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# Lottery millionaires insist papers hand story cash to forces groups



Betty and Geordie sip champagne as they celebrate their win. 08\_a24lotto01

Right: Just 48 hours after the win, Betty could be found at the Co-op in Lochgilphead selling raffle tickets for Armed Forces Day. 08\_a24lotto02



**REPORT by  
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LOCHGILPHEAD couple Betty and Geordie Rhodick, who became national sensations after scooping £1 million, have insisted that charities are the real winners.

Carer Betty, 63, and ex-soldier Geordie, 71, won the staggering sum on the Euro Millions Mega Friday raffle on Friday May 29.

The couple gave their story to national newspapers on the condition that the papers each donate a sum of money to armed forces charities in the UK on their behalf.

They almost lost out after Geordie, who was 'fed up being skint' threw the ticket out in a 'huff' but wife Betty thought better of it and fished the tickets out of the recycling bin.

She took four tickets, bought on Thursday and Friday May 28 and 29, to RS McColl in Lochgilphead to be scanned on Wednesday June 3.

Betty has already

## Lochgilphead couple ensure armed forces charities benefit

handed in her notice to Enable Scotland but will keep her post as night-shift response team at Carr Gomm.

She said: 'I decided to go to work on Wednesday after we won because I was jumping and I have to keep my blood pressure down. I went in for a nightshift and the folk at work couldn't believe it. I think they were more hyper than me when I told them.'

Geordie and Betty organise the only Armed Forces Day in Argyll and Bute, to be held on Saturday June 20 on Lochgilphead front green. The pair, who travelled the world with the forces with their six children all now aged between 31 and 44, say it is important for soldiers past, present and future to be remembered and recognised.

Geordie left the forces in 1981. On asking UK press companies to donate cash he said: 'We have asked all of them, the Record, Sun, Press and Journal, Mail, Express.... you name it we have asked. All except from the Argyllshire Advertiser.'

The millionaires already donate a monthly sum to charities Cancer Research, Multiple Sclerosis Centre and Erskine Hospital for veterans.

Betty dedicates her time between work, being secretary for Lochgilphead community council and as a member of Women's Rural Institution.

They have vowed not to change their ways since the win. Geordie said: 'This won't change me. I will still be a crab-bit old git.'

Betty and Geordie look forward to hosting the biggest Armed Forces day since it began. BBC Alba will televise the event for the first time as they celebrate 50 years since the freedom of Lochgilphead parade, which Geordie was a part of.

To mark the anniversary there will be a fun fair, brass band performance, a limousine to escort the Lord Lieutenant and a parade of 240 Argyll and Sutherland Highlander soldiers scheduled for 12pm.

A gala afternoon will follow, which includes paintballing, and a family dance hosted at the Drill Hall on Manse Brae in Lochgilphead by MAMAFest will be held in the evening.

Adults and children are welcome until 9pm, but the licensed event will be for over 18s only after 9pm.

The couple also won a luxury trip to London and £25 on another ticket. They will give each of their six children a cash sum.

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# Police warning after rogue traders target pensioner

POLICE have issued a warning to people in Mid Argyll after a pensioner was targeted by rogue traders.

A 70-year-old man from Lochgilphead fell victim to the scam on Tuesday June 2 when two men offered to carry out a small repair on his roof for £40, which the resident agreed to.

Sergeant Davie Ferguson, of Lochgilphead police office, said: 'These males then went on to deliberately damage the roof, which they then offered to repair for a significant cost.'

The resident at the property became suspicious and contacted a neighbour, but the two men made off, leaving the roof damaged and in need of costly repairs.

The pair were travelling in a white van with ladders on top.

Sergeant Ferguson said: 'Recent figures show that the average age of victims of this

type of crime is 77 years old, of which 74 per cent live alone.

'The people responsible for this type of crime are often very organised and persuasive and will often target areas where there are higher number of vulnerable or elderly residents.'

Members of the public are being urged to con-

tact PC Rusden at Lochgilphead Police office on 101 if they have any information that could lead to tracing the two men.

Trading Standards and Police Scotland work together to tackle this type of crime and anyone with concerns should contact police on 101.

DOORSTEP crime usually comes in two forms - bogus callers and rogue traders - and there are some basic measures that can be taken to avoid becoming a victim of this type of crime

- Don't deal with cold callers
- Be on your guard if someone turns up unexpectedly
- Use a door chain or bar
- Always ask for ID and check their identity by phoning their organisation
- If unsure, don't answer the door... if in doubt, keep them out.



Work has started to refurbish the former café in Lochgilphead.

## Owner still looking for new tenant for former Stables café

MORE than a year after a popular Lochgilphead café closed down, a refurbishment is underway.

But there are still no plans for the building.

Work started on Monday to renovate the former Stables café at 40-50 Argyll Street in Lochgilphead.

There are no plans for the property yet and the construction company that owns the premises said it is 'preparing to lease out'.

It was previously reported in the Argyllshire Advertiser that a

restaurant was prepared to rent the property, but the landlords claim they have not heard any more about this for more than a year.

### On the market

Greg Macleod, business development manager of Macleod Construction Ltd said: 'We are currently refurbishing the interior of the building.'

'We are still hunting for a perspective client. Until that is secure, it is still on the market.'

'It might still go ahead but we have not heard anything and there is nothing confirmed.'

## Police files

### Man bailed from court

A MAN who appeared in court for allegedly causing fear and alarm in Lochgilphead, has been bailed.

The 46-year-old was arrested following a series of reports to police last month and earlier this month.

The first report to police was made on May 18 when he was found to be abusive towards staff at a bank on Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead.

Then on Wednesday, June 3, he was found to be threatening and verbally abusive towards staff at Mid Argyll Hospital.

He was arrested on Thursday, June 4, after police received reports of the man behaving inappropriately towards others on the school bus from Ardfern to Lochgilphead, being abusive towards staff and members of the public at the Co-op on two occasions and again in a chemist in the town.

The man, who has recently moved to the area, was arrested in connection with the incidents on June 3 and 4. He appeared in court and was bailed.

### Alleged assault on man, 66

A MAN has been arrested in connection with an assault on a pensioner.

It is believed that the 46-year-old suspect

assaulted his 66-year-old father while visiting the Port Ann area.

He was also arrested for causing damage to a window of a car at the property.

The incident happened on Wednesday, June 3, and the man was later traced and is now the subject of a report to the procurator fiscal.

### Questions raised over court ruling

A MAN was granted bail after he attacked two men with a weapon last month.

The attack took place on Union Street in Lochgilphead and a 24-year-old man sustained injuries that resulted in a trip to hospital, where he received stitches.

Another man, aged 21, was left with bruising to his head following the attack on May 23.

The suspect was released on bail on Tuesday, May 26.

At a Lochgilphead community council (LCC) meeting, PC Richard Barrie said: 'The 22-year-old was held in custody but was later bailed from court.'

When members of LCC questioned why a person charged with such a violent offence using a weapon would receive bail PC Barrie replied: 'It would depend on circumstances, and whether the man has previous convictions or violent records. It is up to the court to decide, and in this case the man was bailed.'

## Knitters go public in Kilmartin

KILMARTIN Museum is set to celebrate World Knit in Public Day tomorrow (Saturday).

The event will take place from 11am until 1.30pm at the museum's café.

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# Popular chef has big plans for Lochgilphead's Smiddy Bistro

A WELL-KNOWN chef will soon be the man behind the pans at Lochgilphead's Smiddy Bistro.

And John Fisher, 50, plans to revamp the hours at the popular restaurant described as 'a hidden gem' on review website TripAdvisor, when he moves from the Kilmartin Hotel, where he is best known for his speciality 'Friday fish'.

Opening hours will include Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday lunchtime when Mr Fisher takes the reins.

Mr Fisher, his wife Catriona, 52, and daughter Arran, 15, from Highbank Park, moved to Ar-

gyll and Bute from Ayr seven years ago when he took over as chef at Kilmartin museum.

He said: 'I moved in as the restaurant manager and chef. For the first time in years the museum's restaurant made a profit. We had the place buzzing. We were open evenings and weekends but after three and a half years things changed and it became too restrictive for me.'

Mr Fisher went to another hotel but that only lasted six months and then the Grey Gull at Ardrishaig for an even shorter two months.

Mr Fisher said: 'Often I will stay years in a

job. I entered the catering trade 25 years ago in 1990 after labouring type jobs.

'I have always loved cooking. I took professional City and Guilds qualifications at Ayr College and at a more advanced level in Glasgow about 10 years later.

'This led to a variety of jobs in hotels and restaurants.

'My first ever job was putting canned snails into escargot shells.

'I worked at the well known Tam O'Shanter Inn in Ayr for more than two years.'

Kilmartin Hotel manager Richard Pate heard

that Mr Fisher was working at the Grey Gull and headhunted him for his restaurant.

Once there 'Friday fish,' which is a super portion of fish and chips, was developed but was not advertised and was supposed to be for the locals.

Mr Pate said: 'I knew the word had spread further when two German tourists came in and did not want a menu but asked for the chef's Friday fish.'

Mr Fisher said that now the time has come to spread his wings.

'I go to the Smiddy and Bruce Johnston, the owner has been ask-

ing me for a couple of years if I would work there,' said Mr Fisher, 'He wanted to sell it to me but we have come to an arrangement which should work well.'

'I plan to keep the staff on who work there at present and may get some extra to cover the new hours.'

John recently cooked for Princess Anne. She sampled his mackerel pate, was particularly impressed with his Cajun salmon and told a waitress to tell the chef it was exquisite.

Mr Fisher said: 'If the Princess Royal comes to the Smiddy, perhaps she will bring her mum.'



**Chef John Fisher at work in the Kilmartin Hotel kitchen.** 06\_a24fisher01

# Mod in danger of being scrapped after 93 years

## Dalriada committee appeals for committee members

A GAELIC festival that has been hosted in Mid Argyll for almost a century will cease to exist if a new committee is not formed to organise it.

An extraordinary meeting has been scheduled after the committee disbanded at the Dalriada Mod's annual general meeting last month.

John Murray resigned from his position as chairman as he is set to move away from Lochgilphead.

The committee was also faced with the resignation of Christine Johnston as secretary. She said that due to personal circumstances, she felt she could 'no longer carry on the work'.

The committee agreed that unless new members came forward the Mod, founded in 1922, would not be able to run this year.

Mr Murray said: 'It is sad that such a long-run-

ning and popular local Mod might have to end, but there are simply too few people involved in the organisation of the event.

'The role of chairman and secretary are crucial to the continuity of the festival.

'It is well supported by local people on the day, but to date there has only been one volunteer who has joined the committee.'

He added that changes

to the Mid Argyll population meant that fewer people had a Gaelic background, although it is not essential it is helpful when taking part.

Mr Murray called on anyone interested in keeping the traditional event alive or to find out more to attend the extraordinary general meeting on Tuesday June 16 at 7.30pm in Lochgilphead community centre on Manse Brae.



## Willow Wind Farm

### Community Liaison Group

7pm, Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Tayinloan Village Hall

Good Energy, an independent renewable electricity supplier, is exploring the potential for developing a wind farm on the Largie Estate, around 2km north east of Tayinloan. Proposals are at an early stage.

This is the first meeting of the Willow Wind Farm Community Liaison Group (CLG). The CLG will provide a regular forum for discussion between Good Energy and the local community about the project. Membership of the CLG will include local councillors and invited representatives from local business, education, environmental and community groups.

Members of the public are welcome to attend and ask questions during the allocated section of the meeting. Questions should be submitted in advance by calling 0131 550 3744 or by email to [emmamegaughin@bellenden.co.uk](mailto:emmamegaughin@bellenden.co.uk)

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# Illness leads woman to Lochgilphead

WHEN Margaret Semple was diagnosed with breast cancer she began to research her heritage, which led her to Kilmartin.

Margaret and husband Tommy, both 66, decided to look into the genetic roots of her disease after she was diagnosed in 1991.

Margaret was fostered as a child and thought it would be difficult to find out her heritage; instead she was able to identify her mother Elizabeth McCallum quickly.

Margaret said: 'I found that Elizabeth had passed away from breast cancer when she was 58 and I would have been 16.'

'Next I traced my grandmother's name - Elizabeth Chisholm - who also died from breast cancer when she was 57.'

'I had a single mastectomy 23 years ago and was told I had a good

prognosis because the cancer had not spread into my lymph glands.'

The couple, from Hamilton, travelled around as part of their mission and they hunted through countless records at New Register House in Edinburgh.

On the ground searches led to Baluachrach near Kilmartin and Tighnabruaich.

Margaret said: 'My great, great grandfather lived at Baluachrach when there were about 25 thatched houses. Now there are five modern buildings.'

'He later moved to Achaldalvory near Tighnabruaich.'

The couple began in the days before computerised records and painstakingly searched through files and picture databases.

Margaret said: 'At the start we just had a reporter's notebook but that soon became a carri-

er bag, then a photography case including three folders: red - births, yellow - marriage certificates and black - death certificates.'

'As I was searching through the records quite early on, I discovered my mother's brother - my uncle - and he was alive in England.'

'He was born in 1905 and had left Scotland in 1926, eventually settling in Bagshot, Surrey. We saw him twice when he was 88.'

'The first time he filled up [with tears] when I spoke and he heard Scottish tones he had not heard since he was a lad.'

'We knew from the census record that Eoin's parents spoke Gaelic but he did not because if he spoke it at school he got the belt. He had a son, but his daughter had died from breast cancer.'

The pair dedicated all

of their time to Margaret's family history and it took them to archivist Murdo MacDonald.

Tommy said: 'I worked shifts as an engineer and we would go record hunting on my days off.'

'We started regularly coming to Lochgilphead to visit registrar Isobel Souden and Murdo MacDonald.'

The couple continued extensive research that culminated in the transcription of a 1851 Argyll census of Kilmartin, Lochgilphead, Tarbert and north and south Knapdale they later presented to Murdo.



Tommy and Margaret Semple. 06\_a24genealogy01



## Tarbert soup group members enjoy day trip

Members of Tarbert soup group went on a trip for lunch on Monday. A group of 23 members went to Bellochantuy where they lunched at the Argyll Hotel, followed by a browse around Glenbarr nursery.

### GRADUATION



CHARLENE FRANCES PENMAN gained a BA Degree in Business at Glasgow Caledonian University. Daughter of Frank and Eileen of Minard, Charlene was educated at Minard Primary School and Lochgilphead High School. Congratulations from all the family.

## Local history project

PEOPLE in Argyll communities will have the chance to take their town's history into their own hands as part of a nationwide project.

Scotland's Urban Past (SUP), a five-year project, will see 1,500 people given training in historical research, using archives and how to record Scotland's ever evolving built environment through drawing and photography.

Project partners that will provide the training are Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland and Historic Scotland. They are calling on people across

Argyll to get involved. Cabinet secretary for culture, Europe and external affairs Fiona Hyslop said: 'Scotland's urban areas are full of incredible stories to be recorded and celebrated.'

'SUP will give people of all ages the tools and inspiration they need to start recording and sharing the history of their local area.'

SUP will culminate in a national exhibition in 2019 that will showcase the achievements of 60 community-led projects and celebrate Scotland's towns and cities.

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## Councillors' expenses bill falls by £40,000

ELECTED members expenses at Argyll and Bute council fell in the last financial year by more than £40,000 to April 2015.

The total bill for the 36 council members decreased from £864,844 in 2013/14 to £824,076 in 2014/15 for salaries, mileage and accommodation.

The wage bill for councillors, last year, cost a total of £681,653 with an extra £142,423 to meet the costs of mileage, using the provost's car, accommodation, meals and ferry travel.

Robin Currie, member for Kintyre and the islands, was the highest overall spender, clocking up £19,353 on his expenses including £9,161.05 on accommodation and £5,695 on mileage. The Islay councillor also claimed a salary of £23,630.

Tarbert-based councillor Anne Horn claimed £2,855.08 on his expenses and received a salary of £16,740.47, while South Kintyre member Donald Kelly spent £2,043.71 on top of his £16,755.97 wages.

Of the Mid Argyll members, Donald MacMillan spent £2,117.45, Douglas Philand claimed £1,858.56 and Sandy Taylor used £1,582.53. Their salaries were £16,701.33, £23,646.04 and £16,740.47 respectively.

Council leader Dick Walsh's salary and expenses bill was £42,669 with a receipt of only £165 for accommodation. Helensburgh-based deputy leader Ellen Morton's bill was £33,884, spending £8,166.30 for the use of Argyll and Bute council's provost's car.

## Community council could disband if no new members come forward



On the occasion of John MacBrayne's retirement from left: Murdo MacLeod, Archie MacVicar, Jamie Menzies, John MacBrayne, Kenny MacLeod, Harry Ross and Kenny J MacLeod.

## Tipper truck man retires after 36 years with building firm

A HEAVY goods driver from Ardrishaig has retired after 36 years with MacLeod Construction.

John MacBrayne, 65, was presented with a cheque by Kenny MacLeod on his retirement in May and left for a holiday shortly afterwards.

John's former line manager, Harry Ross, said: 'I am really sad that John has retired. It is very hard to get driv-

ers with his knowledge and reliability. As a local man he knew everywhere and everyone and will be greatly missed. Not many people give this length of loyal service these days.'

John drove an eight-wheel tipper truck delivering construction material to sites the length and breadth of Argyll and Bute where he and his vehicle were well-known.

## Inveraray chairman makes desperate appeal at AGM

INVERARAY community council (ICC) is in desperate need of new members or it could cease to function, according to chairman Iain Macaskill.

The annual general meeting held in the village last week was so poorly attended that the council is now operating without a secretary.

Iain said: 'We need people to join us who want to make a difference in our community. We can change things but we need people to tell us what they want and to be involved.'

On the ICC social media site, a council spokesperson said: 'The community council is close to having to stop operating

due to lack of people willing to take part. All we are trying to do is help our community.'

'We give a little time each month, sometimes we have to give a bit more - but the fact remains that the more people we have on board, the easier it is for everyone, and the more balanced our voice is.'

The council will soon be in need of a treasurer to organise the financial accounts.

Members of the community are being urged to go along to the next meeting on Wednesday August 5 to see if they wish to take part.

See Inveraray community council's Facebook page for more details.

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Geordie certainly didn't think he had won and Betty had to dig the ticket out the bin.

Those who know the lucky couple from Lochgilphead will be well aware that this will not be the last we will hear of Betty and Geordie Rhodick.

For some people, a lottery win gives people the opportunity of a new life - but for this couple they plan to make their lives and the lives of their own children and grand children better.

They want to stay in the town - because it is the place they have given their lives and the place that they feel happy.

Saying he will still be an 'old git' Geordie joked that nothing would change - and in some ways that will be the case.

But in other ways their lives will change completely.

It is so often the story that huge wins on the lottery can be the spoiling of people.

But the way Betty has conducted herself at the community council and in her diligence in supporting the whole community through her voluntary and paid work, it unlikely this will be the case here.

The couple have already turned the major press and publicity surrounding their celebration into good news for armed forces charities by asking each of the national and local newspapers to make a donation to the cause.

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## Beavers to bring tourists. Really?

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I read with interest the National Trust for Scotland is supporting the re-introduction of beavers, but a few questions need to be answered.

How is it 're-introduction' when there are hundreds of beavers living and breeding successfully on the river Tay in Perthshire.

According to figures produced recently regarding beavers in Argyll - numbers lost, the numbers that have died and the poor breeding statistics - this programme has been a disaster in every regard.

The one figure that was not published was the total cost of the project. What is the cost?

One way or another the money comes from our pockets and it could be put to better use. We are told it will bring lots of tourists to Argyll. Is Perthshire, with its hundreds of beavers overrun with tourists?

Perhaps someone of authority at the National Trust of Scotland would like to reply.

**Bill Cairns.**

## Yes, more flags please

Sir,  
It is good to see the colourful flags of various countries such as Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the Republic of Ireland all flying at elevation 5m above the high spec pavements in Campbeltown.

These flags and pavements are payback from our contributions to the European Union (EU).

So in Lochgilphead let's have all of the above said

flags, as well as the Welsh dragon, red hand of Ulster, the crosses of St George and St Andrew, Brazil, South Africa, Poland, the flags that represent the isles of Gigha, Islay, Man and more.

But they should all be flown at elevation lower than the top of Lochgilphead's main flagpole. Indeed, this iconic flagpole should fly no flag other than that of our - once present and future proud nation - Union Jack flag.

**Duncan I MacDougall,  
Jeck's Quay,  
Tarbert.**

## Great North Run calls on people to take part

Sir,  
Runners wishing to be part of Meningitis Now's team at this year's Great North Run need to hurry along to sign up for their guaranteed place. Our places in the 13.1 mile run on Sunday September 13 - the biggest and best half marathon in the world - are running out fast, and those wanting to join in the fun have until the end of June to sign up. By running for us you'll be helping to fight meningitis with every stride and move us one step closer to our vision of a future where no one in the UK dies from meningitis and everyone affected gets the support they need to rebuild their lives. Sadly, meningitis and septicaemia continue to affect thousands of people in the UK and kill more under-fives than any other infectious disease. Help us fight back on all fronts by funding research to eradicate the disease, raising awareness and supporting survivors.

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**Zoe Clarke  
Events Fundraiser,  
Meningitis Now.**

## Parents failed by no free childcare in Scotland

Sir,  
Access to free childcare is still failing hard-working parents in Scotland.

In many state-funded council nurseries the Scottish Government has been unable to provide parents with sufficient flexibility when it comes to nursery place provision.

However, in contrast, the UK government is to begin trials to double the hours of free childcare.

From September next year, working parents in some areas of England will be entitled to double the 570 hours of free childcare they receive per year.

Now the Scottish Conservatives are calling for the Scottish Government to look into nursery provision for parents of three to four-year-olds north of the border.

Evidence from parents' groups in Scotland suggests that many children are not receiving the funding they are entitled to.

And statistics from Fair Funding for our Kids reveals 29 out of 32 local authorities had registrations of 3-year-olds of over 100 per cent.

The Scottish Government is also facing criticism from councils as they do not have enough money for additional staff and infrastructure.

The system is failing children and it is failing parents here in Argyll and Bute and

the rest of Scotland. It's high time it was changed.

**Alastair Redman,  
Islay.**

## Deeply saddened

Sir,  
I am deeply saddened by this tragic news which will come as a terrible shock to so many people.

One cannot think of politics in the Highlands without thinking of Charles Kennedy who through his extraordinary talents and affability with his constituents - for whom he fought many successful battles - reached the highest pinnacle that his party had achieved for many generations.

The Highlands, and particularly Lochaber, have lost a great champion.

**Jamie McGrigor,  
Conservative MSP  
for Highlands and Islands.**

## Carer's weeks

Sir,  
The chronic, disabling condition ME (Myalgic Encephalomyelitis) can have a significant impact on patients' lives, leaving them unable to care for themselves. Husbands, wives, partners, siblings and children often have to take on the vital role of carer, and they need help and support.

Action for ME, the UK's leading charity for people affected by ME, is supporting Carers Week 2015 from Monday, June 8 until Sunday, June 14. For more information carers can visit [www.actionforme.org.uk](http://www.actionforme.org.uk) call or call 0117 927 9551.

**Sonya Chowdhury,  
Chief Executive,  
Action for ME,  
0117 937 6620.**

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# MacNeill's ancestry discovered by Oz

A MAN with blood relatives from Argyll has donated years of research on his family history to an archive centre in Mid Argyll.

Neil McNeill, from New Zealand, has dedicated more than 30 years to finding out about the history of the namesake and has collated his research into a book, *The McNeills of Arran and Bute: Emigration to Canada, New Zealand and USA and The 1994 Kintyre Health Tax*, and a version of the George Langlands map, which dates back to around 1801.

Neil is a stockbroker, who now lives in Australia. His family history

intrigued him and he began researching as hobby.

He said: 'The purpose was to place the families in the context of important events over a 500 year period.'

Neil wanted to trace the locations of the clans and place their whereabouts in Scotland from the 1300s up unto the present day.

'I have produced evidence of events that have shaped Arran over time and the book demonstrates how the events may have caused displacement or movement of families. The book also outlines a common thread with some of the MacNeill



Neil McNeill.

and McNeil families in other areas of Argyll.'

The map details where the McNeill's moved from and to at various times since the 1200s and is placed to the best of Neil's ability.

On behalf of Neil, cousin-in-law Derrick Anstee, from Inveraray, presented Argyll and Bute council's archive department on Manse Brae with the map and book.

Jackie Davenport, archivist, was shell

shocked when Derrick revealed the items he wished to donate.

A spokeswoman for Argyll and Bute Council said: 'Mr McNeill has managed to find references to McNeill's as far back as 1294, which is particularly impressive since records of that era would have been written in Latin and are very difficult to decipher.'

'It is usually quite easy to trace your ancestors back to the introduction of compulsory registration in 1855, but it can be difficult to find much information dating from before the late 18th century.'

'The council is very grateful for this addition to the archives and for the work Mr McNeill has put into this project.'

The book and map will be available to members of the public to view at the centre.

**Derrick presented Jackie at Argyll and Bute council's Archive centre with his cousin's findings.** 08\_a24archive01



The amended version of the George Langland map to place McNeills. 08\_a24archive02

## Lochgilphead nurse promoted

A NURSE who began her career in Lochgilphead has become the first 'homegrown' staff nurse to be promoted to senior charge nurse.

Tina Watt started out as a nursing assistant at Mid Argyll Hospital in 2003 and when the NHS in Argyll and Bute signed up to the open university pre registra-

tion nursing training programme, she took the opportunity with both hands.

She successfully secured a place and finally graduated in 2007.

Since then Tina has gone from strength to strength - and has even been invited by the then Prime Minister Gordon Brown to attend an evening reception in 10 Downing Street to talk about her experiences.

She took up her new post at Campbeltown hospital in April this year.

Tina said: 'I am really excited about this post and am delighted to have this opportunity to deliver excellent care in Campbeltown hospital.'



Tina Watt: the first 'homegrown' senior charge nurse in Argyll.

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The day-suite team was presented with £500 from Shona and Robert  
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## Strictly dancers donate £500

A DONATION of £500 was made to the day-suite at a Mid Argyll hospital by Strictly Lochgilphead dancers Shona Young and Robert McGlynn.

The pair presented the cheque to staff nurse Joan McRoberts at Mid Argyll Hospital after they raised funds in the 2014 dance competition.

The Macmillan day-suite is where cancer patients receive chemotherapy

and the money will go towards making their treatment as 'pleasant as possible'.

### Enhance

Joan, who is specialised in delivering chemotherapy, said: 'The money will go towards the on-going development of the suite and to enhance the experience for the individuals and making it as pleasant as possible.'

# Smiles all round at Kilmory dental day

AN ORAL health promotion gave Argyll and Bute council staff something to get their teeth into at lunchtime.

To mark national smile month, NHS oral health improvement practitioner Margaret Morrison teamed up with Tarbert dentist Julie Brown to run a two-hour event in the council's foyer at Kilmory.

As well as the serious messages, such as brushing teeth twice a day and regularly changing toothbrushes, there was a quiz to guess the owners of 10 Scottish smiles with the opportunity to win an electric toothbrush.

There was an exhibition of various aspects of dental health, including the latest techniques for crowns and implants, both of which are undertaken locally.

In addition, staff who do not attend a dentist regularly were urged to sign up as the Tarbert practice has NHS registrations available.

As part of the promotion, Argyll and Bute's

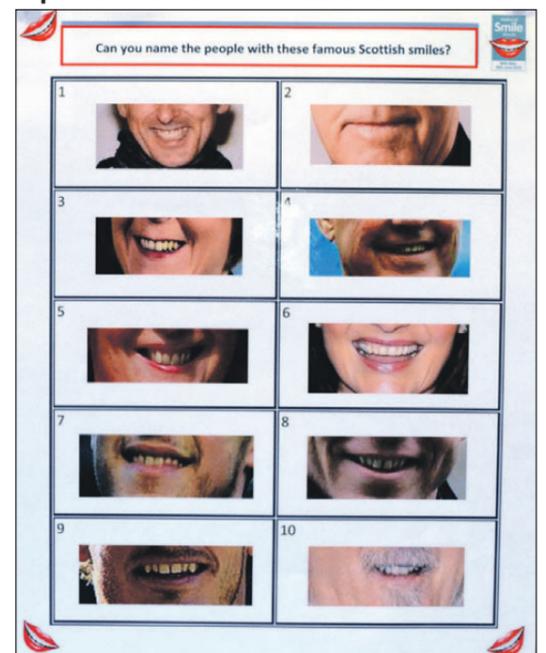


At the promotion day, from left, dentist Julie Brown, councillor Donnie MacMillan, council receptionist Samantha Newlands and NHS oral improvement practitioner Margaret Morrison. 06\_a24oral02

own website has been updated as the council aims for the silver award for healthy working lives.

Mrs Morrison spoke about some facts of dental health and said: 'One in 10 adults regularly forget to brush their teeth. One in five people cannot remember when they last changed their toothbrush.'

'Seventy-four per cent of adults have had a tooth extracted and yet when seeking a new partner a nice smile comes before all other attributes.'



The smile quiz. 06\_a24oral01

## Saltire flies on Tarbert castle

A SALTIRE flag has been erected on Tarbert castle as part of on-going maintenance on the ruins.

Tarbert castle trust has been working to make the building and the surroundings more attractive to local residents and tourists.

Volunteers had to abandon plans to work on Saturday, but re-

sumed to the grounds on Sunday morning.

Robert McPhail said: 'The woodland area is providing a perfect natural habit with tadpoles and newts, together with larvae of damselfly and dragonfly, in the pond.'

### Magnificent

'The bluebells are magnificent this year and a visitor on Sunday

morning reported an adder sunbathing on the path by the pool. Crows are nesting in the Tower House recesses and Barn owls have been seen around at dusk.'

On Sunday a nesting box for barn owls, designed by the RSPB, was installed on a high window ledge of the tower to encourage them to stay.

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# 'Cheery and tender' volunteer wins award

ROSE Taylor of Lochgilphead has given an award for her voluntary work.

She flew the flag for Mid Argyll at the prestigious Volunteer of the Year Awards held in Kilmorey council chambers on Wednesday June 3.

Rose won the Local Timebank Hero Award against some stiff competition and was described as having 'a tender heart' and being a giving, cheery person.

An audience of more than 100 people heard that Rose does her best to make others feel better, even at the expense of herself.

Rose has been supported to volunteer, initially at Succoth Ward and then at MS Centre, Lochgilphead.

She then went on to

volunteer at the Carers Centre 'Circle of Friends' and quickly became events organiser in chief.

But she was determined not to stop there and Rose has also volunteered at Ardfenaig, painting residents' nails and generally bringing cheer to residents.

Keynote speaker at the annual event for 2015 was Marco Biagi MSP, the Scottish government minister for local government and community empowerment.

Mr Biagi said: 'It's been a pleasure to celebrate and recognise the achievements of volunteers as they are making valuable contributions to their area and are helping those less fortunate than themselves.'

The Argyll Volunteer

of the Year Awards ceremony is organised by Argyll Voluntary Action (AVA) and is supported

by NHS Highland and Argyll and Bute Council.



From left: Rose Taylor, Timebank Hero Award winner and Karen McCurry, manager of the Mid Argyll MS Therapy Centre where Rose works as a volunteer.



Eighteen Macmillan cancer support walkers who set off on a sponsored trek the length of the Crinan Canal last Saturday. 06\_a24macmillan01

## Storms curtail church sale

RAIN ruined the day for Lochgilphead parish church's table top sale, but failed to dampen spirits.

More than £1,000 was raised for church funds despite heavy rain and high winds which damaged gazebos set up for an expected 10 table top sellers last Saturday.

One of the organisers, Margaret Davidson, said: 'It was a very good total considering the type of day it has been. Two sizeable donations helped swell the funds. We expected 10 table top sellers, but in the event there were only three.'

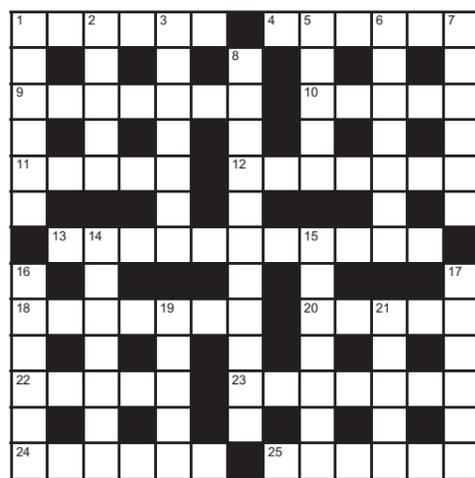


Sally Gray ran a stall to sell some of her late husband Richard's photographs. 06\_a24tabletop01



From left: Cathy Cameron, Mary MacDonald and Margaret Davidson total up the money raised at the sale. 06\_a24tabletop02

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# Local centre celebrates Carers' Week

'It gives me a break and I can let my hair down. It really makes all the difference'



Margaret Morrison, Oral Health Improvement Practitioner, from NHS Highland with a student from Argyll College. 08\_a24carers05



Ladies enjoy a delicious BBQ lunch and the chance to share stories. 08\_a24carers01

CARERS, health professionals and residents of Mid Argyll marked Carer's Week with a barbecue and awareness day at the Dochas Centre.

The centre, on Campbell Street in Lochgilphead, saw more than 50 people turn out to hear about the services it offers locally and across Argyll and Bute.

### Supports

The Dochas Centre supports people with care needs and carers' who need support.

This includes various therapies, training events, outreach workers and help in conjunction with many local and national services.

Liz Perkins, from Lochgilphead, has been an outreach worker for Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Isles, since October 2014.

She said: 'This is national Carers' Week and we've organised an open day to raise awareness of the service that we offer from the Dochas Centre.'

'A lot of our local people don't realise how much we have to offer, even I didn't know what services there were be-



Sisters, Pat McGuire and Sandra Urquhart. 08\_a24carers02

fore I started. We can offer people a range of counselling, bereavement counselling, respite and creative breaks.'

### Creative Breaks

The centre is able to fund creative breaks for caring families or individual carers.

Liz added: 'They can be anything from half a dozen relaxation therapies here at the centre to day trips away.'

Lorna Power looks after her husband who has emphysema. She goes to the centre every Thursday morning to have a break from her time as

a carer. Lorna said: 'It is nice to get away and let someone make a cuppa for me. My man likes that I come here too, because he know that it gives me a break and I can let my hair down. It really makes all the difference.'

Visitors and staff at the centre on Tuesday afternoon enjoyed a barbecue free-of-charge cooked by skilled chef, Eddie Scott.

Students from Argyll College UHI went along for educational purposes and to speak to health exhibitors who hosted

stands inside the centre. Lecturer of the newly launched health and social care course, Shirley Kirk, said: 'This gives the students the opportunity to see for themselves how important these services and treatments are to people in the community.'

### Pampering

Some of the health organisations at the open day included Alzheimer's Scotland and Enable Scotland.

Pampering sessions were also a feature with reflexology and massage on offer.



Lorna Power and Liz Perkins. 08\_a24carers03



Eddie Scott on the BBQ. 08\_a24carers04

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# Sharp rise predicted in Scottish farm and tenancy sales

A range of factors from volatile commodity markets and continuing low interest rates, to political uncertainty, could be behind a rise in farms changing hands in Scotland over the next 12 months.

John O'Meara from the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation (AMC) says increased numbers of enquiries about loans for farm or tenancy purchase seem to have been triggered by a 'perfect storm' of factors.

Mr O'Meara said: 'Early indications sug-

gest we could be looking at a significant increase in transactions of tenanted land over the next 12 months, especially as movement of farms over the past two years has been fairly quiet.

'In some cases, it is the landlord buying the tenancy; in others, it is the tenant hoping to buy the freehold.

'Either way, the current combination of market forces, and what has been an almost unprecedented period of low interest rates, seem to be encouraging an en-

vironment for change in how farms are owned and managed.'

Mr O'Meara added that in the case of tenants wishing to buy their landlord's interest, discounted values associated with sitting tenant purchases could allow them to buy the farm at a significant discount to vacant possession value.

He said: 'Tenant farmers can sometimes find it difficult to borrow money without security.

'Buying the farm creates an asset against which they can borrow

and in turn helps them invest in the future of their business.'

Sian Robinson of Savills, believes that the future for farming is bright – but she said that unseasonal weather, prolonged periods of reduced commodity prices and decreasing subsidies are prompting tenants and landlords to reconsider their options.

Miss Robinson said: 'People do have reservations about the mismatch that has developed between farm rental prices and the



Movement of farms over the last two years has been fairly quiet

capital value of the land. 'They are also worried about CAP reform and the raft of political changes we are in the midst of at the moment.

'On one hand we are seeing a situation where tenants might be looking to get out of farming; this offers landlords

the chance to buy the tenancy and take up the land themselves, or relet it on a modern tenancy without right-to-buy concerns.

'Conversely, landlords may wish to sell the farm voluntarily to the tenant, providing the tenant with an asset to

borrow against and security for the future.'

More information about borrowing to buy farms and tenancies will be available from John O'Meara and his AMC colleagues Dugald Hamilton and Nigel Parmenter at the Royal Highland Show on June 18 to 21.

## MARKET REPORT

### United Auctions Dalmally

UNITED Auctions held its annual June sale of all classes of cattle and sheep at Dalmally Auction Mart.

With an increased entry on the year in all sections, a very sound trade prevailed last Saturday, with all classes of stock selling to a large ring-side of buyers.

107 store cattle, 55 breeding cattle, 528 ewes with lambs and 341 grazing hogs and feeding ewes were catalogued.

Stock was forward from the Islands of Mull, Tiree, Coll, Colonsay, North and South Uist and Barra, as well as all the regular mainland consignors.

Bullocks sold to a top of £1,090 per head for Limousin crosses from Barbreck Farm, Lochgilphead and 324 pence per kilo, also Limousin crosses from Garraron and Melfort Farms.

Limousin heifers from Barbreck Farm sold to

£940 per head whilst Garraron and Melfort Farms led the kilo prices in this section with Limousin crosses selling to 290 pence per kilo.

Heifers with calf at foot from Barguillean Farm led the breeding section at £1,950. Ewes with lamb at foot from Dunans sold to £170.

Rams from 6 Milton, South Uist sold to £128.

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Top prices per head  
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Luings £820 – Kiloran Farmers, Colonsay.

Heifers: AAX: £765 – Ardnacross, Mull. CHARx: £790(2) – Auchlyne Farm.

LIMx: £940(2) – Barbreck Farm, Lochgilphead : £885 – Feringa Farming, Coll : £810 – Garraron & Melfort Farms : £790 – Achnacree-more.

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Heifers with heifer calf: £1,950 and £1,920 – Barguillean Farm : £1,380 and £1320(2) – Laggan Farms.

Cows with heifer calf: £1,340 – Barguillean Farm and Drimore Farm, Uist:

£1080 – Drimore Farm, Uist. Heifers with bull calf: £1700 – Barguillean Farm.

Cows with bull calf: £1320 – Barguillean Farm : £1120 – Drimore Farm, Uist : £1100 & £1080 – Knockderry.

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Top prices per kilo:

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LIMx: 324p(8) and 294p(2) – Garraron and Melfort Farms : 283p – Feringa Farming, Coll : 278p(5) – Barbreck Farm, Lochgilphead : 275p – Tullochcan : 274p – Barbreck Farm, Lochgilphead : 272p – Tullochcan : 270p and 267p – Garraron and Melfort Farms.

LUING: 269p(3) – Middle Lee Croft, Mull : 268p – Kiloran Farmers. SALx: 264p – Balantyre Farm. SIMx: 260p – Ellary Farms.

Heifers: AAX: 242p – Kiloran Farmers, Colonsay. LIMx: 290p(6) and 272p – Garraron and Melfort Farms : 271p – Tullochcan : 267p – Achnacree-more Farm : 265p & 263p – Garraron & Melfort Farm : 252p(2) – Ellary Farms : 251p & 250p – Feringa Farming. SHx: 241p(8) – Ellary Farms.

Ewes with lambs at foot

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Tiree : £145 – Dunans : £138

– Ellary Farms : £125 – Drimore Farm, Uist : £120 – 83 Borve, Barra : £120 – Bagh Na Croabh, North Uist : £112 – Strathorchy : £110 – 6 Leanish, Barra : £107 – 75 Borve, Barra : £102 – 83 Borve, Barra and 15 Cleat, Barra.

Cross ewes and singles: £118 – Dunans : £110 – Maam Farm : £108 – Clachan, Tiree : £105 – Ellary Farms : £97 – 6 Milton, S Uist.

BF ewes and twins: £118 – Ellary Farms : £105 – Bagh Na Croabh, N Uist : £93 – Drimore Farm, S Uist.

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Yield ewes cross: £80 – 83 Borve and Bagh Na Croabh, N Uist : £76 – 15 Cleat, Barra : £71 – 9 Milton, S Uist : £70 – Kiloran Farmers, Colonsay : £69 – Barguillean Farm : £67 – 75 Borve, Barra : £63 – Craig Farm : £60 – 7 White Gates and Maam Farm.

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Hoggs cross: £60 – 15 Ard-mhor, Barra : £58 – 9 Milton, S Uist.

## Children's rural disconnect

HEARING a real cow moo or a sheep baa for the first time is a special moment.

A new survey of primary school children has revealed that this experience is becoming increasingly rare.

The results show that more than one in three children have never heard a sheep baa, 37 per cent, or a cow moo 34 per cent, up close, with thousands only experiencing it through their TV or computer screens.

The survey revealed the disconnect many children have with farming and where their food comes from.

One in four children surveyed did not know a baby cow was called a calf, with similar numbers unaware a young

sheep was a lamb, or the meaning of a chick and a piglet. Four in 10 children did not know that herd is the name for a group of cows and half do not know that flock is the collective noun for sheep.

The survey also showed that many school children did not know how many of our staple foods were produced or how fruit and vegetables were grown.

One in three children did not know that pork comes from pigs, and one in five did not know that they are also the source of bacon.

Meanwhile, one in 20 children think that strawberries grow in the fridge, while six per cent think they grow on trees.

Three in ten children

did not know carrots grow underground, with one in 10 children believing they grow on a bush.

Six in ten children did not know lettuce grew on the ground, while nearly eight in ten did not know broccoli grew on a plant.

Even their parents couldn't help; a third of mums and dads, surveyed at the same time, didn't know that herd was the name for a group of cows.

The survey was commissioned by Linking Environment And Farming (LEAF).

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## One more call on Argyll businesses to win stand at BOWFest

SIX ARGYLL based companies have the opportunity to win a free trade stand for the day at the Best of the West Festival.

The prize is once again up for grabs courtesy of Business Gateway.

With more than 5,000 visitors to the festival expected over the weekend, Argyll and Bute Council's Business Gateway is encouraging craft businesses based in the area to submit their entry before the extended closing date of June 30, 2015.

To enter, describe in no more than 250 words why your business and the products you sell represent the best in the west, either by email to [business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk) or by post to The Enterprise Centre, Kilmory, Lochgilphead PA31 8SH.

Competition terms and conditions are available at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/business-and-trade/business-gateway-service](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/business-and-trade/business-gateway-service)

Business Gateway is sponsoring the craft tent at the two day event which will be held in Inveraray on Saturday and Sunday, September 12 and 13.

Last year's winners were Calgary Crafts, [elwoodturner.co.uk](http://elwoodturner.co.uk), The Little Stitch Company, Heartfelt by Liz, Bonnie Bling and Crubag.

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# Cats and dogs happy side by side at Achnabreac

CATS in Mid Argyll will be 'feline' fine when their owners go on holiday.

A brand new cattery has just opened its doors at an establishment already very popular with another four-legged variety... dogs!

And Louise Casey, owner of Achnabreac Kennels with husband, George, is delighted with the new extension.

Louise said: 'Just now we can house up to 44 dogs and have five isolation units if any of the

animals are poorly, and it will help a lot of people now that we can also have cats.'

The first puss to stay at the new cattery at Achnabreac arrived last Friday.

Five new cabins have been constructed and kitted out with play things, beds, scratch posts and dishes.

And it's the first of a two-stage expansion at the kennels.

Louise said: 'We will build another five cabins so that we can keep

more cats. We have found that a lot of pet owners, who have cats and dogs, have had to go to catteries in Glasgow if they are going on breaks.

'Now people can bring both their pets to our kennels with ease and comfort, knowing that they will be together.'

Louise's life-long dream was to own her own kennels and rescue centre.

She recalled: 'I have wanted to do this since I was a wee girl. When I was three I was bitten badly by a dog and everyone thought it would have put me off, but it didn't faze me.'

She and George opened the kennels in 2007 and the pair have rescued animals from home and abroad.

Louise said: 'The first time I rescued an animal was years ago. Someone in Bristol wanted to re-home a grey pointer and came across our website by chance.



George and Louise look after countless animals at Achnabreac Kennels.

'Within 24 hours of her getting in touch, the dog was here and was successfully re-homed on Tیره. She is still there and is a happy dog.'

The rescue spurred Louise on and she took the opportunity to travel to Bulgaria, where she and two local girls - who were on work experience at the kennels - worked with a rescue centre for street dogs and a veterinary service.

Louise said: 'While it was an amazing experience, particularly for the girls, it was a harrowing one all the same.'

She brought 25 dogs back to Lochgilphead with her and successfully re-homed all of them.

And one is still enjoying life in Campbelltown.

Achnabreac Kennels has re-homed around 400 dogs in ten years, a fairly low number,

as Louise admits there aren't often stray dogs in Mid Argyll.

Pet owners who want to use the kennels or cattery when they are away can familiarise their furry friends with the facility free-of-charge.

For more information or to organise a settling trial go to [www.achnabreckennels.co.uk](http://www.achnabreckennels.co.uk) or telephone Louise or George on 01546 606695.



Five new cabins where cats will be looked after when their owners are away

## Business Gateway offers networking tips

TRADE SHOWS and exhibitions are important for different types of businesses, but when there are lots to choose from it can be tricky picking what is right for you.

Business Gateway has some tips for you thanks to the expertise of Barbara Halliday, business adviser.

She said: 'It's important to choose wisely as paying for a stand at an exhibition or trade show can be costly and you need to make sure you will get the most out of it.'

Here are some of her top tips:

**Before:** Research a variety of shows and find out which ones your competitors are at-

tending. If there is particular business you want to secure, find out which events those customers are most likely to attend.

What are you hoping to achieve? If you want to raise awareness, attend the most respected event within your industry; aim for the show that gets your name out there the most.

When talking to organisers, remember they are selling to you, so make sure you are clear about you can get for your money.

Most events will be advertised so find out exactly what they will be doing to promote the event. Is there any promo-

tion that your business can get free of charge? Ensure you have plenty of marketing materials to take with you.

Let people know that you are attending an event via your website or social media and engage with other businesses who are attending prior to the event - it can be useful to make connections before you are even at the event.

**During:** Dress the way you would like to be perceived.

If you are taking staff, make sure they understand the importance of the event and your key messages. Offer training prior to the event - don't assume they know what you want them to achieve.

Take the time to wander round. Often there is time during set up for you to go round and talk to other companies (exchange business cards), and talk to competitors - if possible create links with them - even a mutual agreement.

Let the most confident speaker take the reins. Confidence sells and prior training allows you and your staff to have confidence in answering questions and providing information.

Use social media to give updates when you are at the show and let people know where your stand is. Sometimes directions are needed

in a large exhibition with so many businesses present.

**After:** Follow up on leads. Maintaining working relationships with contacts is one of the hardest but most rewarding things you can do.

Keep notes on business cards you received and personalise replies.

Social media - engage in posts that are relevant to keep the interest going. Connecting with companies/customers prior to the event, speaking to them at the event and following up the lead and engagement on social media can help develop a relationship and keep you in their mind rather than forgotten about.

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**Summer is almost here, and that means it's time to give the home and garden a makeover. A bit of maintenance will get the house sparkling and the garden ready for a party anytime and our checklist will help organise priorities. With the support of our advertisers, those chores will get done in no time and the family can relax and enjoy the season in bright surroundings.**

Summer is window cleaning time. This isn't everyone's favourite job, but long sunny days will show every smear and handprint, so get it done early and enjoy the clear view. Window washing services can tackle the outside- especially helpful for multi-story homes. For the inside, divide and conquer. Assign each family member a set of windows and provide plenty of glass spray and wipes. And here are two professional secret weapons of choice - use wadded up newspaper or a squeegee instead of paper or cloth towels to wipe down glass. They won't leave lint and they will plough through dust and stuck on dirt.

Change the bedding. Swap winter linens for lighter fabrics and brighter colours for summer. After removing them from storage, run them through a short wash cycle to freshen them.

Ditto for table linens. Bright, floral patterned napkins, table runners and placemats will give the kitchen and dining area a quick yet inexpensive makeover. Add a vase of fresh flowers for a summery atmosphere.

Check the garden hose for leaks. Frost and snow can make it disintegrate over the winter and form cracks, leading to an unpleasant damp surprise the first time the flowers need watering.

Plan summer projects. Walk around the garden and make a note of any repairs that need taken care of and lawn furniture that needs a coat of paint. Prioritise the list, and note what chores can be taken care of by a professional. Lawn maintenance, painters, roofers, fence builders and other home improvement services get busy in the summer, so identify what needs doing early and contact them soon so you can start getting your dream space ready for the season.

Give the lawn some TLC. Give it some love and it will be green and lush. Rake away old thatch, and while the rake or garden fork is out, use it to prick shallow holes throughout the lawn - this is called scarifying and it encourages healthy growth. If the grass is patchy, scatter some grass seed after punching the holes, then water in. Don't fertilise now, wait until autumn, and be sure to raise the lawn mower blade to at least 5cm. Any shorter may scalp the grass or make it dry out, leaving it unhealthy.

Divide flowers. Spring flowering bulbs should be divided every three to five years to prevent them from crowding each other out. After irises, day lilies and daffodils have flowered and died out, gently dig out the 'babies' of the original planting and either replant them somewhere else in the garden or pot them up and share with friends.

Plant summer annuals. Petunias, marigolds, begonias, sweet peas and geranium all pack a colourful and fragrant punch with minimum fuss. Whether in hanging baskets, terracotta pots, window boxes or in a bed, fast growing annuals will fill in those empty garden spaces after the perennials fade away.

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Wilma Mackenzie with an art installation. 05\_a24art03



Painters from left Mary Kenny, Jenny Carlile and Molly Smith. 06\_a24art06

# Modern and ancient art

PAINTERS, sculptors and spinners showed off their skills at an exhibition in Templars Arts and Leisure centre in Tarbert.

All three floors were filled with innovative ideas from a wide range of artists who attend weekly groups and classes at the centre.

On Saturday, the ground floor was dedicated to textiles and at least three spinners worked at

wheels giving demonstrations during the show. Examples of fabrics dyed with home grown dyes were on display.

Judy Martin from Campbeltown said: 'I am a beginner at spinning and have been coming once a month since last September.'

'The spinning group has been meeting once a month for the past five years.'

There was a also a chance to sample the artist's home baking with teas, coffees and cakes available in the ground floor café.

The middle floor was reserved for the avant garde and cutting edge technology of Creative Digital Media.

**Laser cutting**  
Classes at the centre are run by Germans, Stefan Baunberger and Nicole

Heidtkte, using Apple computers, an A2 inkjet printer and a laser cutting machine which arrived last Friday.

Their work included the highly experimental such as an installation of a robotic electronic guitar designed by John MacKinnon.

Another exhibit here was a series of flowers in glass bottles connected to a computer which played



John MacKinnon and his robotic guitar. 06\_a24art04

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Hilary Sinclair with her reupholstered chair. 06\_a24art02



Spinner Judy Martin. 06\_a24art01

# t exhibited in Tarbert

a different note when touched.

The digital work is also used for more every day purposes.

Hilary Sinclair was very pleased with her great grandmother's antique chair which had been re-upholstered by John MacKinnon using cloth printed digitally with the motifs which were originally scrolled into the seat's wood.

Mrs Sinclair who is in her 80s said: 'The chair was originally made in Glasgow and had been re-upholstered in Rexine in the war years, before that it was tapestry.'

**Perfectionist**

'John is a real perfectionist and has made a great job of it.'

'I am absolutely fascinated by the computer art and come on Tuesdays for two hours.'

'I am also working on a book, during the sessions, for my grandchildren of my husband's life.'

Miss Heidtke said: 'We want to offer modern skills that the artists can combine with their own work such as embroidery. The computer is just another tool.'

The painting exhibition was on the top floor where Jenny Carlile and Molly Smith, who organ-

ised the show, were helping to run a stall selling greetings cards of artworks.

They said that two art groups a week work in the centre, on Wednesdays and Friday with about 10 people attending.

People bring their own materials and work in a wide range of media with many coming for the support and to share ideas.



Stefan Baunberger and Nicole Heidtke with flowers in bottles which 'play' music. 06\_a24art05

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Fares start from £17. Visit [www.waverleyexcursions.co.uk](http://www.waverleyexcursions.co.uk) or call 0845 130 4647. The Campbeltown Courier has teamed up with Waverley to offer two lucky readers a family trip (for two adults and two children) aboard Paddle Steamer Waverley. The prize may be used on any sailing between Sunday and Friday, before July 31.

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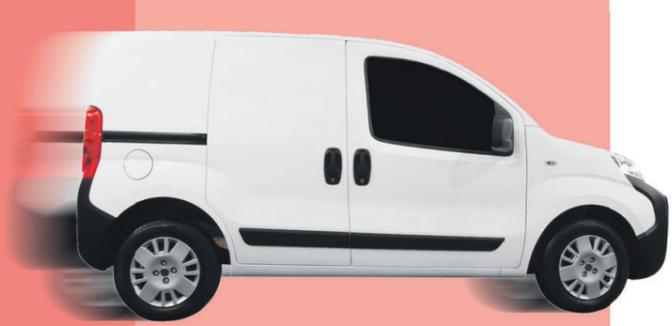
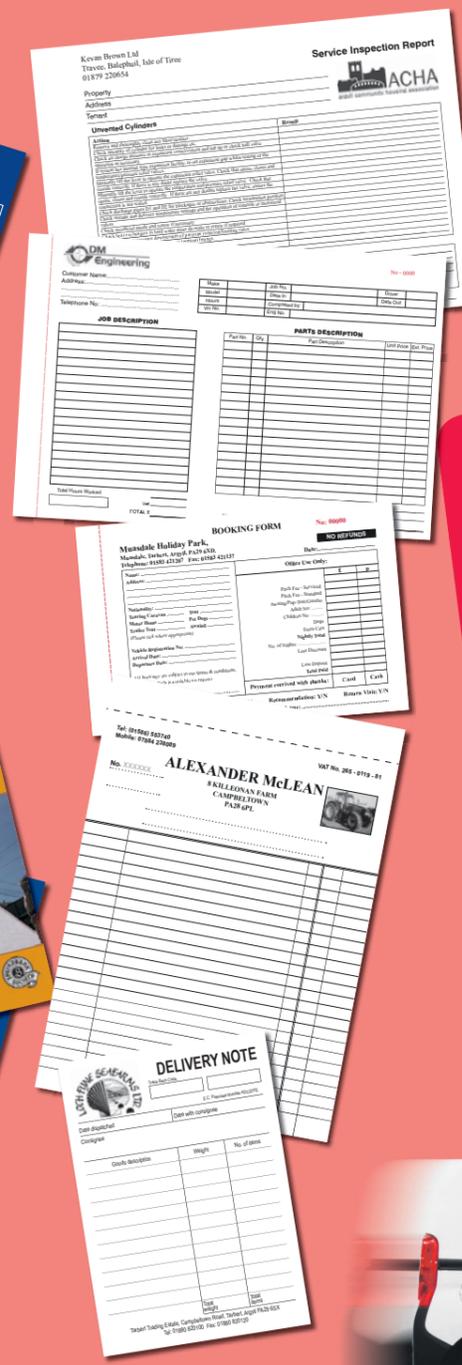
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# Home-owner house purchase lending up 15 per cent in Scotland in first quarter



New Council of Mortgage Lenders (CML) data shows the characteristics of lending in Scotland in the first quarter of 2015, including first-time buyer, home mover and remortgage lending.

In the first quarter of 2015:

First-time buyers took out 5,400 loans in Scotland, worth £580m. This was down compared to the fourth quarter 23 per cent by volume and 24 per cent by value. Compared to the first quarter of 2014, the number of loans decreased by seven per cent but the amount borrowed increased by two per cent.

There were 6,700 loans to home movers, valued at £1.1bn. This was down 17 per cent in volume and down six per cent in value compared to the fourth quarter 2014. Compared to the first quarter of 2014, there was an increase of five per cent in volume and an increase of 24 per cent by value. The total number of remortgage loans totalled 5,900 loans (£660m), which was up four per cent in volume and two per cent by value on the fourth quarter 2014. Compared to the first quarter of 2014, activity was down three per cent by volume and one per cent by value.

### Lending for home-owner house purchase

Home-owner house purchase in Scotland decreased in the first quarter of 2015 to 12,100 loans, down 20 per cent on the fourth quarter and one per cent year-on-year compared to quarter one 2014. These loans reflected lending of £1.7bn, down 13 per cent compared to the previous quarter but up 15 per cent on the first quarter 2014.

### Lending to first-time buyers

First-time buyer affordability changed slightly in Scotland quarter-on-quarter with first-time buyers typically borrowing 2.86 times their gross income, less than the 2.90 income multiple in the fourth quarter 2014 and less than the UK average of 3.37.

The typical loan size for first-time buyers was £94,795 in the first quarter, down from £97,200 in the previous quarter. The typical gross income of a first-time buyer household was £33,499 compared to £33,965 in the previous period.

First-time buyers' payment burden changed slightly in the first quarter at 17.2 per cent of gross income being spent to cover capital and interest payments, higher

than the fourth quarter's 16.8 per cent but lower than the 19 per cent UK average.

### Lending to home movers

Home movers typically borrowed 2.64 times their gross income which was unchanged from the previous quarter.

The typical loan size for home movers was £138,395 in first quarter, up from £128,142 in the previous quarter. The typical gross household income of a home mover was £53,924 in first quarter compared to £50,766 in the fourth quarter 2014.

Home movers' payment burden remained relatively low in Scotland at 16.8 per cent of gross income being spent to cover monthly capital and interest payments, unchanged from the previous quarter but considerably less than the 18.5 per cent UK average.

### Lending to home owners for remortgage

The total number of remortgage loans in Scotland in the first quarter totalled 5,900 loans (£660m), which was up four per cent in volume and two per cent by value on the fourth quarter 2014. Compared to the first quarter of 2014, activity was down three per cent by volume and one per cent by value.

Linda Docherty, chairwoman of CML Scotland, commented: 'Seasonal factors play a part in the lull commonly seen in lending activity during in the beginning of the year, as seen across the UK this period. What is encouraging is that home movers have been increasing year-on-year and first-time buyer and remortgage levels are relatively consistent with last year.'

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Public notice is given in accordance with Section 195 (public notices) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, regulation 9(1) and 9(3)(a), that:

(a) Copies of the Unaudited Annual Accounts of Argyll and Bute Council and applicable charities for the period from 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015 will be available for public inspection in the offices of the Council at the following locations; Council Headquarters, Kilmory, Lochgilphead; Manse Brae, Lochgilphead; Hill Street, Dunoon; Burnet Building, Campbeltown; Lorn House, Albany Street, Oban; Eaglesham House, Mount Pleasant Road, Rothesay; Jamieson Street, Bowmore; Breadalbane Street, Tobermory; Crossapol, Tiree (restricted hours); Scotcourt House, 45 West Princes Street, Helensburgh.

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The Unaudited Annual Accounts will be open to Public Inspection during business hours from Monday 29th June 2015 until Friday 17th July 2015 inclusive.

(b) Any person interested may inspect a copy of the annual accounts to be audited, all books, deeds contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts related thereto, and may take copies of any or all parts of the accounts;

(c) Any person interested may object to the annual accounts or to any part of those statements, no later than Monday 20 July 2015, by:

- (1) sending their objection in writing, together with a statement of the grounds thereof to Fiona Mitchell-Knight, Assistant Director, Audit Scotland, 4th Floor Suite, The Athenaeum Building, 8 Nelson Mandela Place, Glasgow, G2 1BT and;
- (2) sending their objection in writing, together with a statement of the grounds thereof to the Controller of Audit, 110 George Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4LH and;
- (3) sending a copy of that objection and statement to the authority and to any officer of the authority who may be concerned, both at Strategic Finance, Council Headquarters, Kilmory, Lochgilphead, PA31 8RT.

(d) The auditor shall, if requested by the person objecting, the authority, or by any officer of the authority who may be concerned, afford to that person or authority or officer, as the case may be, an opportunity of appearing before and being heard by the auditor with respect to that objection; and any such person or officer may so appear and be heard either personally or by a representative.

Sally Loudon, Chief Executive

11 June 2015

## COUNCILLOR'S SURGERY

Councillor John Armour (E.W.1 South Kintyre) Councillor John Armour will be holding a surgery in Aqualubrum on Monday 15th June 2015 from 6-7pm. He can be contacted by email - [John.Armour@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:John.Armour@argyll-bute.gov.uk) or by telephone 07766 970672.

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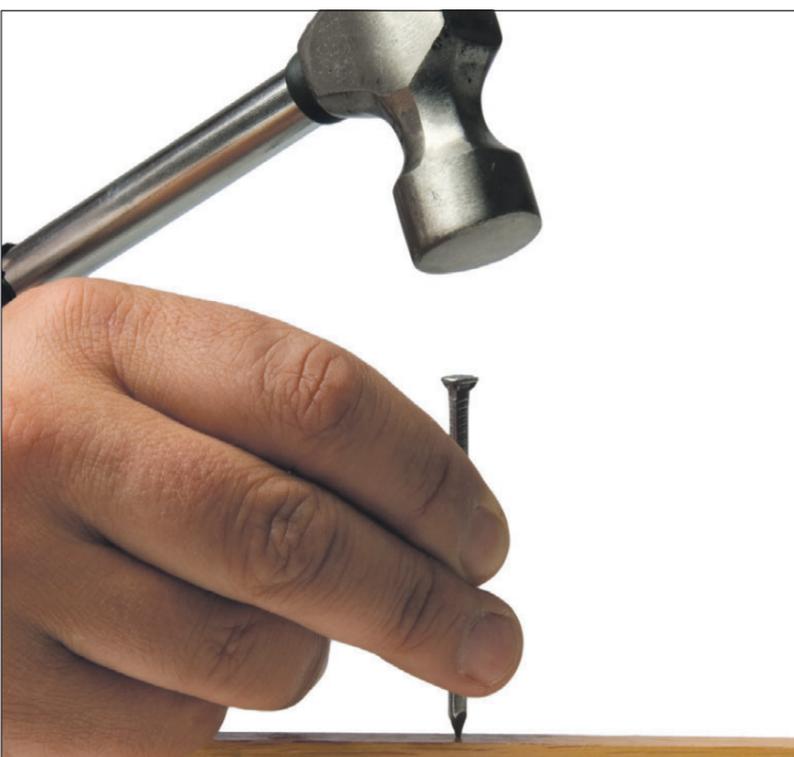
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**Thought for the Week**

with Marilyn Shedden



THE pupils of Rhunahaorine school put their best feet forward this week. They took off their shoes and socks on the beach on a sunny, but chilly June day in order to help other people.

They were taking part in a sponsored 'Feet First' initiative which is being organised by the Leprosy Mission.

Thankfully, leprosy is now uncommon in most parts of the world, but this awful disease still affects many people in several countries including Mozambique.

Foot care is especially important as open wounds and ulcers can become infected and lead to permanent disability.

By providing foot care advice, the aim of Feet First is to stop people affected by leprosy from becoming disabled and having to beg for a living.

Most of these suffering from leprosy are poor and cannot afford appropriate footwear.

For just ten pounds, special sandals can be provided which give protection and comfort.

The young people of Rhunahaorine rose to the challenge, leapt in feet first, and have raised almost £150.

As the Feet First is UK Aid Match Funded, this will provide thirty pairs of sandals.

Leprosy was prevalent at the time of Jesus and those suffering from this disease were cast out and excluded from human contact.

Many of us are familiar with the story of the time when ten men with leprosy approached Jesus and asked for healing.

Jesus took pity on their woeful state and healed them. We are also told that only one came back to thank him.

The people in Mozambique are grateful and give thanks for all the support they are receiving through the Feet First project.

The young folk on the beach have done a great job and it was great to see them waving their feet in the air in celebration of doing something good for others.

Thank you children, for stepping up to help.

**Onesies and pyjamas help Nepal victims**

A TEDDY Day at school saw pupils raise money for Nepal, following the country's latest earthquake disasters.

Children at Clachan and Skipness primary schools held a sponsored onesie and pyjama day, giving pupils a chance to show off their favourite teddies.

Generous youngsters suggested the fundraiser to raise money to help the families who have been left homeless by the devastation.

On the day, pupils learned more about how families in Nepal were affected by the recent disasters.

With support from people in local communities near to the schools together they raised £237.

Headteacher, Laurene McIntosh, said: 'The children were very moved by the earthquake in Nepal and would like to thank everyone who contributed to their cause.'



Pupils from Skipness and Clachan primary schools raised funds for Nepal with a Teddy day.

**STRACHUR**

**Strachur youth and drama group are desperate for volunteers**

A DRAMA club is calling on new volunteers to lead classes, after it bid farewell to four tutors.

Students of Strachur Youth and Drama Club said 'goodbye' to four of their volunteer leaders, Eddy, Susan and Stefanie McGunnigal, and Andrew Robertson.

They were waved off at a mad hatter's tea party where youngsters and tutors took part in various games and enjoyed

cakes and other home-baked goodies.

Members of the club and the committee recited farewell poems on the evening in April in a tribute to the four committed team leaders.

People of all ages will be welcome to volunteer at the group.

All those who are interested should go along to a meeting which will be held on Tuesday at 6.30pm in the Strachur Memorial Hall.

**STRACHUR**

**Pupils to take part in concert around the west coast**

DUNOON Grammar school will host a traditional musical concert this month.

Dates for The National Centre of Excellence in Traditional Music tour were announced last week.

Youngsters from the Lochgoilhead Fiddle Workshop and Dunoon Grammar pupils will feature in the shows, which are dotted around Scotland.

The concerts will feature the 22 students in

various combinations, including them playing all together in a powerful finale at Plockton High School.

The centre teaches accordion, clarsach, fiddle, pipes, piano, guitar, whistle, flute, and Scots and Gaelic song, and all of these will feature strongly on the programme.

Shows will be held in Dunoon, Glasgow, Birnam and Pitlochry.

The Dunoon date is set for Monday, June 15,

7pm at Dunoon Grammar School, 60 Ardenslate Road, Kirn, Dunoon. For ticket information email evie-campbell15@gmail.com or telephone contact 01369 860499.

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**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

Jesus taught us to pray, saying, 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name' (Matthew 6:9).

**BIRTHS**

**MACKINNON** - Ian and Lynn are delighted to announce the birth of Sam Robert MacKinnon, on May 30, 2015. A little brother for Megan and Max. Fifth grandchild for Malcolm and Jane, and sixth for John and Barbara.



**PYPER**

At the Southern General Hospital, on June 1, 2015, a beautiful baby boy, Struan David, to Keith and Debbie (née Bisset). Third grandchild for Joan and David, and great grandchild for Rene Davidson.

**DEATHS**

**CAMPBELL** - Suddenly at home, Erinvore, Torrissdale, on June 4, 2015, James Lee Campbell (Jim), in his 77th year, dearly loved father of Jamie and Lynn, father-in-law of Lorna and Allan and a loving papa of Linsey and the late Alan. Service will take place in Saddell and Carradale Parish Church, on Friday, June 12, 2015 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Brackley Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Fishermen's Mission and the RNLI.

**KELLY** - Peacefully, at the Kintyre Care Home, Campbeltown, on June 2, 2015, Hazel Allan, in her 64th year, Allt-Na-Tigh, Kilkerran Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Fen Kelly, much loved mother of Reid and a loving grandmother of Clyde and Harris.

**MACMILLAN** - Suddenly at home, 20B Barochan Place, Campbeltown, on June 8, 2015, John Huie MacMillan, in his 70th year, dearly beloved husband of Doreen Shaw, much loved father of Carol and David and a loving and much loved granda. Service will take place in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of the Campbeltown Hospital and the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church.

**MENZIES ELLIS** - On June 8, 2015, peacefully at Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, Neil Menzies Ellis, in his 85th year, beloved husband of Fiona Inglis, much loved father of Colin and the late Isla and dearly loved grandfather of Alex. Funeral service at Inveraray Parish Church, on Monday, June 15 at 12.00 noon, interment thereafter at Glen Shira Cemetery, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please, donations if desired, for The Royal Institute for the Blind.

**MITCHELL** - Norman Campbell, born Glencaigs Cottage, Drumore, on October 9, 1924, passed away on April 25, 2015 in Leicester Royal Infirmary, aged 90. Husband of the late Margaret (Jordan), father to Barbara, William and Jennifer, father-in-law to Les, Tina and Clive and a loving grandfather and great grandfather. Our dad's ashes will be interred in the family grave in Kilkerran Cemetery, at 11.00am on Thursday, June 18.

**SIMPSON-WAUDBY** - Morag (née Muir), passed away peacefully, on May 31, 2015, aged 89 years, wife of the late Percy Thomas Waudby, mother of Jack and Caroline and mother-in-law of Hilary. Mogie to Richard, Christopher, Sam and Dan. Will be sadly missed.

**STEWART** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on June 8, 2015, Rachel Gilchrist McEachran, in her 77th year, 13 Harbour View, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Jim Stewart, much loved mother of Douglas, Jamie, Margaret and Derek and a much loved and loving granny and great granny. Service will take place in the Lorne and Lowland Parish Church, on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of Alzheimer Scotland, Kintyre Locality.

**ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS**

**CAMERON** - Sandy, Charles, Duncan and their families would like to express their sincere thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for the overwhelming expressions of sympathy, cards, floral tributes, visits and phone calls received following the recent loss of Susan. Our heartfelt thanks are extended to the doctors and medical staff at both Mid Argyll Hospital and the Beatson Hospital, Glasgow, for the exceptional care given to Susan, along with the support given to our family. Grateful thanks to Rev David Carruthers for a most comforting and uplifting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for professional and dignified services; to Morna for the beautiful floral tributes; and to the Stag Hotel for providing an excellent purvey. Our thanks also to Jacky Stewart and Neil MacInnes for their services at the church. Finally, our appreciation

to all who attended at the church and graveside to pay their respects, especially those who travelled a great distance, your support was greatly appreciated by all of us. The retiral collection for the Mid Argyll Cancer Care Group has raised £2,000 at present.

**MCKINLAY** - The family of the late Catherine McKinlay would like to express their gratitude to all their relations, friends and work colleagues for the messages and cards of condolence received on the sad loss of Catherine. We would like to convey our thanks to the Rev Philip Wallace for his reading and tribute at the church and graveside. Thanks also to David McEwan for his moving selection of Gaelic music with the Islay theme and to the Ardshiel Hotel for their excellent purvey. We give our thanks to the staff at Kintyre Care Home for looking after Catherine in the last year. Finally, our grateful thanks to Alasdair Blair and family for the organisation of the funeral, carried out with formality and decorum.

**STEWART** - Nicola and family would like to thank friends, relatives, neighbours and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards and phone calls received following the sad passing of Doreen. Special thanks to the staff of Knapdale Ward for their kind care and attention to Doreen over the last five years. Grateful thanks to Rev Hilda Smith for a comforting and uplifting service; to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient arrangements and for ensuring Doreen's final wishes were carried out; and to the Stag Hotel for fine purvey. Finally, our thanks to all who attended at church service to pay their respects.

**IN MEMORIAMs**

**BINNIE** - In loving memory of Mary, passed away on June 11, 2014. A little red robin came calling today,

A visit from passed ones, I've heard them say, A beady eye, brave wee beak,

Yes this robin, she's full of cheek, Little red breast all puffed and proud, Really did make me laugh out loud.

This visit from my wing friend was plain to see, A presence of Mum, cute as can be. God bless.

- From all the family xxx. **BINNIE** - In loving memory of a dear sister, Mary, died June 11, 2014.

A gentle face, a loving smile Happy days gone, but not forgotten A flower always blooms.

- Love, Ishbel. **MACMILLAN** - In loving memory of Willie, passed away June 11, 2012. Beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather.

Always in our thoughts Sadly missed. - Rose and family.

**MATHIESON** - Hugh, died June 14, 2009. Always in our thoughts. - Maureen and Jamie.

**MCCARTAN** - In loving memory of a dear husband, dad and grandad, Ian, who passed away June 13, 2010. Every day in some small way We miss you more than words can say.

In our hearts you will always stay Loved and remembered every day.

Happy memories. With all our love, Jean, John, Ann, Stuart, Clare, Nicola and your grandchildren.

**MCCONNACHIE** - Treasured memories of my devoted husband, Duncan, who died suddenly on June 14, 1989.

I miss you more than anyone knows, As time goes on the heartache grows,

The tears in my eyes I can wipe away, But the ache in my heart will forever stay.

- Loving wife Dorothy, son Douglas, daughter-in-law Catriona and grandsons Steven and David.

**MCEACHRAN** - John. Precious memories of a dear husband, dad, granda and great granda, died June 8, 2005.

Ten years have passed since you were here But in our eyes there is still a tear

In our hearts you will always stay We love and miss you every day.

- Your loving wife Ena and all the family.

**VIOLA** - In memory of my dear husband, John, who died June 16, 2011.

Loving memories of you are easy to recall Living life without you is the hardest part of all.

- Love, Ann and family.

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Services Achaioish at 9:45am Ardrishaig at 11:00am

**Highland Parish Church**



SCO02493 Sunday 14th June 2015 The service will be conducted by Rev William Crossan and will be held in the church All are welcome



**LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH** SUNDAY 14th JUNE 2015 11.00 am WORSHIP SERVICE

Every Tuesday 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Bumps, Babies and Toddlers

Every Wednesday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Drop-In Cafe Rev. Hilda Smith All Welcome

More info. at www.lpchurch.co.uk Lochgilphead (Church of Scotland) SC016311

**lochgilphead baptist church**

All Welcome Pastor Rev Derek Gibson

Sunday 14th June 2015 11.00am with communion

mainly music Tuesday at 10am

Jumpstart Friday from 10am Scottish Charity SC015187

**LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN**

Sunday 14 June 2015 11.00am

Worship Service for all ages followed by a light lunch Speaker; Eric Spryut from Switzerland

Thursday 18 June 2015 10.00am

Praise, prayer & sharing All Welcome

**NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH**

Charity Number SC001002 Sunday 14 June 2015

Kilmartin Church 11 am Joint Service - Messy Church meets Sunday Church Rev. C. Acklam

Thursday 18 June Messy Church Picnic Kilmartin Green 4 - 6 pm

All welcome Enquiries 01546 606926 www.argyllcommunities.org/nknapdalecofs

**TARBERT LOCHFYN AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**

Sunday 14th June 2015 Tarbert Service 11.30am Rev. Margaret Anderson

For all church enquiries and pastoral care Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator on 07826 235735

Everyone very welcome SC002622

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YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AT:

Tarbert 10.00am, located on School Road.

Lochgilphead 11.30am, located on Lochnell Street/Manse Brae

Minister, Rev. Robert Macleod Prayer Time

Mondays 1.15 - 1.45pm Ladies Bible Study 2pm (fortnightly)

Soup Lunch Monthly (last Thursday) All welcome.

**LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH**

Scottish Charity Number SC011686

Sunday 14th June Service 11.15am

Creche, Triple C, Next Generation, Book Giving Day Rev P Wallace

Tuesday 16th June Tiny Tots New Hall 9.45am

BBs Church Hall Anchor Boys 6pm Junior Section 7.15pm

Friday 19th June BB Display Church Hall

**Campbeltown Corps Church and Community Centre**

Registered Charity No. 214779 and in Scotland SC009359 Burnside Street, Campbeltown 01586 552046

Sunday Services 10.30am Morning Worship Army Kidz

6.30pm Evening Worship Tuesday 12.15pm Lunch Club

1.30pm Home League Wednesday 7.00pm The Make & Munch Mob

Thursday 7.30pm Bible Study & Prayer Lt. Mark Scoulding

**SPRINGBANK EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

75 Longrow, Campbeltown

Tonight - Friday 11th June Kintyre Christian Fellowship

7.30pm in the Church Speaker: Dr Robert Beckett from "Answers in Genesis"

All welcome Sunday 14th June 11.00am Family Communion Service

Rev Jeremy Middleton, Southend Thursday 18th June

7.30pm Bible Study and Prayer For details contact the Church

Office on 01586 551200 or the Church Secretary on 01586 551237 www.springbankchurch.co.uk SC014646

**St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church**

Argyll Street, Campbeltown St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown

Scottish Charity No SC023277 Sunday 14th June

Third Sunday of Pentecost Holy Communion 10.45am All Welcome

Details of services are on the church door Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141

The Scottish Episcopal Church is a Province of the Worldwide Anglican Communion

**CAMPBELTOWN COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Sunday Service 11.00 am

with Sunday School Refreshments after the service

Mainly Music 10.00 - 11.30 am every Thursday

Admission: registered participants only.

Visit our Facebook page to find out when spaces are available

We meet at the Guide Hall, Kinloch Road

www.campbeltowncommunitychurch.co.uk

**KINTYRE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

meeting to be held on Friday 12th June at 7.30pm

in Springbank Evangelical Church, Campbeltown.

Guest Speaker: Dr Robert Beckett from "Answers in Genesis" (written questions can be submitted at the door)

Tea/coffee served after the meeting Literature available Everyone most welcome.

**free church of scotland**

George Street, Campbeltown

Sunday 14th June 11.15am Worship Service Rev Robert Beckett

Wednesday 17th June 12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer

2.00pm - 4.00pm Water of Life Cafe All Welcome

www.campbeltownfreechurch.co Scottish Charity Number: SC009980

**Scottish Episcopal Churches Everyone Welcome**

**Christ Church** Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)

Sundays 11.00 am Eucharist service 4th Sunday of the month 10am

Mattins & 11am Eucharist Service Coffee & Cake follows the service

**St Columba's, Paltalloch, nr Kilmartin** (SC031391)

1st Sunday of the month 9am Eucharist service 3rd Sunday of the month 6.00pm Evensong

Scottish Prayer Book All Saints, Inveraray (SC025646)

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**ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH**

LOCHGILPHEAD Holy Mass Sunday 10am

ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm

ST KIERAN'S CAMPBELTOWN Saturday 5pm

Fr. David Connor 01546 602380 All Welcome (SC0002876)

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# Young players at Red Star 99s rewarded

MANAGERS at Lochgilphead's Red Star 99s for under 16 youths marked the end of the season with an awards presentation for outstanding players.

The club's player of the year and the players' choice was Keiran Moore. Top goal scorer was named as Scott Soudan, goal of the season went to Ryan Caskie for his performance while up against Oban Saints.

The award for most improved player went to Cammy Simpson.

A special award was given to Cammy Thom, as he will move away from the area before the beginning of the next season.

The team reached the semi-finals of the league cup and hope for a second place finish.



The full Redstar 99s squad and coaches with players who won special awards at the front. 06\_a24redstar99s01

## Simulation shoot in Tarbert will be the first in Argyll

MEMBERS of Tarbert Gun Club used last week's sporting shoot to practice for the upcoming simulation shoot later this month.

The event to be held on Sunday, June 21 at Barmore shooting ground,

is set to be the first of its kind in Argyll. Members will team up in pairs for the simulation shoot and will firstly take out a batch of 60 targets coming towards them.

In the second round, they will tackle 80 tar-

gets and, in a third round, they will attempt to overcome 100 targets.

The simulation shoot will be timed to make it manageable and safe for members taking part and it is the first time ever that the club has hosted such an event.

In last Sunday's shoot, members took on 40 targets, divided in to two competitions.

Everyone shot individually and then they were paired randomly with each other.

Andrew MacDonald won the singles, while Roy Laird and Bob McColl took the doubles.

Ten club members are set to take part in a safety instruction course this Sunday, ahead of the simulation shoot.



Malcolm Holder, from Tayinloan, shooting at Barmore on Sunday.

## Local man was pipped to the post

A LOCHGILPHEAD man won a trophy after coming in at second place in a clay pigeon shoot on Saturday.

Andrew Heatherington was pipped to the post of first position by Campbeltown's John Gilchrist at Glendaruel and Colintravaie Gun Club's open shoot.

Heatherington got 140 points and the T and W Mills Trophy.

John Gilchrist's score of 147 ex 150, was described as 'exceptional shooting' in the blustery conditions.

The field of 21 seniors and three juniors competed for the four trophies.

The flight of the clay targets is much affected by wind which can make sudden changes in their height and direction.

The Colintravaie Trophy went to Angus MacDonald, Duror, with 139 points.

Gordon Griffiths, Garelochhead, 138 and

Paul Chalmers, Cairndow, 137 took the last two places.

The Local Challenge Cup went to Derek Street and the top junior

was Archie McBride.

The club thanks those who provided the excellent home baking and dispensed tea and coffee to all present.



In the photo from left to right: Paul Chalmers, Gordon Griffiths, Andy Heatherington, Derek Street, John Gilchrist and Angus MacDonald.

## SHINTY NEWS AND VIEWS

**INVERARAY'S** Macaulay Cup quarter final against Kyles Athletic was called off due to an unplayable field. The dreadful weather that stopped the game had affected Tighnabruach as well and the match will be rescheduled.

Inveraray face Fort William at the Winter-

ton in premiership action on Saturday with a 3pm throw up.

Last time the two sides met in April it was a draw due to a Fort William own goal.

There will be a feast of home action at the weekend as the reserves take on Aberdour earlier at noon.

**KILMORY'S** game against Inveraray reserves did not go ahead as MacRae Park was flooded.

On Saturday Kilmory travel to Taynuilt for a South Division One tie. They will be trying to reverse the result from May 2 when Taynuilt beat Kilmory 2-1.

**BUTES'** match against Strachur was another victim of the weekend weather.

On Saturday they entertain national league side Kilmallie in a Ballymore Cup quarter final tie.

**INVERARAY** 2NDS game was cancelled due

to the weather. It was rescheduled for Tuesday and we will have the result next week.

On Saturday the reserves take on Aberdour at the Winterton. The throw up is at noon.

**STRACHUR'S** game against Bute was called off due to the weather as

the Meadows was unplayable and the same applied at Strachurmore.

Strachur had mustered a strong team for this local derby and hopefully it will be the same when they meet Lochside Rovers at home on Saturday. Throw up is at 2pm.

**KYLES ATHLETIC'S** Macaulay Cup tie against Inveraray was called off due to heavy overnight rain on Friday.

Kyles now have two free weeks to prepare for their Celtic Cup final against Oban Camachd on Saturday, June 27.

# Tight lines for Murdo at Cairnbaan

**Report by Dugald MacGilp**  
 LOCHGILPHEAD and District Angling Club's Murdo MacDonald won the second competition in the Angling Championship at Cairnbaan.

He came out with six brown trout weighing in at three pounds and 11 ounces at last month's competition.

Murdo fished a Kate McLaren fly and a gold sparkler, winning the Peter White memorial trophy. Neil Ward was second with six trout weighing two pounds and 15 ounces. The third club Loch Competition was won by Archie MacGilp senior, with five brown trout weighing three pounds and two ounces. Cammie Crawford

came in behind him with four fish weighing two pounds and three ounces.

On June 3, the club hosted a competition at the Lake of Menteith where Dugald MacGilp came first with twenty rainbow trout weighing 45 pounds and three ounces. Archie MacGilp (snr) was a close second with 19, weighing 39 pounds.

Dugald fished international bay fly with his boat partner, Andy Wilson.

Archie, on the other hand, fished deep in cages bay. But the fish were not rising and were mostly caught on the orange blob fly.

Archie's partner, Dave Pearson, was third with six rainbow trout.



**Prize winners at the Dunoon and District Clay Target Club Spring Shoot from left: Craig McKay, Duncan McColl, Archie McBride, George Lynn, Richard Deane, Bobby Teasdale, Roy Hornall, Dylan McCachuan, David Mundell, Neil Lamont and Willie McDermott.**

## Bobby is the big shot

NINETEEN shooters competed in Dunoon and District Clay Target Club's spring open shoot.

First place in the trophy competition last month, went to the club president, Bobby Teasdale, after he scored 145 x 150 points.

Richard Deane, Dunoon, was second with 143.

There was a tie between David Mundell, Dunoon, and Archie McBride, Dunoon, in third place with 141.

Two other Dunoon members, Roy Hornall and Ian Smith, tied for fifth place with 140.

Visitors to the club also competed for cash prizes in an open shoot. The pool shoot was won by Archie McBride.

### First place

In the open competition, first place went to Willie McDermott, Bute, with 144.

In second place was Ronnie Robertson, Bute, 143.

Third place went to Duncan McColl, Lorne, with 141.

Of the juniors present, Archie McBride, was third overall and is regarded as being in the senior ranks.

Two Dunoon junior members shooting in the confined competition, Craig McKay took first place with 102 and Neil Lamont, 80.

Visitor Dylan McLachlan, Bute, returned a creditable 110.

### Club lottery numbers

ALAN Blair and Carolilne Ronald shared this week's Tarbert Football Club jackpot of £700. Their numbers were 2, 7 and 17 drawn on Monday.

Next week will see £100 up for the taking.

There were no winners in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery. The numbers drawn were 8, 9 and 20. The jackpot next week totals £1,000.

A man named only as Tomas won £500 from this week's Kilmory Camanachd Club's lottery. His numbers were 5, 10 and 16. Next week the jackpot prize will be £100.

### Pre-season for Oban Saints

Saturday July 11 - D & K Lafferty Tournament Mossfield Stadium.

Saturday July 18 - Vale of Leven Juniors at Glencruitten.

Saturday July 25 - East Kilbride at Glencruitten.

Saturday August 1 - Rhu Tournament

Saturday August 8 - Argyll and Bute Cup Tournament in Lochgilphead

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## Dolphins dunk new pool manager

AS PART of a team tradition, a new pool manager took to the water to swim the gauntlet.

Graham Love, who started at Mid Argyll Community Pool (MACPool) in Lochgilphead on Monday, re-

ceived a splashing welcome from the Dolphins swimming group last Thursday evening.

Instructor Arlene Greene said: 'Every swimmer has put in so much effort this season in the pool and I'm just

delighted with such results.

'New members of Dolphins and new staff members always swim the gauntlet. It is a tradition they have practised for years and it's a bit of fun. To pass the challenge the person has to swim through as the children create waves and try make it difficult.'

Graham managed to plough through the choppy waters, and passed the challenge, but not without a struggle.

Elder member of Dolphins, Ruby Bosom-

worth, 15, showed Graham how it was done when she took up the challenge. She swam the gauntlet with ease by diving deep under the water.

Arlene said: 'Everybody gets caught out first time, by swimming at the top of the water.'

Graham also presented two members with Swimmer of the Month trophies.

Jilly Lefebvre, 11, and Lorne Barrie, 14, received trophies for working hard to improve their technique as well as their stamina.



Jilly Lefebvre with her Swimmer of the Month trophy. 08\_a24pool02



Lorne Barrie receives his Swimmer of the Month trophy from Graham Love. 08\_a24pool03



Graham Love in choppy waters 'swimming the gauntlet' . . . 08\_a24pool01



. . . but he managed a smile afterwards! 08\_a24pool04

## Red Star future primary three kids get up and running in new football team

A FOOTBALL team of six and seven-year-olds is up and running in Mid Argyll.

Red Star 2007s are the newest team to emerge from Lochgilphead Soccer Centre and have already been put through their paces at various events.

The primary three's are having fun taking part in the Helensburgh Football Festival and local team events.

The 2007s have been kitted out with new football strips courtesy of the

centre and the team now undertakes additional training on a Wednesday evening, with regular practice games in the Oban league on Sunday mornings.

Bruce West, chairman of Lochgilphead Soccer Centre, said: 'The long term future for the adult Red Star team has never looked brighter.'

Team players are Calum Green, Logan Philips, Benjamin Tustin, Ewan Donnan, Euan McCartan, Struin Urquhart, George Curran,

Cameron Lewis, Gavin Small and Jamie Angus.

Although there are 10 players in the team, any children born in 2007 who are interested in being involved, are being encouraged to give it a try.

The soccer centre open day will be held on the morning of Saturday, June 20, at Mid Argyll Sports Centre.

For more details contact team coach, Stuart Green, at spg22@btinternet.com



Keen footballers who have started out in Red Star 2007s.

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