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Hundreds gather to show support for armed forces

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THE GREAT and the good assembled in Lochgilphead last Saturday to join many other people showing support for our armed forces, past and present.

As the only such event to be held in Argyll and Bute, groups travelled from Dunoon, Campbeltown, Oban and many other parts to the Mid Argyll town to be part of the occasion.

More than 500 local people turned out in bright sunshine at Lochgilphead front green for a special day that began with a parade along Argyll Street to Poltalloch Street.

Chests puffed with pride, military veterans marched behind Mid Argyll Pipe Band, joined on parade by members of the Royal British Legion Campbeltown branch, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Association, army cadets from around Argyll, coastguard personnel and Oban sea

cadets. Mid Argyll Round Table members provided stewards for the day,

Councillor Donnie McMillan took the salute from the parade - under the inimitable direction of Colour Sergeant David Rhodick - with the region's MP Brendan O'Hara, Michael Russell MSP, Argyll and Bute provost Len Scoullar and councillor Sandy Taylor alongside.

In a significant feather in the event's cap, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders ACF commandant, Colonel Brian Hume, chose to attend Lochgilphead rather than a larger Armed Forces Day celebration in Stirling.

With all kinds of events held across the UK over a number of weeks, Armed Forces Day is designed to be a chance to show support for the men and women who make up the armed forces community - from currently serving troops to



Veterans lead the way in the colourful morning parade. 06_a26afd03

service families, veterans and cadets.

While old friends and comrades met up and chatted over a coffee or something stronger, there was plenty to keep everyone amused among the various stalls set up on the front green - and the occasion was topped off by beautiful weather.

Chairman of Lochgilp-

head Armed Forces Day Geordie Rhodick said: 'A big thank you to our volunteers and everyone who travelled from near and far to help make the sixth Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day another success.

Thanks as well to local shops for donating prizes and decorating their windows. The local community gives us great sup-

port year after year, and we thank people for all their help.'

Colonel Hume echoed Mr Rhodick's view. 'This has been an absolutely fantastic day,' he said. 'There has been a good crowd of people here and the weather just puts the icing on the cake.'

More from Armed Forces Day on page 14.

Serious road accidents

A MAN died and a motorcyclist was seriously injured in two separate incidents on Argyll's trunk roads.

Full story, page 3.

A83 petition progress

A PARLIAMENTARY committee is to debate a petition set up to press for a permanent solution to the problems on the A83.

Full story, page 2.

Auchindrain open day fun

PEOPLE gathered from far and wide to turn back the clock at a fascinating open day in Auchindrain township museum.

Full story, page 9.

Youngsters on song

MID ARGYLL Youth Chorus showed off its talent at a recent variety show.

The youngsters sang, acted and danced their way through the event at Ardrishaig Public Hall.

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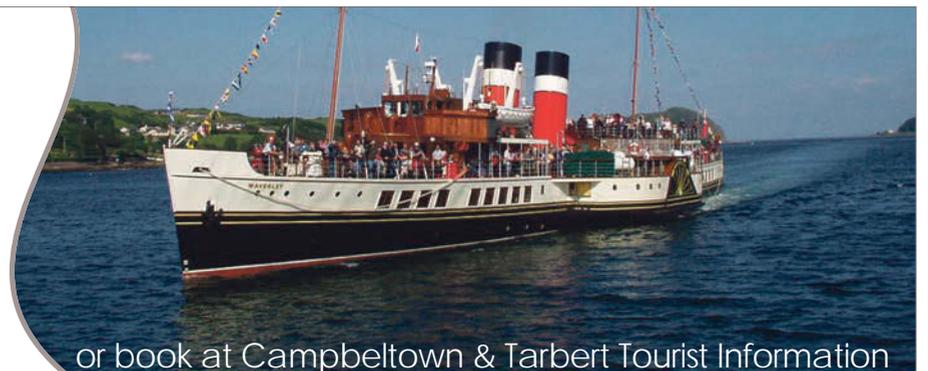
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Trunk road petition to be heard by parliament committee



A PETITION to press for a permanent solution to problems on the A83 trunk road is to be debated by the Public Petitions Committee at the Scottish Parliament.

The petition was launched by the Argyll First group of Argyll and Bute councillors in 2014. Since then the group has given evidence to the Pub-

lic Petitions Committee and the committee travelled to the Rest and Be Thankful for a site visit before meeting in Inveraray with then transport minister Derek MacKay.

Ahead of the latest committee on June 30, Argyll First member Councillor Dougie Philand said: 'It is important members of the public send in their

thoughts to the committee.

'Please let them know how strongly we feel about the A83 before June 30.'

You can add your support to the petition on the Scottish Parliament website.

The petitions committee hearing will also be live-streamed on the Scottish Parliament website.

Hindering medical staff lands Lochgilphead man in jail

A LOCHGILPHEAD man has been jailed for obstructing and hindering medical staff from doing their job.

The court heard that Luke Bowden was admitted to the accident and emergency department at Mid Argyll Community Hospi-

tal on the afternoon of March 23 this year after falling over, apparently because he was drunk.

Two nurses on duty that day said they believed he was clearly under the influence of alcohol and needed a staff member to be with him at all times.

He was unable to respond to 'clear and reasonable' instructions and was not co-operating with medical staff.

Bowden, aged 39, was said to have got up

and wondered around the hospital. The police were called to 'try and get him to behave and engage with us' said one of the nurses.

On Tuesday at the Lochgilphead annex of Dunoon Sheriff Court, Bowden took the stand in his own defence and claimed he hadn't been drinking that day, but was, in fact, in alcohol withdrawal.

Sheriff Ward found him guilty and sentenced him to 40 days in prison.

Argyll First councillors gave evidence to the committee at an earlier hearing. Left to right: Donald Kelly, Dougie Philand and John McAlpine.

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Vandalism

WINDOWS at Lochgilphead Community Centre were broken sometime between 5pm on Friday June 10 and 8.20am on Monday June 13.

Five windows were smashed in the incident. Police are also investigating reports of one window being broken the previous weekend. Police are appealing for any information.

Machete possession

A 51-year-old man was searched and found in possession of a machete near Kilmory Industrial Estate at 4pm on Wednesday June 15.

The man was detained and a report has been sent to the procurator fiscal.

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Serious road accidents in Argyll

ONE MAN was killed and another seriously injured in two separate road accidents last weekend in Argyll.

John Allan, 51, was driving an Opal GT car at Firkin Point on the A82, just south of Tarbet about 1.20pm on Sunday June 19, when it was involved in a collision with a BMW travelling in the opposite direction.

Mr Allan, from Larnark, was taken to the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital but medical staff were unable to save him. His female passenger was treated for minor injuries at the same hospital. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

The day before, Saturday June 18, a motorcyclist was seriously injured in an accident on the A83 near the Salmon Draft just outside Inveraray. He was taken to the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital.

No-one else was involved in the incident, which happened about 4.20pm. The road was closed until 8.45pm while police investigated. Anyone with any information is asked to contact their local police station on 101 or crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



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Young group members remember past sacrifices

IN THE quiet before the Armed Forces Day parade arrived last Saturday, there was a poignant moment at Lochgilphead front green.

As veterans gathered, the event's main organiser, Betty Rhodick, presented 65 hand-knitted poppies to Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (MAYDS).

The youth group spent two years looking in depth at the people whose names are inscribed on Lochgilphead's war memorial. Supported by the

Heritage Lottery Fund, MAYDS members uncovered all kinds of information and tales of tragedy and heroism. Youth worker Raymond Flanagan said: 'Our members really enjoyed this project. They learned a lot from it while giving them a link with the relatively recent past.'

'The work they have done will contribute to accredited learning towards youth achievement awards.'

Betty, who knitted every one of the poppies herself, explained: 'The number 65 is sig-

nificant, because there are 65 names on the memorial from the First World War.'

'This was an excellent project by the young people and we wanted to show our appreciation to coincide with Armed Forces Day.'

As the Lochgilphead memorial project draws to a close, the attention of the youth group now turns to Ardrishaig war memorial. They would be pleased to hear from anyone with information on the names on this monument.



Left to right: Betty Rhodick, Myrin Robertson, Hannah Nicolson, Sarah Nicolson, Raymond Flanagan and Armed Forces Day chairman Geordie Rhodick at the poppy presentation. 06_a26maydsPoppy01

Pool birthday ceilidh fun

CELEBRATIONS to mark Mid Argyll Community Pool's 20th birthday will culminate with a special ceilidh in Ardrishaig Public Hall.

Canned Haggis will

get everyone up on the dance floor, supported by local musicians.

This is not to be missed and tickets for the event tomorrow, June 25, are £8 for adults, £4 for chil-

dren and are available on the door.

The evening begins at 7.30pm and includes a bring and share buffet.

For full details, see notice on page eight.

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Funding sought as Rest and Be Thankful visitors' scheme unveiled

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A SCOTLAND-wide search for funding goes on for the man looking to build a visitors' centre at the top of the Rest.

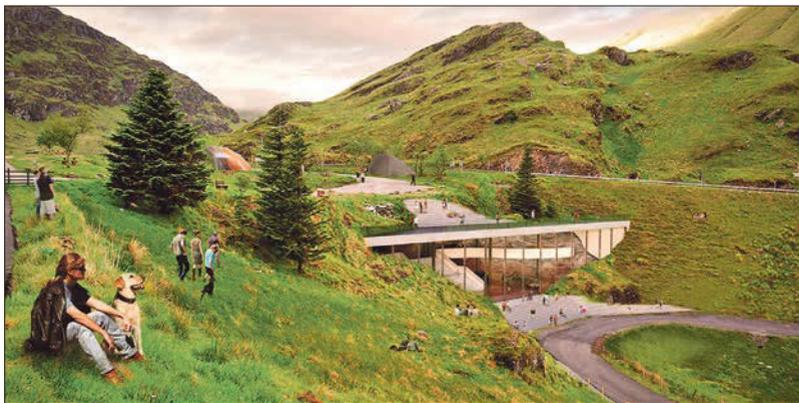
In recognition of the Rest and be Thankful hill climbs of the past, the centre would have an element of motorsport as a theme - but would

also incorporate a restaurant, shops and perhaps even a small cinema.

The man behind the scheme is retired academic Douglas Anderson - responsible for the return of the Monte Carlo Rally to Scotland in 2011 - who hopes the centre, set within the picturesque

landscape, will breathe new life into the popular stopping place and bring tourism spend and jobs to local communities.

Douglas Anderson said: 'The location of the proposed building at the Rest and be Thankful has great significance in motorsport terms because of the famous hill climb races. It was seen as the ultimate test for drivers in many ways be-



The architect's impression of how the finished centre might look.

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Douglas Anderson and John Cleland, centre, flanked by Fiona Sichi, Gary Kennedy, Chris Twaddle and Ibai Ortuzar from Kennedy Twaddle with a 1:100 scale model of the proposed visitors' centre. 06_a26restplans01

cause of the steepness and conditions and many greats like Jackie Stewart raced there. It is therefore the ideal place to celebrate Scotland's impressive motorsport heritage.

'The idea is to mark that connection within a permanent exhibition space but the project itself is more. The building will be a multi-use centre which could be used by the local community for film, business and cultural events. There

will also be retail space and a restaurant.'

The proposed building, nestling within the contours of the mountainside, has been designed by Kennedy Twaddle Architectural Design to use the stunning vista at the summit of the glen - already a favourite stopping place.

Meetings with officials from Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park, VisitScotland, the Forestry Commission,

Transport Scotland, MSPs and local politicians have been very positive, said Mr Anderson.

The glass-fronted building would sit below the car park and architectural designers Chris Twaddle and Gary Kennedy believe the attraction is respectful of the natural beauty of the site.

Sympathetic

'We wanted it to be sympathetic to its context but we also wanted to frame the view and accentuate the natural amphitheatre of the valley. It is subtly quiet but exciting, visually,' said Gary Kennedy.

The next stage in an extensive awareness-raising exercise will see the proposals go on tour round Scotland, as a search for finance goes on.

The exhibition, which was launched in Helensburgh last Thursday, will consist of a scale model of the building, architectural drawings and a 'fly-through' video clip. Members of the public will be invited to comment.

'The scheme has the backing of Scottish motorsport greats, Sir Jackie Stewart and

multiple British touring car champion John Cleland,' said Douglas Anderson.

John Cleland was in Helensburgh to lend his weight to the launch. Speaking to *The Advertiser*, Borders-based Mr Cleland said: 'I first came to the famous Rest and be Thankful hill climbs in 1961 when my father was a scrutineer and that was really my first motorsport event. Jackie Stewart was racing that day and there were other famous names from the British championships, because this was a serious hill climb and quite a dangerous one at the time. I think the design they have come up with is really tastefully done. There's nothing like it in Scotland as far as motorsport goes and I think it is a fabulous idea.'

Douglas Anderson concluded: 'The exhibition will now go on tour round Scotland and hopefully we will get a grant or sponsorship to go forward towards a planning application. If we get outline planning permission, we'll go for sources of bigger funding like the National Lottery or private sponsors.'

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GOOD - GALBRAITH

At the Lyle Kirk in Greenock and the Lochgreen House Hotel, Troon, on 27th May 2016, Mark, elder son of Clive and Jeanette Good of Campbeltown, to Laura, elder daughter of Duncan and Mairi Galbraith of Greenock. A wonderful day!

Toppers say thanks to Tarbert Gun Club

KIND-HEARTED members of Tarbert Gun Club collected £1,000 for Tarbert Yacht Club over the winter.

The sailors plan to use the money for their junior section, the Tarbert Toppers, and when

Bob McColl from the gun club handed over the cheque he was offered tea and home-made cake from the grateful youngsters.

Commodore Andrew Pedan said: 'We thank the gun club

for this generous donation. It means we can keep giving the children of Tarbert and surrounding communities the chance to learn to sail and encourage life-long enjoyment of the water.'



Bob McColl from Tarbert Gun Club presents the cheque to Tarbert Yacht Club.



Marian chats to a customer and signs her book. 08_a25signing01

Argyll author launches new book on the Crinan Canal

THE CRINAN Canal is the subject of a new book by Argyll author Marian Pallister.

To mark the book launch, the Vic 32 puffer which sits in the canal basin at Crinan

opened its hatches on Saturday June 11 for people, including Marian, to have a look around. Earlier Marian had signed copies of her book and chatted to customers at Argyll

Book Centre, Lochgilphead. The event proved so popular, extra copies of the book had to be brought in.

The launch day ended with an event at the Crinan Hotel.



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A community effort

IN MORE ways than one, Mid Argyll was the centre of Argyll last Saturday.

People came from across the region to Lochgilphead to mark Armed Forces Day.

It was great to see local retailers get behind it with fantastic window displays - towards which their customers donated old photos, memorabilia and family tales.

It has been a marvellous community effort and everyone who helped deserves credit for their dedication. There were a couple of last-minute glitches that were ironed out thanks to common sense and goodwill and the whole day seemed to be greatly enjoyed by everyone who went along. The pubs got a wee turn out of it as well as veterans shared a yarn over a couple of drams.

But what a difference the weather made to the day - as it always does for any event.

Here's hoping the weather plays ball for every other festival, games, show and concert going on over the rest of the summer.

Road inconvenience

STAFF from this newspaper were caught up in lengthy diversions following both of last weekend's serious accidents, as reported on page three.

The detours, involving trips via Crianlarich on Saturday and Helensburgh via the A814 the following day, were inconvenient, lengthy and mildly stressful.

A nuisance undoubtedly, but surely our temporary inconvenience matters little in comparison to the situation the victims, their families and friends find themselves in following serious road crashes.

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Parking in Inveraray

Sir,

It is with dismay I note Argyll and Bute Council's latest plan to hammer visitors to Inveraray. Not content with charging for parking in the summer, it now intends charging all year round.

The local economy is dependent on visitors and this new charge provides no encouragement to stop and shop or stay in the winter months.

I have also noted there are no parking charges in Lochgilphead, Ardrishaig, or Tarbert.

Once again the Royal Burgh is being picked upon. I trust that councillors Taylor, MacMillan, and Philand voted against this measure - if not, why not?

**Gordon McInnes,
Inveraray.**

It's not the Rest

Sir,

Too much attention is being paid to the problems on the Rest and be Thankful.

Through the summer months the main cause of disruption to our road system is the time taken to investigate road traffic accidents.

When the A82 Balloch to Tarbet section is closed, as it was on Sunday afternoon for at least eight hours, the recommended diversion was by Callander.

At such times why can't the A814 Helensburgh to Arrochar road be restricted

to light traffic and adequate information be made available to the travelling public.

This paper could help by highlighting the plight of readers missing flights and trains.

**David Inglis,
Ardrishaig**

Thanks, Fyne Homes

Sir,

My Fyne Homes house has recently been extended and upgraded.

This is due to my long-term medical condition

and the unavailability of adequate, suitable housing in Mid Argyll. I am writing this letter to thank Fyne Homes and their team for all the effort, support and work they put into making my home suitable for me and my family. In particular I would like to thank Jimmy Ewing, Kerri Baxter and Kari Maxwell who made the upheaval run as smoothly as possible. These new living arrangements will make a huge difference in my every day life so thank you once again.

**Pasqua Faccenda,
Ardrishaig.**

EU referendum

Sir,

The history of referendums throughout Europe suggest the result may depend on factors outside both Holyrood and Westminster control.

French President Charles De Gaulle, who resigned after losing a referendum 1969, reputedly said that while you know the question on the ballot paper, you never know the question people will choose to answer.

**Tommy Macpherson,
Saddell.**

Hard work pays off for Jamie

KEEN biker Jamie Menzies has put himself in the fast lane to success after gaining a professional certificate in road haulage.

Lochgilphead man Jamie, 38, who works as assistant transport manager for MacLeod Construction Limited, worked hard for his award.

He travelled to the central belt for training and studied in his own time to complete the challenging Certificate of Professional Competence in Road Haulage.

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Passion

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Jamie with his certificate.

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Bill's key role in the west nears its end in retirement

by Colin Cameron
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AMONG the many letters of thanks and appreciation, one former customer of Bill Gray wrote: 'We will miss this gracious, delightful man.'

As news began to spread that Bill was about to retire after a 70-year career as a piano tuner, many people felt compelled to let him know that his friendship would be missed just as much as his undoubted mastery of pitch-perfect tuning.

He has had customers and friends the length and breadth of Argyll and the islands, and at one time kept instruments in shape from Southend, Kintyre, to the northernmost tip of Skye. It all began in the immediate post-war years when 15-year-old Bill was looking for an apprenticeship in his home town of

Clydebank. In 1946, he began a five-year piano tuning apprenticeship in the Clydebank branch of Wm Thomson & Sons on Kilbowie Road, just along from the Singer factory and John Brown's shipyard.

Bill later moved to work with Glasgow firm Paterson, Sons & Co, where he looked after customers right across the west coast and islands of Scotland.

'It was while working with Paterson that I came to Ardrishaig', said Bill. 'At that time I would be tuning more than 20 pianos every week.'

In 1957, he took on former Paterson's customers and became self-employed as a piano tuner. Two years later Bill married Ed-

inburgh lass Helen and they moved to Chalmers Street, Ardrishaig.

Travelling around with his motorbike and sidecar – not Helen's favourite mode of transport – Bill was, by this time, a familiar and much-loved character in the west. 'I have had gallons of tea and loads of chocolate biscuits over the years, and I have to say that so many of my customers have become friends.'

From humble upright pianos in family homes to magnificent Steinway grand pianos in cathedrals and castles, Bill has tuned them all, mostly to A440 standard pitch.

'Dunvegan Castle on Skye was one place I remember tuning a piano, for the chief of the MacLeods,' said Bill.

'On the island of Canna, though, John Lorne Campbell and his wife Margaret Fay



Still engrossed in achieving perfection in the art of tuning – in this case the family piano in Ardrishaig. 06_a24billgray01

Shaw had no fewer than four pianos in Canna House. They were marvellous people,' Bill recalls.

He reels off a few other famous names and clients – from writer, poet and Carradale resident Naomi Mitchison to best-selling romantic thriller writer Mary Stewart, who had a home on the banks of Loch Awe. All are now gone, but fondly remembered by Bill Gray.

It is with a hint of sadness that Bill, who will celebrate his 85th birthday in October, reveals that this will be the first year since he started his west coast tuning travels that he won't reach the Ar-

gyll islands. He added: 'I gather there are folk on Mull still looking for me, and Sir Charles MacLean at Strachur House would have none of it when I told him I was to retire. But it's time to take it a bit easier.'

He has set his official retirement date as June 30, but Bill will not be easing himself into an armchair any time soon. He ex-

plained: 'There are a few outstanding jobs I intend to finish off, and I have agreed to help with the music festival in Campbeltown, but I won't be taking on any more work beyond that.'

And there is still, of course, the Gray family piano to keep in top-notch condition.

'This piano was bought for Helen by her father in 1946,'

said Bill, 'so she was a piano player before I knew anything about tuning pianos.'

The enthusiasm and love that this gentleman has for both the piano and for people is clearly evident. The people – and the various pianos – up and down the western seaboard will certainly miss Bill Gray's skill, and his gentle good humour.



This photo of Bill was taken a few years back while he was still busy tuning all over the west.



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Musical youth chorus puts on show

IT'S NOT often you hear the Mamas and the Papas' classic song *California Dreamin'* followed by *Uptown Funk* - but that's what was on offer at Mid Argyll Youth Chorus' variety show.

The multi-talented young folk sang, danced and acted to the delight of the audience at Ardrishaig Public Hall on June 14.

Comperes Alistair Cupples and Holly Renton kept the evening moving between acts and found

time to perform themselves. Members of the drama group had their family and friends laughing out loud during a sketch in each half.

As well as performing as part of the chorus, a number of singers performed solo.

Contrasting

Eve Maxwell perfectly captured the essence of her two contrasting songs, the joyful *I Could Have Danced All Night* from *My Fair Lady*, and the despair of *L'ho Perduta* from

the *Marriage of Figaro*. There were guest artists ready and willing to do a turn with Abbie Williams performing songs in both English and Gaelic.

Three members of Lochgilphead Primary School Pipe Band, two drummers and one piper, took to the stage to perform *Green Hills of Tyrol* and *When the Battle's over*.

The evening ended with a sing-song of *The Heavenly Aeroplane* by the entire youth chorus.



Members of the youth chorus perform. 08_a25chorus03



Rotary Club ball benefits charity

MARIE Curie fundraisers were delighted to accept a cheque from the Rotary Club of Mid Argyll.

Cheque

Customers at a cream tea being held for the charity took a break from enjoy-

ing delicious home-baking to watch the cheque being presented to Marie Curie's Mid Argyll fundraising branch by Rotary Club president Bruce Robertson.

More than £2,400 was

raised for the charity at the Rotary Club's charity ball in Stonefield Castle last month.

Guests at the ball danced the night away to the music of Archie McAllister and his band.

Marie Curie fundraisers accept the cheque from Bruce Robertson. 08_a25cheque01

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Old and new in harmony at Auchindrain open day

BEAUTIFUL weather helped draw crowds to an open day at Auchindrain Township.

There was plenty to keep everyone entertained, including a new high-tech visitor guide.

Special home-made stovies were not the only attraction in the museum's tearoom as Myles Clark from Lochgilphead offered a selection of tunes on the accordion to wel-

come visitors. With free admission for the day, visitors could experience a genuine bow tent, as used by the travelling community and farm workers in years gone by. In one of the preserved township cottages, smells and tastes from long ago were revived by Kathy McGuigan as she made pancakes on a girdle above an open fire.

It was warm work on a hot day, but Kathy was ably assisted by her granddaughter Nicole Townsley.

Visitors could also witness the land being turned over by plough.

In a nice echo of the past, the tractor used was the very grey Fergie used by the last tenants of the township, the MacCallums.

With grant aid, the tractor was brought back to the township



The Inverclyde Waulking Group - Sgioba Luaidh Inbhichluaidh - performs. 06_a26auch02

five years ago after being identified as the one bought by Eddie MacCallum in 1961.

Once ploughed, black oats - a strain of oats commonly grown for winter feed around Argyll until the 1960s - will be sown.

Auchindrain operations director Bob Clark said: 'The sun shone and we were pleased to welcome a mixture of old friends and new to our open day.'

He added: 'For those who missed this event, come and see us some other time this summer.'



Auchindrain curator Sharon Martin and visitor assistant Christine Townsley in the tearoom. 06_a26auch04



Bob Clark's son, Andrew, tries his hand at ploughing in preparation for the sowing of black oats. 06_a26auch05



Nicole Townsley from Lochgilphead, with her grandmother Kathy McGuigan, pouring pancake mixture on to the girdle. 06_a26auch01



Innes Carmichael spins for the open day visitors. 06_a26auch03

The Waverley - still going strong after seven decades

THE MAJESTIC paddle steamer *Waverley* is embarking on her summer tours around the coast of Argyll.

She sails from Tarbert every Wednesday from June 22 until August 24, giving passengers a chance to view the magnificent scenery of Scotland's longest sea loch, Loch Fyne, as they sail towards Kilfinan Bay.

Sailing from Campbeltown for two days only on July 3,

passengers can visit Ireland and spend time ashore in Redbay or perhaps stay on board and cruise the Antrim Coast. Then, on August 14, cruise to the Sanda isles and onward towards the Mull of Kintyre. 2016 is a special year for the *Waverley* as it marks 70 years since her launch in 1946.

Her first public sailing was not until June 16 1947 as she spent a year in Greenock being fitted out. She still sails

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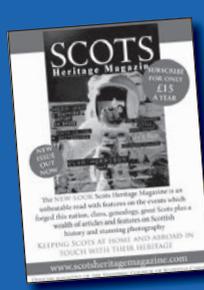
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John honoured for charity work

YEARS of charity work by a Loch Fyne-side man were recognised when he was awarded the OBE in the Queen's birthday honours list.

John Challis, from Strachur, has been principal trustee of the Raven Trust since its formation in 2000



John Challis.

and was sending parcels, part loads and then full containers to Malawi before that.

The Raven Trust helps the people of the central African nation of Malawi to fight poverty. It regularly sends out shipping containers full of a wide variety of goods - from medical supplies to books, tools and footballs.

The charity has also undertaken building and maintenance projects, rebuilt a hospital boat for Lake Malawi and published distant learning materials on tool maintenance.

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The photographs are understood never to have been seen in public before and we are grateful to be granted access to this precious collection from a bygone era.

Look out for more photographs from George Gray's collection in future editions of *The Argyllshire Advertiser*.

If you can add any information to any of the published photographs, please contact the *Advertiser* by email at editor@argyllshireadvertiser.co.uk or call 01546 602345.



Taking the Royal Route

THIS week we cross the Firth of Lorn to the beautiful isle of Mull or, more accurately, Tobermory Bay.

Tobermory is the largest settlement on the island, lying on the north western tip of Mull, handily placed at the northern extremity of the Sound of Mull.

The village derives its name from the Gaelic 'Tobar Mhoire', meaning the well of Mary. Mary's Well and Mary's Chapel date back to the Medieval period. The water from the well was said to possess medicinal properties.

The town of Tobermory was established in 1788 by the British Fisheries Society.

Its layout was based on the designs of Dumfriesshire engineer Thomas Telford, who was also responsible for design on the Caledonian and Crinan canals.

In 1847, Queen Victoria visited Tobermory in the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, describing Tobermory as 'prettily situated'.

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In George Gray's photo, which was perhaps taken from a steamer, the Western Isles Hotel sits proudly on its clifftop site. The 26-bed hotel was designed and built specifically as a hotel in 1882, so was a relatively new building when George Gray took the picture.

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LOOKING out over the isle of Jura, Danna Farm, near Tayvallich, was the venue earlier this week for a beginners' course in sheep shearing.

The British Wool Marketing Board runs training events from basic to advanced level at venues throughout Scotland and this course saw seven

young clippers turn up in the hope of gaining their blue, bronze or silver sheep shearing certificate.

Instructor for the course starting on Tuesday June 21 was full time shepherd Kieran McCullough from Tayvallich.

Providing the facilities and some fit and lively blackface hogs

for the occasion was Tayvallich Estate.

Kieran said: 'They are doing well considering this is the first time some of them have held a handpiece, never mind sheared a sheep.'

The trainees travelled from Campbeltown, Kilninver and the isle of Bute to benefit from Kieran's experience as

a former contract shearer around the world.

Philip Peterson from Scammadale, near Kilninver said: 'Kieran is a really good teacher. He has patience with everyone, which makes it more relaxed.'



Arran MacCallum from Machrihanish gets tips from tutor Kieran. 06_a26shearing01



Farmers listen to a Police Scotland officer.

Crime prevention and fire safety day

ARGYLL and the islands farmers took part in a free farm fire safety and crime prevention event on Friday June 17.

The informal event was organised jointly by NFU Scotland, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Forestry Commission and Scottish Land and Estates and provided an opportunity for farmers to dis-

cuss their rural crime and fire-related issues.

Taking place at Luss Estates, the event included practical demonstrations on security systems, crime prevention equipment and fire safety techniques.

Advice

Tom French, NFU Scotland's Regional chairman for Forth and Clyde, commented: 'NFU Scotland contin-

ues to work with partner agencies to provide farmers with practical advice on protecting their property. This event is the latest in a series of similar events being organised by the union across the country.'

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Armed Forces Day celebrated in Lochgilphead



Saluting the spirit of Armed Forces Day are, left to right, forces' sweetheart Amanda Cowan, landgirl Amanda Duffy Brown, Wren officer Corrina Charlwood and landgirls Michaela King and Helen Gillies. 08_a26afday16

MORE than 500 people enjoyed last Saturday's Armed Forces Day celebrations in Lochgilphead - the only event of its kind in Argyll and Bute.

A selection of photographs from the beautifully sunny occasion is published in this week's edition. Look out for more Armed Forces Day pictures in next Friday's *Argyllshire Advertiser*.



On parade at Armed Forces Day 2016 are, left to right, Argyll and Bute Council provost, Len Scoullar; Councillor Sandy Taylor; Colonel Brian Hume, commandant of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders ACF; Councillor Donnie McMillan; Michael Russell MSP, organiser Betty Rhodick and Brendan O'Hara MP. 06_a26afday10

Veterans meet again at Armed Forces Day



Len and Geordie enjoyed catching up at Armed Forces Day. 08_a26afday01

FOR MANY veterans, Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day is a chance to meet up with old colleagues and friends they haven't seen for years or even decades.

Len Hamilton served in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders as a Permanent Staff Instructor (PSI). He thinks he must have trained 'hundreds' of soldiers around Mid Argyll and said: 'I did here, (Lochgilphead), Tarbert and Inveraray.'

One of the soldiers was Geordie Rhoddick

who was delighted to see his old PSI and said of Len: 'He was brilliant. He really cared about his soldiers.'

The two served in Berlin when the battalion was posted there in 1969 and into 1970 but lost touch, only meeting again at the Armed Forces Day more than 40 years later.

Under clear blue skies, the two men enjoyed a drink and a catch up with other veterans from the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who

were easily recognised by their red and white diced glengarry.

Len, who had a 20-year military career, said: 'When you're a soldier you rely on other soldiers to help and look out for you.'

Both 84-year-old Len and Geordie, whose wife Betty runs the Armed Forces Day, thoroughly enjoyed the event. 'The reason for it is to come together again. It makes no difference to people how long it's been since you last saw them.'

A window into our wartime past

CLOTHING shop owner Amanda Duffy Brown won the award for best dressed window on Armed Forces Day.

Many Lochgilphe-

ad retailers got into the spirit of the event in the week leading up to Saturday, creating fantastic scenes in shop windows around town.

A top secret judging

panel, which may have included some well-known local councillors, decided Amanda's display in D&D's Clothing Store just pipped its rivals.

As she received a new trophy from Geordie Rhodick, chairman of Lochgilphead Armed Forces Day, and his wife Betty, Amanda said: 'My grandfather served in the Royal Navy in the Far East during the war and I was pleased to get a photograph of Argylls from Campbeltown to put in the window.'



Amanda receives her trophy from Betty and Geordie Rhodick. 06_a26afdaywindow01

Erskine veterans join the celebrations

VETERANS from the Army, Navy and Royal Air Force travelled from Erskine Park Home to Lochgilphead for Armed Forces Day.

Day out

Half a dozen residents came for a day out along with carers and volunteers from the centre and said they were very well looked after.

Carer Carol MacPhail

said: 'We come every year because Betty and everyone else always look after us so well.'

This year was no exception with the group taking time to meet with other veterans and bask in the sun on Lochgilphead front green.

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Tarbert Seafood Festival 2016



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ONE of Tarbert Seafood Festival 2016's most highly anticipated events will be when a village girl joins the royalty.

This year's Seafood Festival Queen Laura McCaffery and her princesses Iona McArthur and Brooke Prentice will be brought across Tarbert Harbour by boat and piped along the main street before the crowning ceremony at 1pm on July 2.

Entertainment from TJ Mac will be followed by Councillor Anne Horn officially declaring the Seafood Festival open.

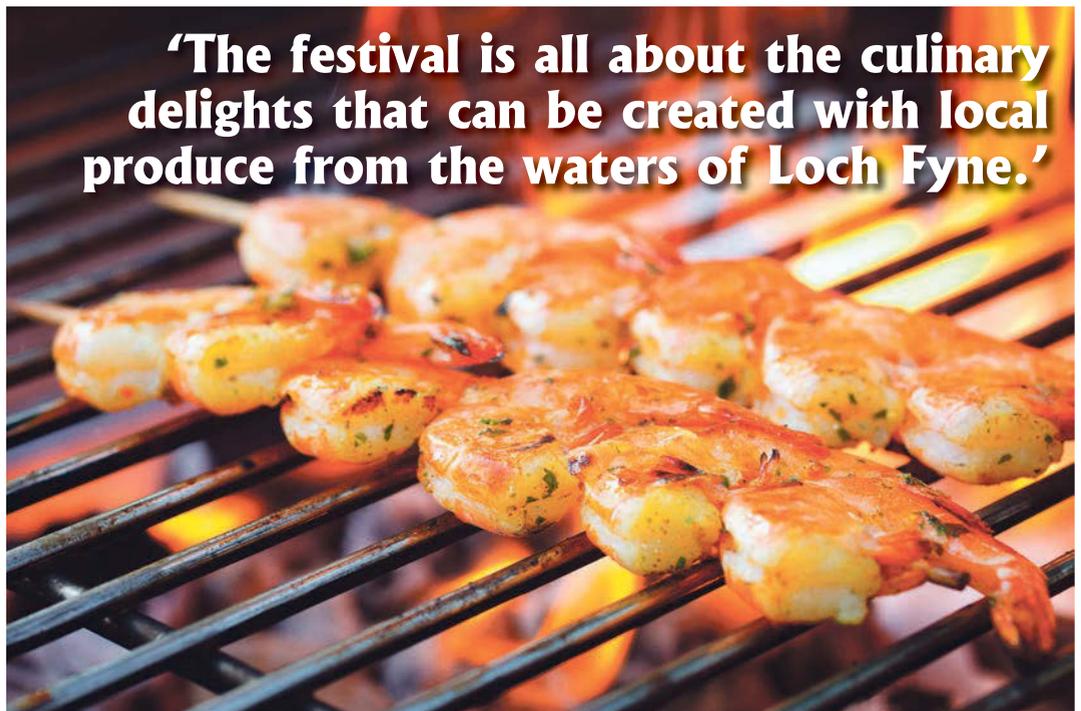
The annual festival, held this year on July 2 and 3, is a great family weekend out and a highlight of Argyll's festival season. The event draws visitors from around the world. Stalls line the harbour showcasing quality local seafood, with taster sessions and cookery demonstrations taking place throughout the weekend. And with mu-

sic, dance, entertainment and children's activities running throughout the weekend, Tarbert Seafood Festival 2016 is sure to be two days of marvellous food, drink and craic.

The festival is all about the culinary delights that can be created with local produce from the waters of Loch Fyne.

Organisers are proud to announce local seafood producers who are donating food for the event this year, including Gigha Halibut, Loch Fyne Langoustines, Prentice Seafoods, A&D Johnson, and Gordon Goldsworthy of Loch Fyne Seafarms Ltd.

'The festival is all about the culinary delights that can be created with local produce from the waters of Loch Fyne.'



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All this luscious produce will be featured on Saturday in cookery demonstrations on the quay by Chef Mike Leslie of the Coachman Hotel in Kilsyth and Chef James Percival of Starfish in Tarbert. These two top chefs will be showing off their best moves as they go head-to-head in a competitive cook-off.

Chef Mike, a huge supporter of the festival, has been demonstrating his seafood cooking skills for many years, while Chef James took part in the festival last year and has been building a solid reputation for fantastic seafood, with the overwhelming number of reviewers on Tripadvisor giving

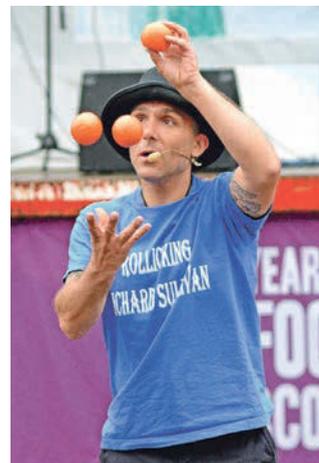
his restaurant five stars. So the competition is set to be sizzling!

Local producers and businesses will have their delicious fare on offer at tastings around the harbour front - including Arbroath Smokies - along with craft, plant and home baking stalls to peruse.

If seafood is not your thing, the Argyll hog roast will be in Tarbert on Saturday and Sunday for the meat lovers.

Music and children's activities will keep the atmosphere lively and the whole family entertained.

New for 2016 will be performance artists from Circus Malabarastas, who will stage a circus show combining comedy, illusions, fire, juggling and more! Entertainment will also include Campbeltown Highland Dance from James McCorkindale's School of Dance.



Kenisa Brown serving and frying scallops at the same time.

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Seafood Festival 2016

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During Sunday's 'Beer on the Pier' festival favourites the Democrats will keep the musical tempo going, and there will be songs and plenty of costume changes from Grease the Musical and Dirty Dancing.

Chief organisers Margaret McNeill and Duncan MacGregor, with supporters Tarbert Enterprise Company look forward to welcoming everyone to the 2016 Tarbert Seafood Festival for yet another year of delicious and exciting family fun.



Grease the Musical and Dirty Dancing will be there to entertain the crowds.



Below: Some of last year's food stalls.



From left: Princess Charlie Prentice, queen Lauren Prentice and princess Jessica Wilkieson their bouquets from last year.



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New pontoon enhances visitor experience

The brand new Gigha pontoon offers the perfect place to pull up and step onto God's beautiful isle. Built on the exact site of the historic old catwalk, which

provided the island's children an idyllic playground spot, the new facility now offers 23 moorings and can accommodate yachts up to 30ft.

Jacqui Smith, administration assistant for the Isle of Gigha Trust, said: 'As well as an increased capacity, the new pontoon offers a safer and more welcoming environment as visitors approach the island.'

'Recent visitors have all said they are very happy with the new pontoon.'

Additional services are continuing to be improved, with increased shower and toilet facilities soon to be available at the Boathouse and the Gigha Hotel.



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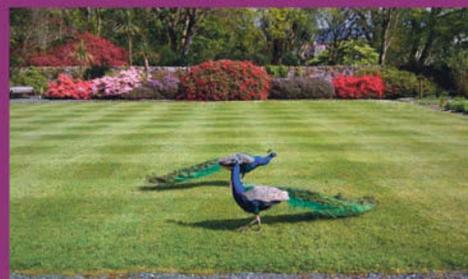
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Ask the right questions before buying a home

It is likely to be the biggest purchase you will ever make, so ensuring you ask the right questions when viewing a potential new home is essential.

The National Association of Estate Agents has some tips to remember when viewing a property:

Spend some time thinking about what it is you want from your new home – What kind of property will suit your lifestyle? What location is most desirable and affordable? Do you want a garden? How many bedrooms do you need? Do you want a new

or old property? Taking the time to identify what is important to you will save you time in your property search.

Preparation is key – Be ready with a list of questions you want to ask the vendor and the estate agent. For example, asking how long the house has been on the market may give you a clue to any potential problems with the

property. You might also need to ask; what fixtures and fitting will be left? What are the neighbours like? Why is the vendor moving? What are the parking arrangements? How much does the property cost to run?

In order to keep each property you view clear in your mind, it is best to take notes along the way.

Be observant – Look for

any potential problems and costs such as dysfunctional guttering, cracks in the interior and exterior walls or brown stains on the ceiling that may indicate a leaky roof for example.

Try to visualise yourself living there – Ignore the décor as much as you can and try to think about whether your furniture will fit into the house and

how it will look with your style applied to it. View the property in daylight and be sure to check out the area at other times of the day. A quiet road might be manic during rush hour and a desirable neighbourhood may look different at night.

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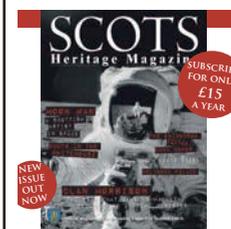
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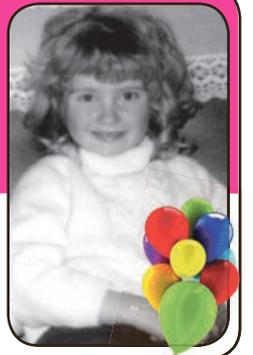
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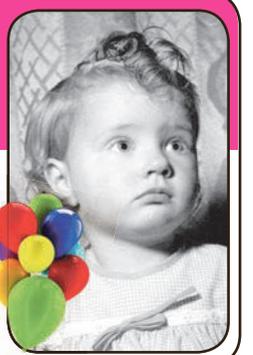
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Refval	Proposal	Site Address	Location of Plans
16/01663/PP	Alterations and change of use of self catering cottage to gin distillery visitor centre, staff/visitor accommodation/offices and alterations and change of use of disused farm buildings to gin distillery and associated storage	Lephincorach Farmhouse And Farm Building Torrisdale Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6QT	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
16/01384/LIB	Conversion of existing byre to form dwellinghouse, including installation of private drainage system	Braeface Farm Bellanoch Lochgilphead Argyll and Bute PA31 8SN	Mid Argyll Area Office
16/01511/PP	Erection of garden shed	68 Kirk Street Campbeltown Argyll and Bute PA28 6BN	Burnet Building St John St Campbeltown
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On Monday 20th June 2016, Argyll and Bute Council made the above named Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, which will make it unlawful for any person to drive or cause or permit to be driven any vehicle on that length of the A8015 Harbour Street, Tarbert from its junction with School Road to its junction with Castle Street, a distance of 100 metres or thereby, in order to facilitate the holding of a Seafood Festival.

The Order, which shall be effective when indicated by signs, will be in operation between 1130 and 1900 hours on Saturday 2nd July 2016.

Alternative Route:

Traffic from the east to the west of the closure should proceed south on Castle Street, thence west on Church Street, thence north on School Road to its junction with Harbour Street. Traffic from the west to the east of the closure should proceed vice-versa.

Jim Smith, Head of Roads & Amenity Services, 1A Manse Brae, LOCHGILPHEAD PA31 8RD

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Tarbert and Skipness Community Council

NOTICE OF A.G.M

AGENDA

Meeting to be held on Thursday July 7th 2016, at 7pm at Tarbert Arts and Leisure Centre

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



ONE of my favourite quotes is from the great German philosopher, Friedrich Nietzsche.

It says: 'And those who were seen dancing were thought to be insane by those who could not hear the music.'

There has been much spoken and debated these past months about the EU referendum, and this morning we will waken to know if we are to remain in the EU or not.

Opinions have been passionate on both sides and often it has all become just a bit too extreme.

Sadly, there has been much discourteous debate and many people have been hurt in the crossfire of scathing words and vicious rhetoric.

Today we will know if we are 'in' or 'out'.

Whatever the result, there will be winners and losers; there will be those who are pleased and those who are most displeased.

Some will be dancing to a different tune and others will think they are insane for they do not hear the same music.

However, I hope and pray that, whatever the result, we will learn to be more tolerant of each other, to be more gracious in debate, to be more interested in offering a kind word rather than insisting on the last word.

But most of all I pray that we will be a kinder society, a country that welcomes those in need; a country that stands beside the oppressed, the dispossessed and the marginalised.

I pray that those in power will use that power wisely and with integrity, that all people will have the basic human rights of safety, food, good housing, healthcare and education.

These are the prayers of Christians, Jews, Muslims and many more who strive for peace.

Let us mark this day, whatever the result, as one in which we will revive and renew our commitment to peace.

LOCHGILPHEAD

Sports day to be held

YOUNG athletes will be going for gold at Mid Argyll Athletics Club's annual sports day. Sporty people will be running, jumping and throwing at Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Sunday June 25, which runs from June 26 as they try to beat everyone else and their own personal bests.

Entries will be taken from 11.30am on the day and it will be the first competition to use the brand new jumps area. There are six ages groups from seven to 17.

Everyone competing will get a medal, with trophies for the top three finishers. The event is made possible by a third sector grant from Argyll and Bute Council.

TARBERT

Fèis coffee morning

CAKE and music will be the order of the day at the Templars Hall in Tarbert this weekend.

A coffee morning will raise funds for Fèis an Tairbeirt, which will see budding musicians

from eight to 18 receive tuition during Tarbert Music Festival in September.

Instructors will include musicians from music festival headliners Mànran.

You may get to see the next big thing in traditional music as some youngsters will play a few tunes at the event tomorrow, June 25, which runs from 10am until noon.

Application forms for the fèis are now available in various places in the town. The one-day workshop costs £15 and a T-shirt is included.

INVERARAY

Final session for Kids on the Run

KIDS on the Run recently held its final session before taking a break over the summer.

The shouting game certainly got the interest of visitors to Inveraray, as did the quiz game which involved long or short sprint depending if the question was answered correctly.

The kids then split into two groups to find clues around the town and were rewarded with an ice lolly when they made it back to

ARDFERN



Knitters get busy at the Crafty Kitchen.

Thereby hangs a yarn ...

PEOPLE of Ardfern got the knitting needles out for World Wide Knit In Public Day recently.

The venue was the Crafty Kitchen and sun greeted the crafty knitters who were of all ages and knitting abilities.

Opportunity

As they knitted the chance of tea and milkshakes was too good to

pass up and there was many a yarn told as people took the opportunity to catch up.

This was the only event for World Wide Knit In Public Day in Argyll and there was a further seven elsewhere in Scotland.

The day was started in the USA in 2005 and has spread to 115 different countries since.

the school.

Jog leader Fee Corner said: 'Massive thanks to Florence Aura, Rosie and Freya Cor-

ner, Janet Riddoch, Jillian McCreery and Paul Honey for their company and support over the past year.

Keep an eye out Kids on the Run past and present as we may have a get together over the holidays.'

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'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever' (Psalm 107:1).

BIRTHS

GILLIES - Craig and Collette are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their son, Coen Daniel, 6lb 7.5oz, on June 4, 2016 at 2.18am. Both families are over the moon.

MARRIAGES

BLACK - KESSELL - On June 3, 2016 at Lake Bled, Slovenia, Sandy, elder son of Helen and the late Douglas Black, to Debbie, younger daughter of Helen and the late Mervyn Kessell. Wonderful day.



MCCRORY - LEISHMAN

Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of Michelle Rosemarie, youngest daughter of Tommy and Jennifer, to Ryan, eldest son of Brian and Eileen, on June 4, 2016. A very special day.

GOLDEN WEDDING



MCKERRAL - MCCRORY

At St Kieran's Church, Campbeltown, on June 16, 1966, by Rev Father R McDonald, Tommy to Jennifer, Roading, Campbeltown.

DEATHS

MCGUINNESS - Peacefully, at Ayr General Hospital, on June 17, 2016, Anne McGuinness, née Angus, aged 74 years of Elba Court, Ayr and formerly of Achnamara and Lochgilphead, Argyll. Retired Nursing Sister at Ailsa Hospital. Much loved mother of Dr Ian McGuinness, loving granny to Cameron, Hannah and Kyle, dear sister of Tommy and Elsie and a much admired mother-in-law and sister-in-law. A dear friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service will be held in Lochgilphead Parish

Church, today Friday, June 24, at 12.00 noon, thereafter to Kilmartin Churchyard. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired, to Macmillan Nurses, Mid Argyll. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MUSTARDE - Peacefully, at the Western General Hospital, Edinburgh, on Monday, July 20, 2016, Donald, beloved husband of Anne, much loved father, grandfather and great grandfather. Funeral private, as was his wish.

NAIRN - On June 14, 2016, suddenly and unexpectedly, at Castle Sween, James William Nairn (Jim The Gardener), aged 50 years, beloved son of Elizabeth Loughran and dearly loved partner of Jean MacDonald. Humanist service at the Drill Hall, Lochgilphead and thereafter at Glasgow Crematorium, Maryhill, at a date to be confirmed. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Help The Heroes. No black ties please, bright colours welcome.

NEWMAN - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, on June 17, 2016, Margaret Newman, aged 84 years, of 13 Brae Road, Ardrishaig, beloved wife of the late Pat Newman, much loved mother of Janet and Neil, adored gran of Rebecca and Abbey, much respected mother-in-law of Kenny and Charlene and a dear sister and aunt to all the family. A good neighbour and friend to many. Funeral service was held at Lorne Street Funeral Parlour, Lochgilphead, on Thursday, June 23, 2016, followed by interment at Achabreac Cemetery. Forever in our thoughts.

ACKNOWLEDGE-MENTS

HERD - The family of the late Moira McLean Herd would like to thank all the friends and neighbours who have expressed their sympathy at this difficult time. Thanks, too, to all the doctors and nursing staff of Campbeltown Hospital, Gartnavel General and the Beatson. We would also like to thank the Red Cross and Scottish Ambulance Service for driving Moira to her many appointments in Glasgow. Grateful thanks are extended to Alasdair and Kenny Blair for their highly professional and efficient funeral arrangements, to the Rev Philip Wallace for a comforting service and to Archie McAllister, Chelsea McLean and Katrina MacDonald for providing such beautiful music. Lastly, we would like to thank the Ardshiel Hotel for their catering.

IN MEMORIAM

BROWNING - In loving memory of Dave, died June 21, 2007.

Time unfolds another year But memories keep you ever near.

- All our love, Jan and your special girls.

MACARTHUR - Remembering Hugh, a beloved husband, dad and papa taken from us so tragically on June 27, 2015. Missed every day. His spirit and memory will be with us all forever.

- Katrina, James, David, Karen and families.

MACLENNAN - Kevin, beloved nephew and cousin, died June 21, 2010, also Elizabeth, dearly loved sister and aunt, died August 12, 1985. Sadly missed.

- From Rachael, John and family.

MCCUAIG - In loving memory of John, died June 28, 2010. Forever in our thoughts.

- Irene and family.

MCFARLANE - In loving memory of our son and brother, Gordon, who fell asleep on June 23, 2012.

We treasure every memory, With tears we speak your name, We will always love and miss you In a world that's not the same.

- Mum, Dad, Liz and boys.

MCLEAN - In loving memory of my dear mum, Annie, who died June 26, 1986, also my dad Iain, who died September 26, 1980. Precious memories from Anne and family.

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lochgilphead baptist church

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Sunday 26th June 2016
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Sunday 26th June 2016

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Rev. Hilda Smith
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11.00 am
Eucharist & Coffee

St. Columba, Pottalloch
(SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month
9.00am Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month
6.00pm Evensong
Father Simon Mackenzie
01546 602315

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LOCHGILPHEAD
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ALL SAINTS, INVERARAY
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ST KIERAN'S CAMPBELTOWN
Saturday 5pm Fr. David Connor
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Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 26 June
Bellanoch Church
Communion 11:30 am
Saturday 25 June
CAFE CONNECT 10:30 am
Achnamara Hall
Monday 27 June
Tayvallich Church
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Enquiries 01546 606926
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Sunday 26th June 2016
Skipness Service 10.00am
Mr John Morrison
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Kilberry Service 2pm
Mr James McLellan
Kirk Session Meeting
Tarbert Church
Tuesday 28th June, 7.30pm
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Contact
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Sunday 26th June 2016
Cumlodden Lochfynside and Lochgair
Charity No. SC016097
Minister:
Rev. Dr. Roderick D. M. Campbell
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In Cumlodden Church at 10 am
Glenaray and Inveraray
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11.15am Explorer
Sunday School
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Ardrishaig at 11:00am
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Tuesday 28th June 2016
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Sunday 26th June 2016
The service will be conducted by
Rev Anne McIvor
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Thursday 30th June
There will be a meeting of the Session
at 7.00pm, followed by a board
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Saturday 9th July
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Fundraiser follows in Rob Roy's footsteps for charity

AN INTREPID and committed Mid Argyll fundraiser recently took on the Rob Roy Challenge for Marie Curie.

Jenny Broly, a Mid Argyll Fundraising Group for Marie Curie committee member, took on the 16-mile walk and 56-mile cycle on June 18.

Over the last few months she has covered hundreds of miles training and was 'nervous but excited' before heading off.

The sun made an ap-

pearance and it was an early start as she began at 7.30am in Pitlochry. The walk was definitely more of a hike and was more challenging than some expected.

The route took the competitors from Pitlochry to Kenmore and Jenny arrived in a more than respectable four hours 45 minutes.

Bike ride

For plenty people that would have been enough of a challenge but not Jenny who immediately set off on a 56-mile bike ride.

The route went from Kenmore to Tummel Bridge then up around Loch Rannoch and back to Kenmore.

Chuffed

A very relieved and chuffed Jenny crossed the line a little after 6pm, welcomed by friends and family who had travelled to cheer her on.

The total raised for Marie Curie was a staggering £1,455 with donations still being received.

Jenny would like to say a huge thank you

to everyone who supported her through the training, the fund raising and ultimately getting her round the challenge.

Jenny managed to get her make up and hair done just in time for a photo opportunity with Around the World cyclist Mark Beaumont.

Advice

Advice was given on cycling styles and training programmes, which we are sure Mark will use to his benefit on future expeditions.



Jenny met cyclist Mark Beaumont.



Keith McTaggart on the tee. 04_c26mcmillangolf07

Fish workers club together for cancer challenge

GOLFERS from two fish businesses pulled together to take on a gruelling four-rounds-in-one-day test in Kintyre.

Two teams of four colleagues from the Scottish Salmon Company and AKVA aquaculture group took on the Macmillan Cancer Research nationwide Longest Day Golf Challenge.

The sponsored test asked golfers to take on four 18 hole rounds on the longest day of the year, which fell on Monday this week.

Joined forces

Four members of Tarbert Golf Club, Keith McTaggart, Donnie Sinclair, Christopher Smyth and Cammie Gibb, joined forces with four golfers from AKVA, Andy Whyte, Stuart Gordon, Rob-

bie Duncanson and Andy Lynn, to raise money for the cancer charity.

The AKVA contingent travelled from Inverness on Sunday night, arriving at 10pm, and stayed in Lochgilphead before heading to Campbeltown at 3am to tackle Machrihanish Dunes, teeing off at 4.30am.

Finishing up

They moved onto Machrihanish, before heading east to Carradale and then finishing up in Tarbert for the final round.

Keith McTaggart, one of the Tarbert members, said: 'Some people thought this was just an excuse to play lots of golf, but it's very different playing all day long compared to one leisurely round.

'That said, there has been a bit of rivalry and a lot of hilarity, with plenty of banter and laughing at bad shots. The etiquette has not been quite the same as normal.'

The two groups set up Just-Giving pages, which had far exceeded their initial targets before they completed the challenge.

Keith said: 'All the courses have donated the rounds which is great.'

'We started with a target of £500 each, but before we started this morning they were both sitting at more than £1,000 with many pledging funds after the challenge is completed.'

'We have all been affected by cancer, or know other people who have been, and are now hoping to do a

return leg in Inverness next year.' Robbie Duncanson, an AKVA worker from Inverness who first suggested the challenge, said: 'It was a wee bit of a struggle so early this morning but it has been really great for us to get down and play these courses and support such a good charity.'

Combination

'The two teams from the two companies split to have two workers in each group of four and we are all competing against other groups around the UK.'

The stableford scores will be used and a combination of that and the total sponsorship will determine an overall winner.

'There has been a bit of rivalry, but we are all working together for a good cause.'

Sport not on the green returns

A POPULAR sports evening will return with plenty to keep people active.

Sport on the green has been relocated from Lochgilphead front green to Lochgilphead Sports Centre where there is plenty of space to run around and try different sports.

The event is being run by Mid Argyll Youth Development Services and Fiona Kalache from the organisa-

tion said it already has young ones talking. 'We are already being asked by the kids when it will be.'

Fiona started the event eight years ago, she said: 'The first year we had about 40 people and last year we had 400.'

'It's just grown and grown.'

For the last few years the skate park has proved popular and, with there being a bit

more room this year, there will be more skate equipment than ever to ride on.

A stuntman will run a workshop during the day and do demonstrations in the evening.

This year, Mid Argyll Community Pool is also taking part and will be bringing along the Waterwalkerz for people to try for free.

The event runs from 5.30pm until 9.30pm tonight, June 24.



The skate park is likely to prove popular again tonight. 25_a27sports01

SAFL league formation

THE LEAGUE formation for season 2016-17 was announced at the recent Scottish Amateur Football League AGM at Hampden Park, Glasgow.

Campbeltown Pupils and Oban Saints will compete in the Premier Division, Lochgilphead Red Star will be in Premier Division 2A and Tarbert will play in Premier Division 2B.

The league starts on Saturday August 20.

New champion in Lochgilphead

LOCHGILPHEAD Golf Club has a new lady champion after the second round of the ladies championship was played.

Following a score of 79 in the first round and 82 in the second, Margaret MacKinnon was crowned champion. She played some great golf and was a worthy

winner of the Duncan's Shield. Runner up was Kathleen Young with a combined score of 161.

The Oliver Trophy for the nett stableford went to Jane Hepburn with a total of 70 points and Donna McKellar was runner up with 68 points. The course was in outstanding condition and

the ladies would like to thank Robbie Wilson and greens staff for their hard work.

The gents played the first round of their championship on Saturday June 18 along with the Downhill Cup for the over 50s. Leading the scratch competition is captain Ryan McGlynn with a score of 67. In joint second place with scores of 71 are Ruaridh Brown and Alastair MacVicar.

Ali Provan is in the lead in the handicapped competition with a nett 55 while Ruaridh Brown and Tom Campbell are in joint second place with a nett 62. Tom Campbell won the Downhill Trophy although, with his youthful looks, it's hard to believe he qualifies for this competition.

Unfortunately, the

second round of the championship was cancelled at lunchtime on Sunday because of bad weather but this was after Keith Cowan excelled himself by scoring a hole in one at the fifth. As local golfers will know, this is the hardest hole on the course. Well done Keith and thanks for the drink.

The juniors played on Friday evening for the Angus Stableford Trophy. One new competitor, Lewis Cameron, won with a fantastic 26 points and runner up was Murray MacDonald with 21 points.

The clubhouse was a busy place on Thursday June 16 at the prize bingo organised by Joyce Cameron. A great night was had by everyone and it was a great boost to club funds. **EH**



Nikki Thompson added points with this spurdog.

Triples angling competition

LOCH Fyne Sea Angling Club had a beautiful day to take to the waters of Loch Etive for a triples competition.

This was a self-drive boat event out of Airds Bay with nine anglers taking part. Teams were drawn out of the hat before setting off in brilliant sunshine to stake out their favoured marks north and south of Loch Etive.

Drifting

Conditions were ideal for drifting and some anglers took advantage of this to go inshore for pollack while others chose to anchor in deeper waters.

It was encouraging to see the return of the bigger spurs with not a tiddler in sight.

The loch produced an impressive eight species comprising of spurs,

thornies, lesser spotted dogfish, pollack, coalies, cod, ling and whiting.

Steven MacBrayne just missed out on a full house, landing seven out of eight species, an impressive catch in anyone's book.

Nikki Thompson, Robert MacBrayne and Gordon Law got the bragging rights winning the competition with 204 points between them.

A fair bit behind came Jim Smith, Simon Waters and Willie Shaw with a total of 151 points. Steven MacBrayne, Gary Sinclair and Mick Thompson got a 111 points between them.

In the individual competition Nikki Thompson came first with 142 points, Jim Smith second on 105 points and Steven MacBrayne third on 68 points.



New champion Margaret MacKinnon is presented with her trophy by captain Kathleen Young.

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SHINTY

**Marine Harvest
South Division 1
Kyles Athletic 3
Inveraray 4**

THE RESERVE derby meeting between Kyles Athletic and Inveraray was won by the odd goal in seven at Tighnabruach.

Lewis Montgomery gave the visitors a tenth-minute lead and he got his, and Inveraray's second, on 40 minutes.

Kyles were never out of it though and Martin MacFadyen made it 2-1 a couple of minutes before the break.

Kenneth Kirkhope made it 3-1 on 47 minutes but, just 60 seconds later, Kyle McMartin was on target to make it 3-2.

Kenneth Kirkhope got his second on 78 minutes to give Inveraray some breathing space - and they needed it as Martin MacFadyen got his second a couple of minutes from time to make it 4-3.

**Marine Harvest
South Division 2
Kilmory w/o v
Oban Lorn**

KILMORY were awarded the points when Oban Lorn were unable to raise a team for the MacRae Park match.

Lottery numbers

KILMORY Camanachd Club's winning lottery numbers were 8, 12 and 17. There were no winners so next week's jackpot is £300.

Numbers drawn in Inveraray Shinty Club's lottery were 2, 8 and 11. There were no winners so the jackpot rises to £700. Tarbert Football Club's lottery numbers were 8, 13 and 15. There were no winners so the jackpot for next week is £500.



Jack Asher applauds Kyles captain Robbie MacLeod as he lifts the Celtic Cup in 2013 after defeating Inveraray on penalties. Kyles are now going for four in a row.



The silver whistle to be presented in Jack Asher's memory.

Kyles and Inveraray lock horns as shinty fan Jack is remembered

by Colin Cameron
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ONE OF the great supporters of shinty, Jack Asher, will be remembered at the Gregor Cameron Consultancy Celtic Society Cup Final tomorrow (Saturday) at Taynuilt.

Cup holders Kyles Athletic will take on National Division side Inveraray in the final of the south of Scotland senior knock-out cup.

For the first time the referee will be presented with the Jack Asher Memorial Medal. Jack was a director of the Glasgow Celtic Society for 50 years and a foremost referee for more than 40 years, officiating at three Camanachd Cup finals and three Glasgow Celtic Society Cup finals.

Appropriately the memorial medal is an inscribed silver Acme Thunderer referee's whistle - and the first recipient will be one of shinty's most respected officials, Deek Cameron of Fort William.

John MacLeod, president of the Glasgow Celtic Society, said: 'Jack Asher was passionate about shinty as a player and referee. He served the Glasgow Celtic Society with distinction for more than 50 years. His fellow directors decided to recognise his contribution to the society and to refereeing by making an annual award to the cup final referee.'

Kyles Athletic have

won the final a record 32 times, while their opponents Inveraray have raised the famous trophy on 22 occasions.

'The boys are looking forward to the cup final,' said Inveraray manager Ruairidh Graham. 'It is essential Inveraray continue to compete at the highest level possible during this current transition period. The cup final gives the opportunity to further develop young players and will also galvanise team spirit.'

'Kyles will rightly start as favourites, as they are in the Premier League and have only lost one game all season, but with the correct attitude Inveraray will hopefully rise to the occasion and make it a competitive game.'

club secretary Mick Atkinson said: 'We are very proud to reach the final for the fourth consecutive year.'

'The club is delighted to renew rivalries with Inveraray who always provide us with a stern test. Hopefully it will be a good advert for south shinty and the game in general.'

He added: 'If the boys prevail against strong opposition from Inveraray, they will make history by being the first Kyles team to win four in a row since the early 1920s.'

First played for in 1879, the Glasgow Celtic Society Cup is the oldest shinty trophy still in competition. The match at Taynuilt sports pitch starts at 4pm and will be televised live on BBC ALBA.

Tarbert win west Argyll championships

BOWLING

THE WEST Argyll Bowling Association championships were played at Lochgilphead over the past two weekends.

Tarbert Bowling Club were crowned league champions for the season.

After some highly competitive matches in the ladies' and gents' competitions, the results were: Gents singles winner - John McAlpine, Tarbert Bowling Club. Gents pairs winner - John Martin and John Atkinson, Tarbert Bowl-



The West Argyll Bowling Association league winners from Tarbert. 08_a25bowl05

ing Club. Gents triples winners - Ian Guy, Jamie Mclean and Sandy Crawford, Lochgilphead Bowling Club. Gents senior fours winners - Jim Dolan, Jim Hatton, Michael Heaf-

ey and Tommy McRae, Ardrishaig Bowling Club. Mixed pairs winners - Ian McKinnon and Irene Mcnicol, Tarbert Bowling Club. Ladies pairs winners - Anne MacDougall and Janet Campbell, Oban Bowling Club.

Ladies triples winners - Kirsty Gargan, Emma Gargan and Marian Carr, Oban Bowling Club.

Ladies senior fours winners - Sylvia Stark, Joan Robertson, Margaret Annan and Fiona McLaughlin, Ardrishaig Bowling Club.

West Argyll league winners - Tarbert Bowling Club.



Ladies pairs winners: Anne MacDougall and Janet Campbell.

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