancing keeper's head and into an empty net - 2-3.

Star were in no mood to surrender their lead, and Naisby, Forbes, Paterson and S Crawford were solid in defence.

As Ferguslie ran out of ideas, Star put the match beyond them thanks to Lee MacLean who curled in a fantastic free kick from 25 yards to seal the three points.

Star could have added to their lead late on as they had several chances on the counter, however, they settled for an impressive 4-2 win away to one of the league's better sides.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Red Star finish off their season with a rearranged fixture away to Centre, both sides know their fate, with Red Star guaranteed to finish in a respectable sixth spot and Centre already doomed to the drop.



Blair MacKay is fouled by an Oban player setting up a penalty for Red Star 99's first goal against Oban Saints Youths 1999s which ended 7-2. 06\_a22redstar9901

## Prentice's super six gains Dookers promotion



James Prentice, who scored a double hat-trick.

A TARBERT striker completed a double hat-trick when he slotted six goals to help Dookers gain promotion.

James Prentice also broke a record by scoring 40 goals this season and went on to make it 42 during a 9-0 demolition of the league's bottom side Rossvale AFC.

Tarbert AFC knew that victory against Rossvale would secure their passage into the SAFL Premier 2 division.

Despite playing the bottom side in the league manager, Prentice, was in no mood to let complacency slip in, urging his side to start with a high tempo and

Rossvale	0
Tarbert	9
SAFL Division 1B	

deliver a positive result.

The Dookers forced a number of corners but despite David Ronald sending a series of crosses, Iain Johnson and Prentice did not take the heading opportunities.

It was not long before the opening goal arrived, after excellent wing play by Nikki MacDougall and Craig Johnstone.

The latter ran from left back to cross for the on-rushing Ronald, who

had the simplest of finishes.

This settled the away side and they had soon doubled their lead, this time Prentice making no mistake with his chance.

#### Penalty

The third arrived from the penalty spot when the Rossvale defender handled inside the box.

Prentice stepped up to hit a low effort past the keeper.

Iain Johnson was fouled just outside the area after 30 minutes

and this gave Prentice the chance of his hat-trick from a deflection.

Number five and six arrived before half time after some link-up play in the Tarbert midfield, both goals going to Prentice. His expert finishing was just too hot for the Rossvale side.

Half time arrived with Tarbert at 6-0 having easily wrapped up the three points.

In the second half Prentice gave the full squad time on the park, but not before he had rounded off his double hat-trick in the 55th minute.

A clearance from captain Talbot found its

way to the striker, who advanced towards goal before coolly rounding the keeper and slotting home to make it 0-7.

He left the field to be replaced by Campbell in attack.

Nikki MacDougall was next to get on the score sheet to make it 0-8 and substitute Sam Sloan scored the last.

Full time sounded to the delight of the Tarbert squad and coaches, who look forward to returning to the Premier set up after a four-year absence.

Tarbert finish their season next weekend with an away match against Rosehill Star.

### Lottery numbers

THE numbers drawn from this week's Inveraray Shinty Club's weekly lottery were 2, 4 and 13. There were no winners, therefore next week's jackpot will be £800.

Tarbert Football Club's weekly lottery numbers were 1, 8 and 15. There were no winners of the £500 jackpot. Next week the amount will total £600.

There were no winners of the Kilmory Camanachd Club's weekly lottery jackpot. Numbers drawn were 10, 18 and 19. Next week the jackpot is £300.

# Shinty news and views:

## Marine Harvest Premiership Kingussie 2 Kyles Athletic 1

KYLES ATHLETIC found Kingussie a hard nut to crack and went down 2-1 in their premiership tie last weekend.

Two key Kyles' players were missing, defender Donald Irvine and David Zavaroni.

Kyles' Roddy MacDonald opened the scoring in the second half but goals from Robert Mabon in the 75th minute and Louis Munro in the 83rd secured the win for Kingussie.

Kyles have a second round Camanachd Cup tie away against Kinlochshiel with a 3pm throw up on Saturday.

## Marine Harvest South Division 1 Kilmory 1

### Kyles Athletic 1

KILMORY gained a point last weekend with a 1-1 draw against league leaders Kyles Athletic at Tighnabruich.

Alex Cunningham smashed a shot into the net from a good distance to give Kilmory the lead

on the half hour mark. Kyle McMartin equalised in the 75th minute when a deflection found the Kilmory net. Kilmory had tried hard to get a second goal but had to settle for the draw.

They are in league action against Oban Celtic at home on Saturday and will be trying to avenge their defeat in the Celtic Cup last month when they went down 4-1.

## Aberdour 5 Strachur 0

STRACHUR gave bottom of the league Aberdour a useful two points on Saturday when they went down 5-0.

It was Aberdour's first win of the season and sweet revenge for the previous week when Strachur recorded their first victory this year beating the Fife team 2-1.

Aberdour blitzed the second half, Angus Thorburn scored a hat-trick in and David Mackenzie a brace. Referee Alan Harrison handed Strachur's Alan Paterson a red card.

Strachur next face Bute in league action on June 6.

## Camanachd Cup - 2nd Round

INVERARAY go into their Camanachd Cup second round tie against Glenurquhart tomorrow (Saturday) with an improved side. Last time they met in premiership action 'Ara's Euan McMurdo received a red card and Glenurquhart's Fraser Heath scored two to take the win.

'Ara manager Garry MacPherson said: 'It is always a tough match. We just need to take our chances. We have John Kennedy back playing and Chris Crawford who scored for the second team on Saturday.'



Ardrihaig's Ed Laughton, left, whose club is Mid Argyll JogScotland. He is the Mull of Kintyre 10k vintage (60+) category winner in a time of 51.54. He is pictured with 10k winner Matthew Turner from Tangy near Campbeltown, centre, and junior winner Campbell O'May, also from Campbeltown. 20\_c22laughton01



From left: Jodie Robertson, Amanda Gillies and Chloe MacDonald from Lochgilhead.

# Karate girls take top spots

THREE Lochgilhead girls proved they are a chop ahead at an international tournament in Edinburgh. The trio from the town's Kyokushinkai Karate club, attending their first international competition, and were victorious in the kata set patterns.

Jodie Robertson was first in the 12 to 13-year-

olds, Amanda Gillies, second in the same category and Chloe MacDonald took third in the 14 to 15-year-olds.

Iain Rodger, who runs the Lochgilhead club along with clubs in Oban and Stirling, has been invited to be the 'Team GB' coach for the World Championships in Japan 2016.

# SPOT THE BALL

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# Top podium place for 'Fools Gold' at Scottish Series 2015

AN Irish skipper and crew sailed into top spot at the Tarbert-based Silvers Marine 41st Scottish Series which finished on Monday.

Robert McConnell, from Howth Yacht Club and his Waterford harbour sailing team on 'Fool's Gold' took the overall title, won IRC class two and will take home the trophy for the best IRC class boat.

After four days, 11 races and some of the best sailing in Scotland, they also won the Crawford McInnes trophy sponsored by Hempel Paints for the best under 25-year-old helm.

Tarbert-based boat 'First By Farr', skippered by Ian McNair, clinched third in the Clyde Yacht Club Association's (CYCA) class five.

#### Local boat

Campbeltown Sailing Club's Owen McManus, skippering 'Jochr', narrowly missed victory in CYCA class eight restricted sail when eventual winner 'Windhound' pulled out an

ace in the last day, 'Eureka IV' took third. On his way to second McManus sailed into two firsts and two seconds in class.

While Silvers Marine Scottish Series main sponsor Jamie McGarry may be disappointed to see the trophy go over the water to Ireland, both he and Colin Moore will be back to fight for it again next year.

McGarry, who has just announced Silvers Marine will sponsor the regatta again next year, praised the race officers Stuart Childerley, John Readman and Alan Cassels for their smooth management of the regatta.

The race teams on both courses were excellent and it is testament to them that all races were sailed and none cancelled.

#### Final class positions are as follows:

IRC Class 1: 1 Eala of Rhu, J McGarry and C Moore; 2 Zephyr, S Cowie; 3 Aurora, R Stuart and W Ram.

IRC Class 2: 1 Fools Gold, R McConnell; 2 Sloop John T, I and G Thomson; 3 Storm, P Kelly.

IRC Class 4: 1 Wildebeest V, C Latimer; 2 Trastada, R Angus and D Challis; 3 Lambay Rules, S Quinn.

CYCA Class 5: 1 Local Hero G and N Howison; 2 Enigma, M and H Morrison; 3 First By Farr, I McNair.

CYCA Class 6: 1 Valhalla of Ashton, A Dunnet; 2 She of the North, K Halliwell; 3 Zebedee, G Wilson.

CYCA Class 8: Restricted Sail 1 Windhound, D Macnab; 2 Jochr, Owen McManus; 3 Eureka IV, C Frieter.

CYCA Class 9 Restricted Sail: 1 Halcyon, S Owen; 2 Lyrebird, C Reeves; 3 Poppy, J Roberts.

Sigma 33 Class: 1 Busy Beaver, J Gallagher and M Bradshaw; 2 Leaky Roof 2, Harper and Robinson, 3 Sigmatic, D and A McLaren.

National Sonata One



Robert McConnell and his winning crew on Fool's Gold.

Design: 1 Eric the Boat, S Goacher; 2 Old School, McNeish, Galbraith, Chas; 3 White Magic, D Matthews.

VX One Series: 1 Overton Boats, M Darner; 2 Robbers Dog, J and B Shelley; 3 Zhik, D Heppelwhite.

J70 Series: 1 Boats.com, I Aitkens; 2 Jacuzzi, P Hayes and S Hawthorn; 3. Django, C R Haworth.

Hunter 707: 1 More T Vicar, C Allen; 2 Rammie, M Fleming and D Smith; 3 Black Sheep, T Clark and S Parker.



The fleet enjoys a spinnaker start on Sunday. All photos: Marc Turner



A crew deploy their spinnaker in Loch Fyne.

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