



## Town mourns loss of 'lovely boy' Peter

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LOCHGILPHEAD was in shock this week following the death of high school pupil Peter MacCallum at the weekend.

Tributes have been pouring in for the 'polite and hardworking' young man who died at the T in the Park music festival in Perthshire on Friday afternoon.

Peter, 17, was going into sixth year at Lochgilphead High School and was known for his love of architecture and his fine Gaelic singing voice.

To his fellow pupils he was kind and courteous and was known for 'just getting on' with his school work.

To his Gaelic choir members in Argyllshire male voice choir, Ceann an Turic, he made up the front row of three 'newbies' who helped the choir achieve success for the first time at a Royal National Mòd in Oban last year.

Argyll and Bute Councillor Donnie MacMillan led tributes from the town, saying: 'I am really sad that a young person has passed away.'

'I don't know the circumstances but nothing will change the fact that a young person has lost their life.'

'My granddaughter was in Peter's class at school, and she tells me he was well liked by all his classmates,

and got on with everyone. He was quiet and studious. My thoughts are with his parents, his community of friends and all concerned. It is a very sad time indeed.'

Choir conductor Joy Dunlop said: 'This is tragic news. It is so awful. He was a lovely boy. He was very polite, very hardworking and very kind. He made a real effort to get to know everyone and be a member of our choir family.'

'He had a great young, warm, yet still developing voice. He had such great potential. He really enhanced us as a choir. It was lovely to have someone young and enthusiastic.'

'We are all shocked and stunned that one of our youngest choir members has died. I can't believe something so terrible has happened. Our thoughts are with his family and friends.'

It is understood that Peter was using his summer holidays to gain experience in MacLeod Construction's architecture department.

A festival-goer from County Durham also died at the festival.

While the police are treating their deaths as suspicious, Chief Superintendent Angela McLaren of Police Scotland said: 'We are following lines of inquiry, including the possibility they may be drug-related.'

The details for Peter's funeral were not available at the time of going to press.

## MBE honour for Sharon



A director of Kilmartin Museum, Sharon Webb, was celebrating this week after receiving an MBE. Full story on page 7.

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A MAN has told of his efforts to reach two young children who died after the car they were travelling in entered a loch. Full story, page 3

#### Argyll Inn reopens

LOCHGILPHEAD pub-goers were delighted when the Argyll Inn opened under new management. The opening day began on a high with customers watching Andy Murray win Wimbledon. Full story, page 5



#### Piping school success

MANY talented musicians from Mid Argyll travelled to Strachur for a music school recently. One young musician came back with an award for his efforts. Full story, page 12

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## Work to start on clock lodge

WORK will finally begin on making Kilmory Clock Lodge wind and watertight next month.

This is the first stage in restoring the lodge to its former glory. It has still not been decided what it will be used for but ideas from a boutique hotel to a bunkhouse or arts hub have been put forward.

Harbro Country Stores bought the land and will build a shop

next to the lodge. It has leased the clock lodge to the Lochgilhead Phoenix project for 99 years.

As part of this, it agreed to carry out repairs to the building. This was supposed to begin over a year ago but was delayed. The roof fell into a state of disrepair and now needs to be completely replaced.

The work has been supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Architectural Heritage Fund. MacLeod Construction is expected to begin repairs in August and it will take about three months. Richard Gates, chairman of the Lochgilhead Phoenix project, said: 'While we were always confident the repairs would proceed, it is great news to be able to confirm the timetable for the repairs to this iconic building.'



**Kilmory Clock Lodge is crumbling.**



**Police Sergeant Martin Balkeen on his bike at the recent Lochgilhead Armed Forces Day parade. 06\_a29bike01**

# Officers get on their bikes to engage with the public

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POLICE in Mid Argyll are making a concerted effort to improve community engagement, according to a local

inspector. The recent introduction of a police officer on a push bike is evidence of this commitment, said Inspector Julie McLeish.

And there are plans to get more officers on their bikes.

Addressing a recent meeting of the Mid Argyll Partnership, Inspector McLeish commented: 'We have had a very positive response to people see-

ing the officer around Lochgilhead on his bike. It is a great community link and we are now looking to expand it, with more officers to be trained.'

Inspector McLeish also raised the possibility of open police 'surgeries' at Lochgilhead police office, adding that community officers often 'struggle to get round' community council meetings because of competing priorities.

This raised alarm

bells among some partners around the table and Jim Malcolm of Dunadd Community Council remarked: 'I think the role of community councils would be diminished if the police weren't there.'

'It would be disappointing if these surgeries were to replace attendance at these meetings.'

Inspector McLeish replied: 'The surgery idea is intended as another way to engage

positively with the public and would supplement rather than replace officer attendance at community council meetings.'

She added: 'What I don't want to hear is that people are not seeing community officers.'

Partnership chairman Andy Buntin rounded matters off when he added: 'The notion of police surgeries is certainly worth a trial and we'll see how it goes.'

## Police files

### Threatening behaviour

AT 1.20pm on Friday July 8, a man with a dog behaved in a threatening manner towards a woman in Lochnell Street, Lochgilhead. Police are investigating.

### Breach of bail conditions

A 55-YEAR-OLD man breached his bail conditions at a house in Furnace.

The incident happened at 12.30am on Saturday July 9. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

### Theft of diesel and batteries

RED diesel and car batteries were stolen from the forest just west of Auchindrain between 7pm on Friday July 8 and 7.30pm the following day. Police are appealing for witnesses.

### Windows broken

A GLASS panel in a window in Dalriada Vets, Lochgilhead, was shattered between 7.15pm on July 8 and 2.45pm the next day. Police are appealing for information.

### Windscreen smashed

BETWEEN 5pm and 9pm on Sunday July 10, a car parked at High Bank Park, Lochgilhead, had its windscreen smashed. Police are investigating and ask that any witnesses come forward.

### Noise complaint

POLICE were called to a flat in Lochgilhead's Campbell Street because of noise levels. A 36-year-old woman was charged with causing excessive

noise and behaving in an abusive manner. A report will be sent to the procurator fiscal.

### Polytunnel vandalised

BETWEEN 3.30pm on Thursday July 7 and 10am on Monday July 11, three large holes were cut into the sides of a polytunnel at Blarbuie Woodland, Lochgilhead. Police are investigating.

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## Time to deliver on Crinan Canal

THE TIME has come to deliver on ideas to improve the Crinan Canal corridor.

Speaking at the latest Mid Argyll Partnership meeting following a recent public consultation, Anna Watkiss, senior planning officer with Argyll and Bute Council, said: 'Now that we have reached the end of the formal meetings, we need to formulate a plan for the short, medium and long term.'

A series of events on the theme 'Rethink the Link' were held over four days at the end of April, gathering views on how the canal might be improved.

Some of the suggestions from the survey included better walking and cycling connections, improved signs and the development of key sites to offer better services and an enhanced environment.

Ms Watkiss said: 'We are now looking to deliver a plan based on what people told us they would like to see happen around the canal corridor.'

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# Lochgilphead man tells of efforts to reach children



Jimmy McMahon tried to reach Leia and Seth McCorrisken.

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A LOCHGILPHEAD man said he 'didn't think twice' before plunging into an icy loch to try to save two young children.

Leia McCorrisken, three, and her brother Seth, two, died when the car they were travelling in crashed into Loch nan Druimnean on the Oban to Lochgilphead road at around 4pm on Wednesday July 6. A woman was taken to hospital but was later discharged.

Painter and decorator Jimmy McMahon came across the accident on his way back from shopping for his baby son Harley's christening.

He said: 'I heard a woman screaming. It just sent a shiver up your spine. You could tell something bad had happened.'

He arrived about 10 minutes after the car had crashed into the loch. Other passers-by had already gone into the water but had been unable to reach the car.

When Mr McMahon heard there were children trapped in the car he realised he had to do everything he could to help.

'I couldn't wait around so I just went in,' he said. 'I didn't realise how deep it was. I could hear the sound of

the engine rattling but I couldn't see a thing. I couldn't get down.'

After about 15 minutes in the icy water, and with the Coastguard arriving, Mr McMahon realised there was nothing more he could do.

'I think I went down three times. When I came up the third time I realised there was no way I could get down that deep,' he said.

Mr McMahon is familiar with the road and believes more should be done to make sure no more lives are lost.

He said: 'I really think they should put barriers up. It's a slippery surface and one of the most bendy bits of the road.'

Mr McMahon's family celebrated Harley's christening on Sunday, but the events of the week before meant the occasion was tinged with sadness.

'It's upsetting. You're out celebrating and they have just lost their two kids.'

The incident is still fresh in Mr McMahon's mind and he says he is shocked and traumatised by the incident, although he knows he did everything he could.

He says he and his family will visit the site soon to leave a teddy as a tribute to the children.

## Work starts on new Campbeltown school

THE PLANNED new Campbeltown Grammar School has moved closer to reality as the turf-cutting ceremony was held.

Pupils and parents joined council staff, councillors, project partners and contrac-

tors last Monday morning to mark the official start of the project.

South Kintyre councillor Rory Colville, also Argyll and Bute Council's policy lead for education, said:

'This new £26 million school will help equip

our children for the future, by providing them with a fabulous facility in which they can learn and succeed, be ambitious and realise their full potential.'

Construction of the school, with capacity for up to 500 pu-

pils, is expected to be complete towards the spring of 2018.

Deputy First Minister and education secretary John Swinney added: 'This is an exciting milestone for pupils and staff at Campbeltown Grammar School.'

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## Transport minister visits Rest and Be Thankful on fact-finding trip

TRANSPORT minister Humza Yousaf visited the Rest and Be Thankful this week as part of a fact-finding trip to the Inner Hebrides.

Mr Yousaf, the Scottish Government's minister for transport and the islands, was on his first visit to the area after being moved into the role following a cabinet reshuffle in May.

During the visit, he said would be open to 'reasonable arguments' to improve Argyll's roads.

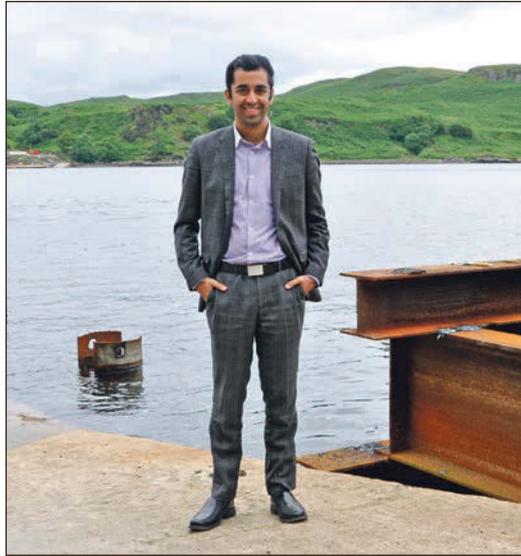
In October last year a new ferry pricing system, the Road Equivalent Tariff (RET), slashed the cost of travel to many islands, with a resultant surge in traffic.

On Tuesday, during a visit to Oban, *The Ar-*

*gyllshire Advertiser's* sister paper *The Oban Times* asked Mr Yousaf whether there was any cash available to improve road infrastructure in the region given the increase in traffic.

The transport minister said: 'We are already spending a heck of a lot.' Mr Yousaf added that any major improvements would be discussed within the Scottish Government's Strategic Transport Projects Review, which sets out its transport investment priorities from 2008 until 2032. 'The budget is limited, but I'm open to reasonable arguments,' he said.

While in the region, Mr Yousaf also met CalMac representatives at Kennacraig and travelled to Islay



**Humza Yousaf said he is 'open to reasonable arguments' on extra roads funding for Argyll.**

to visit Islay Museum, viewing work for the First World War commemoration, and attended a community council meeting.

Next month he trav-

els to the Western Isles to continue his engagement with island communities to 'help develop and inform future legislative proposals'.

## Leader wants agency in Argyll and Bute

THE LEADER of Argyll and Bute Council is pressing the Scottish Government to locate its proposed new Scottish welfare delivery agency in the local authority area.

Councillor Dick Walsh wrote to finance minister John Swinney in March after reading about the Scottish Government's plans for a new welfare delivery agency for Scotland, to deliver and administer benefits payments following devolution of social security powers through the Scotland Bill.

Now, the council leader has written to all MSPs who represent the Argyll and Bute area seeking their support for Argyll and Bute as a location for the agency.

Councillor Walsh said: 'In Argyll and Bute we have numerous potential and ideal locations for the welfare delivery agency – all fitting the bill in terms of skills and training availability, good quality affordable housing provision, low cost property and business rates, very attractive lifestyle opportunities and much more.'

'Over the past several months we have been working positively with the Scottish Government to deliver the aspirations that we share for the people who already live, work and visit in Argyll and Bute and to attract even more people to choose to come and live, work, learn and do business here. As soon as we heard about the Scottish Government's plans for this in March, we contacted Mr Swinney to put the case for locating the agency in Argyll and Bute. Since then, we have been working on further developing and refining this, and it is now the right time to seek the support of the constituency and list MSPs who represent our area.'

Argyll and Bute MSP Michael Russell added: 'I will strongly support any initiative that can bring jobs to Argyll. I have written to the relevant ministers about this. I have also suggested to the council leader that he meets with the Scottish Government to make the case for creating these jobs in Argyll and Bute.'



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# Game, set and match as village pub re-opens

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THE ARGYLL Inn has re-opened – much to the delight of Lochgilphead locals. Its future was uncertain when it shut earlier this year but, happily, local men Blair Johnston and Steven ‘Steesh’ Graham have taken over with the goal of making the pub central to the community. Blair said: ‘We’ve

already had a lot of support and want to thank people for that. ‘If local charities want to get in touch with us we’ll do our best to accommodate them. It would be good to hear from locals about what they want from the pub.’ The intention for the main bar to become a sports bar was clear

from day one as it opened just in time for the Wimbledon final on Sunday. Tension mounted at times during the match, which saw Scotland’s Andy Murray winning the title for the second time, beating Milos Raonic in straight sets. As he confirmed his place in Scottish sporting history, there were cheers of delight from customers and Blair and Steven took the champagne off ice and



Blair and Steven get the celebrations started (above 08\_a29argyll03), Blair’s proud mum Patsy Johnston and her friend Isabel Scott came in to toast her son’s new venture (08\_a29argyll02) and Colin Weir and Calum Gilmour were delighted to have their local back (08\_a29argyll01).



prepared strawberries and cream. The restaurant area will soon be open as a lounge bar for meals and drinks. Blair explained: ‘We’re looking forward to getting the lounge bar up and running. It will have a bit more of a relaxed

atmosphere.’ The kitchen is being refreshed and meals will be served from next month. Blair is well versed in the hospitality industry having spent 20 years in the trade, in contrast to Steven who is a designer and

admits to never having poured a pint in his life. This changed quickly on opening day when it was all hands on deck. Blair has recently come back to the area and is happy to be home. ‘Running a pub here has been

a focus for years,’ he said. A highlight of the pub will be live music with open mic nights and DJs getting everyone dancing at the weekends and Blair and Steven are keen to hear from anyone who might like to take part.

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## A dreadful period of loss and sense of shock for Argyll

ARGYLL sadly has had more than its fair share of tragedy over the past week or so with the loss of three young lives.

Peter MacCallum was enjoying T in the Park with friends when he died on Friday, aged just 17.

Leia and Seth McCorrisken died in a car accident last Wednesday afternoon despite the best efforts of passers-by, such as Jimmy McMahan, who instinctively and selflessly dived into the freezing loch in a desperate attempt to reach the trapped infants. Unable to stand by, they wanted to do everything they possibly could to save the children.

At times like these communities always seem to come together to support one another and is a tribute to our communities that more than £13,000 has been raised to give the children a fitting funeral.

In these horrific situations there is nothing to be done other than to try to make sure it never happens again.

Jimmy and others believe crash barriers should be put up where the accident happened and the authorities responsible would do well to listen.

The condolences from all at the *Argyllshire Advertiser* go to both families.

## Argyll Inn reopens

IT IS good to see the Argyll Inn open once more. No-one quite knew what to expect when the previous owner closed the hotel, but thankfully it proved too good a business proposition to remain shut for long.

It is a well-known and much loved place to meet friends and it was also a popular venue for many community groups. Thanks to new owners Steven and Blair that tradition looks set to continue.

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## SNP refuses to accept result

Sir,  
I see from Brendan O'Hara's letter of last week that the SNP is refusing to respect the result of the EU-referendum, despite the fact it was free, fair and gave everyone in the UK an equal vote. They have form here.

Scotland held the independence referendum in 2014 because the SNP offered it in a manifesto for the 2011 election, won a majority and duly acted on that commitment. We held the EU referendum because the Conservatives offered it in a manifesto for the 2015 election, won a majority, and duly acted on that commitment.

Mr O'Hara's caricature of holding the EU referendum as 'a dangerous game of roulette' is stunningly hypocritical. Likewise, his hysterical statement that the referendum result is 'a democratic outrage' is both incorrect and counter-productive. Scotland had as equal a say in the EU referendum as anywhere else in the UK. On balance, I believed that a vote to remain was preferable. However, the voters have given their verdict and, as democrats, we must respect the outcome. You are no democrat if you only respect voters' wishes when you get your own way.

Furthermore, Mr O'Hara's claim that Nicola Sturgeon has 'seized the initiative' is laughable when it is appar-

ent she is only seeking to stoke nationalist fires rather than work practically and sensibly in the national interest alongside partners across the UK. In addition, Mr O'Hara makes much of Scotland's trade with the EU but conveniently fails to mention that Scotland exports four times as much to the rest of the UK than to EU countries.

The views of both sides must be listened to here as we move on from the result. More than one million people, or 38 per cent, of the Scottish electorate voted to leave the EU, including many from our fishing and farming communities. It is important their views are included in discussions about what the people of Scotland want. Similarly, the views of remain voters throughout the UK must be listened to as we seek to find the best way forward.

To achieve the right solution, we must work together to identify and achieve our goals for the UK's relationship with the EU. It is clear that the Scottish Government should be involved in efforts to deliver the right form of exit from the EU. Indeed, Ruth Davidson has already met both David Cameron and Theresa May in Downing Street to press this very point.

We now have a stable government under the firm and effective leadership of Mrs May and have seen markets recover since the referendum. The conditions are there for Scotland to play a prominent role in ef-

ports to secure the best deal for the UK in Europe. That is where the SNP should focus its efforts.

**Donald Cameron,  
MSP for the Highlands  
and Islands.**

## Hold a charity tea party for the world

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**Kirsty Brzeczek,  
SPANA world tea party  
hostess.**

## Proactive approach to deal with polio

Sir,  
Following a recent polio scare, the proactive response by the Indian government is to be praised. Although there have been no new cases in India since 2014, the government is taking no chances, and has vaccinated thousands against this potentially dangerous new strain of the virus.

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# PE teacher hangs up her trainers after 30 years

A POPULAR teacher, who has taught in Lochgilphead for nearly 30 years, has hung up her trainers.

Principal teacher of PE at Lochgilphead Joint Campus Elizabeth Carver, 64, spent almost all her life learning or teaching in schools in Argyll. She retired at the end of term and is still getting used to the idea. 'I just feel although I'm on holiday,' she said.

Over the 28 years she spent teaching in Lochgilphead, 14 of them as principal teacher, Elizabeth saw some big changes. She said: 'The biggest change is in the qualifications the children get.

'It was a big change going to the new school as it was a campus.'

When she began teaching in Lochgilphead the school had accommodated both primary and secondary students before they split into separate schools.

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Campus was then built to accommodate all children from pre-school to 18. Elizabeth explained this came with the added benefit of better sports facilities, 'The astro (sports pitch) was good.

'It was much busier because it was a shared facility.'

Elizabeth spent five years teaching in Edinburgh before coming back home to Lochgilphead due to family circumstances. 'I didn't come back to teach in Lochgilphead at all, that just happened. My heart was still here so it was an easy thing to do,' said Elizabeth.

She thinks PE has a very important place in the curriculum although she admits she may be biased when she says it's the most important subject. 'We probably see (the children) more consistently than any other teacher.

'You get to know what they're like a bit more.

It's different from when they're sitting at a desk'.

At different times, she took children on school trips in Europe and America and she fondly remembers travelling to play hockey in Holland and skiing in mountains of the United States of America.

Before leaving the school, she was given the honour of hosting the school's prize giving. She said: 'It was lovely. I really enjoyed the prize giving. I felt quite honoured to be doing that.'

On the last day her long service was recognised and she was presented with a quach on behalf of the school.

Her enthusiasm for sport shows no sign of waning and she enjoyed every minute of watching Andy Murray win Wimbledon. She said: 'It was absolutely fantastic. He never put a foot wrong. It was just superb.'



Elizabeth with her quach. 08\_a29carver01

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## Kilmartin Museum director honoured



Sharon Webb was awarded an MBE.

A DIRECTOR at Kilmartin Museum was honoured by the Queen at a formal ceremony at Holyrood Palace.

Dr Sharon Webb was awarded an MBE for services to heritage and archaeology at an investiture ceremony.

She said: 'I was delighted to accept the honour from the Queen and think it is fantastic that Argyll's heritage and archaeology is recognised as being so important to Scotland.'

The staff and trustees at Kilmartin Museum said they were all very proud of this achievement.

Chairman of the trustees Gordon Gray Stephens said: 'Since she joined the Kilmartin Museum team 13 years ago Sharon has been making a real difference, winning the respect and support of the many different people and organisations who are associated with the running of the museum. At the moment this is most evident in her leadership of our redevelopment programme. But this is just one of the many things that warrant Sharon's award, which recognises the achievements of extraordinary people.'



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## Money blows in from wind farm

COMMUNITY groups and charities can now apply for money generated by A' Chruach wind farm.

The farm, owned by Infinis, is expected to generate millions of pounds of community benefit for West Loch Fyne, Dunadd and Lochgilphead. In its first year about £149,000 will be available for community projects and the grants will be distributed by Foundation Scotland.

Infinis head of operations Scott Mackenzie said: 'The wind farm will not only make an important contribution to the supply of low carbon electricity, but it will also benefit the local community.'

'With a £149,000 community benefit per year to support groups, organisations and projects, we hope A' Chruach wind farm will provide a lasting positive legacy to the area

and we look forward to seeing the applications coming through.'

Rachel Searle-Mbulu, head of community investment with Foundation Scotland, said: 'This particular fund has been on the cards for a long time.

'The communities are more than ready to seize the opportunity it provides to further develop established activity or help catalyse new services.

'We appreciate that many groups are themselves led by volunteers so hopefully the straightforward application process will encourage groups to apply.'

There is plenty of time to apply as the closing date is September 9 with decisions being expected in October.

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# Easy Club pays music tribute to stalwart David

by **EALA MacALISTER**  
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TRIBUTES were paid to an Easy Club stalwart at its latest music night.

David Douglas had played the temple blocks, a type of percussion instrument, in the band Sanctuary for many years. The band had its beginnings at the Argyll and Bute Hospital.

David died suddenly, leaving the rest of the band shocked and saddened.

For much of their set the temple blocks stood in silent memorial until, at the encouragement of the band, Flora Currie joined in.

The music night, held at Lochgilhead

Resource Centre on July 6, kicked off with some lively traditional tunes from the Dalriada Trio.

Sanctuary then took to the stage and began with Hugh Fife reading a poem written about David.

The band played plenty of covers, mostly of David's favourite songs, which he had enjoyed playing.

David was originally from Campbeltown

but lived in Lochgilhead. He will be missed by his band-mates and friends, but most of all by his mum.

As well as being a keen musician, David was often to be seen running along the canal to Ardrishaig.

Kevin Williams was also on hand with his guitar to entertain the audience.

The Easy Club would like to thank its supporters and is making plans for more nights in the resource centre and elsewhere.



**Dalriada Trio got the night going (left, 08\_a29easyclub03) and regular performers Sanctuary, with whom David played, also entertained. (08\_a29easyclub01).**

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Inveraray and District Pipe Band will start the day.

# Town gears up for games

By EALA MacALISTER  
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INVERARAY Highland Games organisers are preparing to welcome visitors and competitors. The event incorporates the World Caber Tossing Championships where men

from all over the world compete in the heavy event. Last year it was so closely contested that the judges couldn't decide and awarded the title jointly to Englishman Scott Ryder and Sebastian

Wenta who is Polish. The games, on Tuesday July 19, will start in traditional fashion with recently crowned British champions Inveraray and District Pipe Band leading a march to Inveraray Castle.

A huge range of events and competi-

tions will take place throughout the day including a free craft tent and fair rides for youngsters.

Local delicacies, Lochfyne Oysters, will be available to tickle the tastebuds and there is no better way to wash them down than with a dram

of Clan Campbell's whisky. The parade starts at 10.45am and most of the events will go on throughout the day. Tickets cost £8 for adults, £5 for seniors and £3 for children. A family ticket is also available for £18. Everyone can pay at the gate on the day.

# 49th annual arts exhibition in Lochgilphead

MID ARGYLL Arts Association is gearing up for its 49th annual exhibition.

The exhibition is usually held in the first week of August but

this year will be from August 15-20.

The exhibition never fails to draw a crowd and brings both contributors and viewers together.

For the second year in a row, Mid Argyll Camera Club will be involved and will display some of its member's photographs.

People will also be able to buy the photos.

The display is at the Drill Hall in Lochgilphead, a light and airy space that shows off exhibits at

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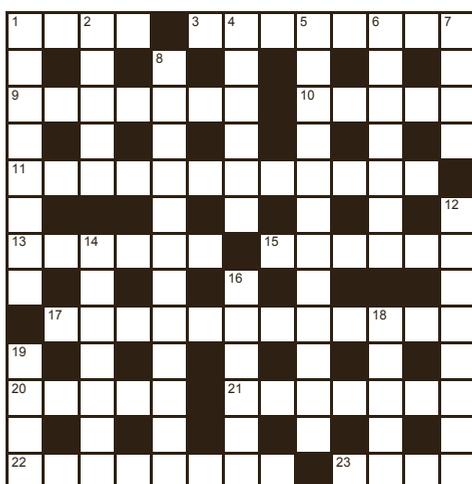


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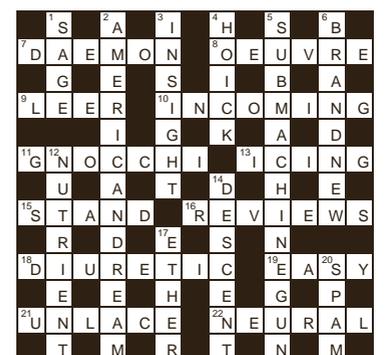
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## LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



# A little kindness in a troubled world

BY COLIN CAMERON

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IN THE wake of last month's seismic vote to leave the EU, there were some unsettling reports of race hate crime around the UK.

One Lochgilphead woman decided it was time to accentuate the positive and contacted the *Argyllshire Advertiser* to tell us her story.

Margaret Jacobsen is a volunteer with the charity HOST UK.

Through the organisation, she invites adult students from all over the world, studying in the UK, as guests for two or three-day stays with her in Lochgilphead. The aim is to offer the mainly English-based students the opportunity to experience British culture at first hand.

Margaret said: 'In the light of recent racist attacks following the referendum, I wanted to let people know there are many people doing their best to offer the hand of friendship to international people.'

Glasgow-born Margaret retired to Lochgilphead in 2007 after a career in business, based in the UK and France.

Margaret explained:

'When I returned to Scotland from France I was looking for opportunities to volunteer. I found out about HOST UK through the internet and agreed to become a regional organiser.

'Eventually I decided that what I really wanted to be was a host, so I gave up the organising. I only take female students, and to begin with I was hosting four or five a year. These days it's more like two or three each year but it is something I enjoy.

'It's a wonderful way for me to learn about different cultures but also for the students to experience a friendly welcome and to receive a positive taste of British culture.'

Already this year, Margaret has had students from Nigeria and China staying with her.

'They just do whatever I'm doing, said 67-year-old Margaret. 'I attend church, so they come with me, and some have never been in a church before. Then there are coffee mornings, which are also an experience for the girls.

'We also do the tourist thing,' Margaret added, 'and I take them to places



Margaret Jacobsen says hosting foreign students for short breaks is highly rewarding.

like Crinan, Kilmartin or Tayvallich for visits.

'I love Argyll and I love showing it off. We live in such a beautiful area.'

No matter where the students come from, they all comment on how friendly people are here, said Margaret.

'When we're out, I don't speak for the students.

People in Lochgilphead are so welcoming and tolerant that I never have to.'

One of just two HOST UK volunteers in Argyll – the other being on Mull – Margaret would encourage anyone to become involved.

'HOST UK is a really nice organisation to work with. There is no pressure,

and as a host you can come and go as you please.

'On a personal level, there is the opportunity to learn about other countries and the students offer really lively company.'

The kindness is not entirely a one-way street, however, as Margaret explained: 'Guests might offer to cook for me – and

mostly this is good – and I often receive gifts from my guests.'

Margaret went on: 'I have a fairly large collection of Chinese chopsticks.'

Find out more about HOST UK at [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org) or contact regional organiser Monika Strell by email at [monika.strell@gmail.com](mailto:monika.strell@gmail.com).

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## Livestock show returns to Lismore following an absence of 78 years

LIVESTOCK makes a welcome return to the revived Lismore Agricultural Show this year.

The Lismore Agricultural Society organised an annual agricultural show on the island from its foundation in 1853. But sheep and cattle were last paraded around the island in 1938, on the eve of World War Two.

Last year saw the revival of the show, but without the animals that were at the event's heart for so many years. Now they are back, and the 2016 show, to be held on Saturday July 16 at Croft 5 Craiganinch, will see classes for blackface, purebred and cross sheep as well as breeding cattle.

Well-known Galloway cattle breeder, Drew Brown from Drumhugh, Castle Douglas, will handle the judging du-

ties. Umpire for the day will be Willie MacLean from West Ferlochan, Benderloch.

Among the marquees will be strong sections of baking, preserves, handicrafts, floral, vegetables, arts and photography. Glasgow's Ann Sneddon will judge the baking classes, while the handicrafts will be scrutinised by Ann Muirhead. The paintings and photography entries will be placed by Sue Campbell.

One of the big attractions, with a large entry likely, is the dog show, judged by an as-yet-unnamed vet. The show will operate a 'bring your own bottle' bar.

Scottish Sea Farms has sponsored the event to the tune of £1,500, while support has also been received from Oban Livestock Centre.

Neil Carmichael from Lismore Agricultural Show, said: 'We are very much looking forward to this year's show, which will be the first proper show since 1938 on the island.'

'The venue is less than a mile from the ferry, and it should be a great family day out.'

'We just hope for a good day of weather.'

He continued: 'I want to thank Mrs C Carmichael for kind use of land, and local businesses for prizes. Oban Livestock Centre and Scottish Sea Farms have also been fantastic supporters this year, so many thanks to them.'

Judging commences on Saturday at 11.30am, while the dogs will be judged around 2pm. Show entry is free, though donations are welcome.



A young handler with a prize-winning heifer from the early 1930s.



David McLaren, centre, meets Oban Cancer Research UK committee members after arriving in the town following his trip through Argyll.

## Tough tractor trip raises cancer cash in Argyll

THE DRIVER of a 1960 Fordson Dexta tractor trundled into Argyll during a sponsored trip raising money for Cancer Research UK.

David McLaren, 78, made his way on Thursday from Campbeltown to Oban on his 1,600-mile trip round the coast of Scotland.

The retired farmer decided to attempt the challenge in memory of his wife Elizabeth, who died from cancer in 2014.

David left Perthshire on Saturday July 2, wearing a kilt and perched on the cab-less 38 horsepower vehicle.

'There are not many boys my age who would tackle a challenge like this,' David said. 'You have to keep active.'

In 2003, he drove the Dexta the

900 miles from Land's End to John O'Groats and raised more than £14,500 for Cancer Research.

David said: 'Four months after the last trip in 2003, we discovered Elizabeth had kidney cancer. The last run was a fantastic experience and we made a lot of friends.'

One of his friends is Willie Reid at Glenside Tractors in Campbeltown, who was very happy to renew the acquaintance last week.

Willie said: 'I have known David for years from meeting him at vintage rallies. His Dexta brings back memories as my dad bought a new one in 1959 for £590.'

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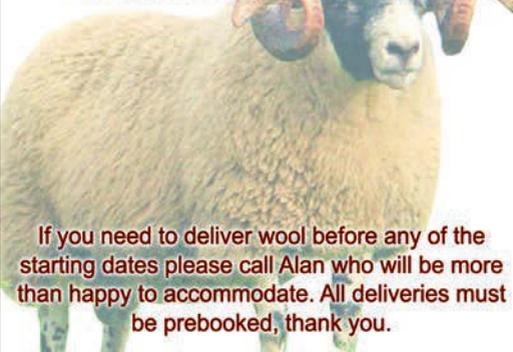
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# Lochgilphead boy is a new star on chanter



STRACHUR echoed to the skirl of the pipes and steady drumbeats as an annual summer school took place.

The Strachur and District Piping Association summer school, held between July 4 and 8, proved so popular with kids from Mid Argyll that extra transport had to be put on.

One of those attending from Lochgilp-

head, Euan McCartan, was awarded the Niall Campbell Memorial Trophy at the Friday night concert, which was the climax of the school.

The award is given to the player who has improved the most over the five-day school and, although eight-year-old Euan had never received chanter tuition before, he impressed

his tutor. The youngster will begin lessons at school when he goes back after the summer to start primary five.

More than 70 musicians attended the school from novice chanter players to more established pipers. All the players had the chance to perform at the concert and show off the new tunes they had learned.



The grand finale of the piping concert, above, and, left, Euan is presented with his trophy by John McGladery.



The Vic 32 will be puffing around Crinan bay. a29puffer03

## All aboard for free puffer trips

VISITORS will get a rare chance to travel on the famous puffer, the Vic 32, for free at Crinan.

Trips will take place on the hour between 10am and 4pm from Saturday August 16 until Monday August 18. There will be no sailing at 1pm on any day.

The puffer will depart from Crinan harbour and sail around the bay. Keen sailors are advised to get there early as places are on a first come, first served basis.

These excursions have taken place every year for the past six years and are always hugely popular. Children may even get the chance to steer the boat if they ask the captain nicely.

## Argyll's only boarding school opens doors to interested families

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Extra-curricular activities include hockey, rugby, sailing, skiing and canoeing. In 2015 Lomond School was the top performing school in Scotland for the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award. The school also has a long-standing history of traditional Scottish music.

Boarders at Lomond benefit from excellent facilities, with the new Burnbrae boarding house built in 2003 offering comfortable lounges, a gym and mostly twin en-suite study bedrooms. Lomond is unique in Scotland in that it allows male and female siblings to live together in the same boarding house. Families are also offered the flexibility of weekly boarding.

Lomond School principal Johanna Urquhart said: "Here at Lomond, we pride ourselves on taking an individual approach to the education and care of each and every pupil. Boarding provides a particularly rewarding experience thanks to our family ethos, excellent facilities and professional, dedicated staff. We are also very proud of our long-standing links to the West of Scotland and would welcome any families interested in boarding to come and see us."

S6 pupil Kaitlin said: "Boarding has helped me develop my self-confidence. I've made friends for life from around the world and I've really benefited from the personalised approach to my whole Lomond experience." Families interested in boarding at Lomond are invited to a no obligation visit or free trial stay. To find out more please contact Janet Dixon at admissions on 01436 672476 or j.dixon@lomondschool.com.



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# Summer workshops for firms

**BUSINESS** Gateway Argyll and Bute is encouraging business owners to take advantage of the free skills workshops coming up.

Due to the popularity of the spring workshop programme, additional workshops will run over the summer months.

The introduction to trading online workshop is in two halves. The morning will focus on the basics required for trading online, and will look at the various tools, platforms and payment options available.

It will include some information on the

legal requirements and discuss the impact of online ecommerce. Specifically, you will learn how to plan for a successful ecommerce site, decide which payment options to use, understand the rules and regulations, make it easy for your visitors to buy from you, and engage your buyers.

The afternoon will focus on online marketplaces such as Amazon, eBay and Etzy. It will cover choosing the right marketplace, understanding how marketplace fees affect profitability, after-sales and trading internationally.

This workshop will run in Inveraray on July 28 from 10am to 4pm. It is being delivered for Business Gateway by Gary Ennis, founder of NS Design Ltd, a digital agency.

Anyone thinking about starting their own business should join the business start-up workshop in Lochgilhead on July 26 and 27 to help develop their ideas into a practical and effective plan.

The practical basic book-keeping workshop will run in Lochgilhead on August 23. Those new to

business and with little or no formal training in book-keeping will benefit from this workshop, which provides the starting point for good record-keeping and understanding financial information.

Back by popular demand are the social media workshops being delivered for Business Gateway by Rene Looper, founder of Tuminds Ltd.

The introduction to social media for business workshop is designed for people who haven't used social media for their business before and want to know more about

how Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn can help build their business. This half-day workshop is taking place in Ardrishaig on August 24.

For those looking to take their social media marketing to the next level, the 'doing more with social media' workshop is running in Ardrishaig on August 25. The workshop will cover new developments, how to increase your impact, understanding analytics data and tools for managing multiple social media platforms effectively.

To book a place or to

find out more about the range of workshops, contact Business Gateway on 01546 604555 or email [business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk).

Business Gateway Argyll and Bute is encouraging anyone considering exporting, or at the early stages of doing so, to get in touch. Depending on your business's current turnover and growth potential, the team can signpost further support and information, which could include free one-to-one advice from a subject specialist. To find out more and check

your eligibility contact the Business Gateway team.

With the launch last month of the competition for up to six crafters to win a trade stand for one day within the craft tent at the increasingly popular Best of the West Festival in September, Argyll and Bute Council Business Gateway team is urging craft businesses not to miss the deadline of July 15 for entries.

Entry is by email to [business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:business.gateway@argyll-bute.gov.uk). Terms and conditions are at [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/business-and-trade/business-gateway-service](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/business-and-trade/business-gateway-service).

## Growth plans are on menu for Carradale business owner

A COUPLE who bought a restaurant in Carradale three years ago are now hoping to expand the business to offer self-catering apartments for visitors.

Bill and May Currie decided they were at a stage in life when they wanted a change and, with encouragement from family, they took over the Glen Bar and Restaurant.

After refurbishing the premises, Bill and May opened the doors in November 2013 and have been overwhelmed by the support of their customers.

May said: 'Bill was a catering manager and I was a nurse practitioner but a few years ago we felt that it was time to do something different. It was actually Bill's father who first suggested the idea of buying the Glen Bar



Bill and May Currie run the Glen Bar and Restaurant.

and Restaurant and, after we looked into it and researched it, we decided it would be a fantastic opportunity for us.

'Since we launched the new-look restaurant the response has been phenomenal from locals and visitors to the area. We do attract a lot of pass-

ing trade with holiday-makers during the summer season, with many returning to us during their stay which has been very encouraging and shows we are doing things right.

'We have received a lot of praise for our food, which is exactly what we hoped for. We use locally-sourced in-

gredients and try to ensure we're offering tasty meals for everyone.'

Now, with support from Business Gateway Argyll and Bute, the pair are making plans to expand the business.

They want to build three self-catering studio apartments to of-

fer holiday lets for visitors.

May added: 'Carradale is a wonderful, picturesque fishing village with many visitors passing through during the summer and we feel that offering apartments for people to stay in is the natural progression for us.

'Business Gateway has been a fantastic source of support for us. Our adviser has offered us business planning advice which in turn helped us to obtain funding support.

'Having an expert on hand to talk over things with was and is an advantage for anyone in business'.

Donald Melville, of Business Gateway, said: 'The Glen Bar and Restaurant has developed an impressive reputation and the refurbishment has transformed it into a modern, quality envi-

ronment. Bill and May have benefited from our one-to-one advice on a number of issues that have helped them make their business a success.'

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

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# Southend Highland Games



## Cabers crash again at Southend Highland Games

THE ONLY evening Highland games in Scotland is back on track after its year's holiday in 2015.

Southend Highland Games is the only event in the country which takes place in the evening and the stage is set for Saturday July 23.

At the southern tip of Kintyre, the coastal venue, with its tight grass track, will welcome visitors from near and far for the event.

The games are a spectators' delight and once again they will witness fine displays of athletic prowess, piping and dancing tradition, while brilliant duels take place on the track.

With more runners than ever before expected, in addition to the 110, 220 and 440-yard sprints and the men's and women's mile race, there will be a women's 110-yard

sprint and half-mile race.

For those preferring strength over speed, the heavy competitors will be in the thick of the action, tossing the caber, throwing the hammer and tyre, shot put, high jump and a ladies broom throwing competition.

James McCorkindale's Highland dancers will give demonstration displays for those interested in more delicate pursuits.

John Galbraith, Southend games secretary, said: 'Hopefully we can match 2013's exceptional games when more than 1,000 people came.'

'Running is a premier Campbeltown activity and I hope as many runners as possible - men and women - can compete, helping to support their home games.'

'There will be youth's races too so any children look-



Highland dancing two years ago. 08\_c31games11

ing to take part will be more than welcome.

'The Southend games committee is glad to be back this year, with the new Dunaverty Hall and all its facilities.'

'More than £1,500 in prize money for the athletics events is up for grabs, which

is sure to attract the cream of sprint and distance runners.'

The pipers of Kintyre Schools Pipe Band will open the event at 6pm sharp with further piping during the evening.

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Ruairidh Campbell from Glenbarr won the boy's 6-8 sprint in 2014. 08\_c31games01

Scott Clark of Arran competing at Southend in 2014. 08\_c31games06

**Saturday 23 July**  
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**all the family!**

# Junior athletics feature at Argyll's Highland Games

THE HIGHLAND games season is under way in Argyll and will include junior events in an effort to get more youngsters involved.

Next up on the schedule, following the opener at Luss, is Inveraray on Tuesday July 19, followed by the Mull Games at Tobermory on Thursday July 21.

Taynuilt and Southend, in the evening, are both on Saturday July 23 before the Oban Games finale on Thursday August 25.

Affiliated to the Scottish Highland Games Association, junior events will be held at Inveraray, Mull, Southend and Oban with separate events for both boys and girls between the age of 11 and under 16.

The events are 90 metres, 600 metres, high jump, long jump and shot put with the two track races being on a handicap basis according to age and ability.

There will be an overall junior championship, with points awarded over the series and trophies presented to the top boy and girl at the Oban Games.

Prize money will be an added incentive at each of the three games.

As well as the junior events there is a full programme of senior events in two categories, confined to athletes born or resident in Argyll.

Junior athletes at the Inveraray Games should enter between 10am and 10.30am, with the first event likely at 10.45am. A ladies' mile race will also be held at Inveraray, open to women 16 years and over with no upper age limit.

A similar start time will apply at the Mull Games, with competitors advised to take the first ferry from Oban at 07.45.

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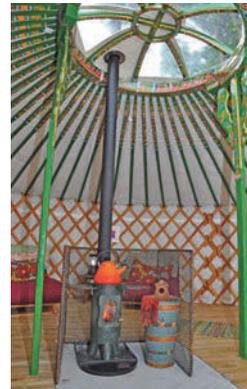
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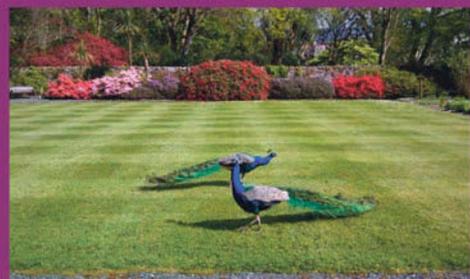
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## Scottish Property Federation welcomes Scottish Government's 'positive' response to planning review

SCOTTISH Ministers have published their response to the report of the independent planning review panel led by Crawford Beveridge, Petra Biberbach and former Scottish Property Federation chairman John Hamilton.

Building on the work of the panel, the Scottish Government has identified 10 immediate actions including:

Extending permitted development rights – where planning permission is not needed – to more types of development. This could mean removing uncontroversial minor developments from the system, as well as using permitted

development to encourage developments which support low-carbon living and digital infrastructure.

Strengthening skills and capacity and consulting on enhanced fees to ensure planning authorities are better resourced to deliver more homes.

Improving planning

performance, ensuring users of the system receive a better service.

Introducing pilot simplified planning zones for housing so that planning permission is granted for housing up front, allowing developments to progress more quickly and flexibly.

Identifying how digital transformation of the planning service can be taken to another level, using tools including the web and 3D visualisations to make information about how our places will evolve over time much easier to access and understand.

The Scottish Proper-

ty Federation, which contributed evidence to the planning review, has welcomed the Scottish Government's response.

Mandy Catterall, government relations manager at the Scottish Property Federation, said: 'The recommendations in the report offer a strong focus on a planning service that delivers positive outcomes for communities, public leadership and securing investment.

'We look forward to engaging collaboratively with the Scottish Government and other stakeholders on the proposed work programmes and the development of more detailed proposals

for the recommendations contained in the review.

'Our sector is a key catalyst for jobs, investment and creating places for people to live, work and play, and we need to work together if we are to sustain the economy and investment in

Scotland. The priority in Scotland must remain on growing the economy and securing investment to deliver the infrastructure our businesses and communities need. We must act swiftly to get the message around that Scotland is open for business.'





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## Thought for the Week

with Marilyn Shedden



THERE is a great sadness throughout Argyll.

Our hearts ache for the loss of two beautiful children in the tragic accident at Kilmelford. Words are inadequate to address the grief that must consume their parents.

We cannot imagine the pain the family must be experiencing and we know that, at this time, nothing will help to ease that pain and loss.

We are numbed and devastated by such tragic loss of young life. The community of Netherlorn and Luing will undoubtedly rally round the grieving and despairing parents. Practical help will be there for them, love will be shown and prayers will be said.

But at this time nothing will take away the pain.

We are also saddened by the deaths of two teenagers at T in the Park, one of whom also came from Argyll. Another family will weep.

There is a great sadness throughout Argyll.

We all ache for them and feel totally inadequate at a time like this. How do we say the right thing? We worry that our words seem like platitudes and our messages may be perceived as trite or banal.

Yet we want to speak from our hearts that recognise the grief of hearts that are breaking.

We do not have the words to acknowledge such intractable pain. Yet for those in the midst of the grief it is good to know people are just there. In our villages and communities there is much support and care for each other and this in itself brings strength.

John Green said after losing a loved one: 'You gave me a forever within your numbered days.'

However painful now, these parents will have their forever memories. Our prayers are that 'there will be a rainbow through the rain, and that one day, morn will tearless be'.

There is a great sadness throughout Argyll.



Prince Edward watched the action from the water.

### LOCHGOILHEAD

#### Royal visitor drops into village

LOCHGOILHEAD received a royal visit in the form of Prince Edward, the Earl of Wessex, to celebrate the Duke of Edinburgh's award.

The award scheme is celebrating its 60th year and there are many Scouts undertaking the award.

While at the Scouts National Activity Centre, Prince Edward took to the water to start a raft race.

It was very competitive as teams from the Scouts, Dumbarton and Milngavie Girl Guides, the Boys Brigade, Wishaw Girls Brigade, Cadet Force 62 (2nd Glasgow) Squadron Air Training Corps and Dunoon OAG Argyll and Bute Council took part.

After some exhausting pad-

ding, the Girl Guides team came back to dry land as the winners.

### CRAIGNISH

#### Sculpture workshop

A WORKSHOP to help create a community sculpture will be held at Craignish Village Hall.

The hall is supporting the building of the sculpture during this year's Craignish Festival.

The workshop is free and is open to anyone over 12. It takes place between 11am and 5pm on Sunday July 17.

The aim is to use movement, drama and sculpture to create a piece of community art for the whole of Craignish.

Participants are asked to take a lunch to share and to

book by calling the village hall on 500746.

### BENMORE

#### Bioblitz at Benmore

A BIOBLITZ at Benmore Botanic Garden, near Dunoon, will give visitors the chance to learn about as many plant and wildlife as possible in two days.

The event aims to identify the weird and wonderful creatures living in the garden, and team of naturalists and enthusiasts will be scouring all corners of the estate this weekend, July 16 and 17, to see what they can find.

In order to record as many creatures as possible, the team needs your help and members of the public are invited to the Bioblitz between 10am and 4pm each

### CRINAN

#### Raise money while you stroll the canal

THIS weekend offers the chance to make your Sunday stroll pay for charity.

The Lochgilphead branch of Macmillan Cancer Support is organising a walk along the Crinan Canal for this very worthy cause.

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**GOLDEN WEDDINGS**

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On July 15, 1966 at St. Oran's Church, Connell by Rev. D. MacCallum, assisted by Rev. K. McMillan, Appin, John to Fay. Present Address: Craigmount, Tarbert.

**DEATHS**

**CAMPBELL**

Peacefully at the Campbeltown Hospital, on July 11, 2016, Denis Campbell, in his 91st year, Lorne Campbell Court, Campbeltown and formerly of Abbeyfield, Carradale. Service in Cardross Crematorium on Monday July 18, 2016 at 1.15 p.m. To which all friends are respectfully invited.

**McKAY** - Suddenly but peacefully at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, on July 10, 2016, Christine McKay, in her 49th year, 19b Kinloch Road, Campbeltown, loving mother of George, Kelly, Peter and Vicky and a loving and much loved granny of Taylor, Mia, Tia, Eloise, Lillie-Mae and Jordan. Service will take place in the Salvation Army Citadel, on Friday July 15, 2016 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 Salvation Army.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**McGUINNESS** - Dr Ian McGuinness and the family of the late Anne McGuinness would like to thank family, friends and ex-work colleagues for their many expressions of sympathy at this very sad time. Grateful thanks to all who helped in so many ways to care for Anne these past few years at home and in hospital. Thanks to Rev David Carruthers for his comforting, uplifting and very personal service; Roddy and Fiona and the staff of Donald MacDonald, Funeral Directors, for their very efficient and caring service; Graeme Brown for helping with funeral arrangements; Flowers by Morna for the beautiful floral tributes; Mrs Mary Stirling for the music; Charles Ferguson for piping at the church and graveside and Cairnbaan Hotel for the lunch. Thanks to all who attended the service and at the graveside. The retiral collection for MacMillan Nurses, Mid Argyll raised £200.

**IN MEMORIAMS**

**GILLIES** - Nettie Quietly today your memory we treasure, loving you always, forgetting you never. - Christine, Carolyn, Audrey and families

**MCINTYRE** - In loving memory of my husband George, died July 17, 2014.

Sadly missed. Remembered every day. - Cathy.

**MCINTYRE** - In loving memory of our dear dad and granda, died July 17, 2014. Forever in our thoughts.

- Elaine, Davy, Christopher and April.

**MCINTYRE** - In memory of George who died July 17, 2014. A loving dad, father in-law and granda to Charles, Mary, Clare and Amy. Always in our thoughts.

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- Daughters, Margaret and Sandra and families.

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- Your loving daughter, Norma, Jim and family.

**WHELTON** - Inserted in loving memory of my beloved mother, Agnes Morrison McEachran Stewart (Nana), who died July 14, 1996.

Along the road of memories, That leads me back to you, Are thoughts of us together, And the happy times we knew, And every day that passes, I seem to find a way, To wander back to meet you, On the road to yesterday.

Sadly missed. - Johnnie.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

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ALL WELCOME

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# Golf week puts sport in spotlight

IT'S BEEN a busy week at Lochgilphead Golf Club with lots of activities and competitions taking place for golf week.

The week-long celebration of the sport teed off on Monday July 4 with stableford competitions sponsored by Mid Argyll Youth Development Services.

David McKinnon won the gents' section with 44 points and the runner-up was Ian Phillips with 35 points. Donna McKellar won the ladies' section with 32 points, with Margaret MacKinnon runner-up on 31 points. Ali Cupples won the junior section with a fantastic 45 points, while Gregor McGeachy was runner-up with 30 points. Ali's golf is on fire at the

moment and he's set to give the gents a run for their money next year.

The club welcomed Mid Argyll Round Table and friends to its annual golf and supper event. A rather wet nine holes followed by supper in the clubhouse was much enjoyed.

Tuesday was the Simon Says stableford which, as it was a drier night, saw more gents venturing out to play. Winner of the gents' section for a second day was David MacKinnon with 39 points, just beating Bryan Crawford on 38 points.

Donna McKellar bettered her score from the day before and won with 38 points. Margaret MacKinnon was in second place, again with 32

points. Ali Cupples had another great score of 41 points to win again, with Gregor in second place on 32 points.

A double competition saw juniors Ali and Gregor beat gents Ryan McGlynn and Keith Cowan into second place.

A nine-hole competition sponsored by RA Clements was held on Wednesday and there was a change at the top of the pile with Colin Penman getting the bragging rights with 18 points. The ladies section was won by Margaret MacKinnon with 16 points and runner-up was Donna McKellar with 15 points. The juniors was won by Ali with 16 points and runner-up was Craig Aitken with 12 points.

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sponsored and organised a Texas scramble, a competition with teams consisting of a gent, a lady and a junior on Thursday. Nine teams played some fantastic golf while having loads of fun. Fiona Johnstone from Tarbert was drafted in to make up the numbers for the ladies.

Following the golf, Jim and Ele provided supper in the clubhouse followed by a prizegiving. Winners were Ryan McGlynn, Ele Hunter and Ruan McKellar. The prizes for the longest drives were won by Robbie Wilson, Margaret MacKinnon and Liam MacKinnon.

There was a full course for the gents open on Saturday. The conditions were testing at times when there was a little too much

of the wet stuff falling from the sky, but visitors and members battled on regardless to complete the course and return to the clubhouse for some welcome nourishment organised by Donna, Ele and Theresa. The competition was fierce but the end of the day saw Keith Cowan winning the open for the first time in his many years as a club member.

He was eligible to enter the seniors open and, much to his delight, won that too. Runner-up was Eric Capocci with a net 61 and in third place was Douglas Whyte. The scratch competition was won by Ryan McGlynn with 63 and runner-up was Steven Gilmour with 65. In third place was Donald Johnston with

67. Sunday was a family fun day incorporating the HSBC Golf Hour. This was well attended by adults and juniors and there was some fun putting and chipping competitions despite inclement weather.

All the juniors who came got a free T-shirt thanks to HSBC. Following a lovely buffet in the clubhouse, match secretary David Sinclair announced the week's prizes and Joyce Cameron presented them on behalf of the club.

Captain Ryan McGlynn thanked everyone for competing and gave a special mention to the people who helped with the organisation of the competitions, fundraising and food and drink over the week.



**Left: the winning trio in the Texas scramble, in which teams consisted of a gent, a lady and a junior, was Ruan McKellar, Ryan McGlynn and Ele Hunter. Right: the juniors who took part in Sunday's golf hour all got a T-shirt for playing.**





# Rain fails to dampen spirits as home side wins triples title

ON A DAY more suited to wellies than bowling shoes, 15 hardy teams took to Ardrishaig bowling green for an annual competition.

The heavy rain didn't put the players off and fierce competition en-

sued. The first task for the teams was to get through the early stages of three groups of five. The winners of each stage and the best runner up then went through to the semi-final.

The Lochgilhead team of Jimmy McCallum, Duggie Philand and Donald Crawford were knocked out in the semi-final along with Alex Carmichael, Gilbert Mullen and

Colin Carmichael from Oban. Emerging to compete for the trophy in very wet conditions were finalists J Lang, C Martin and J Martin from Tarbert and Michael Heafy, Jim Hatton and Sandy Cameron from Ardrishaig.

Michael, Jim and Sandy ensured the bragging rights went to the home side and were awarded the cup by Heather from sponsors the Grey Gull.

**Left: Winners Michael, Jim and Sandy get their cup from Heather.**

## Tarbert golf

THE FIRST round of the club championship had to be abandoned when the course became waterlogged.

Five members had completed their rounds but, with a further eight unable to, the decision was made to call off the first round on Saturday July 9.

Golfers battled the weather again the next day and with the heavy underfoot conditions it wasn't surprising scoring was poor.

Past champion Duncan Johnstone recorded a one over par second nine of 34 giving him the first round lead with a total of 74. In second place on 75 is Bruce MacNab, with John MacNab a stroke back on 76. In the net trophy, David Ronald leads the way with 66.

The club committee will meet to decide whether the competition is reduced to a 54-hole event or if the competition is extended by a week to complete the 72-hole event. The senior championship takes place over the final two rounds.

# Junior track and field events at Highland Games

HIGHLAND Games season is almost here and juniors will have the chance to take part in plenty of track and field events.

At the Inveraray, Mull and Oban Highland Games an aggregate competition will be held as an incentive

to youngsters between 11 and 16 to attend and compete at all three. Competitions at 90 metres, 600m, long jump, high jump and shot put will be held at each event and is sure to be a highlight of many people's games day. Different categories for girls and boys

will take place and competitors will also be divided by age. An overall winner for the three games is to be selected and awarded a trophy at the Oban games on August 25, with other prizes being awarded for different

events and categories. Prize money is sure to provide an extra incentive to compete.

The adults won't be left out with a full programme of senior sports events taking place at the games.

Junior athletes at Inveraray games on Tues-

day July 19 should enter on the field between 10am and 10.30am with the first event likely to start at 10.45am. A similar start time will apply at the Mull games two days later and competitors are advised to travel on the first ferry from Oban at 7.45am.

## SPOT THE BALL

THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT £2500

LAST WEEK'S BALL WAS HERE...



This week's nearest the ball winners, who each receive £25 are:

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### All you have to do

We have removed the football from the photograph opposite. Now look carefully at the position of the players and use your skill and judgement to place a cross at the exact point where you think the centre of the ball was. You may have a maximum of 10 attempts on this coupon at a cost of £1. If you wish to have more attempts, you must enter on separate coupons. The game starts with a jackpot of £250 and will increase by £50 per week until it is won outright.

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### Easy to enter

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

### Competition Rules

No responsibility will be accepted for entries which are delayed, mislaid or lost, and proof of posting cannot be accepted as proof of delivery.

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

In the event of more than one correct entry, the jackpot will be shared equally between all winning entries. Any decision regarding the awarding of a prize is entirely at the discretion of the Company.

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Youngsters try out golf at the Lochgilphead course.

## Kyles come from behind twice to earn cup replay

### Camanachd Cup quarter-final

Kyles Athletic 2  
Lochaber 2

KYLES Athletic twice came from behind to earn a replay against Lochaber in their 3pm throw up at a wet Tighnabraich.

Andrew King's return to the Kyles Athletic defence a week earlier was a timely boost for the home side, while Lochaber had Kevin Ferguson available after a two-match ban.

Ben Delaney gave Lochaber the lead after 37 minutes, only for Dunkie Kerr to equalise on the stroke of half-time.

Neil MacDonald put Lochaber back in front on 51 minutes when he fired the ball over Kyles' keeper John Whyte's right shoulder.

Grant Irvine drew Kyles level for a second time with a goal on 64 minutes.

Lochaber deployed

### SHINTY

Barry MacDonald against Grant Irvine in the middle of the park and the youngster had a fine game.

The sides were scheduled to meet at Tighnabraich in the league this coming Saturday. Instead they will replay their Camanachd Cup quarter-final tie at Spean Bridge.

Lochaber's Brenan MacDonald will be an injury concern for that game as he left Tighnabraich with his arm in a sling after taking a blow to the elbow.

### Marine Harvest National Division

Bute 1

Inveraray 4

INVERARAY stay top of shinty's second tier after beating Bute 4-1 in their 3pm throw up at the Meadows.

Inveraray travelled

with a depleted squad, missing several regulars, including the suspended Andrew Murdoch.

They found Bute in a similar situation so both teams fielded some of their promising youngsters.

On a dreich day in Rothesay, 'Aray made the brighter start and deservedly went ahead thanks to Allan MacDonald's persistence which saw him break clean through on goal and confidently strike the ball past the keeper to make it 1-0.

The visitors were now playing the ball slickly around the front line for Fraser Watt, David Robertson, Ruaridh Graham and Allan MacDonald and it was no surprise when they extended their lead. Fraser Watt added a second with a well struck shot from 20 yards on 18 minutes.

Then, 10 minutes later, player/manager Ru-

aridh Graham pounced on a through ball and sent a strike high into the net to make it 3-0.

The Inveraray midfield of Garry MacPherson, Lewis MacNicol and youngster Ruaridh Graham dominated the middle of the park.

Young Graham deserves special praise for a tireless display all afternoon and he is a player for whom the Winterton side has high hopes.

There was role reversal after the break when Bute came much more into the match and stopped Inveraray from playing their usual game.

The visitors managed a fourth goal through Allan MacDonald on the hour when he had a simple finish to notch his second strike of the afternoon following great play from Ruaridh Graham senior.

Inveraray made changes for the final 20

minutes, replacing veterans David Robertson and Ruaridh Graham with young guns Robert Wood and Niall Kennedy.

Bute finished strongly and got their reward five minutes from time when former Lovat player Duncan Davidson scored to make it 4-1. In the end, Inveraray did the damage in the first half against a never-say-die Bute team.

### Marine Harvest South Division One

Glasgow Mid Argyll Kilmory

GLASGOW Mid Argyll were unable to raise a second team for their meeting with Kilmory at Yoker.

Kilmory have been awarded the points and remain ahead of second-placed Tayforth on goal difference, although they have played a game more.

## Golf week a success at Lochgilphead

As part of its golf week celebrations, Lochgilphead invited anyone who was interested in trying golf along to the course. Over the weekend there were competitions, a family day and a great buzz about the club. More on page 26.

## Lottery numbers

NUMBERS drawn in the Tarbert Football Club lottery were 5, 8 and 17. Alasdair Kernachan was the lucky winner of £700. Next week's jackpot is £100.

IN THE Inveraray Shinty Club lottery the numbers drawn were 8, 14 and 17. There were no winners and next week's jackpot is £300.

THE WINNING numbers in the Kilmory Camanachd lottery were 3, 9, and 17. No one won the jackpot so next week's prize is £600.

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