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**SCOTT Rider pumps the air with his fist as he competes in the World Caber Tossing Championship at Inveraray Highland Games. The Englishman, who is competing in the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games, won the championship, for the second year in a row on Tuesday.**

**For more on the championship and the games, which took place on one of the hottest days of the year so far, see pages 14 and 15.**

Photograph by Kevin McGlynn.

# Argyll men second best in job stakes

## Twice as many out-of-work males

WORK will be done this year to find out what skills Argyll employers are looking for as figures reveal twice as many men are out work than women in Argyll and Bute.

Statistics show that while unemployment fell by 369 in the year to June 2014, there remains a stark difference between the number of men and women looking for work; in June there were 755 men searching for a job, compared to 313 women.

The figures are similar for the long-term unemployed - those out of work for more than six months, with 395 men and 135 women.

A spokeswoman for Argyll and Bute council, which delivers the Work Programme on behalf of the UK Govern-

ment, said the type of work available in Argyll for men is governed by certain factors: seasonal jobs, the skills required by employers; the worker's own skills, qualifications and experience.

She said: 'During 2014/15, Argyll and Bute Council, in liaison with key partner organisations, will be conducting skills audits in each of the four administrative areas of Argyll and Bute.

'The principal outcomes of these audits is to assess the skills gaps in each of the areas and for Argyll and Bute as a whole, with regard to employers' skills needs, the ability to address these gaps through local education and training and solutions to ensure all employment opportunities at a local lev-

el are maximised.' But Michael Russell, MSP for Argyll and Bute, said something needs to be done now, stating the issue could have been tackled at the council's delayed population summit.

He said: 'We need to look long and hard at figures like these and how we can construct a plan for the next five to 10 years that will address issues that will increase opportunities because a lack of jobs is what leads to depopulation. If you can't get a job, you leave.'

'There needs to be a willingness to sit down with others to look at this - this is a community problem. The council is always just about to do something; it's about time something was done.'



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Why not take advantage of the new reduced Isle of Gigha ferry prices, a return journey for an adult is only £4.70 and the Boathouse is just a five minute walk from the ferry terminal.

# Model sets sights on fundraising success

A LOCHGILPHEAD girl who has long dreamt of becoming a model is to represent her home town in a beauty pageant while raising money for children in Syria.

Carra Mackenzie, 22, was signed to model agency Bombshell Management last year and is now keen to win the agency's first beauty pageant.

The Miss International Bombshell pageant will see women from around the world compete for the chance to become the face of Bombshell

Management, a year's representation from the agency and an all expenses paid trip to the fashion capital of the world - Milan.

Carra, a mother of one, said: 'This means a lot to me because I have been trying to get into modelling since I was 16.'

'I started in 2009 and went to London and got a portfolio done. This agency started last year and they accept anyone that fits in with their style. After being turned down by agencies

across the UK this really boosted my confidence.'

Since signing with the agency Carra has featured in the Fast and Modified car magazine and completed photo shoots for promotions and campaigns.

She added: 'I will be representing my town as Miss Lochgilphead and although I'm far from the best looking I want to try my hardest to win and to raise as much money as possible for the pageant's chosen charity UNICEF. Within the charity I choose to raise

money for the children of Syria emergency appeal which is really close to my heart.'

Carra will complete a sponsored cycle from Lochgilphead to Glasgow in the coming weeks to raise money for UNICEF while continuing to work as a model and gain vital experience ahead of the pageant.

The winner of the pageant will be decided in March next year at a ceremony in the Crieff Hydro Hotel in Perthshire.



Lochgilphead model Carra has distinctive look.

## Jellyfish warning

PEOPLE diving into the seas around Mid Argyll are being warned to be vigilant of jellyfish, as the numbers are set to reach a record high in the UK this year.

NHS 24 is urging people to be prepared to deal with stings from the mushroom-shaped creatures that often float near the surface of the sea. An ice pack will reduce inflammation and pain while applying shaving cream to the sting will prevent the spread of toxins.

## Special service

CHRIST Church Lochgilphead will celebrate its holy day on Wednesday August 6, with a special service.

Friends and neighbours are invited to attend the thanksgiving event, which will begin at 6pm and be followed by refreshments.

## Transport volunteers sought

PEOPLE keen to support Mid Argyll Transport Volunteers by way of fundraising or as a volunteer driver are being asked to call Morag Robin on 01546 602000 or Norma Ross on 01546 602685.

Last week's article stating the organisation desperately needs drivers featured the wrong number.

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## Games ceremony on big screen

PEOPLE who could not get tickets for the opening ceremony of the Commonwealth Games watched the event on the big screen.

Campbeltown Cinema was one of 21 venues across the country that streamed the event live, allowing Argyll people the opportunity to celebrate the start of the games together.

The screening, along with a second

one featuring the closing ceremony, was organised by Highlands and Islands Enterprise.

It wants people who are unable to attend the games to share in the excitement and stadium-like atmosphere.

The closing ceremony will be screened at Campbeltown Cinema on Sunday, August 3.

## Police probe spate of Mid Argyll thefts

SEVERAL thefts and attempted thefts have been reported in Mid Argyll in the last week.

A tank of fuel, trailer and a portable fuel tank were stolen from Furnace Quarry sometime between July 18 and 21, while thieves attempted to steal a car from Tarbert on July 19.

Sometime between 6pm last

Saturday and 2am the following day, an attempt was made to steal a car parked on Barmore Road.

### Bicycle

In Lochgilphead, also on July 20, a 19-year-old was accused of stealing a bicycle from outside a house in Sinclair Drive, Lochgilphead, sometime between 1am and 1.30am.

In a fourth incident, an outboard engine was stolen from a hut at the Castle Sween Caravan Park, Achnamara.

It was taken sometime between September 1 last year and July 12 2014.

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**Police detain man allegedly found carrying knife**

A YOUNG man was detained by police in the early hours of Saturday morning after allegedly being found in possession of a knife in Inveraray.

The 21-year-old was arrested by police at 12.40am last Friday near Inveraray Golf Course and kept in police custody pending a court appearance.

In a separate incident in Inveraray, just one hour later, a 45-year-old man was assaulted at The Avenue, Inveraray.

He did not require any medical attention. A 33-year-old man has been arrested and has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

**Promoting growth in remote areas a top priority**

THE UK Government's new secretary for rural affairs has said promoting growth in remote areas will be one of her top priorities.

Speaking in parliament after taking up her role this month, Elizabeth Truss said: 'Promoting rural growth certainly will be one of my main priorities, and I believe mobile coverage and broadband coverage are both vital to that objective.'

Speaking after the debate in the commons, Alan Reid, MP for Argyll and Bute, said while he was pleased £150million had been made available to boost mobile phone signal in rural areas, more needed to be done in Argyll.

# Kayakers celebrate new trail



Dave McBride, who accepted the baton in Tarbert.

KAYAKERS have celebrated the completion of the Argyll Sea Kayak Trail with a baton relay around the county ahead of the Commonwealth Games.

The trail marks a route for kayakers through Argyll from Oban to Helensburgh and includes kayak launch points at Crinan, Ardrishaig, Tarbert, Ganavan, Arduaine, North Bute, Toward and Dunoon.

The relay, which began on Monday and is due to finish today (Friday), sees water sports enthusiasts carry a baton to these launch sites and other locations on the 175km route.

Mid Argyll kayakers Will Self, Jolyon Gritten, Andy Craven and Dave MacBride have all been involved in the event, carrying the baton in and around the Crinan Canal, Ardrishaig and Tarbert. At each location the baton bearers were also charged with collecting a 'treasure' created by a local artist and today, the final day, the baton and the treas-

ure will be taken from Helensburgh to Greenock where the trail will be officially opened at the Commonwealth Flotilla Participants Reception in Greenock.

The team, with the final kayaker, will then board the Clyde Clipper and sail up the Clyde to Glasgow as part of the Commonwealth Flotilla tomorrow (Saturday).

Kayaker Andy said: 'As a local outdoor adventure sport trainer and activity provider I feel immensely privileged to have been given the opportunity to kayak a stage of this launch and wider Commonwealth flotilla event. To be involved to a large scale, once in a lifetime event such as this makes me proud and feeling a little overwhelmed. I look forward to promoting the trail and offering support and logistics to anyone undertaking the trip in the future.'

Argyll Sea Kayak Trail was created by Argyll and Bute Council in partnership with social enterprise Stramash.

## Work to start on 12 new homes for rent

WORK to build 12 new energy efficient homes for affordable rent in Inveraray is due to get underway.

Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) has confirmed Stewart McNee Limited of Dunoon will start work at Barn Park in early August.

The development will include four one-bedroom flats, four two-bedroom flats and two

three-bedroom houses. The first ACHA project to meet the Silver Building Regulation standard, the homes will have enhanced insulation, triple glazing, air-source heating and solar water heating that will reduce fuel costs for tenants.

It will also include a Scottish Water-funded rainwater recycling initiative which is being incorporated into the

building design. Alastair MacGregor, ACHA chief executive, said: 'I am really pleased that with the support of the Scottish Government and Argyll and Bute Council we have been able to take this initiative forward.'

'Not only will the development provide new homes on its completion but skilled construction jobs for the duration of the development.'

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# MID ARGYLL FUNDRAISING FRENZY

## Lochgilphead girl helps Ghana youngsters into the classroom

A GRADE A student is fundraising to ensure orphans in Ghana have a safe journey to school where they can gain an education and improve their life chances.

Fabienne Renfrew, 18, hopes to raise £8,000, to buy a school bus for children at JIKO orphanage in Aboadze, by holding a series of fundraising events.

The former Lochgilphead High School student, who volunteered at the orphanage in June, was horrified by the dangerous trip to school the children made each morning.

She said: 'The roads are so dangerous out there. Because there are no driving laws people speed and are all over the roads. The children



Fabienne with some of the children at JIKO Orphanage.

have to walk to school. It's really dangerous for them.

'Fortunately none of the children have been injured, but many other

people have been. The local priest was knocked down and broke his neck while we were there.'

Fabienne and her friend Stephanie Wynn

from Motherwell volunteered at the orphanage and helped teach at the nearby school for four weeks in a bid to spend their summer do-

ing something 'worthwhile'.

The duo, who met while studying Chemical Engineering at Heriot Watt University, are set to climb Ben Nevis in a fundraiser on August 28.

Fabienne said: 'We chose to climb Ben Nevis because anyone who knows us knows that we're lazy - I hope people can see it's for a good cause.'

The Ben Nevis climb will be the first of many challenges the pair hope to do throughout the year to raise cash for the bus, which will allow the children to get to school and receive the same education they did.

'I think we, in Britain, have a preconception that children in Africa

are at a lower level of learning,' Fabienne said.

'I was surprised to find that they were learning at standard grade level and were doing the same thing as I had in school.'

JIKO orphanage was established by Sam Bangura and his wife in 2005 when they began looking after four children. It has since grown to look after up to 16 youngsters aged between three and 16.

Most of the children there are orphans, while others have been abandoned by parents who are unable to look after them.

To learn more about Fabienne's fundraising plans, or to sponsor her log on [jiko-orphanage.webs.com](http://jiko-orphanage.webs.com).



Mary Campbell, second left, and Eli Pickering, second right, hand over their cheque to the MS Centre's Karen McCurry, left, and Claire Cameron. 06\_a30bookshop02



Paul Smith set for the cycle of his life.

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Frances Fleming, treasurer of the Marie Curie fundraising group, accepts a £843.39 cheque on behalf of Marie Curie Cancer Care. 06\_a30marie01

### Tarbert nurse remembered at tea party

THE MEMORY of a Tarbert nurse was honoured recently as friends and colleagues turned out to raise cash for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Staff at Tarbert Health Centre hosted a Blooming Great Tea Party in memory of district nurse Diane Gaskell who died of cancer last year.

More than £800 was raised at the event and will be used to fund Marie Curie Nurses who provide end of life care for people with cancer and other illnesses. Cathanna Smith, a senior nurse at Tarbert Health Centre, said Diane had worked at the centre for 11

years until her death in June 2013. She said: 'Diane was a district nurse here and she took part in the Marie Curie fundraising in previous years. She was well known and well liked in the community.'

The Blooming Great Tea Party was held in June for the fourth year running and was supported by Tarbert businesses who offered prizes for the raffle. Cathanna added: 'The public were great, very involved and generous. The school was even involved and fifth and sixth year pupils served tea and coffee at the tables.'



The team, including Murdo and Jane MacLeod, presenting Macmillan Cancer Support with the cheque. 06\_a29macmillan01

STAFF from MacLeod Construction presented Macmillan Cancer Support with a cheque for more than £5,000 at the yard in Lochgilphead.

The team of 12 swam their way to £5,438.73.

Ryan Taylor, fundraising manager for Macmillan Cancer Support, said: 'We are very grateful to the staff at MacLeod Construction for raising the money and for their efforts in doing so.'

'There are over two million people living with cancer in the UK at the moment, so this is a big help for the charity.'

'We are the only charity to provide support and care from diagnosis through to palliative care.'

Ryan said the money raised could pay for a nurse to care for a cancer patient for up to three months, pay to heat cancer patients' homes or pay for weekend breaks away.

Earlier this month the 12 swimmers, led by Gordon Ram, swam across Loch Gilp, from Ardrishaig to the Kilmory.

Murdo MacLeod said: 'They have all done a fantastic job.'

# Annie on her bike for challenge of a lifetime

A WOMAN cycling the length of the west coast of Scotland is this week hoping good memories get her through the challenge of a lifetime.

Annie McDermott, from Lochgilphead, will on Thursday begin a seven-day cycle from Vatersay to the most northerly point of the Hebrides, The Butt of Lewis, and complete three hill climbs on the way: Sheabhal on Barra, Beinn Mhor on South Uist and An Cliseam on Harris.

The 26-year-old is retracing some of the journey she made four years ago with young people from Zambia, whose lives had been turned around by Mid Argyll-based charity, Mthunzi and Lilanda Initiative (MALI).

She is completing the cycle to raise money for the charity that provides accommodation, support, counselling and education to former street children, most of whom are orphans, in its Mthunzi Centre in Lusaka, Zambia.

Annie, a member of the MALI committee, said: 'About four years ago when the Mthunzi boys were over here we went to Barra with them and Vatersay and we had a brilliant time. In terms of trying to organise a challenge it seemed it a very fitting place to start.'

'I will be thinking of them along the way.'

The money raised by Annie will be used to help build a secondary school beside the Mthunzi Centre.

'This will not only benefit the young people at the centre whose school fees MALI currently pay but also young people from the four elementary schools in the local area so that they too can achieve their education potential,' Annie added.

'Being over there and speaking to the young people, they really appreciate their education. It is their ticket out of there, to go on and do great things, that's why the school is so important. I have plans to go over in the next few years and I'll see the money in action.'

To sponsor Annie, who currently works as a physiotherapist in Grangemouth, go to justgiving/weanniemd.



## Grandmothers step in with MS cash

TWO WOMEN who walked barefoot over hot coals, on broken glass and through thunder and lightning have raised more than £1,000 for a Lochgilphead charity.

Eli Pickering and Mary Campbell trekked through storms for four days to walk along Hadrian's Wall to raise cash for the MS Centre in Lochgilphead, which Eli's daughter, Karen Cameron, attends.

Eli, manager of Lochgilphead's bookshop, said: 'We were walking through a place where there were no trees and the two of us had metal walking poles when the lightning came on, but we made it.'

Karen, 32, raises awareness through social media for her mum's fundraisers.

She said: 'The fact mum and Mary do this on their own is just amazing. They pushed themselves to the absolute limit and I admire them for that.'

The walking grandmothers handed over the £1,378 they raised to the MS Centre's Karen McCurry and Claire Cameron last week. 'We can't thank them enough,' said Karen McCurry.

Eli and Mary took part in the MS Centre's fire and ice walks in May and previously completed sponsored walks of the Great Glen Way and Kintyre Way to raise money for the charity.

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## 1,000 miles in saddle gives help to heroes

A FORMER soldier is half way through the End-to-End cycling challenge and hopes to raise £2,000 for Help for Heroes.

Originally from Ford, teacher Paul Smith is cycling 1,000 miles from John O'Groats to Land's End, and has raised £700 so far. Paul said: 'I chose Help for Heroes because the work it does is amazing and they're doing a great job.'

Paul has welcomed the support of friends and family to get sponsors and raise awareness.

He said: 'My mum and my sister have been going around with sponsor sheets for everyone in Mid Argyll.'

Paul left his family home in Mid Argyll aged 17 to sign up to the British Armed Forces. He dedicated 12 years to

the 16th Regiment Royal Artillery, where he successfully worked up to bombardier, equivalent of a corporal, before meeting his now wife Leissa and settling in Bromley.

He said: 'I have been impressed by people's generosity, particularly by people who don't know me. It shows me that people know it's a good cause.'

He said: 'I have friends all over the UK who have been getting sponsors in their areas, and my pupils have been helping me out too.'

The 13-day cycle kicked off on Tuesday July 22 and will end on the August 3. Go to <https://www.justgiving.com/paulsmith1416/> to find out more about Paul's challenge and charity, or sponsor him.

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### Traditional jobs roles on decline

FIGURES showing that twice as many men are out of work than women in Argyll and Bute are sad but not surprising when we think of the type of work available here.

Argyll is very dependent on the public sector and the tourism and hospitality industries for employment.

In fact as a local authority Argyll and Bute is the second most dependent on the public sector for employment. But in the last four years Argyll and Bute Council and other national agencies based in the region have been cutting jobs.

And it has been traditionally male-orientated jobs that have been culled.

For example the council's Street Scene department has been particularly affected by cuts - a department that has had a majority of men in manual labour roles.

These jobs have gone but those men, most of them, are still searching for work.

And where do they turn to? The tourism industry? This could be perceived as a traditionally female-dominated industry with receptionists, house-keeping and waiting staff who work part-time.

While attitudes to sexism in the workplace have changed in the last 20 years, in Argyll and Bute those attitudes need to change further.

As public sector roles continue to decline and the tourism industry hopefully continues to grow, we need to forget about gender stereotypes. More needs to be done to break down these gender perceptions or the population in Argyll and Bute will plummet event further.

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### Utopian naivety

Sir,  
Out of curiosity I attended a 'yes' meeting last week. I wanted to stir the pot a bit, but found myself dumbstruck by the smooth talking utopian naivety of all the speakers. I don't wish to be rude or insulting but I think they are in cloud cuckoo land. They have amazingly plausible answers for any problem that might arise but these are based on incredible assumptions. The wonderland of once we have independence then all politics will be put aside and we'll all pull together is contrary to all human nature.

To assume monetary matters will be so simple ignores that the one thing that any business hates is uncertainty. The flight of business south will be like a haemorrhage.

Democracy? If the vote goes 50.5 per cent for on an 80 per cent turnout do we really impose this enormous change on the country? Any other constitutional organisation making such a momentous change to their affairs would require at least a 60 if not 70 per cent approval of its members at an AGM before doing so.

Who or what is going to pay for all the wonderful goodies on offer. The mantra that we are a wealthy country is spouted so often that the unthinking start to believe it. Most of our North Sea resources are foreign owned. The French own the electricity system. The Dutch, Danes or Germans own a fair chunk of the renewable industry. The Norwegians own most of the fish farms or is it the Polish now. The Indians own the whisky. It moves on so often one can't keep up.

The actual COST of setting up offices and institutions to run the country independently will be enormous. Just think back to the building of Holyrood. Was it £40 million or £400 million? The former was the proposed, the latter the reality.

I am a proud Scot, but a Brit too and do not like the current government any more than anyone else around here. Vote them out. Don't destroy the structure. We already have a parliament to run our own country. It costs enough already, make it work. If you still want our political leaders to take control of the financial reigns completely just think of Edinburgh's trams and then have a cold shower.

**Michael Murray,**  
By email.

### Greater representation and influence in the EU

Sir,  
I am writing in response to Mr Smith's letter entitled, Independence - farming and fishing concerns, which featured on July 4.

An independent Scotland would have greater representation and influence in the EU during negotiations.

At the moment Scotland only has six seats; other countries of similar size have around 12. This lack of influence has meant that Westminster has routinely traded off Scotland's interests in the EU to pursue other priorities instead; case in point Scotland receives the third lowest rate per hectare for direct CAP payments (Pillar 1) and the lowest rate per hectare for rural development (Pillar 2).

To rub salt in the wounds successive UK governments have failed to pass on hundreds of millions of pounds in EU agriculture payments to Scotland. This will see farmers in Scotland losing out on €60m a year until 2020, money which is rightfully theirs. Regarding fishing an independent Scotland would mean the industry is viewed as a national interest and not a bargaining chip.

The UK government has the powers to alleviate people's concerns, regarding an independent Scotland's EU membership/subsidies, by asking the European Commission for a formal view and/or taking a more proactive approach now, but the UK Government has taken the stance that it won't pre-negotiate. This failure to try and provide some certainty means there is only one beneficiary, and that is the No campaign.

**Matthew Cumming,**  
Macdonald Terrace,  
Lochgilphead.

### Ardrishaig needs more support

Sir,  
I read with dismay, Ed Laughton's letter regarding the covered precinct in Ardrishaig. It seems that the planning department has decided to vacate the prime situated units as per the Ardrishaig Community Council's wishes, only for Argyll and Bute Council to fill them again with more offices.

I can't say I'm surprised. It wouldn't be the first time this council has bulldozed through a decision which seems to be in complete conflict with the long-term benefits of the local community.

Aren't there any other suitable buildings in council ownership that would suit better? What about the upper floor of the Poltalloch Street building, above the Clydesdale Bank, or the former Lochgilphead Primary School building? To my knowledge both are vacant, have ample parking, are centrally located and seem perfectly suited to accommodate offices.

Ardrishaig is trying very hard to regenerate itself but it needs support. Support from a council that looks at the bigger picture, the longer term effects of its decisions rather than stop gaps. Ardrishaig needs reasons for people to stop, shop, live, visit and play, if it is to flourish. Where else in Mid Argyll is there a row of covered shop units? Keeping the precinct sterile, silent and shuttered will not help Ardrishaig regenerate.

**Lynne Girdwood,**  
Glenburn Road  
Ardrishaig.

### Roads policing unit

Sir,  
The new roads policing unit for Argyll and Bute is great news for the constituency.

The occurrence of fatal accidents on local roads has caused great concern to many local communities. The new unit's operations will bring reassurance to many and improve road safety across Argyll and Bute.

Road policing is the top priority for Police Scotland in Argyll and Bute and I am delighted that together with the support of the roads policing trunk group, based at Fort William and Glasgow, progress is being made.

**Michael Russell,**  
MSP for Argyll and Bute.

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Hazel, left, and Alison in their 2014 Commonwealth Games uniforms.

## Mid Argyll medics at games

**'It highlights the high calibre of nursing care that is being delivered locally'**

TWO NURSES from Mid Argyll Community Hospital are set to deliver medical care to top athletes at the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games.

Hazel Whiston and Alison Wragg, both accident and emergency nurses, were selected out of 700 applicants to become part the nursing team.

### Small unit

Alison said: 'It is an outstanding achievement that a small unit, such as the one we have at the Mid Argyll hospital, has been able to provide two members of staff. It highlights the high calibre of nursing

care that is being delivered locally.'

Medical teams at the games are made up primarily of doctors, nurses and physiotherapists.

Hazel will work alongside experts in sports medicine at the Poly Clinic in the athlete's village, nursing athletes and coaches with injuries that arise after competition.

Alison will be working on the frontline in a medical response vehicle that will provide medical cover at road events such as the marathon and road cycling.

The women have already undertaken additional training which fo-

cused on boosting their physical assessment skills and delivering care outside a hospital.

Alison added: 'A large scale tournament provides particular challenges, but the buzz and the atmosphere of a big event is amazing.'

Hazel, a well known member of the Mid Argyll Tri and Cycle Club and Alison, who previously volunteered with the Hong Kong Rugby 7s, have thanked their colleagues at the hospital for working around their games schedule.

The pair hope the experience will provide new skills they can bring back to the hospital.

## Slight fall in passenger numbers at Campbeltown Airport

PASSENGER numbers at airports in the Highlands and Islands grew by almost 8,000 during the last quarter, but there was a slight fall at Campbeltown Airport.

Figures for April to June this year show that passenger numbers at Highland and Islands Airports Ltd's (HIAL) 11 regional airports

grew to 366,244, an increase of 2.2 per cent on the same quarter last year.

### Compared

At Campbeltown airport passengers numbers fell by 120 to 2,482, a drop of 4.6 per cent compared to the same period last year.

But Inglis Lyon, managing director of HIAL,

said: '...the launch of a tender process to build two new aircraft to serve Barra, Campbeltown and Tiree is further good news for the long term future of air routes for these communities.'

All of HIAL's island airports reported growth. At Islay Airport passenger numbers increased by 234 to 8,089.

## Inveraray Pipe Band go for gold

THREE weeks after being crowned European champions, Inveraray Pipe Band will travel to Dumbarton tomorrow (Saturday) in a bid to take the Scottish title.

The Scottish Championships, held in Levensgrove Park in Dumbarton, is the first competition for the Inveraray band since it took first place at the European contest in Forres.

Lifting the European

Cup, Inveraray broke the winning run of the Field Marshall Montgomery Pipe Band which had not been beaten since the Cowal Pipe Band Championships in 2012.

But Jim McMillan, Inveraray Pipe Band secretary, said the band was taking nothing for granted.

He said: 'We are still working hard because there are so many good bands and there is very

little between the top six. We cannot be complacent, we will be working as hard as ever. 'They got a good result but that's not to say it will happen again. We will do our best.'

The band enjoyed an extra practise at Inveraray Highland Games on Tuesday where it led the procession from Main Street to the grounds of Inveraray Castle.

See pages 14 and 15 for coverage of the games.

## Man charged with dangerous driving

THE DRIVER of a Porsche has been charged with dangerous driving after being spotted by an unmarked police car on the A83.

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**Wealth of Reading project**

RIVETING tales from exotic locations are being dished up at Argyll libraries this month as part of a literary celebration of the Commonwealth Games.

Libraries including Lochgilphead and Tarbert are running the Wealth of Reading project in a bid to encourage people to pick up something new to read, while also having the chance to win a tablet computer.

Readers who take part in the Wealth of Reading initiative can win a tablet by submitting a review a commonwealth book they read.

The review should be 50 words or less and can be submitted online at [www.scottishlibraries.org/wor](http://www.scottishlibraries.org/wor).

Wealth of Reading will run in libraries until September 30.

# Argyll Ceilidh Trail hits the road

EIGHT young, talented traditional musicians from Argyll take to the road this summer representing Argyll Cèilidh Trail.

Organised by Fèis Latharna, the Argyll Cèilidh Trail has a packed schedule of 18 performances in the space of a month throughout July and August.

The group is attending Fèis Alba in Plockton this week, to rehearse and collaborate with the other groups in preparation for their tour, which kicked off in Arrochar on Monday.

The band performed in Oban, on July 23 and returns in August at the Argyllshire Gathering Halls.

Island performances on Iona, Luing, Gigha, Islay and Arran follow, as well as concerts in Lochgilphead, Carradale, Taynuilt, Dalmally, Tayvallich, Du-noon and Inveraray.

The group will also perform as part of the Commonwealth Games celebrations at Glasgow Green on July 28.

Argyll Cèilidh Trail is selected through an

audition process, and this year's members are: Kimberley Campbell, Lochawe; Hannah Gillies, North Connel; Niamh MacKaveney, Tarbert; and Oban musicians Merle Harbron, Kirsty Campbell, Anna Garvin, James MacPherson and Rebekah MacPherson, with a line-up featuring fiddle, accordion, piano, flute, whistle, pipes and guitar.

Established by Fèisean nan Gàidheal in 1999 to help teenage musicians develop their performance skills and to create a vibrant traditional music entertainment programme in the Highlands, the project has proved to be an overwhelming success, with seven ceilidh trail groups in 2014.

Ewen MacPherson, Fèis Latharna treasurer, said: 'This is a tremendous opportunity for these talented young folk to develop further their musicianship and performance skills.'

'Their journey from the early days of learning instruments to presenting music of a very professional standard today is amazing.'



Musicians on this year's Argyll Cèilidh Trail.



**Eilidh McCallum, 81, from Lochgilphead shared cuddles with her three-week-old great, great niece Orla as her family came to support the guild.** 06\_a30cof01

## Guild coffee morning

PEOPLE of all ages, including a three-week-old baby, turned out to support the Lochgilphead Parish Church Women's Guild coffee morning on Saturday.

The second to be held in July, the coffee morning was attended by people from across Mid Argyll including three generations of one family.

Seventeen of the 21-strong guild team organised Sat-

urday's coffee morning for which they did all the home-baking.

The two coffee mornings, along with a raffle, raised £1,118.

### Delighted

Edna Armstrong from the Guild said: 'We're delighted. We've been rushed off our feet. The churches around Lochgilphead always support our fundraisers and we support them.'

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# Dance group steps out at games

A DANCE group from Mid Argyll performed at the Commonwealth Youth Dance Festival 2014 alongside dancers from around the world. Dalriada Youth Com-

pany, based in Lochgilphead, showcased a new routine over three nights to audiences at the Tramway in Glasgow. Katie Milroy, leader at Dalriada Youth Com-

pany, said: 'We applied to Ydance Scotland and out of around 90 applicants we were chosen and we went through to auditions in Stirling. Our girls were 14 out of 450 dancers to take part.

'The whole event was really exciting for the girls.

'We were just really pleased they got through up against such competition and it was great for the dancers to mingle and make new connections.'

YDance Artistic Director Anna Kenrick said: 'The Commonwealth Youth Dance Festival showcased the extraordinary talent that lies within youth dance.'



Right: Members of Dalriada Dance Company.



A Dalriada dancer on stage.

## New work on show in Tighnabruaich

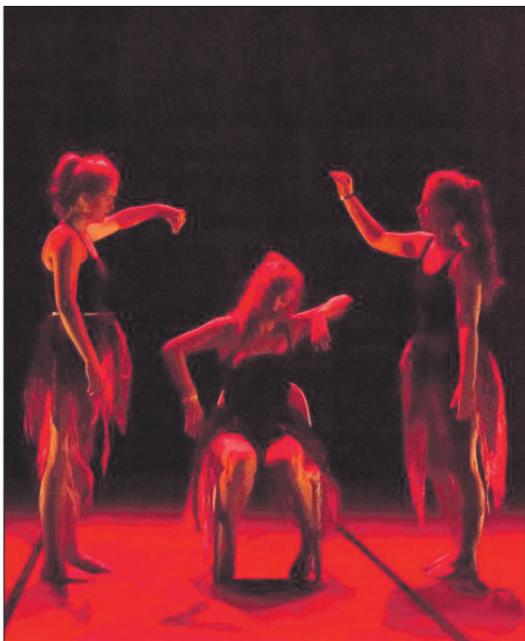
THE LATEST exhibition from artist Stuart Herd will be previewed tomorrow at Tighnabruaich Gallery.

Stuart, who owns The Harbour Gallery in Tarbert, has produced more than 30 new paintings featuring some of his favourite

views in and around the Cowal village. Images of Kames Hotel, the Waverley docked in Tighnabruaich and the village foreshore are included in the exhibition.

It will remain on display at the gallery until August 30.

# Mum urges youngsters: follow your dream



Niamh MacKaveney with her dancers on stage at the Tramway.

THE MUM of a dancer from Tarbert, who produced and choreographed her own stage show for the Commonwealth Youth Dance Festival 2014, wants youngsters to follow their dreams.

Niamh MacKaveney, 18, embarked on a ten-month project with Hothouse Choreography, which aims to develop choreography skills in young people aged 14-19.

Her mum, Muriel MacKaveney, said: 'Niamh started off with 40 other students on the project and she when finally auditioning for the opportunity to create her own show was just one of six chosen.

'I want to remind young people in Argyll and Bute that there are opportunities for people here.'

Niamh's show was themed on social manipulation and her dancers from Lochgilphead mimicked puppets.

Muriel said: 'It was a brilliant event and it was very intense. We were blown away.'

Niamh has attended Anne Beckett's dance group since she was three years old and went on to take part in Katie Milroy's contemporary dance class with the Dalriada Youth Group, based at Lochgilphead sport centre.

Katie said: 'I like to let our dancers know of

what's going on nationally and support them to get involved as best as they can.

'Niamh has really blossomed and it was amazing to see when she performed at the Tramway.'

Hothouse Choreography is a partnership between Scottish Ballet and Ydance Scotland. The project that Niamh was part of had two phases which included mentoring and workshops.

The former Tarbert Academy student, who is preparing to go to Glasgow University to study music in September, was unavailable as the *Advertiser* went to press.

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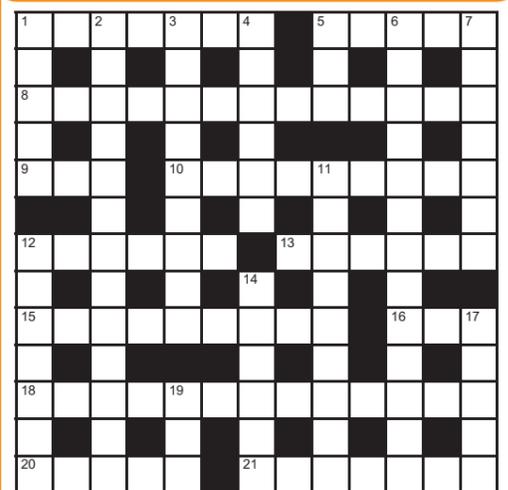
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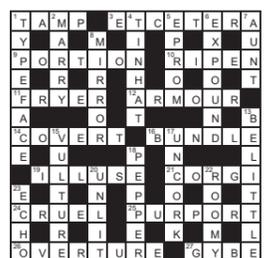
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## Last week's solution



**Charles Kennedy to speak for Better Together Campaign**

FORMER leader of the Liberal Democrat Party Charles Kennedy will be visiting Argyll on Monday to make the case for the Better Together Campaign.

The MP and Alan Reid MP for Argyll and Bute will be speaking at a public meeting in Oban's Corran Halls between 6.30pm and 8pm to make the case for Scotland staying in the UK.

Mr Reid said: 'Charles and I will be happy to answer any questions that people have about the referendum campaign.'

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**Pop-up shed for Lochgilphead**

A TREND sweeping Australia that sees communal sheds built for men to share in town centres could be set to take off in Mid Argyll.

Men who do not have their own shed to escape to are being offered the chance to share one when a pop-up shed is erected in Lochgilphead next week.

The shed aims to provide men the space they need for their hobbies and the opportunity to make friends in a pressure-free zone.

Picking up on the Aussie trend, Argyll Voluntary Action will create the 'shed' environment with a marquee in the grounds of the Youth Centre on Union Street over three days next week.

The shed will host ac-

tivity sessions where people will strip a small engine, repair a bicycle and do woodwork.

Antonia Baird of Argyll Voluntary Action said the pop-up event would allow residents to explore ways of creating a permanent shed in the town.

**Identified**

She said: 'It would be great for retired men to revive some of the local skills and show them to younger guys. We have also identified a need for a library of tools that we can all access as we need them.'

The shed will be open between 11am and 3pm Wednesday to Friday and an evening session with a barbeque will be held on Thursday evening from 6pm to 8pm.



**Annual beach clean at Lochgilphead**

Members of the Lochgilphead Phoenix Project completed their annual beach clean of the Lochgilphead foreshore on Sunday. Donning their gloves and litter pickers, the group of volunteers worked their way along Lochgilphead Front Green to ensure the main focal point of the town is litter free for the summer months.

**Wind farm funds to benefit child-care centre**

A CHILD-CARE centre in Mid Argyll has been singled out as an example of how wind farm community benefit funds can help social enterprise thrive and boost a village's fortunes.

Cairndow Community Childcare was established five years ago and after winning cash from RWE Innogy's An Suidhe Community Fund has grown dramatically.

Virginia Sumsion of the child-care group said cash from the fund was vital in securing staff for the facility.

Speaking at an event hosted by Foundation Scotland - the organisation that distributes much of Scotland's wind farm community cash, Virginia said: 'We attract children from as far as Inveraray and as a result secured wind farm funding which part funded the salaries.'

'The service has helped underpin the ongoing use and development of

the local hall which is also used as a community centre.

Developing the hall and establishing good quality childcare facilities helped us to leverage more funding and has given us the confidence to take on another project.

'Ten years on we have outgrown the original hall and we are now developing a community plan and looking to construct a purpose-built facility.'

Foundation Scotland has said the continued growth of Cairndow Community Childcare has benefited the local economy by keeping the costs of child care as low as possible, using local suppliers and providing local jobs for childcare staff.

The national charity states having a child-care facility also helps to attract families to the area, and helps to address Argyll's declining

and ageing population.

Foundation Scotland distributes funds for over

250 individual, families, charitable trusts, companies and public bodies.



Ardrishaig's Jimmy McMahon, 23, was astonished to catch a 12lb thornback ray when fishing recently off Ardrishaig pier.

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The air ambulance on a callout to Mull's west coast.

## New cards will point the way for emergency services

A POTENTIALLY life-saving initiative to help rural workers pinpoint their exact location in an emergency is being launched by NFU Scotland and Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance (SCAA), working alongside the Scottish Ambulance Service.

Statistics show that those employed in the rural and agricultural industries across Scotland face the greatest danger of accident or mishap of all professions. And when the worst happens in remote and isolated areas, getting help quickly to the right location is of paramount importance.

Now the union and SCAA are encouraging farmers, crofters, landowners and other rural workers to adopt an easy-to-use grid reference system which will help define accurate-

ly their location when summoning help.

By carrying a pocket-sized card detailing the grid reference of key landmarks on their land, which are clearly visible to emergency responders, anyone involved in an accident can pass on an accurate location to emergency services, allowing help to find them easily.

### Copied and kept

The reference point cards - detailing unique landmarks such as lochs, prominent hills, masts, water features, churches, bridges or road features - can be copied and kept in multiple locations by everyone on the farm, including on the farm vehicles, in workers' pockets or pasted to the back of their mobile phones.

NFU Scotland's regional co-ordinator Lisa Roberts said: 'With the

number of accidents increasing in the agricultural industry year on year, a simple tool like knowing a suitable location for the emergency services to find a casualty could potentially save time and in turn lives.

'Farming communities, especially those in more rural and remote areas, rely heavily on the services of responders such as SCAA and by working together to raise awareness of the importance of the identification of accurate locations, we can hopefully help emergency services locate the casualty quickly.

'I hope farmers, crofters and landowners will get on board and have this sort of information available if they ever need to use it. Creating their own unique card of reference points is so easy to do, but can

be crucial to allow the emergency services to reach a patient as quickly as possible.'

### Respond

Pauline Howie, chief executive, Scottish Ambulance Service, said: 'Our air and road ambulance teams respond to 999 calls for assistance on farms across Scotland. While they are supported by sophisticated mapping and GPS systems, any additional information from the scene that highlights lo-

cal landmarks will help crews locate patients.'

Gavin Davey, chief executive of Scotland's Charity Air Ambulance, said: 'Farmers from across Scotland have been very supportive of SCAA since we launched on operations last year and we are very grateful for their wide and varied fundraising events. SCAA responds regularly to rural incidents - many of them involving agricultural workers.'



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## Who will be the 'big cheese' of 2014?

COMMONWEALTH Games, World Cup or Tour de France?

Forget it, the big one this summer is the 'Cheese Olympics' and Argyll has a track record of bringing back gold, silver and bronze.

The International Cheese Awards (ICA) is the largest cheese show in the world; hence the nickname.

Campbeltown Creamery's Mull of Kintyre extra mature Scottish cheese in 2010 and 2011 and then 2012 saw their biggest win to date with the honour of best vintage cheddar in show.

Over the years artisan cheese-maker Inverloch has regularly come home with bronze, silver and gold medals.

Founded on the Isle of Gigha and now based in Campbeltown, Inverloch has won

with its Drumloch, Applesmoke and Campbeltown cheeses.

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Daredevil Liam Cameron from Ayrishraig enjoyed climbing and trampoline bungee jumping at the fair. 06\_a29fun02



Shayla Douglas, four, and Sophie Hall, three, had a blast playing on the bouncy castle. 06\_a29fun03

## Fun and frolics on the Front Green

YOUNGSTERS have been playing on Lochgilphead Front Green this month as the fun fair arrived in the town in a bid to keep children entertained in school holidays.

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The fair will remain in the town until the end of July.

## Lochgilphead teenager spends a week at the Scottish Space School

A TEENAGER from Lochgilphead has been rubbing shoulders with engineers from NASA and enjoying interviews with astronauts during a visit to the Scottish Space School.

### Selected

Ryan McCuaig, a pupil of Lochgilphead High School, was one of 100 young people selected to take part in the week-long space school at Glasgow's Strathclyde University last month.

The programme, for 5th year pupils in Scotland, sees students take part in lectures, lab work and workshops on a space-themed basis and is delivered by leading academics and researchers.

Ryan said: 'During my week there I got the opportunity to meet Heather Paul, a NASA engineer, Sue Lederer, planetary scientist with NASA, both of whom are based at the John-

ston Space Centre in Houston, Texas.

'We also had a Skype interview with Chris Hatfield, NASA Chief Commander, the first Canadian to walk in space, which was absolutely fantastic.'

### Confidence

Ryan, who has been diagnosed with dyspraxia - a condition that affects co-ordination - said the summer school had given him confidence to follow his ambitions to

study science at university.

The 17-year-old said: 'I had wanted to do physics but after going on this course I would like to go into the space side of engineering.'

The Scottish Space School aims to inspire young people in Scotland to study science and consider careers in science and technology.

This year 500 people applied for the 100 available places.

# Policy dictates flag flying - not the referendum

NATIONALISTS are a bit blue about a council officer's decision not to fly the Saltire.

But it will be all white on the night as nothing will be flown in its place, say Argyll and Bute council.

Councillor James Robb, a former leader of Argyll and Bute Council, says the Saltire should be flown on council flag poles if it is not a special day such as the Queen's birthday, after a council decision made in 2008.

Mr Robb claims that 'pressure from Better Together and the political administration of the council means officers have decided that the Scottish flag will not be flown in the run up to the referendum'.

Calling the council a 'laughing stock', he said: 'The Scottish flag is not owned exclusively by the yes or the no campaigns and both take equal pride in it.'

It has flown at council buildings for six years without complaint and indeed with general approval.'

An Argyll and Bute Council spokeswoman said it was not the referendum dictating the lack of a Saltire - but an age-old council policy. She said: 'It is not the case that the council has taken a decision to stop flying the Saltire.'

'Our flags policy, which has been in place for a number of years, specifies a number of designated civic flag poles and particular days in each year when either the Saltire or the Union flag will be flown on them.'

'At the moment, the Commonwealth flag is flying on our civic flag poles. This will remain in place until the conclusion of the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow.'

'The next date identified, in the policy, for

flags to be flown on civic flag poles is November and until then there will be no flags in place on these poles.'

The policy decision of August 2008 states: 'This council instructs the director of corporate services to arrange for the St Andrews flag (Scottish Saltire) to be flown on all other days of the year out with those specified occasions allocated for the flying of council or union flags as identified in the existing policy.'

Councillor Roddy McCuish is not putting up with the rhetoric, he said: 'I have much more pressing matters to deal with than what flag flies, and from where.'

'I don't really have the time for this - it is well down my list of priorities for the people of Argyll and Bute.'

'I am sure the majority of people in Argyll and Bute feel exactly the same.'

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Inveraray Pipe Band enjoyed a performance at Winterton Park ahead of tomorrow's (Saturday) Scottish Championships in Dumbarton. 06\_a30inv20



Ewan Bradley from Inverness was one of several athletes in take part in the high jump. 06\_a30inv22



Heisi Geirmundsson from Iceland took part in the Highland Games. 06\_a30inv38



'King of the Caber' Stephen King was all smiles as the sun shone on the heavyweight athletes on Tuesday afternoon. 06\_a30inv31



Lorne Colthart, originally from Argyll, performed well in the stone throwing competitions. 06\_a30inv26



The Argyll and Bute Highland Dancing champions. 06\_a30inv35

# Large crowd temperatures year's Invera

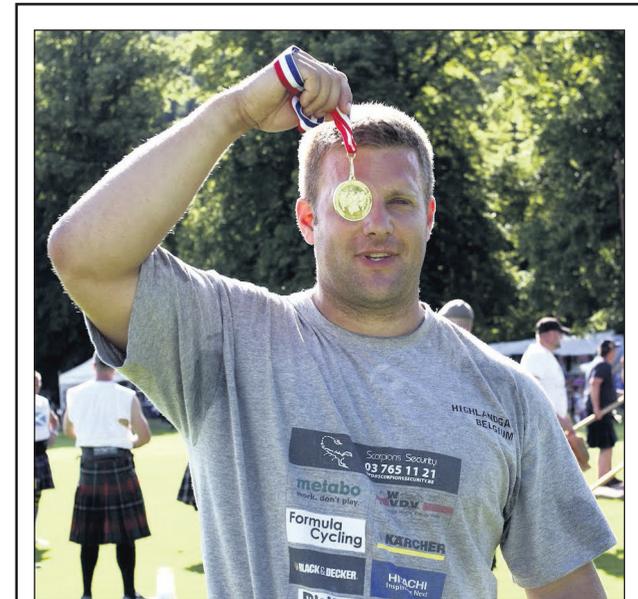
MORE THAN 3,000 people turned out for Inveraray Highland Games, which this year saw the royal burgh reignite its relationship with the armed forces.

On Tuesday dozens of soldiers from 5 Scots, home of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, took part in the procession to Winterton Park, which marked the start of Tues-

day's games. Several more went on to compete in track and field events, as well as wrestling.

Alasdair Chrystal, Inveraray Highland Games Convenor, said: 'The Argyll's came down and it really was great, because Inveraray and Argylls have grown apart and I feel today has re-established our relationship.'

The Argylls' attendance



Scott Rider with the World Championship medal he received from the event's sponsors The George Hotel. Photo: Kevin McGlynn

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# and soaring s at this Inveraray Games

at the event recognised Inveraray's key role as a naval base and training camp during the second world war.

### Soaring heat

The soldiers were amongst the thousands of people who shone under the soaring heat, with temperatures on the day reaching 25°C.

Spectators watched Highland dancing competitions,

athletics and enjoyed live music from bands and pipers, while also visiting the numerous stalls erected by local businesses.

Mr Chrystal dubbed the event a great success and said a buffet meal had been laid on for all those who had worked hard to put on the games.

'I think the meal together gives us a sense of community,' he said.

## English athlete wins World Caber Championships

AN ENGLISH athlete took time out from training for the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games to compete in and win the World Caber Championships at the Inveraray Highland Games.

After winning the title for the second year running, Scott Rider, 37, admitted he almost did not make it to the championship on Tuesday.

He said: 'I'm supposed to be at the athletes village, but when I saw it was a nice day I just took a drive up. I'm glad I did now.'

Scott battled it out against nine heavy weight athletes from Scotland, Iceland and Poland to take the world title.

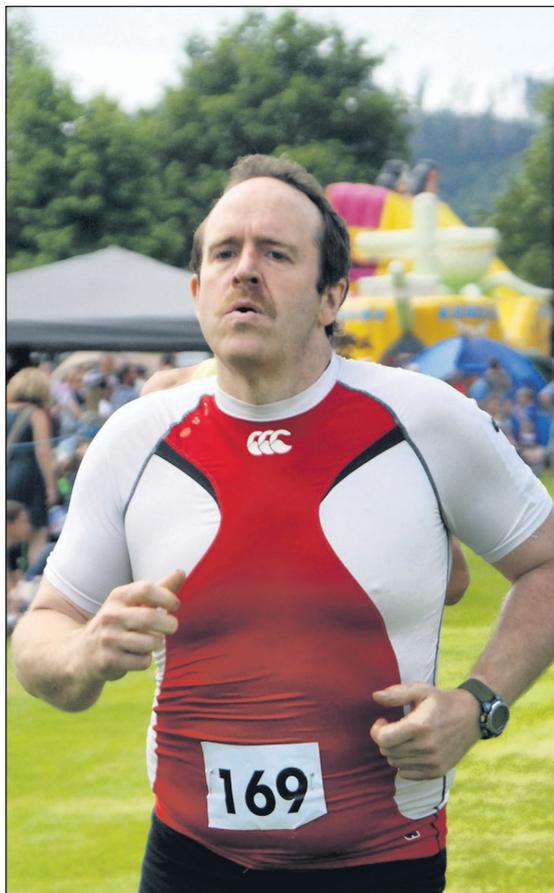
He will compete in the men's shot putt in the Commonwealth Games, which kicked off on Wednesday.



The Duke of Argyll, the head of Clan Campbell, and his children followed Inveraray Pipe Band in the march to the games field. 06\_a30inv12



Campbeltown's Iona McKinlay won the Anne McIlroy School of Dance Shield. 06\_a30inv57



Garrett Corner from Inveraray competed in the 800 metres. 06\_a30inv42



5 Scots, home of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, took part in the parade to the games field. 06\_a30inv10



Anya, Lucas and Piirse Gritten from Ardrishaig enjoyed a day out at the games with grandmother Mrytle Johnston. 06\_a30inv44

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**Non-commissioned officers of the Gaelic platoon, 1st and 8th Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders - could you help identify this and other photos?**

ing a new exhibition to remember those in Kintyre who went off to fight.

**Rare photographs**

Beginning in Mid-July and lasting for a month, the centre already has a collection of rare photographs for its exhibition featuring Kintyre servicemen and wom-

en, but it is looking for help from the public to identify some unknown faces.

Heritage centre trustee Marlyn Moffat said: 'We would like members of the public to help us identify some of the pictures for the exhibition. It would also be great to see new photos brought in to be added to the collection, which we are happy to scan, or keep in a secured area for show.'

'As well as photographs, we have relics of popular products

from the time, equipment used in the trenches and Great War medals.

'Among those photographed, we know something of two brothers with the surname Docherty, who were from Drumlemble, aged 17 and 27. Neither of them came home.'

The heritage centre also has a collection of Allied war propaganda from the time, featuring some unflattering depictions of the German Kaiser Wilhelm and his allies.



The Docherty brothers from Drumlemble were killed during the First World War.

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| 14/01559/PP | Erection of light industrial factory unit including formation of access road                      | Land 600M Southeast Of Kilmory Industrial Estate Roundabout Lochgilphead Argyll And Bute | 1A Manse Brae                  |
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| 14/01714/PP | Renewal of planning permission reference 11/00422/PP (Erection of dwellinghouse, installation of septic tank and formation of vehicular access) | Land North East Of Druim A Bhuinne Kilberry Argyll And Bute | Sub Post Office Harbour Street |

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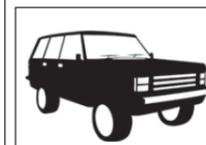
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**Thought for the Week**

with Marilyn Shedden



WE had been watching the forecast all week, but the weather prospects for Saturday just did not get any better.

The field at Killegruer shore was set out with all kinds of fun activities and those responsible had been planning it for ages.

Nothing was left to chance and everything was superbly organised by the Glenbarr Hall Committee.

The fun day was scheduled to begin at 2pm, and at exactly 2pm, the rain started and it didn't stop.

Everything was soggy, including the people.

We couldn't write down names or scores as the paper had disintegrated in the downpour.

However, it takes more than a bit of rain to dampen the spirits of the folk of Kintyre and we battled on with goal shooting, netball throws, pitch and put, archery, races, and guessing games.

Children and adults were completely droomit, yet everyone was still smiling and making the best of it all.

I thought of how resilient we are when we are working together for a cause that matters.

This event was to raise funds for the village hall, which is at the heart of the community in more ways than one, and people wanted to help.

In the same week an auction and ceilidh had raised a wonderful amount for the Mairi Semple Cancer Fund as people dug deep into the pockets of their generosity.

Sometimes we think that what we give will hardly make a difference to all the worthy causes which require funding.

But when we pull together we really can make a difference.

We are told that God will bless the use of our time and talents and money when we give these willingly to him.

I think there are many blessings around as I see the generosity of so many good folk here.

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**TARBERT**

**Tarbert Soup Group looking for more men**

A GROUP which provides a social outlet and friendship to Tarbert's senior citizens is hoping to attract more men as it becomes a registered charity.

Tarbert Soup Group, which provides a weekly lunch for pensioners in Tarbert and surrounding areas, has a bank of 18 female volunteers.

But now Heather Bellshaw from the group is urging men to volunteer in a bid to attract more elderly gentlemen to the weekly meet.

Heather said: 'The group is open to suggestions, from men who want to volunteer or men who want to be involved.'

'Although we haven't discussed it, yet, we have thought about holding men only workshops. We'd like to hear what people think.'

Tarbert Soup Group was an arm of Tarbert Youth Group since it began in 2010 but recently gained its own identity as a registered charity, with a focus on supporting older people in the community.

Heather said: 'We relied on the youth group for funding and it was hard for us to get funding on our own. Now we can apply to the NHS or Dementia Scotland.'

'It'll mean a more sustainable future for both groups. We will, of course, still work together. It's just better that we stand alone and can provide support to different age groups.'

Tarbert Soup Group will meet every Monday between midday and 2pm for lunch at The Tarbert Hotel. Lunch is provided by the hotel at a cost of £2 per person.

**Marshalls wanted for Tarbert 10k**

A RACE which was last year named the second best in the UK is looking for marshals to help run the 2014 event.

Many of the 2013 reviews about the TT10k acknowledged the fantastic support, encouragement and hard work

of the volunteer marshals and organisers are again looking for a similar bunch of enthusiastic people to get involved this year.

Jessica Little and Lorraine MacDonald are keen to see people who have not signed up to walk, jog or run, sign up as race marshal instead as they expect up to 400 people to take part in the event.

To sign up as a marshal or for more information contact Jessica or Lorraine via Facebook.

**STRACHUR**

**Free guided walks round Lachlan Bay**

FREE guided walks around Lachlan Bay will continue throughout the summer.

Families and small groups are welcome to take part in walks throughout July, August and September.

Starting at Inver Cottage, the walk leads to Kilmorie Chapel and Old Castle Lachlan.

For more information call Pauline Beautyman on 07599 723686.

**INVERARAY**

**MotoScotland off road taster weekend**

A FLEET of flashy motorbikes will be available to ride around Inveraray next weekend as a fundraiser gets underway.

The AJP off road taster weekend will see MotoScotland offer instructor-led off road taster sessions on a range of impressive AJP bikes while raising money for Kirsty's Kids.

The charity helps to improve the lives of children who are suffering from serious life limiting illnesses, children with special needs and their siblings.

As the west of Scotland dealer for AJC Bikes, MotoScotland, based within the grounds of Inveraray Castle, will have a fleet of motorbikes available for licensed riders to trial.

On each day of the event, August 2 and 3, an auction will be held

**KILMARTIN**



Megan was all smiles as she carried the baton through Kilmartin.

Kilmartin Girl Megan Yuill had the honour of carrying the Queen's Baton through her home village recently.

Her mum, Lisa Yuill said: 'We were immensely proud seeing her carry the Queen's Baton through her home village of Kilmartin.'

'Once the baton was handed over to

her she sprinted off so quickly, it was all over too soon.

'There was a great turn out from people in the village and surrounding areas. Megan was quite surprised at the amount of people. This was a once in a lifetime event for Megan and something she will remember all her life.'

where people can win a helicopter pleasure ride over Loch Fyne. The helicopter will be in Inveraray throughout the

weekend so the auction winner can immediately head up and out with two guests.

There will also be oth-

er auction items on offer, from motorbike goods to vouchers for MotoScotland's own off-road training sessions.

**CARRADALE**

**Wee Bobby is just champion!**

WELL KNOWN Carradale golf prospect 15-year-old Bobby Willan has recently added county champion to his CV.

Wee Bobby, as he is known to friends and family, recently travelled to Oban to play in the Argyll and Bute Boys county championship for under-16 and under-18 year olds at Glencruitten Golf Club.

In bright sunshine, with slight breeze, Bobby played a steady round on the tough course making only a couple of mistakes to score 69, and win not only the under-16 trophy but the under-18 title also.

Bobby, who is coached by Scottish national coach Ian Rae, said: 'Its good to be a coun-

ty champion, I've been working hard on my swing with Ian, its good to get it working well.'



Argyll and Bute under 16 and under 18 champion wee Bobby Willan.

**TEXT FOR THE WEEK**

'If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask of God ...' (James 1:5).

**MARRIAGE**

**MCKAY - RONALD** - Both families are delighted to announce the marriage of Anthony George, youngest son of John and Margaret McKay, Glenboig, to Lorna Agnes, eldest daughter of Malcolm and Inez Ronald, Ormsary, at Southend Parish Church, by the Rev Steve Fulcher, on June 14, 2014.

**RUBY WEDDINGS**

**MACFARLANE - FERGUSSON** - On July 27, 1974 at Tarbert Free Church, by the Rev H Sutherland, Archie to Fiona. Present address, 12 Hillview Terrace, Ardrishaig.

**DEATHS**

**CLERK** - On July 24, 2014, peacefully at home after a short illness, Isabella Campbell Clerk, in her 91st year, beloved wife of the late John Taylor Clerk, much loved mother of Colin, dear gran of Gillian, Iain and Dugald, great gran of Temma, Autumn, Orin, John Robert and Addison. Funeral service at Inveraray Parish Church, on Wednesday, July 30 at 12.00 noon, interment thereafter at Glen Shira Cemetery, to which all family and friends are respectfully invited. Flowers welcome, collection if desired, for Schiehallion Ward, Yorkhill Children's Hospital.

**HAWTHORN** - Peacefully, at the Mid Argyll Hospital, Lochgilphead, on July 17, 2014, Neil MacFarlane Hawthorn, aged 77 years, of Dhail Forest, Ardfern, son of the late James and Mary Hawthorn and brother of Margaret and the late Chirsty. A graveside service was held at Carrick Cemetery, Tarbert on Thursday, July 24, 2014.

**LEISHMAN** - Elizabeth Anne, née McLarty, on Thursday, July 17, 2014, at home shortly after 4.00am, in the presence of her husband, daughter and two Marie Curie nurses, after a long illness, borne with exemplary courage, a devoted wife to James, mother to Heather, Andrew and Douglas, mother-in-law to Harry, Karen and Erika and grandmother to Murray, James, Fraser, Iona, Sarah and Daniel. Service at the Crichton Memorial Church, Dumfries on Tuesday, July 29 at 1.00pm, to which all available are cordially invited. Burial thereafter at Tinwald Cemetery.

**LEISHMAN** - Peacefully, at the Campbeltown Hospital, on July 19, 2014, Jessie Thomson Nelson, in her 81st year, 113 Ralston Road, Campbeltown, dearly beloved wife of the late Bob Leishman, much loved mother of Alison and Brian, loving gran of Stuart, Laura, Ryan and Mark, and grandma to Bruce and Charlotte. Service in the Highland Parish Church, on Friday, July 25, 2014 at 1.00pm, funeral thereafter to Kilkerran Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation and invitation. Family flowers only please. A retiral collection will be held in aid of The Sunshine Room, Campbeltown Hospital.

**MCDUGALL** - Peacefully at home, 2 Glenbarr Cottages, on July 17, 2014, Mary Greenlees Blackstock, in her 99th year, dearly beloved wife of the late Peter McDougall, much loved mother of the late Malcolm and a loving nannie, great nannie and great great nannie.

**MCINTYRE** - Peacefully, in the Campbeltown Hospital, on July 17, 2014, George McEachran McIntyre, in his 76th year, 108 Davaar Avenue, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Cathie McKerral, much loved father of Charles and Elaine, father-in-law of David and Mary and a loving granda of Christopher, Clare, April and Amy.

**MCLEAN** - Peacefully, in the Campbeltown Hospital, on July 20, 2014, Alexander McLean (Alex), in his 79th year, 4 John Street, formerly of Bellfield Farm, Campbeltown, dearly beloved husband of Robina Mitchell, much loved father of Duncan and Elizabeth and a loving and much loved grampa

**YOUNG** - Peacefully at his home, with his family by his side, George MacLeod Young, aged 76 years, of Garden Cottage, Poltalloch Estate, Kilmartin, beloved husband of Christine. A much loved father and grampa and a dear brother, uncle and cousin to all the family. A good neighbour, dear friend and former work colleague to many. Funeral service will be held in Kilmartin Parish Church, on Monday, July 28, 2014 at 12.00 noon, thereafter to St Columba's Churchyard, Poltalloch. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to Vale of Leven Haematology Day Unit. No black ties please, colours preferred.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**HAMILTON** - Gilbert and the family of the late Caroline Hamilton would like to thank everyone most sincerely for the many kind expressions of sympathy and support, for cards, telephone calls, and flowers received in their recent bereavement. Special thanks to doctors and nursing staff at Glenaray Ward, Mid Argyll Hospital and all the various hospitals in which Caroline was a patient, Dr Elder at Carradale Surgery and district nurse Jacqueline for all the kind care and attention received. Special thanks also to Rev Steve Fulcher for his visits and very sincere and comforting service, to Stan Lupton Funeral Directors for the excellent and professional service provided, Tarbert Hotel for an excellent purvey and first class service. Finally, thanks to all who attended and paid their last respects at church and graveside. The collection for Macmillan Cancer Support raised £250.

**MITCHELL** - Lynne, Rhiannon, Catriona and Malky would like to thank all relatives, friends and work colleagues for the many kind expressions of sympathy, flowers, cards, phone calls and visits received following their recent sad loss. Grateful thanks to medical and nursing staff and carers for their support and kindness to James throughout his long

period of ill health. A special thank you to Mark at Lloyds Chemist for the extra help given to James. Our thanks to Rev David Carruthers for a comforting service, and to Bob and Douglas for their personal contributions and fitting tributes. Thanks also to Donald MacDonald Funeral Directors for caring and efficient services; to the Stag Hotel for excellent purvey and to the Flower Shop for exceptional flowers. Finally, our thanks are extended to all who attended at the church and graveside to pay their respects. The retiral collection has raised over £720 to date, which will be passed to the MS Therapy Centre, in memory of James.

**IN MEMORIAMs**

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## Star Set for Pre-Season Tournament

RED STAR travel to Paisley tomorrow (Saturday) to take part in an eight-team pre-season invitational tournament.

Manager Weir will be hoping to take a big squad as there are a guaranteed four games - each lasting 40 minutes - so a long day's football is anticipated.

Star have been drawn in Group A alongside Goldenhill, Ferguslie Star and Myre AFC so a tough test is expected in each of these games.

Other sides in the competition include Thorn Athletic and Apex.

## Bruce is just champion

ANOTHER good week on the fairways at Glenalloch Golf Course saw Bruce MacNab secure the 2014 Tarbert Golf Club Championship title.

Bruce carded two 70 and two 71 scores to accumulate a total of 282 and take the title ahead of Duncan Johnstone who had scores of 68, 74, 69 and 72 for a total of 283.

In the Handicap Trophy competition Bruce again took first place with a score of 258, while Duncan was named the Senior Champion and the winner of the John Reid Quach, also played recently at Tarbert Golf Club.

## Lottery numbers

THE jackpot in the Tarbert Football Club lottery has reached £1,000 as another week passes with no winner. The numbers drawn this week were 15, 16 and 19.

Karen McLarty won the £200 jackpot in this week's Inveraray Shinty Club lottery with numbers 6, 9 and 19. The jackpot will be £100 next week.

The numbers in this week's Kilmory Camanachd lottery were 2, 8 and 20. There were no winners and the jackpot will be £300 next week.

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# Helensburgh sailors lift top trophy at West Highland Yachting Week

PAUL Scutt and Alan Jeffries lifted the top prize of the Peter Cocks Memorial Trophy for the best performance of this year's West Highland Yachting Week (WHYW) in their First 36.7 *Carmen II*.

With a scoreline of five firsts and five points at the end of the regatta, the experienced team clinched the series that saw a week of contrasting weather giving sailing conditions from light breezes and flat calms to winds at stages gusting more than 40 knots with lumpy seas.

*Carmen II* also lifted the MacBrayne Centenary Challenge Cup for the fastest passage from Craobh to Oban and the Tennent Caledonian Anniversary Salver for the best corrected time in the passage from Tobermory to Oban.

Former overall title winner Craig Anderson with his Moody 336 *Cool Bandit 2* won the Angus Meldrum Trophy for the best corrected time from Oban to Tobermory and the Iona Shop Trophy for the best corrected time over all the passage races.

### Point adrift

Sitting a close second behind *Carmen II* on eight points were John MacKenzie's *Stoirm Mhor* (Class 3 winners), Steve William's *Oceanis 440 Mystic Sun* (Class 6 winners) and *Cool Bandit 2* (Class 5 winners). Scott and Nicola Chalmers on *Sunrise* were only another point adrift with nine points and lifted the

points series in white sail Class 2.

Tunnock's Fleet Class 5 had seen great competition between major WHYW sponsor Boyd Tunnock MBE with his crew on *Lemerac* against *Cool Bandit 2* across the week with all to play for on the final day. However *Cool Bandit* took the win pushing *Lemerac*, with a third place in the Tobermory to Oban passage race, two points behind into second place overall for the series.

It was a very tightly contested regatta with consistent performers in the top three placings each day and local west coasters in the top rankings.

### Popular win

Probably the most popular class win of the week was Lochaber's Marian Austin and her team on *Scintilla of the Sea*, the family-owned Northney 34, just one point ahead of Martel and Thorne's *Sonata So*.

Marian has been racing WHYW for 29 years and has been a consistently top performer every year, often with an all-girl crew. It was a fitting win, particularly since the class was so close on the last day that any of five boats could have lifted the title. Finishing with a second on the Tobermory to Oban race behind the Fyfe's *Popcorn*, Marian pulled out all the stops to finish with 13 points from *So's* 14.

In the same closely contested class, *Hot Toddy* of Oban Sailing Club

took two wins during the week, finishing fifth overall and was awarded the John G Maxwell Trophy for the best performance of a Royal Highland Yacht Club member in Class 8.

Owen McManus of Campbeltown with his new X332 had some excellent results also taking him to a fifth place in Class 4.

Oban's James Hardie with *Taz of Oban* took a second and third in Argyll Fleet Class 2 and was always in the first five boats in his class finishing fifth overall.

Mid Argyll's Brian Robertson with *Celtic Spirit* had a great week's competition in Class 5 with John MacKenzie's *Stoirm Mhor* from Skye and Graham Anderson's *Lucky Ned Pepper* from Oban.

All three vied for class title during the week with *Stoirm Mhor* finally clinching the class after taking third in the last race from *Celtic Spirit* and *Lucky Ned Pepper*. Although tied on points after the discard, the final race saw the better placed Skye boat lift the class trophy. Anne and Andrew Campbell's *Ajax* from Oban Sailing Club finished second in Class 4 after taking two firsts on the last two days of the event.

And Patrick Shellcock and team from Benderloch worked hard all week to finish a much-praised second overall in Class 0, the fastest class in the fleet. With a string of seconds and



Spinnakers billow in the wind during West Highland Yachting Week.

two thirds, they were pipped by *Carmen II*, this year's WHYW title winner.

The much-prized West Highland Yachting Week Family Trophy was awarded to Douglas Gray and his family on Aliz Motte, their Rival 34.

In the special prize category, The Endeavour Trophy was awarded to the *Sonata Serenity* that had to retire and fix a popped shroud on Wednesday but made their way to Tobermory in the early hours of Thursday morning to continue racing in the series.

### Donated

Both Gaelforce Marine and Nancy Black, Oban, donated prizes with Nancy Black's opting for the 'alternative' approach.

The prize for the 'wettest wallet' was awarded to Findlay Clark's Club 19 Red October from

Kilmelford for the wettest £20 note seen after the passage race to Tobermory!

It had been a particularly difficult day of weather and the boat's sterling performance in every race across the series was being 'noted'. As the smallest and arguably wettest yacht in the fleet, *Red October's* consistency, particularly when conditions are adverse for this size of boat, has won Findlay and his crew Ross complete admiration over the last few years that *Red October* has competed. This year, in particular was pointed up - with only two aboard and tough weather conditions to contend with.

There was also a prize for Seonaid Reid's beautiful wooden McGruber Lorne Class *Malindi of Lorne*. The boat celebrated her 50th birthday in tandem with the celebrations for Nancy

Blacks' 50th birthday.

A Nancy Black voucher for the best 'playpen' at WHYW was awarded to Seanachaidh for the number of youngsters aboard. Ruaridh from *Sunrise* was awarded a prize for his help on the first day of the series at Craobh Marina for getting the marks out to the committee boat. After being stuck on one side of the pontoon, the marks ended up in the water during the transfer and Ruaridh dived to rescue each one, despite becoming very cold in the proceedings!

Overall, despite a drop in numbers associated with the change of date to avoid a clash with Scotland's Commonwealth Games, the consensus was WHYW 2014 was a great success. Everyone is looking forward to next year's event which will revert to the normal date of the first week in August.

### Sponsored

WHYW is sponsored by Tunnock's, Argyll and Bute Council, Tobermory Harbour Association and The Crown Estate and receives help in kind from Flit Self Drive and West Coast Motors. The race team is headed by Malcolm MacGregor as principal race officer with Philip Preston, race officer for the Argyll white sail fleet, when the fleets race separately. Full results on [www.whyw.co.uk](http://www.whyw.co.uk)

## Busy week at bowling club

IT HAS been a busy few weeks at Lochgilphead Bowling Club with both the Alf Branch Trophy and Burnside Cup Open Triples both being competed for.

In the triples contest the semi final line up was last year's winners I Guy, S Crawford and G Annan against Ardrishaig triple J Robertson, M Mackinnon

and J Laing.

It was the 2013 champions who got to the final with a convincing win.

In the other semi final it was the experienced triple of A Mcvicar, P McArthur and D Crawford against youthful K Gargan and not so youthful C McInnes and N Ward, the latter succeeding to the final.

In the final N Ward and team continued their good form by getting a six in the first end and that was too difficult for G Annan's team to come back from with the short game format.

This month's Alf Branch Trophy winners were Kirsty Gargan and Alan Guy who beat Ian Guy and Agnes McLarty with a score of 6 - 5.

## SHINTY NEWS AND VIEWS

KILMORY endured another harsh defeat at the weekend as they took on Argyll rivals Kyles Athletic at home on Saturday.

A Matthew McColl hat trick put the game beyond the reach of the Lochgilphead side, while a fourth from Roddy McColl officially ended the game.

John Slaughter managed one consolation goal in what was another difficult South Division One encounter.

Kilmory play Taynuilt at MacRae Park at 2.30pm tomorrow (Saturday).

INVERARAY host Glenurquhart this Saturday in one of the team's few remaining games this season.

Having exited the cups this season and completed all but three league fixtures, the Royal Burgh will find the end to the season will be a long one.

# Lorenzo is the under 21 European champion

MID ARGYLL'S sailing sensation Lorenzo Chiarini claimed an emphatic European victory at the 2014 Under 21 Laser European Championships last Saturday.

The 20-year-old, from Bellanoch, concluded the six-day regatta counting nine top three finishes across the 12-race series held in Torbole in Italy. He finished 24 points ahead of his nearest rival, fellow British sailor Jack Wetherell.

'Winning the Europeans this year means a great deal to me,' Lorenzo said.

**Great achievement**  
'I didn't have a great start to the year with breaking my wrist so it is a great achievement as I haven't spent as much time on the water training as I would have liked.'

'I would have been pleased with a podium position at the start of the regatta so to win it so convincingly was really amazing for me, especially

as in the first race of the finals my mast snapped which then put a lot of pressure on me all the way to the end. To finish on 25 points with Jack in second on 49 points was a fantastic result and a great way to win the title.'

**Training**

Lorenzo, who became a registered member of the Great British sailing team in 2012, has been training in Weymouth with the Olympic squad while studying at Plymouth University.

He added: 'Our training group throughout the winter is really competitive with a great group of really talented sailors.'

'Even Nick [Thompson] and Alex [Mills Barton] push the younger guys onto the next level. As one guy gets better the other one follows and we are all making really good steady progress up to the top of the international men's fleet.'

The next competition



**Lorenzo on the water at Torbole in Italy. Inset: Lorenzo with his parents who run Bellanoch House on the Crinan Canal.** Photos: Paul Wyeth, Royal Yachting Association

for Lorenzo is the Laser Under 21 World Championships in Douarnenez, France in four weeks.

'Hopefully now I can

push on to the World Championships and improve on my fourth place finish from last year and hopefully get a podium finish,' Lorenzo said.

Lorenzo has been sailing from a young age and was named as a 2016 Olympic hopeful two years ago, while still a teenager.



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# Inveraray Under 17s lift MacQuiston Cup



Inveraray skipper Ross Anderson secured two of Inveraray's four goals.

Winners of the 2014 Under 17 South Championship: Inveraray Shinty Club.

## 'It was a good contest and was played in the right spirit'

INVERARAY under 17s lifted the MacQuiston Cup with a 4-2 win over Oban Camanachd recently at Taynuilt Sports Field.

Inveraray, with four players from Strachur adding to the team, started well and it took some good saves from Oban keeper Brian Logan to keep it scoreless.

But Inveraray skipper Ross Anderson soon broke the deadlock to put his side 1-0 in front.

Oban Camanachd found it difficult to get into the game at this point and Fraser Watt was on target to make 2-0 for the Winterton side.

Oban Camanachd's

Evan MacLennan and Inveraray's Lewis Montgomery had a great battle in the middle of the park as the sides went all out for the crucial third goal.

And it was Oban Camanachd who got it as Liam Higgins fired home to make it 2-1 at half time.

### Advantage

Both sides started the second half well but it was Inveraray which restored their two-goal advantage through Fraser Watt who made it 3-1.

Ross Anderson added a fourth with his second goal of the afternoon to make it 4-1.

Oban Camanachd nev-

er gave up however and the excellent Connor Howe made it 4-2 before the final whistle saw Inveraray clinch the Under 17 South Championship.

Inveraray coach Ally Watt said: 'They certainly deserved the win for the way they played on the day and for the effort they put into train-

ing throughout the year.

'They played really good shinty. Oban Camanachd played well as well. It was a good contest and was played in the right sporting manner. Credit goes to both teams for putting on a good display.'

The teams enjoyed a post-match meal at the Taynuilt Hotel.

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