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Contract wrangling stalls trunk road safety project

NO DATE has been set for the start of major improvements to a treacherous stretch of an Argyll road.

Scottish Government officials confirmed this week that contract details for a project to improve the A83 at Strone Point, Inveraray, have still not been finalised – despite the fact work was originally due to be finished by May this year.

The £1.16 million contract was awarded to a Dublin-based firm in early January.

In March, Transport Scotland officials told a meeting of Mid Argyll business leaders negotiations were ongoing with the contractor over 'contractual issues'. At that time the project was expected to begin towards the end of summer and take five months

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to complete. But when asked last week by the *Advertiser* about the prospects for the Strone Point scheme getting started within this timescale, a Transport Scotland spokesperson replied: 'We are working with the contractor to agree an acceptable programme of work that minimises delays for people using the A83 and we expect their revised proposals in the coming weeks.'

When pressed on the detail of the discussions, the spokesperson said: 'We are discussing the finer detail.'

The contract, awarded to John Paul Construction, involves excavation and blasting at Strone Point to allow the realignment and widening of 360 me-

tres of carriageway. In a notice to local people and organisations last September, trunk road management firm Bear Scotland described the planned works as 'long-awaited'.

At that point, the work was due to begin in November 2016 and take 24 weeks to complete. The continuing uncertainty has done little for local people or businesses.

Jane MacLeod, of Mid Argyll Chamber of Commerce, said: 'Businesses are concerned at the delay. The only upside is it doesn't look as if work will be carried out during the current tourist season.'

'It is to be hoped that, when work does start, Transport Scotland can ensure disruption to local business is kept to a minimum.'



Absurdly good fun in Tarbert

IGNORING the rain, Tarbert Seafood Festival was another huge success.

Adding a splash of colour was the Absurdist Pipe Band, pictured above in hot pursuit of

one of Police Scotland's finest – who took it in admirably good spirits.

Full report and pictures on pages 16 and 17.

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AN INNOVATIVE use of a former police station on Islay aims to help address a housing shortage.

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BUDDING archaeologists are being given the chance to take part in an excavation at Auchindrain Museum.

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Loch Fyne body believed to be that of missing man

A BODY recovered from Loch Fyne during the early hours of Monday is believed to be that of a Cambuslang man reported missing three days earlier.

A police spokesman said: 'Around 12.20am on Monday July 3, the body of a man was recovered from Loch Fyne near Inveraray by members of the Coastguard.

Identification

'Although a formal identification has still to take place, it is believed to be that of Ian Saunders, 51, who had been missing from Cambuslang since Friday June 30.'

There are no suspicious circumstances surrounding the death, and relatives of Mr Saunders have been informed.

A report will be sent to the procurator fiscal.

Police station conversion eases housing pressure

ISLAY residents will soon have more affordable housing options as the former police station in Port Ellen will be converted into six self-contained flats.

The £470,000 project is being delivered by an organisation linked to the Ian

MacTaggart Trust, called the Port Ellen Station.

Benefit

The Port Ellen Station organisation was specifically set up by Sir John Mactaggart to undertake the private assisted housing scheme on the island and will ben-

efit from £180,000 which has been made available from Argyll and Bute Council's empty homes and loan scheme.

Councillor Robin Currie said: 'We have been working with the trust to explore options to bring this impor-

tant building back into use. This really is an exciting project for Islay and will benefit local residents and improve the outlook of the area.'

Open day

An open day will be held in September to allow the

local community and those involved in the project to see the renovations.

If you have an empty home and would like advice or more information on the council's empty homes service, contact kelly.ferns@argyll-bute.gov.uk.

Harbour pollution forces Tarbert cygnet rescue

TARBERT Harbour Authority is looking into a recent case of pollution in the Loch Fyne village port.

The pollution – which involved fuel oil from a number of possible sources – resulted in contamination to the harbour's resident swan family.

After a bad year in

2016, when all seven youngsters died due to causes unknown, the people of Tarbert were keen to help when this year's six-strong cygnet brood became contaminated. One of the original six – all of which appeared to be doing well until recently – has since died.

The surviving cyg-

nets were carefully removed as a last resort by a local vet and SSPCA volunteer to be looked after at the National Wildlife Rescue Centre.

Earlier this week the harbour authority reported that the cygnets had been cleaned up and were recovering well.

A Tarbert Harbour Authority spokesperson said: 'A full investigation of the harbour pollution has been carried out. There appears to have been a few in-

idents occurring simultaneously, with the sewage works taking place as well as a small diesel spill in the marina. However, it has been reported back to us that the birds appear to have been coated in some other form of grease or cooking oil, which we unfortunately cannot pinpoint.

'Tarbert Harbour Authority takes environmental concerns very seriously, and actively encourages all the harbour users to operate with care and respect.'



The Tarbert cygnets were removed for their own safety. Photograph: Tarbert Harbour Authority



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Drain pipe damaged

A DRAIN pipe on the Clydesdale Bank building in Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead, was damaged by being pulled from the building between 5pm on Tuesday June 27 and 8am on Wednesday June 28.

Police are investigating the incident and are appealing for any witnesses.

Crashed car had bald tyre

AFTER a car crashed off the road on the A83 near Kilmory Industrial Estate, Lochgilphead, at about 6.50pm on Tuesday June 27, an 18-year-old man was

charged with driving with a bald tyre.

A report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Abusive behaviour

A 40-YEAR-OLD man was arrested for allegedly behaving in an abusive manner at the Clydesdale Bank, Poltalloch Street, Lochgilphead, at about 2pm on Monday July 3.

The man was later charged and a report will be submitted to the procurator fiscal.

■ If anyone has witnessed or has any information about any of the above, contact the police on 101 or anonymously through Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Planning service changes on way

CHANGES will be made to Argyll and Bute Council's planning application service.

Forthcoming changes to the pre-application advice service aim to speed up applications and help applicants find out what they need for a successful planning application.

Coming into force on Monday July 10, it will provide people with a clear and concise system for applying for planning consent.

To support this service and to reflect the time and resources involved in reviewing proposals, the council will be introducing charging for those proposals defined as 'locally significant' – medium- and large-scale projects and major developments based on the nature and scale of development.

Proposals for householder and small-scale development will not incur a fee.

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Company facelift set to inspire

AN INVERARAY community group has rebranded itself in an attempt to inspire locals.

The Inveraray Community Company has changed its name to Inspire Inveraray, in a move to create wider appeal and set itself apart from other community groups in the area.

Under the new guise of Inspire Inveraray,

the community company has a number of purposes, including the management of community land and assisting with the development and regeneration of Inveraray.

As well as a new name, the community company has also unveiled its new logo and a brand new Facebook page.

The decision to change the name was

taken at last month's community company meeting and the final choice, Inspire Inveraray, was the overwhelming favourite of the committee.

At that meeting it was also agreed that the company articles will be redrawn to widen the scope of its work and expand the boundaries of its remit in Inveraray. This is to try to match up the community company's geographical boundaries with that of the community council.

In a statement announcing the changes on its Facebook page, an Inspire Inveraray spokesperson said: 'Our aim is to build on the assets we already own – such as the community hall which we aim to restore, rejuvenate and allow it to once again be utilised by the community and as a pillar in the community life of the town. In the future we will

also strive to work on the regeneration of the area by creating new developments within the town and the surrounding area for the benefit of the community.'

The next Inspire Inveraray meeting will be on Thursday July 13 at 7.30pm in the Nicol Hall, Inveraray.



The company's new logo was unveiled online.



The renaming issue came up at the company's AGM earlier this year. 06_a15InvCommCo02

Volunteers to promote pilgrim walks

MEMBER organisations of the Scottish Pilgrim Routes Forum (SPRF) have agreed to set up a volunteer-led group to develop pilgrimage walking routes in Argyll.

At a meeting in Oban last month, it was agreed that a new volunteer group will be formed to promote walking routes linking the many historic centres of

Christian heritage in all parts of Argyll. The new steering group, comprising representatives of local faith tourism, heritage, churches, youth work and walking group bodies, plans to upgrade the status of existing routes, such as the Kintyre Way, for pilgrimage use.

Operating under the auspices of SPRF, the group will de-

velop a new website and literature for the Argyll routes and will help promote essential local services such as accommodation, transport links and food outlets. Meetings will be held in different venues to engage with local people.

More detail on the plans for this Argyll Steering Group can be found at sprf.org.uk.

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Prizes handed out at Tarbert Academy

PARENTS, pupils, staff and other members of the community came together on Thursday June 29 to celebrate the achievements of Tarbert Academy pupils. Head Teacher Neil McKnight took the opportunity to say how proud he was of the school, its pupils and staff and also the way the communi-

ty is working with the school to help enrich the curriculum.

Mr McKnight highlighted the huge number of activities on offer this year, adding that an increase in opportunities for community engagement has helped to enhance the education of the pupils.

Mr McKnight continued: 'The school is very happy with the SQA attainment results from last year, with some outstanding individual performances, and I am expecting another good set of results this year.'

Guest of honour, former teacher Liz MacNab, gave a speech in which she explained why she thought that Tarbert Academy is such a great school.

She said that staff, pupils and parents all contribute to the excellent school ethos.

There were speeches from last year's school captain, Becky Wilkieson, the new captain, Gaia Silvan, and vice captain Beth Atkinson.

As a tribute to French teacher and head of faculty Mrs Christine Inglis, who is retiring after 30 years at Tarbert Academy, the pupils gave a moving rendition of *Parting is such sweet sorrow*.

Liz MacNab presented prizes to the prize winners, including the primary dux which went to Kyle Hamlin and the senior dux which went to Isaac Stanesby.

List of prizewinners
Miss C Galbraith prizes, Primary 1

School prize for administration: Nell

MacFarlane

School prize for art and design: Isaac Stanesby/Gaia Silvan

JB Dickie prize for chemistry: Kirk McInnes

Dapne Paterson prize for English (primary): Christopher Sinclair

Dapne Paterson prize for English: Jonathan MacSporran

Rotary Club prize for National 5 English: Shanon MacDonald

James Q Smith prize for English (Sec 1): Tansy Scott and Evie Jackson

Miss Margery Irving prize for French: Cara Gorman

School prize for geography: Cara Gorman

Colin C Blair prize for history: Chloe MacDonald

School prize for hospitality: Joanna

Weir

JB Dickie prize for mathematics: Isaac Stanesby

MacKay prize for National 5 mathematics: Shanon MacDonald

Rotary prize for S2 mathematics: Cara McTaggart

JB Dickie prize for physics: Isaac Stanesby

JG Dickie prize for physical education: Shauna Brown

School prize for health and food technology: Erin Smith

School prize for practical woodworking: Aonghas Peden and John Wilson

School prize for graphic communication: Becky Wilkieson

Rotary Club prize for primary maths: Kyle Hamlin and Milo Ingram

Tarbert Gaelic Choir



Isaac Stanesby, Tarbert Academy senior dux. 06_a27TarbPrizes03



School captain Gaia Silvan and vice captain Beth Atkinson. 06_a27TarbPrizes02



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Tarbert junior dux, Kyle Hamlin. 06_a27TarbPrizes01

memorial award: Beth Atkinson

School prize for French: Shanon MacDonald

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Wm EC Seeds prize for progress and effort: Alexander McLean

Marr Wilkie award: Tarbert Girl Guides

Mary Seddall Bruce-Lockhart award for service to others: Beth Atkinson

House shield: Garval Primary Dux: Kyle Hamlin

Senior Dux: Isaac Stanesby

School captain: Gaia Silvan

Vice captain: Beth Atkinson

First steps taken on path to connect Cairndow

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THE FIRST phase of construction of a path between Clachan and Cairndow is nearing completion.

The project, led by Cairndow community enterprise Here We Are, seeks to better connect residents in the area by building a new path from round the head of Loch Fyne. Once fully completed, the path will create a safe pedestrian walkway from Loch Fyne Oysters in Clachan all the way to Cairndow.

Celine McIntyre, director at Here We Are and co-ordinator of the path project, explained: 'A couple of years ago the community got together and formed an action plan, pulling everyone together. Top of the list was a pedestrian link between Cairndow and Clachan as there is no way to get from one to the other without a car or public transport. Right now, it's a problem for people who work in Clachan but live in Cairndow.'

Here We Are took on the project and secured funding from the Clachan wind farm



The path follows the A83 round the head of Loch Fyne.

fund and Scottish Natural Heritage to build the path. With full designs drawn up and all the necessary land agreements confirmed,

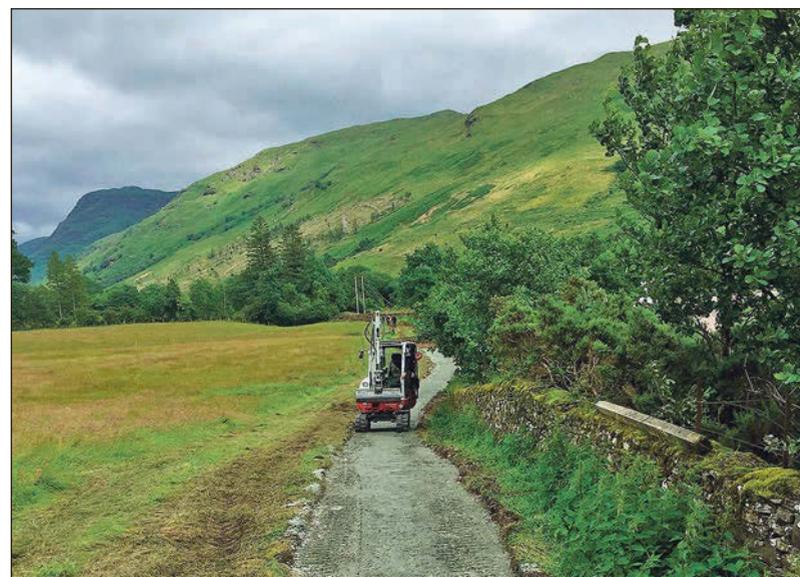
the team is keen to get on with the next phase of construction.

Celine continued:

'The first phase is just about finished but ultimately getting the next part of the path built to Cairndow is the big priority. We've got full designs ready and hope to get work under way soon. The landowners have been

very supportive and have been great in getting behind us.'

The Here We Are team is now just waiting to secure the necessary funding to proceed with the next phase of construction to complete the pathway.



Glen Fyne provides a dramatic backdrop as construction gets under way.

Sky helps Canada celebrate 150th birthday – and not a bear in sight

THE NATION of Canada celebrated its 150th birthday last weekend – and one Mid Argyll girl was in Canada to join in the celebrations.

Sky MacLachlan, aged 11, flew with her papa to stay for three weeks with family in Uxbridge, Ontario.

Sky's mum, Debbie, said: 'They woke up to my great-aunt's special Canada Day break-



Canada has been in existence for a century and a half.

fast. They then had a swim followed by family lunch then headed into Uxbridge itself for the parade followed by fireworks and live music celebrations.

'Sky is having a fabulous holiday so far, and her two younger sisters and baby brother miss her very much.' Debbie added: 'She hasn't seen any bears yet – and hopes she doesn't!'

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Road wrangles

WHAT is the problem with getting the job started at Strone Point?

We asked the Scottish Government last week, but did not get a straight answer.

There is clearly something wrong between officials and the contractor, and this has been going on for six months or more.

There are no short and direct alternative road diversions, and perhaps this has been part of the problem. This is a big project with a lot of blasting and excavating to be done. We are not engineers, but this could be an issue for as long as this phase of work goes on.

Without straightforward and direct communication from Transport Scotland, we remain in the dark.

What we are certain about is that the dangers to road users at Strone Point bend remain for as long as the project is delayed. And as the road surface deteriorates while the wrangling continues, the dangers do not become any less.

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The bins on the pavement outside the Lochgilphead supermarket.

Empty the bins

Sir,
I would like to urge Argyll and Bute Council to empty the two refuse bins outside the Lochgilphead Co-op on a more regular basis.

Last Saturday evening the bins were overflowing and this seems to happen quite often.

On the same night the cardboard and can recycling points at the Co-op were once again overflowing and needing emptied.

The Co-op requires more recycling points and I have asked the council for this previously.

**Peter Laing,
Lochgilphead**

SWI celebrates centenary in style

Sir,
The Stonefield Castle Hotel was the venue as 50 ladies of the Mid Argyll group of the SWI gathered to celebrate 100 years of the organisation.

Throughout Scotland ladies were meeting for afternoon tea par-

Tied pubs' future

Sir,
Pub-goers have the opportunity to contribute to a consultation which could help to protect the pub industry for years to come.

The consultation, which has been brought forward by Neil Bibby MSP, will investigate whether a Pubs Code and Adjudicator is needed in Scotland to govern the relationship between tied pub tenants and the large pub companies (pubcos).

It will also consider whether a Market Rent Only (MRO) option should be introduced, which would allow licensees to buy their beer on the open market rather than having to buy directly from the pubco and the prices they set.

The consultation follows sweeping reforms across England and Wales last year which saw the introduction of a Pubs Code, Adju-

dicator and a Market Rent Only option after 10 years of campaigning by CAMRA and other industry bodies.

We would like to encourage anyone who values their local pub to take part in this consultation, which could have a huge impact on the future of the industry.

For far too long, large pub companies have been taking more than is fair or sustainable from pub profits by forcing licensees to buy their beer from them rather than on the open market. Furthermore, there is no set code of practice in place or independent arbitrator available if a licensee has an issue with that pub company.

We think this is not only unfair, but also has a damaging impact on consumers who are then faced with a higher bill at the bar and less choice at the hand-pump. We're hoping that all beer-lovers will use this opportunity to show the government

that licensees in Scotland should not be left behind - they deserve the same level of support as those in England and Wales.

The consultation period for the Proposed Tied Pubs (Code and Adjudicator) (Scotland) Bill closes on July 31.

The Bills committee then has 12 weeks to determine whether or not it should progress any further. To get involved, visit parliament.scot/getting-involved and look for 'current consultations'.

**Sarah Bellis,
CAMRA Director
for Scotland and NI**

Masters of destiny

Sir,
It is more than a little ironic that as Scotland, through being part of the UK, prepares to leave the European Union, Estonia, with a population around a quarter that of Scotland, took over the EU presidency on July 1.

The presidency is responsible for driving forward the EU's work, ensuring the continuity of the EU agenda, orderly legislative processes and co-operation among member states.

During the next six months this will focus on key areas, including single and digital markets, the energy union and closer integration of Eastern partners into Europe. It also wants to focus on the promotion of e-solutions and the information society in EU policy areas. Interestingly its prime minister, Jüri Ratas, has declared that Brexit is not a priority for the presidency, a sign that the EU is moving on from Brexit, with bigger issues to deal with.

Estonia, which next year will celebrate its centenary of becoming independent, takes over from Malta in holding the presidency of European Union, an island with a population less than that of Edinburgh.

During the independence referendum, the Better Together camp claimed that the only way to guarantee Scotland's place in the EU was to vote to remain in the UK. Indeed, Scotland was to 'lead the UK' not 'leave the UK'.

Times have indeed changed since September 2014 and we are, despite these assurances, heading for the EU exits.

Of course, we could have the best of both worlds, part of a single market with the rest of the UK - as promised to Northern Ireland in its relations with the Republic of Ireland - and still members of the EU.

For that to happen of course requires the confidence, as Malta and Estonia have demonstrated, to take full control of our own affairs and be the masters of our own destiny, leading not leaving the EU.

**Alex Orr,
Edinburgh**



Mid Argyll SWI group secretary Jean Smith, Linda Tighe, treasurer, and Catherine Smith, group president.



The company gathers for a group photograph.

ties, garden parties and other activities to acknowledge the camaraderie they have all shared throughout their years of membership.

On Sunday July 2, ladies were invited from Tarbert, Lochgilphead, Ford and Kilmichael - and it was lovely to see

and the sharing of stories not only about 'the Rural', but also catching up on their family news.

We also had one far-travelled guest from Cumbria and others, not quite so far away, from Dalmally and Glasgow. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the chat

and the sharing of stories not only about 'the Rural', but also catching up on their family news.

Our ages range from 10 to 90, so we are sure any prospective members will find something to interest them at our meetings.

The only downside

was the weather! We intended to have some time on the terrace but rain put an end to that and instead the hotel made us extremely comfortable in the library and drawing room. This was an added bonus as the majority of ladies had donned their finery and "big

hats" were the order of the day.

Meetings start again in September and information can be found on Facebook or by watching out for news in the *Argyllshire Advertiser* in late August.

**Linda Tighe,
Mid Argyll SWI
group treasurer**

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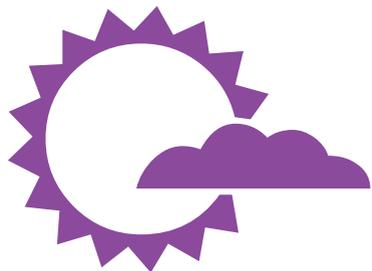
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Exhibition displays museum's 20/20 vision

ARTWORK is being exhibited at Kilmartin Museum for the next month as part of its 20th anniversary celebrations.

The 20/20 exhibition, which is displayed in the museum cafe, marks not only 20 years since the opening of the museum but

aims to highlight the museum's vision for its redevelopment project. At the opening of the exhibition last Friday evening, museum busi-

ness manager Cameron Bruce explained: 'At the start of the year, when we began discussing ways in which to celebrate Kilmartin Museums 20th year, we became a little obsessed with ways use the number 20.

'But 20 is an important number to us. Not only has the museum survived and flourished for 20 years but 2020 is also the year when we hope to realise our vision of the future with a new, redeveloped museum.'

The commissions raised from the 20/20 exhibition will help to complete the redevelopment project which is three-quarters of the way to reaching the £6.7 million target, according to Cameron.

Featuring pieces from 13 different Mid Argyll artists, the exhibition adds a splash of colour to the interior of the cafe.

Cameron continued:



Exhibition organisers, left to right: Ruth Bolwell, Cameron Bruce, Louise Oppenheimer and Gordon Gray-Stephens. 08_a27kilmartin01

'I'd like to thank our exhibiting artists for their contributions and for entering into the 20/20 spirit by making their creations in the dimensions of 20 by 20cm or inches.'

A second exhibition was also opened on Friday night in the museum gallery, which fea-

tures work by S5 and S6 Oban and Lochgilphead high school art students.

Under the guidance of Sian MacQueen and Nicole Heidtke, at the Templar Arts and Leisure Centre in Tarbert, pupils created an exhibition for the museum gallery, which using plaster and sil-

icone moulds as well as 3D print software to create pieces reflecting an invented natural history.

The 20/20 exhibition runs until Friday August 18 in the Kilmartin Museum cafe and the museum gallery. Admittance is free of charge.



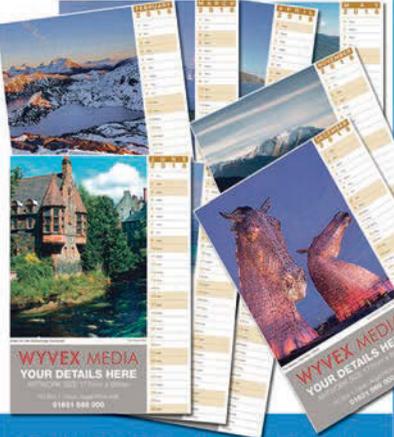
An example of some colourful artwork: two of Fraser MacIver's pieces in the exhibition. 08_a27kilmartin03



The mini sculpture exhibition created by S5 and S6 pupils and Lochgilphead and Oban high schools. 08_a27kilmartin02

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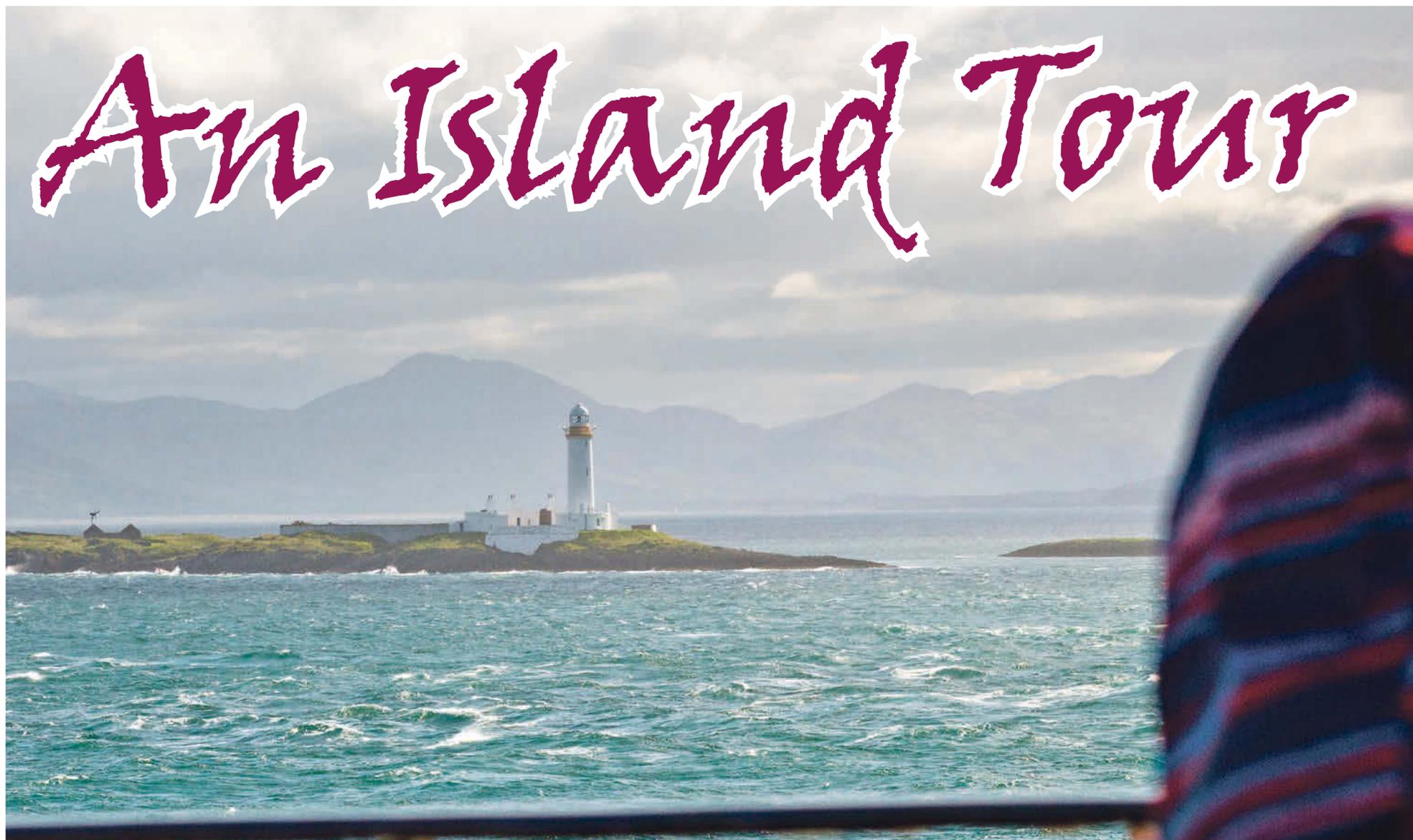


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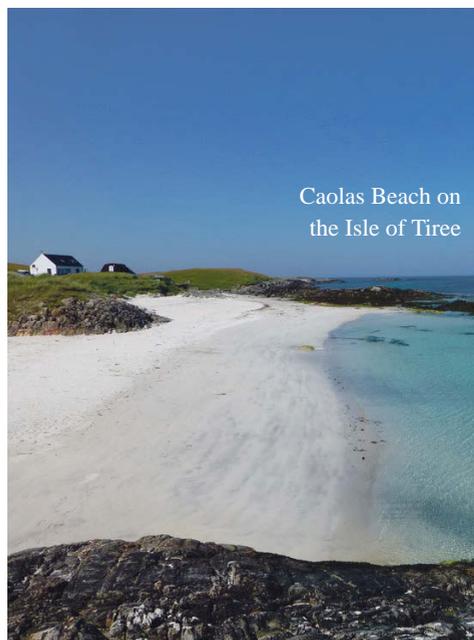
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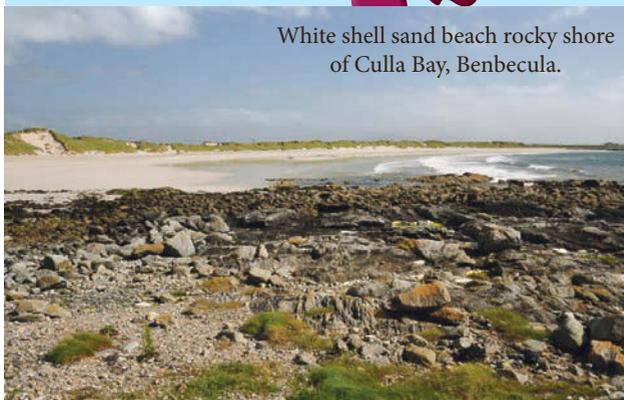
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White shell sand beach rocky shore of Culla Bay, Benbecula.

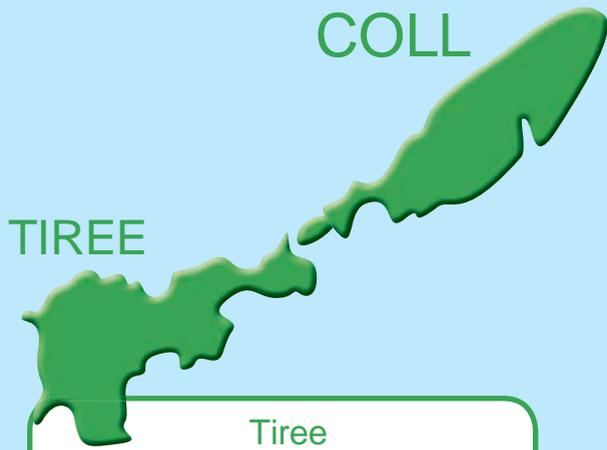


Benbecula The Dark Island

Known as 'The Dark Island' in Gaelic poetry, Benbecula lies between North and South Uist.

According to legend, the isle is home to a legendary mermaid who is said to be buried here. Housing a military base, this tiny island offers one-stop shopping with local shops, eateries and coffee houses. This year, the wee isle has the honour of hosting Uist's first annual Summer Music Festival on July 28, with headline acts including Niteworks, The Side, Manran and Tide Lines.

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Mull Go Wild

The Isle of Mull offers ancient history, incredible wildlife watching and one of the most celebrated landscapes on Earth. Lonely Planet featured Mull in its list of '40 amazing experiences in Europe'. Bag a Munro, tour a castle, spot eagles, otters and dolphins, and stroll the streets of historic Tobermory, the colourful village that played home of the CBeebies programme Balamory.

COLONSAY

Colonsay Get away from it all

Colonsay may be small, but there is plenty to distinguish this island, from its beautiful beaches and ancient places of worship, to the community spirit which ensures that, rain or shine, there is always something going on. There is wildlife to appreciate wherever you look, whether it's out to sea to make eye contact with a friendly seal, or above, spying eagles or the rare black-legged kittiwake. Climbing peaks remains a popular activity among visitors to Colonsay, or stretch your legs on one of the island's sandy beaches, such as Kiloran Bay, or with a round at the 18-hole golf course.



JURA

Islay Queen of the Hebrides

Islay is the Queen of the Hebrides. No wonder. With a surfeit of whisky distilleries, wildlife, warm hospitality and scenery, Islay is a top holiday destination. Cycling, fishing, horse-riding, hillwalking and golfing on world class courses is all on offer, and for those who like to watch the world go by, driving tours take in the lovely island scenery. Diners on Islay are spoiled for choice – seafood is prepared and served fresh from the boats, along with a variety of delicious dishes. Welcoming hotels, B&Bs, lodges and campsites proffer famous island hospitality.

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Gigha God's Island

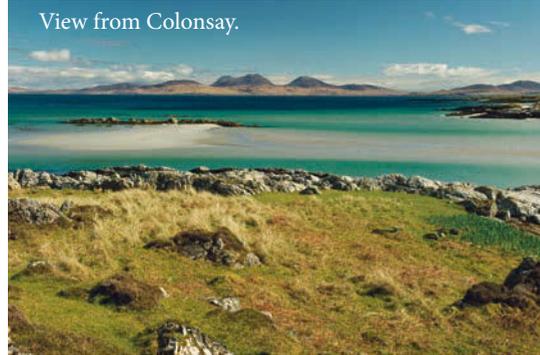
Gigha means 'God's Island' in Gaelic and visitors to this magical island may well agree. With dazzling beaches, ancient sites and sweeping views, Gigha is a tranquil emerald gem. Add to that the friendly Hebridean hospitality, and it is an ideal getaway for those looking to escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Gigha is an ideal spot for bicycling and water sports of all kinds, from sea kayaking and paddle boarding to rowboating and snorkelling. The isle was bought by the community in 2002, and now the Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust manages most of the island.

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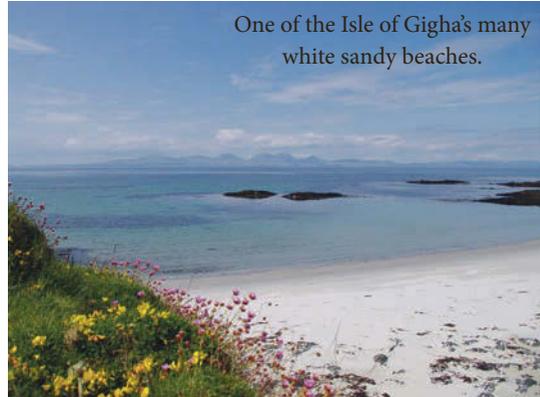




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Sails unfurl for Tarbert Traditional Boat Festival



Graceful vessels come to the festival from all over the UK. a30Tarboats13

FLAGS, masts, sails and hardy seamen will be lining the harbour in Tarbert next weekend for the annual Tarbert Traditional Boat Festival.

A flotilla of traditionally crafted boats will fill the marina for the weekend, having sailed in to Tarbert from all

over the UK. Take a stroll along the pontoons to admire their finery and read about their history, before heading to the recreation area for refreshments, traditional crafts and a bit of fun.

The fleet of boats will arrive in Tarbert on the afternoon of Friday

July 14 and moor up for the weekend at the pontoons. At 8pm that evening, the stage will be set for local musicians, bands and choirs to perform in the marquee.

From 10am onwards on Saturday morning, July 15, the pontoons will be open to the pub-



The greasy pole offers a real challenge to hardy competitors. a30Tarboats02

lic and will offer a good chance to get up close to the traditional boats and perhaps learn a bit more about the origins of each vessel.

Woodwork and traction engine demonstrations will take place throughout the day, while a selection of stalls in and around the marquee will also

open. The infamous 'greasy pole' competition gets underway at Jake's Quay at 11am and poses a great challenge to any daredevils out there.

The Anchor Hotel's Seabed Restaurant will be preparing and serving delicious food

just outside the marquee from 7pm, which means anyone going to the community ceilidh in the evening can grab a quick bite to eat beforehand. The ceilidh kicks off at 8pm in the marquee and all crews, villagers and visitors are encouraged to take the floor for a bit of dancing.

The schedule for Sunday morning is a little more subdued as crews will gather at the Tarbert Hotel for a prize-giving ceremony with their breakfast.

In the afternoon, the boats will set sail for home, leaving Tarbert Harbour for the sail past on Loch Fyne.



Tarbert will be abuzz for the boat festival. a30Tarboats09

Tarbert Traditional Boat Festival
14-16 July 2017

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Engin took over Marine Bisro 2 years ago having been involved in hospitality here in Tarbert and from his native country Turkey. He says that on arriving here he immediately fell in love with the place and decided to settle down and to start his own business. Because of his love of food he started what is now Marine Bistro.

The bistro has gone from strength to strength and is a relaxed bar and restaurant on the harbour. "We offer a great choice. We always use local produce, fresh fish and ingredients and what a place to eat opposite this magnificent view!"

Engin says "We are now licensed so we can now offer a good selection of wine and beer. Drinks are served from morning till night which makes it a great place to stop and have a little something before you explore the surroundings. Everyone is welcome here."

The Viking raiders have arrived again

THE VIKINGS are back pillaging on Loch Fyne.

Five villages along Loch Fyne have been preparing for raids, with the first expedition yesterday (Thursday) taking the nautical Nordics from Tarbert to Inveraray then back to home base in Tarbert.

As part of the Loch Fyne Viking Festival, Ardrishaig, Lochgilhead, Portavadie and Tarbert are also running events until this Sunday July 9.

The Viking fleet has expanded for this year's invasion.

There are now two Magnus Viking longships from Northern Ireland and an Arran longship as well as Freydis – Tarbert's wooden replica longship, which is one of UK's very few wooden Viking vessels. These ships will be manned by almost 100 local and visiting Viking volunteers, with some from as far afield as Norway and Sweden.

Today, Friday July 7, the

longships will sail to Lochgilhead, where the Big Day Out for young people from Argyll and Bute will meet the Loch Fyne Viking Festival in a special programme organised jointly with the MS Centre in Lochgilhead.

As well as the raids in the villages, Glasgow Vikings will erect Viking settlements for the public to visit and will also re-enact Viking battles, with a running commentary explaining Viking fighting strategies. Causeway Archers (Northern Ireland) will also give archery demonstrations and will offer the public the opportunity to try the sport for themselves.

Medvind (Sweden) will perform musical storytelling during all the events. Tønsberg Vikings (Norway) will visit each event, dressed in traditional Viking costumes and carrying traditional Viking weapons.

During the local event in Tarbert tomorrow, Saturday July 8, Magnus Barfot's

longship portage from West Loch Tarbert to East Loch Tarbert will be re-enacted, using Freydis, Tarbert's own 40ft wooden replica Viking longship. A Viking village will be erected on the marina's amenities area and archery demonstrations will take place at the castle.

Part of the evening entertainment will be an open stage concert in the marina marquee on the Saturday night, featuring local and visiting musical talents of all ages and levels, plus ceilidh dancing. Exciting Swedish band Medvind will also perform at this concert.

On the final day, the Viking fleet will sail across to Portavadie and back. During a Ting – a Viking summit – international guests, Vikings, local authorities and community councils will explore options for Loch Fyne Viking Festival's future.

Each day is sure to be fun and action-packed with loads of activities for all the family.



Viking-based shenanigans will be happening all weekend.

Wildlife Wonders

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A common blue butterfly pictured near the wildlife centre.

DO YOU know what you are looking at in the natural world?

Ever wondered what that flower, bird, butterfly or insect is called? On our occasional sunny summer days, the life around us can be bewildering. Recently I spent 10 minutes photographing all of the animals attracted to a patch of nettles outside the Barrandaimh wildlife centre – spiders, harvestmen, hoverflies, sawflies, snails, moths, butterflies, beetles, bugs, aphids and mites. They are all competing for food, light and space, and providing food for a host of other animals.

Is it important that we know what they are? I think it is. If we don't know what is around us how can we inspire ourselves and others to

protect it? 'It is that range of biodiversity we must care for – the whole thing – rather than just one or two stars,' is a quote from Sir David Attenborough that sums up this need.

We can all help in many small ways. We can provide shelter, food and a wild space in our gardens, we can use peat-free compost and help save our wetlands, we can hold back on the chemicals and slug pellets that work their way up the food chain and harm birds and other wildlife.

We can mow and strim a little less often and allow those wildflowers to flower and seed, and we can lobby our councils and other authorities to do the same.

A great way of getting to know our local wildlife

and wild places is to get involved in one of the many citizen science projects that are taking place over the summer. We will be looking at red squirrels, bats, wildflowers and butterflies, and we have events taking place at that will give you a chance to hone your nature detective skills.

The Heart of Argyll Wildlife Organisation centre at Barrandaimh is currently open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10am until 5pm.

We will be open Monday to Friday from July 17 to August 18. We also have a summer programme of walks and events. Full details via our website www.heartofargyllwildlife.org or on our Facebook page.

Pete Creech

Smiles defeat the drizzle at Tarbert Seafood Festival

Colin Cameron
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FISH would have been happy with the weather as plenty of water fell from grey skies, but this did not stop Tarbert Seafood Festival from being a huge success.

Visitors and local people, decked out in wet weather gear and carrying brollies, turned out in droves to enjoy this two-day festival of fun and food.

Tarbert is enjoying a deserved reputation as the festival capital of Argyll, with a series of friendly events held annually on the shores of Loch Fyne.

Last weekend the seafood festival saw the harbour lined with a variety of stalls by local businesses and hotels, showcasing the many local delicacies on offer. The festival welcomed back chef Mike Leslie from the Coachman Hotel in Kilsyth on festival Sat-

urday for his famous cookery demonstrations.

One of the festival highlights is always had to be the crowning of Tarbert Seafood Festival Queen.

After their traditional arrival by boat on the St Clair, Queen Jacquelyn Clark along with her princesses, Beth Johnstone and Robyn MacFie, smiled their way in the drizzle along the street before being crowned by Tarbert harbourmaster Donald McAllister.

Saturday's big festival procession was led by Mid Argyll Pipe Band, with this year's parade theme being 'nursery rhymes'.

Plenty of colour and imagination went into the costumes, with people of all ages taking part.

The Clan Stunt Team stunned onlookers with skill and dexterity on bikes, while the



From A&D Johnson fish merchants – left to right, Sophia Johnson, Jane Johnson, Karen Murray and Simon Murray. Also in picture, Harry Halibut and Larry Lobster. 06_a27TarbSeafood14

Absurdist Pipe Band performed on the Saturday, with hugely popular local band The Democrats back again for this year's festival Sunday.

Young Highland dancers from James McCorkindale School of Dance in Campbeltown added some Scottish culture to entertain the crowds.

And, to burn off all that fantastic seafood, talented all-girl line-up Mania had people dancing in the streets of Tarbert with a string of tribute hits.

Festival joint organiser Margaret MacNeill said: 'The wet weather didn't dampen anyone's spirits, I'm pleased to say.'

'Thanks to the stallholders, entertainers and everyone who got dressed up and took part in the parade – well done. The festival queen and



Above: Malgorzata Wysocka was helping Anchor Hotel head chef Gavin Barr at their busy seafood stall. 06_a27TarbSeafood08

Right: In the impressive parade of nursery rhyme characters, Little Bo Peep is closely followed by Humpty Dumpty. 06_a27TarbSeafood31



Girl band Mania had them dancing on the quayside in Tarbert.

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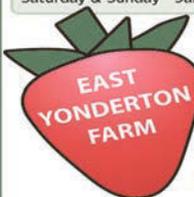
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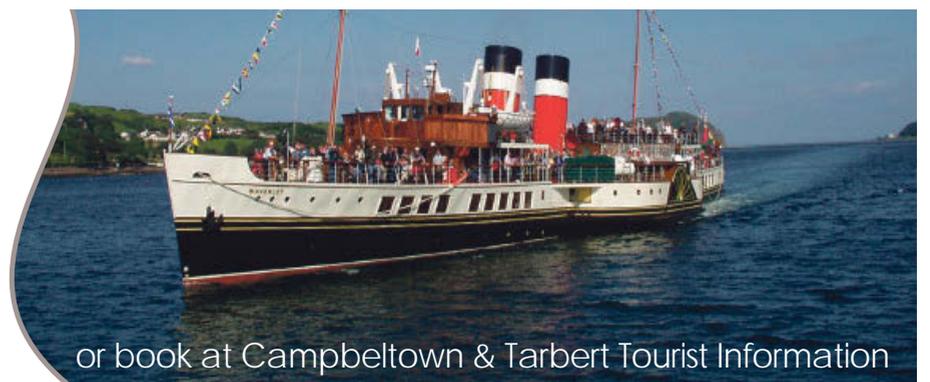
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Above: Councillor Anne Horn and Tarbert harbourmaster Donald McAllister with, from left, seafood festival Princess Beth Johnstone, festival Queen Jacquelyn Clark and Princess Robyn MacFie.
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The Starfish team served up some delicious seafood – from left, Anna Savage, Kirsten Henderson and Gillian Henderson.
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The ever-popular Democrats entertained the crowds on Sunday.



Some of the talented young artists who won prizes in the Loch Fyne Gallery colouring-in competition.



High flying Ross McArthur of the Clan Stunt Team clears a one-metre bar from a standing start. 06_a27TarbSeafood07



Ardrihaig folk Catriona MacNab, Malkie MacNab and Barbara MacGilp get stuck into freshly-prepared Arbroath smokies and seafood paella. 06_a27TarbSeafood25



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Dean Owens.

'Celtic Americana' comes to Craignish

ARDFERN welcomes Owens tours with one of Scotland's finest singer/songwriters next week.

Armed with a soulful voice, crafted stories and memorable melodies, Dean Owens and the Whisky Hearts will perform at the Craignish Village Hall on Thursday July 13.

In his early career, Dean was best known as the front-man of the much-loved Scottish Americana band The Felsons. Nowadays,

Owens tours with his band, the Whisky Hearts trio, playing a unique mix of rock, indie, Americana, country and folk songs which he labels as 'Celtic Americana'.

Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £10 or £6 concession and are available online at Ticketsource or by reservation. To reserve a seat, contact cvh.artsevents@gmail.com or phone 01852 500746.

Pro wrestlers return to Tarbert

AN ACTION-packed evening is guaranteed when live professional wrestling comes to Tarbert.

Tickets are selling fast for a spectacular night of thrills and spills, courtesy of the Glasgow Professional Wrestling Asylum (GPWA), despite the fact that it won't take place until October.

Organisers have scored a major coup as wrestling star Jack Jester returns to the Tarbert Village Hall after a blistering appearance last year.

The Jester has spent much of the past year cementing his position as one of the UK's top performers, entering the ring with WWE wrestlers and featuring on BBC's Insane Fight Club.



Jack Jester in action at last year's event.



'Flyin' Ryan Griffin taking aim on the top rope.

Organiser Lesley Norris said: 'We are delighted to announce that star of BBC's Insane Fight Club Jack Jester will return to Tarbert this year. Jester was so impressed by our sold-out show last year that he was keen to return and it promises to be an action-packed night for the whole family.'

'GPWA is Europe's top training facility and on the night you will get to see the top up-and-coming wrestling talent in the UK

go against established talent.'

Tickets are on sale at Clachan filling station and Kintyre Electrical, with all profits from the show going to the Clachan Village Hall Development Fund.

There are only a handful of VIP tickets left, which include early entry, meet and greet, and a guaranteed front-row seat.

More details are to be announced in the coming months on the GPWA Facebook and Twitter page.

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Cases down, prosecutions rise – but dog problems persist

A CO-ORDINATED crime fighting campaign has seen cases of sheep worrying during lambing time drop by nearly 40 per cent on the year.

The three-month campaign, led by Police Scotland, saw 43 livestock worrying incidents reported – all but two of these cases involving sheep.

Like last year, most incidents involved a single dog and in more than half of these the offending dog was local to the area and was either roaming free or otherwise not under proper control.

In 86 per cent of recorded incidents, farm

animals were either injured or died as a result. This campaign, the third of its kind in a year, has also led to an increase in prosecutions.

Inspector Jane Donaldson, Police Scotland rural crime co-ordinator, said: 'I am encouraged with this reduction in livestock worrying crimes compared to the same period last year and grateful for the support of our partners, in particular NFU Scotland, Scottish Land and Estates, Scottish Natural Heritage and the Kennel Club to raise awareness of this crime, encourage farmers to

report incidents and to educate dog owners.

'The effects of livestock worrying on farmers cannot be underestimated – the loss of any animals will devastate a farmer, and can also have a significant financial impact.

'Dog owners living near farmland should never let their dog out unaccompanied and must ensure that their garden is secure.

'Anyone exercising their dogs in the countryside should keep them under proper control at all times when out walking, never let their dogs enter fields where livestock is grazing, and should ad-

here, at all times, to the Scottish Outdoor Access Code.'

Farmers are being encouraged to help walkers by pointing out alternative routes avoiding livestock and to report all incidents of livestock worrying to Police Scotland, including occasions where there has been a 'near-miss'.

Martin Kennedy, NFU Scotland vice president, said: 'We welcome these figures following the three-month campaign earlier this year, and we are pleased that Police Scotland is giving such focus to livestock worrying.

'Whilst these figures are encouraging, the issue of livestock worrying remains severe for many of our members across Scotland.

'NFU Scotland continues to believe that many instances are unreported, and we would urge all farmers and crofters to ensure that they report each and every attack to ensure that Police Scotland has an accurate picture of this problem, and so that we can continue to work together to find solutions.'

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Have respect in the countryside



Scottish Land and Estates chairman David Johnstone and policy officer Karen Ramoo unveil the campaign logo.

A GROUP representing Scottish landowners has launched a campaign to encourage 'respectful' access to the countryside.

Scottish Land and Estates unveiled the Care for the Countryside initiative at the Royal Highland Show.

Three topics are the initial focus for campaign – responsible dog ownership, fly tipping and responsible mountain biking. The campaign is being supported by a range of organisations including Scottish Natural Heritage, Police Scotland, Zero Waste Scotland, Developing Mountain Biking in Scotland as well as the Scottish Government.

To read more about the Care for the Countryside, visit scottishlandand-estates.co.uk.

Kilberry sheepdog trial supports MS charity

STAFF and volunteers at Lochgilphead's MS Centre were delighted to receive a generous donation of £309.50 raised by Mary Semple, Catharine Weir, Anne McArthur, Christine Winnard and Simone Balcon at the

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Action from the dog trial. Photograph: Caroline Anderson.

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Colin Cameron
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THE STONES of Auchindrain hold plenty of secrets but a new archaeological dig aims to reveal a little more about the historic township.

And if you want to be involved – and are within the teens to 20s age group – there are still spaces available on the team taking on the investigation.

The popular museum between Furnace and Inveraray has been awarded grant funding totalling more than £13,000 to excavate two ruined buildings on the site, of which little is known.

The Auchindrain Trust has received grant worth £10,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, with a further donation of £3,500 from Museums Galleries Scotland helping to fund the project.

Professional archaeologists will lead a team of 12 young people as they excavate the remains of two buildings near the museum entrance.

Auchindrain Museum curator and director Bob Clark is excited about the project.

‘We don’t really know anything about the buildings. We know from old maps that they were abandoned

by the late 19th century, but nothing else. We may find a treasure trove but, on the other hand, we might turn up very little.

‘The point is that we will have made the effort and the young people will see how an excavation is carried out.’

The residential dig, which is expected to last around two weeks from August 1, is aimed at young people from urban and rural backgrounds with some form of disadvantage, whether geographic, economic or otherwise.

‘This is an exciting, innovative project and it’s something we haven’t done before.’

He added: ‘The young people will get to experience living very much like the people they are investigating, with no electricity or internet access.

‘But they will also learn about living and working together as a group.’

Mr Clark stressed that the youngsters will be properly supervised and supported during their time at the museum.

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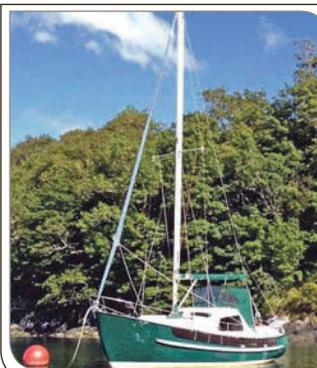
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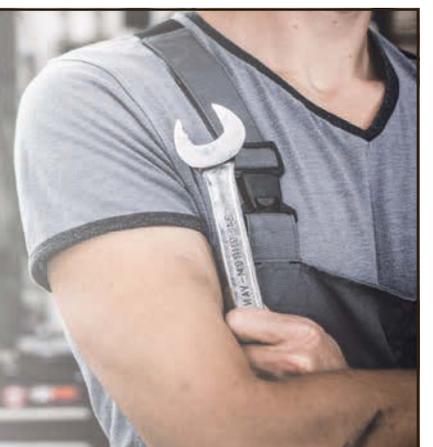
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THANK YOU

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CLACHAN

Caring bakers win award

A GROUP of Kintyre primary pupils has won an award for its annual Christmas cakes initiative. Children from Clachan Primary School won the Active Participation Group award at the Argyll College UHI Inspirational Young Person of the Year award ceremony.

The project saw every pupil in the school work together from November to bake 44 Christmas cakes which were then hand-delivered to every retired person in the village.

Clachan head teacher Lucy Blake said: 'This initiative, which has

been going for 20 years, links the children to the older members of the community in a real and tangible way.

'Clachan is a village with the school at its heart, and it is important to the school to keep links to the wider community.

'The fact that each cake is hand-labelled individually adds to the sense of caring for each person. We hope that letting everyone know they are thought of is a way to show that we care, and we're delighted the project has been recognised in these awards.'



Pupils from Clachan Primary School show off their award.

DUNOON

Charity dip for wild swimmers

SWIMMERS from across Cowal and beyond will be pitting themselves against the Firth of Clyde this weekend.

The Clyde Charity Swim takes place this Saturday, July 8. The fundraising for the swim is in aid of the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

TARBERT



A colourful showing from Tarbert Academy pupils at their 5k fundraiser.

Tarbert students' wee wander for charity

SENIOR pupils at Tarbert Academy organised a colourful 5k walk to raise cash for charity.

The group of students worked hard to plan and organise the fundraising event for Macmillan nurses and Tarbert Academy School fund as part of their skills programme.

Linda MacPhail, from Argyll and Bute Council youth services, who helped organised the event, said: 'The young people involved were focused and committed, working extremely hard to make this event a success while develop-

ing essential lifelong learning and skills for their future.'

Pupils worked as a team making their event as bright and as colourful as possible, creating neon tutus and hair pieces, and adorning vibrant face paints to stand out in their local community.

Tarbert Academy

and Argyll and Bute Council youth services would like to thank Mrs Wilkieson of Macmillan nurses and John Mathieson for supporting and educating pupils on the subject of cancer and also would like to thank all the pupils and staff who took part and for their kind donations.

CAMPBELTOWN

Balmoral sets sail

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Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THE LOCH was completely still as the pink clouds turned day into evening, casting their perfect reflections on the still waters.

The woods were quiet too and only the sound of our boots on the dry leaves broke the silence.

That was until our collies heard something in the bushes and their barking soon shattered the peace.

Then there was another threat as a 'dog' across the loch barked back at them with ever louder determination.

Soon it was mayhem as this dog, called Echo, responded to every bark.

Greatly amused, we watched as our two barked, then stopped to listen for Echo's response. He obliged every time.

As a child I loved to find a cave or a hill where my voice would echo back to me. If I laughed, laughter came back to me; if I sang, my song was returned; if I shouted, the voice shouted back; if I cried, the voice cried with me.

Someone once said: 'What we do in life echoes in eternity.'

Maybe what we do in this life too, comes back to us. If we laugh with people, they usually laugh with us. If we sing, people often join in our song.

However if we shout, people tend to shout back at us.

There is a lot of shouting in our world these days, and people tend to think that the louder they shout, the more likely they are to win the argument.

How wrong they are, because when people are shouting, they are not listening.

The truth is usually found in the still small voice of calm.

Speak gently to one another, for 'what we do in life echoes in eternity'.

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TEXT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus taught us to pray, saying, 'Our Father ... Give us today our daily bread' (Matthew 6:11).

ENGAGEMENT

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Both families are delighted to announce the engagement of Siobhan to John on Tuesday June 27, 2017 in London

DEATHS

BOSWELL - Peacefully at Cowal Community Hospital on Saturday July 1, 2017, Patricia (Pat), a much loved mammy, granny and great-granny, who will be sadly missed by all family and friends. The funeral service will be held on Friday July 7 in Greenock Crematorium at 3.00p.m. to which all are respectfully invited. Family flowers only please.

MACAULAY/WILSON Peacefully at Beinnlee, Campbeltown, on July 4, 2017, surrounded by her family, Rhona Catherine MacAulay, aged 38 years, much loved and loving wife of Mick Wilson, devoted mummy of Finlay, beloved elder daughter of Calum and Catherine Anne and a wonderful sister of Aileen. A beautiful, brave and inspirational young woman. Funeral in the Highland Parish Church, Campbeltown on Saturday July 8 at 1.00 p.m. 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 Macmillan Nurses Kintyre Locality.

MCKINLAY - Peacefully at her home, 2 Letterdaill, Cairnbaan on June 29, 2017, Morag McKinlay, nee McLean, in her 90th year. Beloved wife of the late Thomas McKinlay, and much loved and loving mother of Diana and Isabel, much respected mother in law of Allan. Cherished granny of Morven and John, and Ian and Carol, great gran of Arran, Kyra, Darcey and Alexander. A dear sister, sister in law, aunt and cousin and a good neighbour and dear friend to many. Funeral service was held in Glassary Parish Church, Kilmichael on Thursday July 6, 2017, followed by interment at Achnabreac Cemetery. Sadly missed.

MORANS - On June 29, 2017, suddenly but peacefully at Lorn and Islands Hospital Oban, Catherine (Katie) Morans, in her 85th year, beloved daughter of the late Edward and Margaret Morans, much loved

sister of Rose and the late Margaret, John, Archibald and Edward, a dearly loved aunt and great aunt of all the family, a greatly loved and respected dear friend of many. Funeral service was held at Tarbert Free Church on July 6, interment thereafter at Carrick Cemetery. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to Tarbert Free Church.

RUSSELL - Suddenly at her home, on June 30, 2017, Catherine (Cathy) Gilchrist Russell, nee Johnstone, in her 74th year, of 10 Sinclair Drive, Lochgilphead. Beloved wife of Billy Russell, much loved and loving mother of Lindsay, Rodney and Neil and

a dearly loved Granny Kaki. Much respected mother in law, dear sister, aunt and cousin to all the family. Funeral service will be held at Lochgilphead Parish Church, on Wednesday July 12, 2017, at 11am, thereafter to Achnabreac Cemetery. All friends are respectfully invited to attend.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CARROLL - The family of the late Willie Carroll, would like to thank everyone for the many various kind expressions of sympathy received in their recent sad loss. Special thanks to all doctors and nursing

staff at Inveraray, Mid Argyll Hospital and R.A.H. Paisley for all the kind care and attention received. Special thanks also to Margaret Sinclair for a most comforting and warm service at Fisher Row, Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for professional services, George Hotel for catering and to all who paid their last respects at house and graveside.

IN MEMORIAM

MACINTYRE - In loving memory of a dear husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather Archie, died July 10, 2012.

Loved and remembered always.

- Anna and all the family.

CHURCH NOTICES

ARDRISHAIG AND SOUTH KNAPDALE PARISHES

"Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness"
Services in Achahoish at 9:45am and Ardrishaig at 11:00am

SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCHES

Christ Church
Bishopton Road, Lochgilphead (SC013787)
Sunday 11.00am
Eucharist & Coffee
St Columba's, Pottalloch (SC031391)
1st Sunday of the month 9.00am Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month 6.00pm Evensong
Father Simon Mackenzie 01546 602315

ST MARGARET'S R.C. CHURCH LOCHGILPHEAD

Holy Mass Sunday 10am All Saints, Inveraray
Holy Mass Sunday 12.30pm Fr. David Connor 01546 602380
All Welcome (SCO002876)

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GLASSARY KILMARTIN and FORD PARISH CHURCH

9th July 2017
Pet Service
Kilmartin 11.45am
Rev. C R Acklam
All welcome
SCO 02121

NORTH KNAPDALE PARISH CHURCH

Charity Number SC001002
Sunday 9 July
Inverlussa Church 10 am
Rev. C. Acklam
Saturday 8 July
Achnamara Hall 10.30am
Café Connect
Monday 10 July
Tayvallich Church 10.30am
Prayer Time
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Enquiries 01546 606926
www.northknapdale.org

LIVING STONES CHRISTIAN CENTRE KILMARTIN

Sunday 9th July
Service at 11 a.m
Speaker this week - Graham McLean
"A Life-giving Stream"
Light meal to follow
ALL WELCOME

SKIPNESS LINKED WITH TARBERT LOCHFYNES AND KILBERRY CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 9th July 2017
Skipness Service 10am T.B.A.
Tarbert Service 11.30am
Kilberry Service 2pm
Rev. Walter Ritchie
For all church enquiries and pastoral care
Contact Rev. Hilda Smith, Interim Moderator on 07826 235735
Everyone very welcome
Tarbert & Kilberry SCO02622
Skipness SCO04280

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND WEST LOCHFYNESIDE

Sunday 9th July 2017
Morning Service in Cumlodden Church
Charity No. SC016097
at 10.00 am
Morning Service in Inveraray Church
Charity No. SC016665
at 11.30 am
Preacher: Margaret Sinclair
Gaelic Service
in Lochgair Church
at 3 pm
All welcome

Highland Parish Church

SCO02493
Sunday 9th July 2017
The service will be conducted by Mr Kevin Muller and will be held in the church at 11.15am
All Welcome

LORNE AND LOWLAND PARISH CHURCH

Scottish Charity Number SC011686
Sunday 9th July
10.00am Informal Service
New Hall
11.15am Traditional Service
Creche
Rev P Wallace
Tuesday 11th July
Tiny Tots New Hall

St. Kieran's Scottish Episcopal Church

Argyll Street, Campbeltown
St Kieran Episcopal Church: Campbeltown
Scottish Charity No SC023277
Sunday 9th July
Pentecost 5
Holy Communion 10.45am
Enquiries Tel: 01586 551141
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7.00pm in Springbank Church
Bible Study and Prayer
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SCO14646

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Church and Community Centre
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Burnside Street, Campbeltown
01586 552046
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Majors Ben & Ruth Russell
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George Street, Campbeltown
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Rev David Parker
Wednesday 12th July
12.30pm Bible Study and Prayer
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Awards night for Red stars

CELEBRATING the end of a successful year for the club, Lochgilphead Red Star held their annual awards dinner and presentation last Saturday.

Manager Dougie Moore thanked the players for their efforts over the season as well as sponsors The Stag Hotel for hosting the event and the Victoria Inn for their hospitality over the season.

The club also thanked local businesses S&C Crawford Joinery, RJD Brickwork, Café 35, and Mid Argyll Youth Project for their help with funding for equipment and balls over the year.

The player's awards were as follows: Player of the year: Aaron Moore; Young player of the year: Kieran Moore; Players' player of the year: Aaron Moore; Top goalscorer: Robert Docherty; Most improved player: Andrew Weir; Special performance award: Luke Kalache

Red Star returned to training on Wednesday night and have several pre-season friendlies lined up over the coming weeks.

Tomorrow (Saturday 8 June) they welcome Gartcosh AFC from the Central Scottish AFL to the Lochgilphead Joint Campus 3G. The game kicks off at 2pm.

Strachur lottery cash boost

AN ARGYLL shinty club is set for a cash boost thanks to a share of National Lottery funds.

Strachur and District Shinty Club is just one of the groups benefiting from the lottery funds and will receive a grant of £5,500.

The cash means they can now develop a community engagement programme to ensure that young players keep playing the game from school to senior level.

The National Lottery Awards for All Scotland provides grants from £500 to £10,000 with funds raised by the National Lottery. The national agency for sport in Scotland, sportscotland, has chosen 51 sport and physical activity community projects across the country which will benefit from this investment.

All action sports at the joint campus

AS THE sun shone on Lochgilphead Joint Campus last Friday evening, youngsters were getting involved in all sorts of sporting activities.

Skateboarding, archery, football and rugby were just some of the sports under way at 'Sports Not On The Green', run by the Mid Argyll Youth Development Services (MAYDS).

Aside from the more ubiquitous sports, the water walker provided some aquatic entertainment as people took to the water in a giant waterproof, inflatable sphere.

Dom Kinnard, a silver screen stuntman, added some adrenaline to proceedings as he demonstrated some tricks of his

trade to excited young daredevils.

To keep energy levels up on a long night of action, MAYDS staff put on an impressive spread of hot dogs, snacks and sweets, as well as some giveaways, prizes and competitions.

Despite Sports Not On The Green being a free event, the team managed to raise £400 – money which will be put straight back into community projects and events.

MAYDS centre manager, Fiona Kalache, said: 'It was a fantastic night and great to see everyone out enjoying themselves and participating in local sports. Thanks again to the Big Lottery Celebrate Fund for supporting the event.'



Mother and daughter compete in the obstacle course. 08_a27maydssports01

Sports Not On The Green also brought a number of local organisations together

with groups getting together as families, children and organisers all savoured the

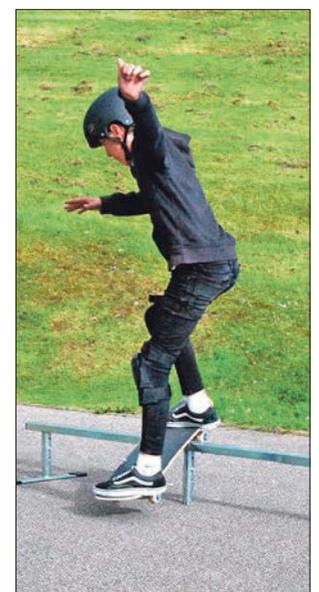
bright summer evening to try their hand at some new activities.



Stuntman, Dom Kinnard, teaching youngsters some martial arts moves. 08_a27maydssports06



There was even enough space to play some five-a-sides. 08_a27maydssports08



Performing a textbook board-slide on the make-shift rail. 08_a27maydssports05



Skateboarders enjoy the mobile half-pipe in the sunshine. 08_a27maydssports03



The water walker proved popular with a constant queue of children throughout the day. 08_a27maydssports02

Great year for Mid Argyll swimmers

AFTER a successful year in the pool, the MACPool Dolphins held their end-of-year awards ceremony last week.

The young team of swimmers gathered at the Mid Argyll Community Pool on Thursday for a prize-giving ceremony to mark

the end of the swimming year. David Danson from club sponsor Landcatch was on hand to help club coach Arlene Green present the winning swimmers with their awards.

Ms Green praised the commitment of the swimmers and announced that to her

surprise, despite missing two gala days this year, the overall point tallies were higher than last year.

She said: 'This has been a great year for the club, with some great individual performances and a hugely successful swimathon. This is the most num-

ber of members we've had at the Dolphins, with 30 swimmers in the club this year.'



The MACPool Dolphins team of 2016/17. 08_a27macpoolawards02



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Megan Danson won the special contribution award for the highest points tally of the group, with 584 points, while Euan Gil-

mour also got a special contribution award for gaining 558 points.

Ruby Bosomworth was presented with the contribution award, while Lorne Barrie was awarded a contribution award. He was not in attendance.

Ruby and Lorne were club captains this year and their hard work and commitment was rewarded with a certificate and gift voucher.

To round off the presentations, Tom West was named swimmer of the month for June.

Inveraray gents championship

THE GENTS Seniors Championship took place at Inveraray Golf Club last weekend.

Jimmy Kerr came out on top on the day to win the tournament, while Duncan Robertson won the handicap trophy.

The club would like to congratulate both Jimmy and Duncan on their wins.

Scratch: 1 J Kerr, 88; 2 Dn Robertson, 90; 3 D Cameron, 100.

Handicap: 1 Dn Robertson, 77; 2 D Cameron, 82; 3 D Aitchison, 83

D & K Cup in Oban

THE annual D & K Cup football tournament takes place at Mossfield Stadium and Glencruitten Park tomorrow (Saturday) starting at 11am.

Teams taking part are Hamilton Accies, Dundee United, Al-Loa Athletic, Berwick Rangers and Oban Saints.

SPOT THE BALL

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SPORT



INSIDE THIS WEEK:
All action sports at the joint campus

Glenralloch prepares for championship

TARBERT golfers are looking forward to this year's club championship which begins this weekend at Glenralloch. The first two rounds take place on Saturday and Sunday with the final two rounds taking place the following weekend. All the usual ballot times are available this weekend with the final two rounds being seeded. Members are reminded that there are lots of prizes up for grabs, so there is something for everyone to play for.

The club are pleased to say that the course is in great condition with the greens improving every week.

Sports club lotteries

THE numbers drawn on Monday in the Tarbert Football Club lottery were 10, 11 and 13. There were no winners this week so next week's jackpot is £900. Also drawn on Monday, the Kilmory Camanachd Club lottery draw numbers were 11, 17, and 19. There were no winners so the jackpot will be £800 next week.

In the Inveraray Shinty Club lottery, the numbers were 4, 8 and 13. There were no winning tickets so next week's jackpot will be £400.

Inveraray knocked out of Balliemore Cup

Balliemore Cup - semi final

**Inveraray 1
Fort William 3**

THE 2017 Balliemore Cup Final will be played between Fort William and Caberfeidh after the Lochaber side beat Inveraray 3-1 at the Tainuill Sports Field.

With the pitch in immaculate condition, Inveraray started with the wind behind them and they created a number chances but the half, which was tousy at times, eventually ended goalless after a couple of minutes stoppage time.

Fort William now had the elements and al-

though Inveraray made the better start to the second half, Fort William started to come more and more into the game.

Seamus Gall put Fort ahead on 68 minutes after a scramble around the penalty spot and Gall sent the ball low past the keeper to score.

Jack Fraser made it 2-0 with a well-worked goal just three minutes later.

The move started from the wing back position to wing centre and then to wing forward before being squared to Fraser just outside the D and he sent the ball into the top corner of the net.

Calum Shepherd added a third on 78 min-

utes after Inveraray keeper Scott MacLachlan saved a Jack Fraser shot and Shepherd was there for the rebound.

Inveraray never let their heads drop and Allan MacDonald pulled a goal back five minutes from time, but it was too little too late and Fort William progress to the final where they will play Caberfeidh at Blairbeg on Saturday 15 July 2017.

The defeat ends Inveraray's five-match winning run as they prepare to face Oban Camanachd in Saturday's Marine Harvest Camanachd Cup quarter-final at home.

Marine Harvest Premiership Glasgow MA 1 Kyles Athletic 2

KYLES Athletic stay out in front in the Marine Harvest Premiership but they had to work hard to beat Glasgow Mid Argyll 2-1 at Yoker.

Gordon Whyte gave Kyles the lead after five minutes with what was a scrappy goal.

GMA fought back and levelled after 15



Inveraray's Euan McMurdo puts pressure on Sean Cruickshank of Fort William. Photos: Stephen Lawson



Lewis Montgomery swings through Fort William defender James Tangney's block.

minutes when a shot from the right was saved by visiting keeper John Whyte but Finlay MacMillan was there to pounce to make it 1-1.

Kyles went back in front on 26 minutes with a goal almost identical to the opener, with Thomas Whyte punishing some sloppy GMA defending

and, although his shot lacked power, it found the net.

There was a moment of controversy on 72 minutes when a long looping ball dropped into the Kyles' box and keeper John Whyte ended up on the ground, but both referee John Angus Gillies and his goal judged deemed that the keep-

er was not endangering himself as he played the ball away.

League fixtures have reached the halfway point and Kyles have only one blemish on their record, a 1-1 draw against Oban Camanachd.

Next week they face Newtonmore in a Camanachd Cup quarter-final tie.

Argyll and Bute Cup tournament

THE ANNUAL Argyll and Bute Cup tournament organised by Lochgilphead Red Star will take place at the Ropework Park and Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Saturday August 5 starting at 10am.

Group A - Lochgilphead Red Star, Tarbert, Glasgow Islay and South Lochaber Thistle.

Group B - Dunoon, Oban Saints, Neilston and Rothesay Brandane.

Sports Not On The Green

'SPORTS Not On The Green' draws a crowd as youngsters flocked to the Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Friday for a night of sporting action. Read more on page 30.



One skater dropping into the half-pipe. 08_a27maydssports03

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